**MAY 2nd**

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<td>6th Mothers Day Stall</td>
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<td>7th Country Fair Meeting</td>
<td>Following the ticket survey last term, which the majority of families completed we have made the difficult decision to limit tickets. The venue holds 900 people and we have 220 families at our school. The fairest way around this situation is to have a first round offer of 4 tickets per family. When purchasing these four tickets families can nominate how many additional tickets they require. The initial four tickets will go on sale from Monday 6th May until Monday 20th. The remaining tickets will be allocated after Monday 20th May. When purchasing the initial 4 tickets families will be asked to nominate a preferred seating area in the theatre. After the second round of tickets families will be allocated seats – this process will allow all families to sit together.</td>
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<td>8th Grade 1/2 Dinosaur</td>
<td>DANCE FAIR</td>
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<td>Diggings Incursion</td>
<td>This Saturday 4th May some of our grade 6 students are competing in the annual DANCEFAIR competition at Fairhills High School. This is a fantastic opportunity for our students to showcase their talent and their love for dance. Tickets are available at 7:00 pm at the door at a cost of $10 for adults and $5 for children.</td>
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<td>20th School Council</td>
<td>ANZAC CEREMONY</td>
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<td>Grade 3/4 Queenscliffe Excursion</td>
<td>On Monday Greg Oswald and several grade 6 leaders conducted a moving ANZAC Ceremony in our multipurpose room. Always at this important ceremony I remember my father who served in the army during the second WW. He remained in Australia during the war years and was in Darwin when it was bombed – a memory that never left him. Thankyou to Greg and the Grade 6 leaders and to the many parents who joined us for this ceremony.</td>
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<td>21st Grandparents m/tea</td>
<td>HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY</td>
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<td>22nd Open Day/Night</td>
<td>It was great to see several of the grade levels complete yesterday and today in our annual House Cross Country run. Due the rain the remainder of the program will be completed this morning. Each year Mr Goldie and Mr Caulfield always make this event special by setting up, marking the course with marker cones and colourful bunting in and around the start/finish line. Thankyou to all the parents who attend and generously support the wonderful effort of all runners.</td>
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**COUNTRY FAIR - SATURDAY 26TH OCTOBER**

**TERM DATES FOR 2013**

| TERM 2 | 15th April - 28th June |
| TERM 3 | 15th July - 20th September |
| TERM 4 | 7th October - 20th December |

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PREP ENROLMENT REMINDER

Interest in our school over the last 6 weeks has been amazing with people ringing for the 1:1 tours which we conduct. I have already conducted 20 tours and have 12 booked over the next two weeks. Enrolments are ahead of where they were at the same time last year. Could I ask parents who have not already collected and completed an enrolment form for their 2014 Prep child to do so please!

PARENT HELPERS

Yesterday as I was conducting a tour and they asked about parent involvement in the school. As we walked around the school we came across parents helping with reading, there were parents supporting children at the cross country event, there were parents painting backdrops for our concert and I met a grandfather who had helped construct a major piece of scenery for our concert. I am so proud of the amazing parent support we enjoy at The Basin PS and it was there for all to see yesterday.

CHESS CLUB

Our chess club has commenced and the children are enjoying the program. This week the Grade 5&6 chess students will be able to attend after missing the previous two weeks due to the District Athletics and their excursion to the Old Melbourne Goal. Thanks to Amy Hillier for her organising of this weekly program.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

Thankyou to all the families who have already returned their Earn and Learn stickers – we are off to a flying start. We would appreciate you spreading the word to your family, friends and neighbours who may shop at Woolworths to please be sure to collect the stickers and send them along to our school.

Graeme Russell
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<td>Connor Nunziane - for having an excellent approach to all his school work.</td>
<td>Kaylee Allen for her investigation into Force in technology.</td>
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<td>Rogen Mitchell - for working hard to become a good reader.</td>
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<td>Teannah Ross - for her clever spelling in her zoo excursion recount!</td>
<td>Kaylah Mitchell for ‘having a go’ at difficult tasks. Keep working hard in this area Kaylah! Well done 😊</td>
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<td>Sadhil MacDonald - for a great job playing initial sounds bingo. Well done. 😊</td>
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<td>4C Arwen Wilson</td>
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<td>Zavier Edward - For always trying his very best in all class tasks. Great effort Zavi!</td>
<td>For her outstanding effort in the House Cross Country.</td>
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<td>Rachel Wiersema - For her great counting when playing “Get out of my house”. Fabulous work Rach!</td>
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<td>Alannah Menhenett - for displaying a positive approach to her school work.</td>
<td>5/6H Indiya Zarr- for her constant rich contributions to class discussions.</td>
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<td>Patrick Nicholls - Wonderful descriptive recount writing on the Cross Country</td>
<td>Zoe Keltie - for her excellent ideas during persuasive writing.</td>
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<td>Jayde Hili- for her fantastic contributions during our reading tasks.</td>
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<td>Stephanie Osborne - for her excellent effort in beautifully presenting her dinosaur fact file.</td>
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**School Fees**

If you are paying the school fees by instalments, the third instalment for both Plan A $45.00 and Plan B $70.00 is now due.

