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A huge thanks to all our teachers for the preparations they have made to ensure a great start to the 2013 school year. Over the past few weeks they have all met in teams to discuss and plan curriculum, spent hours getting their rooms ready, made teaching materials and organised supplies and equipment. Already many hours have been expended on these and other tasks, both at home and school. We are really ready for another great year.

HOLIDAY DAMAGE

Each year at different times we have cases of graffiti damage and broken windows and this January period was no exception with 14 broken windows. It is senseless damage which results in using valuable resource money that could be spent more effectively around our great school. We are currently reviewing our security camera footage and hope to provide the police with both images and perhaps the names of the culprits.

PARKING & TRAFFIC CONDITIONS

Parking is an ongoing issue for us at the best of times and I extend our thanks to all parents for their patience. Great care is required by parents when entering and exiting our parking zones. Please set a good example to all our children by using the footpaths on either side of the internal driveway and not cross the busy driveway. We do not want any accidents with parents and children crossing over the busy driveway.

CONTACT NUMBERS

Parents are reminded of the importance of notifying the office re changes of contact details. Occasionally we ring parents in emergencies only to find numbers have been disconnected. Please drop into the office or write a note with your new details.
ANAPHYLAXIS - A LIFE THREATENING CONDITION!

Families of particularly grades will receive a letter explaining how we have 4 lovely children who are highly allergic to a number of foods including peanuts and other nuts, sesame seeds and eggs. Two of these students can also have a severe reaction to bee stings. Students who suffer from these allergies have to learn from a very young age to be vigilant and disciplined, however they cannot be counted on at this stage to take the precautions against nuts and eggs that are required. In 2011 we became a NUT AWARE school and again this year our students will be educated about Anaphylaxis and be involved in the daily routines of washing hands after eating, not sharing their lunches, snacks, treats or drink bottle. We thank you for your continued support and understanding!

READY TO LEARN AT 9.05AM!

To ensure that we maximise learning time for all students at The Basin Primary School there is an expectation that all students are seated ready to learn at 9.05am. Music starts playing at 8.57am and this is the time when students line up to be collected by their teachers at the start of the day. Teachers commence yard duty in the mornings from 8:45am and that is the perfect time for children to arrive at school, catch up with friends, run around or perhaps visit the toilet.

OSHCLUB

Today the new OSHCLUB Before and After School Care program commences at our school in the gym building. As you would be aware it was a busy time in the last few weeks of 2012 getting organised for this program to commence at our site at the start of 2013. It's been a hectic January as the area required painting along with the installation of a new kitchen in the old canteen. The OSHCLUB people have also been busy this week setting up a classroom as their base room. We welcome St Bernadette families into this program at our school. There are still a few jobs to be completed but these will be done in the next few weeks. Information about our program can be accessed from the OSHCLUB website.

HOW CAN WE CONTINUE TO IMPROVE THE BASIN PRIMARY SCHOOL?

At all times we are working to improve the education we provide for our students. I enjoy hearing from members of the school community in relation to what we can do to improve our wonderful school. Dale and I are always available to speak to parents in relation to any feedback or ideas you can provide us that will ultimately benefit the students at The Basin Primary School. Please come and see us for a chat!

WORKPLACE AGREEMENT

Unfortunately, the Australian Education Union and the state government are yet to come to an agreement about employment conditions in state schools. Parents are reminded that this IS NOT just about teacher pay, but workload, unfair contracting of teachers, the rising cost of living, performance based pay and in general, respect of the work that is done by hardworking and dedicated professionals. Having worked at several schools over my career, I can attest to teachers working long and dedicated hours, well beyond 38 hours. As you have recently heard in the media a stop work date has been set for state government and catholic schools on Friday 14th February. At this stage I am unaware as to which grades in our school will be affected, but I will keep parents informed. I know the Government and Union are meeting today so fingers crossed!

This is going to be another great year at The Basin Primary School.

Graeme Russell
SWIMMING TRIALS

Next Wednesday 6th February 2013 children in grades 3/4/5/6 will have the opportunity to trial for our school swimming team. These trials are optional and will be used to select our school swimming team which will compete in the District Swimming Sports at Knox Leisureworks on Friday 15th Feb (12.30-2.30p.m.). Only those children who can swim 50m and are confident out of their depth should enter the trials. These trials will be held at the Kilsyth Pool, Hawthory Rd. Events include Freestyle, Breaststroke and Backstroke and are all over 50m. Children may decide to try out for each of the 3 events, or just their strongest events. Today I have given permission notes to those students who are interested in trying out.

Dale Goldsmith
Phys-Ed & Sport

MUSIC LESSONS 2013

GUITAR and VOICE
All Ages
Phone Daniel and Donna James
9723 4390
0413 336 248

DRUM
All Ages
Chris
0413 901 251

PIANO
All Ages
David Bremner
9726 6481
0400 065 788

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If you would rather receive the weekly newsletter via email, please complete the form below and return it to the office.

Students Name: __________________________________________

Grade: ________________________

Parents Name: _____________________________

Email Address: ________________________________
Outside School Hours Care Program

The Basin Primary School

Welcome to OSHClub, your Before School Care, After School Care and Holiday Program provider.

