**JULY 14th**

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<td>18th P/1/2 B’ball clinic</td>
<td><strong>WELCOME BACK</strong> Welcome back to Term 3 and some very chilly weather. I trust all families had some relaxing family time during the school holidays. Over the break a couple of local and national events reminded me about how special our time with family and friends is and that we should ensure that we balance all things in our lives. Term 3 is now under way and our students have stepped back into the routine as if they hadn't missed a day. The school itself is looking great thanks to the efforts of Pat O’Neil our maintenance man.</td>
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<td>19th Parent Teacher Interviews</td>
<td><strong>STAFF NEWS</strong> We have several staff still not back at school this term due to Long Service Leave and illness so we have had a few new and old Casual Relief Teachers (CRT’s) in the school this week. I spoke to Dale Goldsmith on Monday and they were heading into the gulf area of Queensland this week hoping to make it to the northern tip of Australia. Next week they are off to Port Douglas for several relaxing days - I’m so envious!! Roll on the warmer weather.</td>
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<td>20th Parent Teacher Interviews</td>
<td><strong>PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS</strong> Interviews are being conducted on Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th July with the booking process distributed to students on Tuesday of this week. We had a little hiccup with the last two letters of the code being the wrong way around which we corrected yesterday with an email and a second note home with the children. We apologise for this minor error.</td>
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<td>22nd 3/4 Hooptime</td>
<td><strong>PARENT OPINION SURVEY</strong> On July 25th a random selection of families will receive the 2016 Parent Opinion Survey via their eldest child. This survey seeks to find out how the school is travelling from the parents' perspective and the data is then used to help us improve the programs that we deliver. We value the feedback of our parent community and as always I am happy to meet with any parent to discuss concerns or recommendations to make our school even better. If you do receive this survey we would like it returned within a week.</td>
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<td>August</td>
<td><strong>RECORDING STUDENT ABSENCES ON COMPASS</strong> Hopefully by now all parents have accessed their child(rens) mid-term reports on COMPASS. The next module we plan to start using is the STUDENT ABSENCE module where parents can go on line using their own login credentials and inform the school of their child's absence rather than ringing the office. Page 3 of the Compass Parent Guide, distributed at the end of term 2, shows you how to record an attendance note (absence). This module will be available to use as of Monday 18th July.</td>
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**TERM DATES FOR 2016**

**TERM 1**
27th Jan - 24th March

**TERM 2**
11th April - 24th June

**TERM 3**
11th July - 16th Sept

**TERM 4**
3rd Oct - 20th Dec
IS THERE A BETTER TIME OF THE YEAR TO CURL UP WITH A GOOD BOOK?
With winter firmly taking hold, now is a great time of the year to encourage children to read. Reading is the key to a good education and those children that read for 60 minutes a day or more will usually find themselves performing extremely well at school. Of course, we do our part and provide independent reading sessions, shared reading, guided reading and reciprocal reading activities with our students, not to mention the incidental reading that occurs during most tasks, be that online or in print. Of course, we expect every student to read at home as well, but we want them to choose the texts that interest them. I would encourage every TBPS child to read for 20-30 minutes a day at home, to ensure they are giving themselves every opportunity to succeed.

WAKAKIRRI
Wakakirri is an Australian national story sharing festival for primary schools that was established in 1992 and is Australia’s largest arts challenge for schools involving over 20,000 students in every state and territory. Wakakirri is a word from the Aboriginal Wangaaypuwan people meaning “to dance”. Wakakirri encourages students to learn through the creation and sharing of stories. Students can tell stories through a range of arts mediums (dance, singing, writing, telling, film and photography), sharing them both live and online. Schools can tell any story they wish and are limited only by imagination. Stories can be about people, culture, environment, relationships or history. Stories can have humour, adventure, love and/or drama. Sustainable approaches must be employed to all stages of creation, including the creation of any props, sets and costumes.
On Wednesday 10th August our Grade 5/6 Wakakirri team will compete in their heat at the Frankston Arts Centre. Over the past 6 years in this competition we have won though to the State Finals on two occasions winning an award both times. It is a wonderful experience for our senior students especially our Grade 6’s who leave us at the end of the year.
Over the holidays Colin Hartley has held several practice sessions fine tuning this year’s dance performance and it’s looking better with every practice. I wish to acknowledge Colin’s dedication and commitment to this program and our wonderful Grade 5/6 team.