**SCHOOL PHOTOS**

If you wish to purchase any of the leadership photos please return the envelope which was sent home. The order will be placed shortly.

**Morning Tea**

Come and join in a Playgroup session in the multipurpose room on Wednesday the 8th May. A roster will be organised so parents can stay and play with the children while others can go and read with children in the classroom. Coffee and tea will be provided for the parents so after class reading is finished you can come back for a cuppa and a chat. This session is open to the whole school community. Tara Callaway is the co-ordinator.

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April
28th Daniel Palmer  
29th Robe Smith  
30th Grace Russell  
30th Codey Bryan

May
2nd Ethan Bloomer  
3rd Tylah Chrystal  
4th Isabella Davison
Early Morning

Start

Miss Richardson and Mrs Hillier will again be running EMS for grades Prep, 1 and 2 on Friday morning’s beginning in week 2 of this term. For those of you new to The Basin Primary School Early Morning Start begins at 8.35am with skills and games. We will be in the BER building on rainy days and outside on the junior side on clear days. Unfortunately we can not accept more children into our activities after 8.45am, so come early and join in the fun! We look forward to seeing you all.
School Banking News

Apologies to all bankers that didn’t receive their tokens this week. I have run out of tokens but am hoping to have more by next week. This won’t affect your eligibility of rewards as I am keeping track and will notify you when you’ve earnt enough tokens to redeem a reward.

I am very excited as we now have 70 bankers in the school 21 of which are already entered into the Dollarmites’ Treasure competition just by banking 3 times this term. Would love to see one of our students win a prize and it’s not too late for all 70 to be in with a chance.

Good Luck to you all!

For those that are wanting to join please contact me, Jacqui at thebschoolbanking@gmail.com or 0417145971 and we will get you started in time to enter the competition too.

Happy Savings

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CRICKET TRIALS

Congratulations to Cody Eccles who successfully progressed through to Regional level in Cricket trials. Unfortunately he wasn’t selected to proceed but thoroughly enjoyed the experience. These trials are conducted as a part of the process in selecting the Victorian Primary Schools team.

Well done Cody!
Program Update

Congratulations to Alyssa Ryan and Darcy Nimbs for winning movie tickets to see Return to Nims Island in Our colouring competition. Well done to our runners up, Ashley Wittman and Kane Yeomans.

This week we have started to make cushions for the program. The children have been decorating squares of calico and when they have finished, backs will be sewn on so the children can fill them and use them.

Does anyone have access to small wood off cuts that can be used by the children for building and other small projects.

Cookery Club
Each Wednesday afternoon we run Cookery Club. Last week we made Anzac Biscuits. Here is the recipe.

2 cups rolled oats
1 1/2 cups caster sugar (or white sugar)
4 tablespoons golden syrup
2 tablespoons boiling water
2 cups coconut
250 grams butter
1 level teaspoon bicarb soda
2 cups plain flour

1. Pre heat oven to 160 degrees C
2. Mix oats, flour, coconut, sugar in a large bowl.
4. Mix bicarb soda & boiling water together.
5. Add to melted butter & golden syrup.
6. Add oats mixture. Mix well.

THANK YOU
The children and staff would like to say a huge thank you to The Basin Community House for the donation of a large box of children’s books for us to use.

Next Week’s Activities :- Mothers Day

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<td><strong>Tuesday:</strong> Silent Ball, Stain Glass Markers</td>
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<td><strong>Wednesday:</strong> Ship Shark Shore, Gift Boxes</td>
<td><strong>Wednesday:</strong> Cookery- Scones, Footy Clinic, Flowers</td>
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<td><strong>Thursday:</strong> Giant’s Treasure, Tissue Flowers</td>
<td><strong>Thursday:</strong> Capture the Flag, Photo frames, cards</td>
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<td><strong>Friday:</strong> Best Mum Diploma and thank you flower</td>
<td><strong>Friday:</strong> Basketball, tissue flowers, key rings</td>
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Parent Information

OSHCl program phone: 0428 162 718
Coordinator: Jean Bellis
Assistant: Jessica, Leah, Laura, Rachelle
OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.
The Country Fair
Saturday 26th October 2013 10am-3pm

25 weeks to go!

