DIARY DATES

Monday 21st November
Assembly

Monday 21st - Friday 25th November
Grade 2SB Swimming week 2:00 - 2:30pm
Foundation Swimming week

Tuesday 22nd November
China parent meeting 7:00pm
Music Soiree 7:00pm

Wednesday 23rd November
Canteen Closed

Thursday 24th November
Year 5/6 Puberty Talks
Year 3/4 Hooptime State Finals

Friday 25th November
Year 6 Hooptime State Finals
Founder and Year 6 Teddy Bears Picnic
Parent Helpers’ morning tea 11:00am

Thursday 15th December
Founder - Year 2 Christmas Concert 9:30am

ANNUAL SPRING FAIR
The weather finer up beautifully for the Spring Fair on Wednesday. Excitement levels were high and it was a very successful event for the children of Bimbadeen. Once again I was impressed with the values and qualities demonstrated by the children and the way they look out for and help others, particularly the younger children. What makes our Spring Fair so special is that it is run by the children for the children. They buy and sell show bags of toys and games and gadgets, mystery jars, drinks and ice creams as well as play some of the old fashioned games that we used to enjoy when we had school fetes ‘back in the day’. This year was the first time that the Year 6 children had a ‘bottle flipping’ competition table! The outstanding work that the staff and parents put in to organise this event, led by the infectious enthusiasm of Mr Legione, combined with the joy and enthusiasm of the children epitomises the culture that exists at this great school and makes one proud to be a part of Bimbadeen. Well done to all who help to make this a highlight of the school year. At the time of writing we had banked around $4,000 from this great event.

SUNSMART
Remember your sun smart hat for Term 1 and 4

VISION
To instil in children a life-long love of learning

MISSION
To provide each child with the opportunity to develop their full potential for intellectual, social and personal growth

BHPS is committed to a zero tolerance approach to child abuse’
CHRISTMAS FAMILY FUN NIGHT
Make sure that you have Wednesday evening November 30 on your calendars as this will be our Christmas Family Fun Night from 5:30 to 7:30pm. There will be BBQ food, drinks, (including ‘real coffee’, raffles and a DJ with music for the children. Thank you to the Community Links team led by School Council member, Paul Meilak and several teachers, Haley Rusch, Virginia Gardner, Kate Troschke, Bree King and Jacqui Duncan, for organising this special event.

We are doing the Christmas performances a little differently this year and there will be no children’s performances at the Family Fun Night. The children from Foundation to Year 2 will be putting on a Christmas Concert at 9:30am on Thursday December 15 in the hall. This will allow for better sound quality, seats for parents and other family members and is not weather dependent. If you have children in these year levels please put this date and time in your diary as it is always a highlight of the year to see the joy on the children’s faces as they perform.

SWIMMING
Our junior school swimming program started this week with all the Year 1 classes swimming every day as well as two of the Year 2 classes, (2JD & 2TJ). Next week the three Foundation classes will be swimming every day as well as 2SB. Thank you to the parents who are helping every day with this program, making sure that children are reunited with lost socks, jocks and towels!

JUNIOR SCHOOL SPORTS DAY
At the time of writing the Founders to Year 2’s are still looking forward to their sports day that will happen on Friday. This is always great fun with lots of enjoyable activities and lots of parents. I hope that the weather is kind and that it goes well. Thank you to all who helped organise and run the activities.

SCHOOL STRUCTURE FOR NEXT YEAR
We have been working on developing our school structure for next year for a couple of months now since we were given our indicative budget from the Department of Education and Training in September. This has involved working out how many staff members we can afford, determining which staff will be returning from leave, who may be leaving and doing our best to determine how many students we will have for next year. We have answers to those questions now and can confirm that we will be operating 22 classes again in 2017. There will be 3 Foundation classes, 3 Yr 1 classes, 3 Yr 2 Classes, 6 Yr 3/4 classes, 4 Yr 5 classes and 3 Yr 6 classes. Our specialist program will remain unchanged with all children enjoying weekly LOTE, Art, Music and Physical Education classes. We will also have a Literacy Intervention and Student Wellbeing teacher.

Our staff team will be relatively unchanged with one new teacher coming on board, Miss Kiah Allen, and some of our teachers who have been on family leave returning next year, Mrs Katie Borczuch and Mrs Tania Maniscalchi.