EXTRA CURRICULAR EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES
We can sometimes undervalue and take for granted both schools, staff and parents efforts in providing extra opportunities for the children at The Basin PS. I wish to acknowledge those who organise and deliver the many additional extracurricular activities for our students. Here is a list of these activities -
* The Chess Club and the Garden Club
* Lunchtime dance sessions for children in grade 3-6
* Sporting events - Visiting sporting clinics provided by various sporting bodies, House Cross Country, Twilight Sports, District Athletic and Cross Country events, summer and winter sports, Hooptime basketball, early morning start program, etc.
* Instrumental Music lessons
* Education Week activities - Grandparents Day and the assembly.
* Mother’s and Father’s Day stall
* Our special Prep Father’s day breakfast
* Junior School Council meetings and fundraising events
* Lunchtime art club
* Our Bi-annual whole school concert where every child performs on stage.
* Involvement in local dance competitions
* Annual Wakakirri dance event and local Dance Fair competition
* The Basin Idol events
* The fortnightly Prep / Grade 5/6 Buddy activities
* ‘WiseOnes’ Gifted and Talented Program
We do all these things for our children and our wonderful school, and we couldn't do it without the support of so many of you who volunteer to help. Thank You! :)

The Apple man is back

Friday 15th July is the next apple delivery. If you wish to place an order please make sure your order and money are handed into the office by 9am on Friday. Pink Ladies, Royal Gala, Granny Smith all apples $10 per 5kg bag.

PFA NEWS

Hi everyone! Here are a few things coming up this term from the PFA.

Fish and Chip Days – Notes should come home to you today or tomorrow. Take note that we are running this over three days this year. Prep/1 Tuesday 26th July. Years 2 – 4 Wednesday 27th July. Years 5 & 6 Thursday 28th July. Make sure you get your orders in by Wednesday 20th July!

Chocolate Drive – You should have received information about how to opt out of taking a box of chocolates. Chocolates will be sent home with children on Wednesday 20th July.

Father's Day Stall – Tuesday 30th August, with a second opportunity to buy a gift on Thursday 1st September.
**Pupil of the Week**

**Week 1 Ending 15th July 2016**

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<td>Arlia Eaton</td>
<td>For making an effort to remember to slow down when working to ensure she finishes the activity correctly. Keep up the great work Arlia!</td>
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<td>PH</td>
<td>Charles Rathjan</td>
<td>For his hard work and concentration when completing all tasks this week. Well done Charles!</td>
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<td>PK</td>
<td>Evan Cocu</td>
<td>For the amazing effort he put into his holiday writing. I loved your detailed pictures! Keep it up Evan!</td>
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<td>PS</td>
<td>Maria Clarkson</td>
<td>For making terrific advancements in her reading. You’re a star Maria!</td>
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<td>PE</td>
<td>Kianah Terure</td>
<td>For her awesome work making funky vowel characters. Well done!</td>
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<td>1R</td>
<td>Lula Prestwich</td>
<td>For being such a wonderful assistant in our class. It’s wonderful to see you helping out your teacher and your classmates.</td>
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<td>1M</td>
<td>Matthew Beary</td>
<td>Improvement with his handwriting. Keep trying hard Matthew</td>
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<td>1W</td>
<td>Chloe Bramwell</td>
<td>For her fantastic holiday writing. Thank-you for putting in so much detail Chloe. Well Done!</td>
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<td>2D</td>
<td>Marleigh Ingram</td>
<td>For a fabulous start to the term, bringing her beautiful smile and positive attitude. Great Marleigh!</td>
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<td>Blake Nicholson</td>
<td>For his fantastic attempts to spell new words! What an excellent job.</td>
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<td>2W</td>
<td>Leah Siegman</td>
<td>For always working super hard and producing fabulous results! What a great role model you are Leah!</td>
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<td>Max Nicoll</td>
<td>For his detailed comprehension and terrific predictions of his book. Excellent reading Max!</td>
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<td>Asher Hodge</td>
<td>For a fantastic start to the term. Asher you have engaged in all your work so well and have shown tremendous focus. Top effort!</td>
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<td>3/4P</td>
<td>Patrick Nicholls</td>
<td>For his great contributions to our discussions on our CBL topic of ‘Diversity’. You always have insightful things to say Patrick. Thank you!</td>
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<td>4C</td>
<td>Lily Matthews</td>
<td>For her fantastic attitude towards her schoolwork this week. Keep up the great work Lily!</td>
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<td>Jasmine Kober</td>
<td>For the hardworking and conscientious attitude you have towards all classroom tasks. Top effort Jasmine!</td>
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<td>5M</td>
<td>Cooper Mason</td>
<td>For your happy and positive attitude in class. You have a great persistent work ethic and are a valued member of 5M!</td>
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<td>Hayley Collins</td>
<td>For your fantastic start to Term 3. You are an amazing independent learner Hayley. Keep up the awesome work!</td>
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<td>5/6R</td>
<td>Tyson Wright</td>
<td>For his clever thinking and contributions during class discussions. You have a creative mind Tyson and excellent ideas to share. Love your work!</td>
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<td>6G</td>
<td>Alex Bray</td>
<td>For her amazing writing! Alex has added detail and emotion to her stories. Congratulations on the outstanding improvement!</td>
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The Basin Primary School

Bounce Back Awards

Our Bounce Back focus for the beginning of this term is ‘Relationships’. We are exploring topics such as friendship, making new friends, being a good friend, friends can be different, not boasting and being a good listener, having an interesting conversation, feeling shy, disagreements and saying sorry.