Trivia: Face painting is the artistic application of cosmetic "paint" to a person's face. From ancient times, it has been used for hunting, religious reasons, and military reasons (such as camouflage and to indicate membership in a military unit). For several decades it has been a common entertainment at county fairs, large open-air markets (especially in Europe and the Americas), and other locations that attract children and adolescents. (facts provided by Wikipedia)

Next Meeting is now Tuesday 7th May at 7:30pm in Staff Room. All Welcome – We would love to see some new faces!

Needed
3 Coordinators to help organise grade level stalls. This job is very easy with minimal effort required. No expectations to come to meetings as you liaise with the stall holder team. Not required to spend all day at the Fair. Contact us for the details today!

Social Evening
Keep May 31st Free and ask your friends to mark it in their diaries now too! More details coming but you don't want to miss this fun night!

Social Media
Check out our Country Fair Page on Facebook
http://www.facebook.com/TheBasinPrimarySchoolCountryFair
Don't forget to share this with family and friends to encourage people outside the school to visit for a fun filled day.

Stall Holders
We now have Stall Holder applications. Email us at Thebasinpscountryfair@gmail.com
If you or someone you know would be interested in coming.
Our continued thanks to

- The Real Thing Craft Centre
- Big Green Thumb
- Frost Promotions
- Pancake Parlour
- Dorset Gardens Hotel
- Sidetracked Go Carts
- Whispers Hair Design
- Australian Fishing Magazine
- Sarah Louise School of Dance
- Gloria Jeans
- Bargain Books
- Laughter for living yoga
- AMF bowling Boronia
- Boronia Chiropractic Healthcare Centre
- The Basin Post Office
- Knox Leisure works
- Australia Zoo
- Motorbike city
- Yarra Valley Railway
- Choice Cakes
- Hawthorn Football Club
- Hogsbreath Café
- Melbourne Taekwondo Centre
- Seasol
- Mars (Masterfoods)
- Dairy Bell Ice Cream
- Melways
- Tinkers
- Dolce Body
- Conni
- The Beleura House and Gardens
- Yarra Valley
- Wonderland Fun Park
- Enchanted Maze
- Roller City Bayswater
- Geelong Adventure Park
- Wetlands Golf ‘n’ Games
- Melbourne Parkview Hotel
- Carlton Football Club
- Astor Theatre
- Stufflers
- Ashdene
- Geelong Football Club
- Riot Art and Craft
- Jacksons Hardware
- The Cuckoo
- Metro Cinemas
- Starshots Photography
- Montania
- Creative Dreams
- Mad About Pets
- Deif Surf and Skate
- Pannys Chocolate world
- Gee
- Fernwood Ferntree Gully
- Crocs playcentre
- Melbas Fashion
- Mansfield Zoo
- Kundalini Yoga vouchers
- Melbourne Victory
- Sexyland
- Hand Me Down
- Bendigo Tramway
- My Beauty Boutique

To add yours/your company’s donation to this list please contact Ally Airs on 0405159461 or at stix_brix@bigpond.com

To help, offer suggestions or find out more about our Country Fair please contact us at thebasinpscountryfair@gmail.com or call Marquita Telford : 0407561492 or Jacqui Nicholls : 0417145971To
‘The Beauty is in the Detail’

A photographic collection of macro art images
by Karyn Mitchell
Opening Night Tues 14th May 2013
6pm - 9pm

This collection has been two years in the making. It is a journey into the secret world of flowers, encouraging the viewer to take the time to see the beauty that is in the details.

I look forward to seeing you there.
Children are welcome.

All pieces are for sale

Burrinja Cafe
Glenfern Rd, Upwey
Exhibition runs
13 May - 16 June

Open Tues - Sunday
10.30 am - 4.30 pm
TEST YOUR CHESS! A FRIENDLY INVITATION TO ENTER THE FIRST 2013

RANGES ROOKIES SHIELD CHESS TOURNAMENT

Sunday 5th May from 1.00 to 5.00pm
at Ferntree Gully Community Arts Centre,
1010 Burwood Highway (opposite ALDI)

Seven rounds of chess with Game time 15 minutes each player (Rapid Chess); free snack break after Round 5.
Entry fee: Adults $20 Juniors $15

PRIZES

Trophies for 1st, 2nd & 3rd in the OPEN and Top Girl.
Medals in EACH AGE GROUP from Adults, U16, U14, U12, U10 & U8.

First place money prizes decided by number of entries.

This Rookies Shield event is the first of a series of four Sunday afternoon competitions being held on:

May 5th, June 23rd, August 25th and October 27th (Grand Final).

Proudly sponsored by Ranges Chess Club and Upwey Bendigo Bank

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For more information and to enter on-line, go to

www.rangeschessclub.com.au
or phone Paul on 0417 319 355