It is with considerable sadness that I announce that Mrs Jo-Anne Lang, one of our Assistant Principals, will be retiring at the end of this year. Jo has been assistant principal here for as long as I have been here and we will miss her wisdom, insight, curriculum knowledge and her capacity to find anything! Jo does so much work behind the scenes, quietly circumventing problems before they even happen or calmly resolving them if they do. Jo started here in the school’s second full year of operation back in 1979, has taught at almost every level of the school and has made a very positive contribution to many hundreds of children over the years. I am not alone in wondering how we will continue to thrive without Jo here. It has been a great privilege to work with her and we wish her all the very best for a long and enjoyable retirement.

Jo will not be lost entirely to us as we will bring her back for some special projects from time to time, including assisting in the leadership of our next visit to our Sister-School in China next March and to help us with our school review next year.

Mr Fowler, our other assistant principal, will drop his current teaching load and will become our full-time Assistant Principal. Mrs Cath Buckland will not have a classroom teaching responsibility but will be our Student Wellbeing leader and our literacy intervention teacher. All other support staff such as our office staff, integration aides, library technician, school psychologist, speech therapist, school chaplain and counsellor will remain unchanged.
There will be some room changes that are yet to be confirmed as we await further information about the building project next year. I will announce the rooms for each of the classes as soon as we can confirm the plans.

Class lists for next year are now finalised and are being checked by class teachers, specialist teachers and school leadership. As I outlined in the newsletters throughout October where I detailed the planning process, it is not possible to consider parent requests received after the end of October or after the class structure is published. Children will go into their new classes and meet their teacher in early December.

PARENT HELPERS THANK YOU MORNING TEA

Next Friday, November 25, we will be holding a special morning tea in the hall from 11:00 to 11:30am to thank all the parent helpers and volunteers who have made such a difference to the children in our school this year. Invites have been sent home but it is not an ‘invite-only’ event and if you have volunteered in any way at the school this year or otherwise helped out, you are most welcome to attend. I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible next Friday morning where we can personally thank you for your contribution to our school.

BIMBADEEN KINDER AGM

On Wednesday evening Foundation teachers, Emily Russell, Beth Dean and myself were honoured to be guests at the Bimbadeen Kinder AGM, a special place that many of our families will be familiar with. Our colleagues there, Maureen, Gill, Sam, Donna and Lyndle do a great job there preparing children for the next stage of their learning journey. It was terrific to talk to the parents there, many of whom will become, or are already, members of our school community. Beth spoke about the amazing learning that children at this age do, they are natural learners and what a privilege it is to be a part of that learning journey. Emily spoke about the wonderful relationships that our job involves. My message was quite simple – read to your child and talk to your child as much as you can from the day they are born. The evidence is clear that the more words a child hears the higher will be their IQ when they are adults! I look forward to seeing many of these families as part of the Bimbadeen Heights school community over the next few years.

Final-Leigh:

"One reason people resist change is because they focus on what they have to giveup instead of what they have to gain." 
(Rick Godwin)
The grade six students will be selling icy poles every Monday at lunch time this term. The money raised will help contribute towards their graduation. They will cost $1 each and be available to collect from the BER building. Perfect for a sunny Monday!

**YEAR 6 GRADUATION FUNDRAISER
ICY POLES FOR SALE**

**SPORT NEWS**

On Thursday last week, 10 Bimbadeen students took to the pool to compete in the district swimming competition. Everyone competed in at least one individual event and some students competed in a relay. Well done to all for their efforts on the day. A few of these students will have qualified for the division swimming event early next year and we await confirmation.

Hayden Campbell
Rhys Thomson
Bethany Howland
Samantha Tan
Cooper Garbett
Tara Barnewall
Owen Wahrenberger
Grace Toll
Matthew Bendle
Eloise Howland
### CANTEEN ROSTER

**TERM 4**  
**Week - ending 25th November**

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If you are unable to attend your rostered shifts, could you please make arrangements for a replacement or ring Vicki Taylor on 9726-8170.