**Prep: Amelia Charles** - for the courageous attitude you have shown towards starting in your new class. You have come to Prep H with such a positive and friendly attitude and we are glad you’ve joined us.

**Grade 1: Hannah White** - for being a really kind and thoughtful friend who always includes others, makes others feel happy and can always put a smile on her friend’s faces. You are a very gentle, caring friend Hannah and we are lucky to have you in Grade 1.

**Grade 2: Evan Hassing** - for always being a great friend to his classmates. Evan, you always look out for your buddies and stand up for what is right. Awesome qualities!

**Grade 3: Claire Roberts** - for always being kind to her peers. You are friendly and look out for your classmates, taking care of them and showing how to be a true friend. We are lucky to have you Claire.

**Grade 4: Zara Allen** - for being a kind, caring and friendly classmate. You are always nice to everyone Zara. What a lovely young lady you are!

**Grade 5: Jayden Willoughby** - For making such a wonderful effort to work with other students in the classroom. You have a great ability to provide positive motivation when working as a team and have developed some great relationships in our grade. Keep it up Jayden!

**Grade 6: Claire Dobson** - for being a wonderful, respectful and supportive friend to all. You set a great example for everyone to follow by Claire. Thanks for being you!
WEEK II AWARD WINNERS


**Program Update**

This week we have been doing....

Welcome back to Term 3 at The Basin Primary School! This week has been very busy already; bookings have been high and there has been a lot of fun and games. Unfortunately Armann has had to leave OSHClub at The Basin to continue with his university studies. We wish Armann all the best and say thanks to the massive effort he put into our program! This week we have all been enjoying playing the card game ‘Spoons’, and plan on having a tournament find our champion soon. We have also been playing a lot of sporty games in the gym and loving our Connect 4 and Uno matches.

**WE NEED YOU**

As always we value any feedback you have for us, whether it’s positive, or something you think could be done differently. Please come in and talk to us, send a text or leave a confidential note on our feedback display. We are needing recycled materials (cereal boxes, Packing boxes, milk cartons, wool ect.) for our art projects, if you have any lying around the home we would love to take them off your hands. Also Board games are pure gold here at OSH, if you have any that you are no longer using or are a bit worse for wear we would love to take them off your hands.

**Booking In**

Please ensure you are contacting OSHClub if your child is not going to be at a session to avoid us following the missing child procedure, please contact us on 0428162718 if you child is not able to attend a session.

**Holiday Program**

Holiday program has come and gone and it has been a huge success! We had fun every day, whether we were laughii at a comedy show, jumping like mad at Bounce or watching the reptiles which visited us. Head office get started on planning the next holidays pretty quickly so we’ll update you when we know more about the next end of term holiday program.

**Enrolments**

Now it is mid—year, please ensure that your enrolment is up to date with correct account authorities, contact details And emergency contacts.

**Next Week’s Activities: 18/07/2016 - 22/07/2016**

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**Parent Information**

OSH program phone: 0428162718  
Coordinator: Jack Rountree  
Assistants: Pam Lecky  
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](http://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 BASIN PRIMARY SCHOOL
CHESS CLUB

Thursday 17th June 2016

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Chess Club is a very successful program at The Basin Primary School and will be continuing during term 3. Chess Club with Jamie, Lisa and Brodee, is fun-filled, with many enjoyable moments catering to each child’s ability! In term 2 students learnt a great deal about castling, dominating the centre of the board, electric fence, chess hugging, CRAB and point scoring. We also saw 21 of our students attend a Chess Tournament at The Knox School.

Chess Club is available to grades 2 to 6.

Northern Star Chess will run lessons during Friday lunch times. Lessons run for an hour. The cost for each term is $6.50 per lesson for an 8 week term.

“We, at Northern Star Chess, believe chess is a rare activity that engages children in a game, while helping them to develop thinking skills and habits that will be useful to them in all parts of their education and lives.”

Amy Hillier and Andrew Weekes

My child ___________________________ will be participating in Chess Club. I have enclosed the cost of $52.00 for term 3 of Chess Club.

Parents Name ______________________ Signature ____________________
REGISTER NOW

PLAY ON AFTER THE BELL!

A FUN, PROFESSIONALLY RUN AFTER-SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM FOR BOYS & GIRLS IDEALLY SUITED TO PREPS TO GRADE 3’S.

WHERE: AT YOUR SCHOOL (Go to After School Care)
WHEN: EVERY TUESDAY STARTING 2ND AUGUST

Play On Footy, powered by NAB AFL Auskick, provides every school AFL endorsed staff to ensure your child is given the greatest opportunity to develop their AFL skills and enjoy active sports participation.

Run over a 6 week period, each 1 hour session is limited to only 16 children.

The cost of the program for each family may reduce depending on your Child Care Rebate (CCR) and Child Care Benefit (CCB) entitlements.

Register now at: playonsports.com.au/register