OSHClub provides the highest quality Before School Care, After School Care, Pupil Free Day Care and Holiday Programs for Primary and Kinder aged children.

We pride ourselves on providing children with a fun experience that they will enjoy. From exciting activities and healthy, nutritious snacks to caring, motivated staff, the program meets all your children’s needs.

Program Contact Number 0428 162 718
Head Office Number 03 8564 9000 (9am-5pm Mon-Fri)

Operating Times

Before School Care 7:00am to 9:00am
After School Care 3:30pm to 6:00pm

Cost

Before School Care from $4.43 per child per session (full fee $15.50)
After School Care from $5.10 per child per session (full fee $18.50)
(Irres subject to change)

Most families are eligible for Child Care Benefit (CCB) and Child Care Tax Rebate (CCTR 50%).
The full fee applies for families who do not apply for and are not eligible for CCB and the CCTR (50% Tax Rebate).
All fees are approximate only. Late pick up fees of $2 per minute per child apply. Prices may change at any time.
Casual bookings made within 24 hours incur an extra charge of $2 per session.

What happens

Loads of fun activities for all ages including art/craft, games, sports, drama, board games and fun with friends.

www.oshclub.com.au 03 8564 9000
What to bring

Make sure you wear or bring appropriate clothing including a hat (Terms 1 & 4).

How to book

An OSHClub online enrolment form must be completed. Enrol online at www.oshclub.com.au
Once enrolled with OSHClub, log in to your account and select to place either a permanent or casual booking.

How to pay

Fees can be paid by Credit Card (VISA or Mastercard) or by direct debit from your nominated bank account. Your account will be automatically charged every 2 weeks for your attendance fees. Usage statements will be available online. A late/penalty fee of $25 will be charged to your credit card or bank account if a transaction is declined.

Cancellations

OSHClub requires 24 hours’ notice for cancellation of a booking, or a medical certificate in the case of illness. If you provide either of these, you will receive a credit on any out of pocket charges you incur. Credits will equal the full fee less your CCB.

How to cancel a booking

1. Online (preferred method) – login to your account at www.oshclub.com.au and remove or change your booking. These changes take effect immediately.
2. SMS – 0421 268 989 (SMS charges apply). This can take up to 24 hours to process. Include the following details to ensure your request can be processed:
   - Child’s name e.g. Scott & Katie Smith
   - Service e.g. Example Primary School
   - Session & Date you wish to cancel e.g. Before Care on 15 Aug 2012

OSHClub Staff

OSHClub programs are staffed by qualified and experienced Coordinators who have Working with Children checks. Coordinators are trained in First Aid, CPR, Asthma and Anaphylaxis.

Policies

Please refer to our policy document at the service to view our admission and enrolment requirements, fee payment procedures, employment of staff procedures, programming procedures, behaviour management procedures, delivery and collection procedures for children, dealing with illness and emergency care, infectious disease, complaints and anaphylaxis management policy.

Complaints

Any complaints or concerns regarding this service should be directed to the program Coordinator, or by contacting the OSHClub head office via email admin@oshclub.com.au or on 03 8564 9000.

If you are unhappy with the way your complaint or issue was handled, please contact the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development, Quality Assessment and Regulation Division, GPO Box 4367, MELBOURNE VIC 3001 or via Phone: 1300 307 415

*This program is provided and operated by OSHClub Pty Ltd in collaboration with the school. Mr S. Bull and Mr J Bruce are the representatives and licensees of this corporation.*
# Lunch Order Menu

(Effective Monday 31st Jan, Term 1, 2013)

Lunch orders are available on Mondays & Fridays. Please clearly label bags/envelopes with name and class. Where possible please try and enclose the correct money however, change will be given if required.

Please note that there is now a 5c charge for paper bags.

## Savoury Rolls
- Cheese: $1.40
- Cheese and Bacon: $1.80
- Cheese, Bacon and Pineapple: $2.00
- Cheese, Bacon and Capsicum: $2.00
- Cheese, Bacon and Onion: $2.00
- Cheese, Bacon and Mushroom: $2.00

## Savoury Rolls
- Small Wagon Wheel: $1.50
- Gingerbread: $1.60
- Cinnamon Donut: $0.90
- Iced Donut: $1.00

## Hot Food
- Steak Pie: $3.40
- Vegetable Pastie: $3.40
- Sausage Roll (Plain or Savoury): $2.00
- Spinach, Cheese and Potato Roll: $2.40
- Party Pies: $1.00
- Party Quiches: $1.00
- Hot Dogs: $2.70

(Sauce 20c extra)

## Drinks
- Juice Man 250ml - Tropical
  - Apple
  - Orange: $2.00
- Flavoured Milk 300ml - Strawberry
  - Banana
  - Chocolate: $2.30
- Water 600ml: $2.20

## Sandwich Bar
(White or Wholemeal Bread)
- Ham: $2.60
- Chicken: $3.00
- Sausage: $2.60
- Salami: $2.60
- Vegemite: $1.50
- Cheese: $2.00
- Salad: $2.60

Extras
- Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot, Cucumber and Capsicum: 40c each
- Cheese: 60c
- Rolls: 30c