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### FIRST AID SHEET ROSTER

**Term 4**

- **Friday 18th November** – Emma Woolhouse
- **Friday 25th November** – Nancy Reeves
- **Friday 2nd December** – Katrina Angus
- **Friday 9th December** – Verity Sanders
- **Friday 16th December** – Susan Delaney

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**OSHClub**

*Before & After School Care*

**21 November - 25 November 2016**

**What's on next week @ Before & After School Care.......**

- **Monday**
  - Group Games  
  - Sorting Art!
- **Tuesday**
  - Taco Tuesday!
- **Wednesday**
  - Outdoor Games
  - Christmas Craft
- **Thursday**
  - Music Quiz
  - Card Making
- **Friday**
  - Playground races
  - Relaxation Session

We have been nominated for Program of the year by OSHClub management as a result of our outstanding audit results, healthy menu and overall satisfaction of students and families from our service. This is a massive honour and we are so grateful to have such wonderful, supportive families in our Bimbadeen Heights Community. We have already received $500. Thankyou Regina.

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**Reminders:**

- Please contact us on 0417 565 624.
- Note: Rosters are flexible and can be adjusted at any time.
- Contact us if you or your child will be absent or late.
- Contact us if you need to withdraw your child from OSHClub services.
- Please note that the OSHClub is closed on Sundays.

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If you are going to sell your home please consider selling your house through Regina Atkinson at the Professionals ph 0417 565 624. She will donate $500 to Bimbadeen Heights PS from every house sold through her from our Bimbadeen Community. We have already received $500. Thankyou Regina.
**Foundation:** Marllon Musliman – 0MR

Marllon has had a great start to his school life. He always tries his best and is always prepared to help his schoolmates. He plays nicely with his friends and just enjoys his time at school.

Congratulations on a wonderful start to school Marllon!

**Year 1:** Jake Hatvani-Grose – 1AS

Jake is a valued member of 1AS. He remains focused during all class activities and learning tasks and is always willing to lend a hand. Jake has grown in confidence throughout the term, especially with his writing and spelling. He is organised with his belongings and looks after his classmates when they need a friend.

Congratulations on being Aussie of the Month Jake!

**Year 2:** Jessica Hall – 2SB

Jessica is a happy, enthusiastic girl who is a great role model in our class. She approaches tasks with confidence and always tries her best. Jessica works well with all members of the class and is respectful and polite at all times.

Well done Jessica on all your efforts this year – keep up the great work!

**Year 3:** Anabel Floyd – 3/4T

Anabel is a cheerful and friendly member of our class. She works hard in all areas of the curriculum and persists in tasks she finds challenging. Anabel demonstrates all ‘You Can Do It’ values and is a great role model. She can always be counted on to assist classmates and younger students without being asked and is well respected by both her peers and teachers.

Well done on a wonderful year Anabel!

**Year 4:** Liam Haynes – 3/4T

Liam is a friendly and respected member of 3/4T. He is always polite, contributes well when working as part of a group and always works hard to achieve to his best potential. Liam is respectful of all members of his class and wider peer group. He enjoys a challenge and works hard across the school curriculum. Liam was a valued member of his Hooptime team, who made it to the state finals.

Congratulations on a fabulous year!

**Year 5:** Maddison Cassidy – 5ML

Maddi is a friendly and reliable student who approaches each task with enthusiasm. She works conscientiously to complete set tasks to the best of her ability and is always organised. Maddi works well with all members of the class and is respectful and polite at all times. Maddi’s caring nature and helpful attitude make her an asset to the grade.

Congratulations on being Aussie of the Month Maddi!

**Year 6:** Rhys Crossley – 6GG

Rhys is always bright, friendly and cheerful which makes him a pleasure to be around. He is a dedicated sporting member and has represented Bimbadeen at many events this year and throughout his primary school years. Rhys always tries his best with all of his schoolwork and has a ‘never give up’ attitude which is admired by his peers. It is lovely to see Rhys be so encouraging to others and be a supportive friend to many.

Congratulations Rhys!
Bimbadeen Heights P.S presents our annual...

**Christmas Family Fun Night!**

**Wednesday 30th November**

**5.30-7.30pm**

Come along and join in the fun!

Bring along a picnic rug or something comfortable to sit on and relax on the oval and enjoy the evening with your family and Bimbadeen friends.

**Available to purchase on the night:**

- Sausages in bread
- Hamburgers with coleslaw
- Soft drinks
- Ice creams
- Raffle tickets - LOTS of prizes to be won!
- Coffee, hot chocolates and slushies from Kaitri’s Catering
- Music and dancing – DJ Jamieson Brodie

This year we will be running our raffle a little differently - you choose which prize you would like to be in the running for and your tickets go into that draw!

**Our biggest prize this year will be a Mirraco Recruit 20” BMX bike!**

If you are able to donate prizes towards the raffle or assist us on the night, please complete below form or email Haley Rusch (rusch.haley.h@edumail.vic.gov.au)

Thank you

Fundraising & Community Links committee.

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**Christmas Family Fun Night**  **Wednesday 30th November**

Please tear this slip off and return to the Office by Thursday 24th November with your offer of help and the fundraising committee will get back to you ASAP.

Student’s name__________________________________  Grade ____________

Parent’s name and contact phone number__________________________

- [ ] Foundation – Soft Drinks          - [ ] Year 3/4 – Hamburgers/Sausages
- [ ] Year 1/2 – Raffle tickets          - [ ] Year 5/6 – Icy Poles

We thank you for your support!

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CANTEEN'S

CHURRROS DAY

30TH NOVEMBER – 2ND DECEMBER

Order

2 OR 4 CHURROS STICKS WITH CHOICE OF 2 DIPPERS
ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 4pm

TUESDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

Wednesday NOVEMBER 30th
Year 5 (recess)
Year 6 & Founders (lunch)

Thursday DECEMBER 1ST
Year 1 (recess)
Year 2 (lunch)

Friday DECEMBER 2ND
34B, 34C & 34E (recess)
34R, 34T, 34G & 34K (lunch)

ORDER FORM

NAME: ___________________ GRADE: ______

☐ 2 CHURROS STICKS WITH DIPPERS @ $3.00

☐ 4 CHURROS STICKS WITH DIPPERS @ $4.00

For ONLINE orders, go to BIMBADEENHEIGHTPS.VIC.EDU.AU
if ordering online; there is no need to return this form, as a label will be provided

Please note: we require one form per child, as students will be served in grade levels.
All orders must be received by Tuesday November 22nd
Thanks for your support

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Croydon Scout Hall Hughes Park
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November
Sat 26th
Sun 27th

December
Sat 3rd
Sun 4th
Sat 10th
Sun 11th

All trees are pruned and average 6 foot range 5-7 foot as available

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Coming up Term 1, 2017

ELECTRONICS
Bimbadeen Heights Primary School

Learn how electricity flows as a current and how a circuit is completed. Spend time learning how to read a wiring sequence and connect a circuit correctly. Discover which objects are “conductors” and what is static electricity. Can you make a lie detector and test it on your partner? Find out about security, lightning and atoms. This is a fun unit for both girls and boys.

Wise Ones Application for 1st Term 2017
This program is available for all Grade 1 - Grade 4 children who have qualified for Wise Ones.

The unit for first term commences week beginning Monday, 6th February 2017.
Wise Ones Teacher Noel Blacker: mobile 0409 435 396.

I wish to enrol my child in the unit “Electronics” starting week beginning Monday, 6th February, 2017.
I give permission for a copy of this slip to be handed to the Wise Ones teacher.

Child’s Name ____________________________________________ School: Bimbadeen Heights Primary School

Date of Birth __________________ Class (2017) ______

Parents’ Names __________________________________________

Address ________________________________________________

Phone: BH __________ AH __________ Mobile ________________

Email ____________________________________________________

My child has already qualified for Wise Ones YES/NO
I would like a free test for my child YES/NO.
I would like my child to be tested with a fuller assessment to qualify for Wise Ones (assessment cost $250 inc GST).

Please send this slip and payment of $243.00 by Thursday, 2nd February, 2017.
As we are a non-credit business, children will not be accepted into the program for the term unless the fees and enrolment form are returned by the above date.
If paying by cheque please make it payable Bimbadeen Heights Primary School.
For further information, please contact Pat Truscott Mobile: 0407 313 657.

NB: Due to the Government increase of teachers’ wages, please note the new cost of the program.

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