OCTOBER 20th

**REVIEW UPDATE**
Next Monday our School Review process will be completed when the panel meets to discuss the focus areas for our school over the next four years. Joining the school panel members will be our School Council President - Darrell Holden, our NE Regional Education Department leader - Coralee Pratt, our reviewer - Emma Richardson, our two challenge partners - Erika Bienert Principal of Balwyn North PS and Julie Shepherd - Educational Consultant.

At the end of the first review day Emma congratulated us on our achievements in meeting student learning and survey targets set in the previous Strategic Plan. She used the descriptive phrase - 'high performing school' several times which was very rewarding to hear considering Emma has reviewed many schools across Victoria over a number of years.

At the end of this review process a new Strategic plan will be developed with new targets in several areas which I'll include in future newsletters.

**SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS**
Over the last couple of weeks, a number of our students have been involved in sporting events at regional levels. Dale will provide greater detail in his newsletter article. We are extremely proud of these students who represented our school in individual and team events. Of special note is the wonderful achievement of Lauren Hassing in Grade 6 who as a result of her achievements at the Regional Athletic event will compete in both Long Jump and Triple Jump at the State Athletic competition next Monday and we wish her all the very best - GO LAUREN!

**A SPECIAL GARDENER**
I'm not allowed to mention this person's name because they seek no affirmation, however this wonderful person managed to secure several discarded plants after sweet talking Knox Council workers undertaking garden maintenance work near The Basin shops. These plants have now found a new home in several areas of our school. On behalf of our school community I sincerely thank our mysterious gardener and her husband.
EARLY UPGRADE WORKS
Next year our school enrolment will grow again due to the small Grade 6 cohort leaving and another large number of Prep children commencing. In 2010 the school received a grant of $700,000 which we used to increase the size of many classrooms, however that has worked against us as the school has grown.

In completing the Master Plan process recently, we have found ourselves over entitled classroom area wise in relation to the enrolment and as such need to reclaim some spaces for additional classrooms.

In preparation for the start of next year an ‘early works’ program will need to be completed before the end of this year. Our Library will be relocated to the large classroom area opposite where it is currently and the old library space will be converted to two classrooms as it was several years ago. Also another classroom will be created by shifting walls in the top Prep building between Jill Horton and Kirsty Walsh’s rooms.

Over summer holidays we will also be increasing the size of our gravel car parking space to accommodate additional car parking spaces.

2017 SCHOOL FEES
In the next month parents will receive detailed information about the 2017 school fees which the School Council set at its last meeting. The Council has agreed to a small increase of $10 more than this year’s fees - $5 more to the current Essential items component and $5 in ICT (computers, software, licences, technology). The information pack will provide greater detail about our fees and different payment options for parents.

A breakdown of the 2017 fees ($440) is - $215 for Essential items (includes individual stationary packs and consumable bulk materials used in the classroom and specialist lessons), $45 for ICT (this helps us in part to cover licensed software programs the children use and leases for the many hardware devices across the whole school), $90 Excursion Levy and $90 for the Swimming program.

PUPIL FREE CURRICULUM DAY - MONDAY 31ST OCTOBER
The last Pupil Free Curriculum Day for the year is on Monday 31st October. As the 'Melbourne Cup' public holiday falls on the Tuesday 1st November, school will resume in that week on Wednesday 2nd November.

2017 STUDENT DEPARTURES
To assist our 2017 planning, we would like to hear from families who are moving and their children not returning to The Basin PS next year. If you are leaving our school (excluding Year 6 graduates) and have not yet informed the office, please let us know as soon as possible.

STUDENT PLACEMENT REQUESTS
Determining class placements is a complex task where staff members undertake a considerable process to ensure that the best possible placement is made to meet each student’s educational needs. Factors that we take into consideration when making class placements include: academic achievement, personal / interpersonal development, friendship groups, learning styles, gender balance and other individual learning needs. It is important to understand that with so many factors to consider it is not possible to accommodate every request. If you have any information based upon ‘education grounds’ that should be considered in relation to the placement of your child it need to be sent to me in writing by Friday 4th November. As situations change, previous requests should be resubmitted if the reason still exists. After this date, new information may not be considered. Parents will be notified of placements in Student Reports when they are sent home in the last week of term.
HAYFEVER SEASON
Spring is upon us and along with this comes the dreaded hay fever/allergy season. Many adults and children suffer from this allergy so we ask all parents to take the necessary steps to make their child/ren's day as comfortable as possible. If your child takes hay fever medication, please ensure they have it before they come to school. Thank you for your support.

Graeme Russell

Apples
Friday 28th October 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

October
17th Charlotte Dobson
19th Hannah Andaloro
22nd Paige Draffin
   Layla Insley
   Luke Marshman
23rd Cameron Pitts
   Zephyr Mitchell

PFA NEWS
We will be holding a PFA meeting next Thursday 27th October at 9:00am in the staff room. Everyone is welcome to come along for a cuppa and a chat about what’s happening this term. Feel free to bring your pre school aged children. Hope to see you there!
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<td>PB Nicholas Robinson</td>
<td>For remembering to ask for help when he doesn’t understand something so that he can complete his work. Keep persisting!</td>
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<td>PH Sofie Van Wyland</td>
<td>For always being a polite and respectful listener. You are a star Sofie!</td>
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<td>PK Jack Ashman</td>
<td>For the wonderful effort he puts into his writing. It is great to see you always giving 100%. Keep it up Jack!</td>
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<td>PS Jaycob Robertson</td>
<td>For your wonderful care and determination you put into your writing. Well done Jaycob!</td>
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<td>PE Zara Baxter</td>
<td>For her awesome work on our cracked Humpty Dumpty addition activity. Clever thinking Zara!</td>
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<td>1R Marley Burley</td>
<td>For being such a wonderful addition to our class this term. You’ve made a fantastic start and we’re so glad to welcome you to The Basin Primary School!</td>
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<td>1M Stella Dodd</td>
<td>For showing wonderful interest in the minibeasts topic. You presented a great recount on our excursion to the Imax and museum. Well Done.</td>
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<td>1W Joel Carlin</td>
<td>For showing such a great interest in our excursion to the Museum and IMAX and for remembering so many interesting facts.</td>
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<td>2D Jordan McRoss</td>
<td>For her great thinking about sharing and making equal groups in Maths. Great work Jordan.</td>
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<td>2S Callum White</td>
<td>For the fantastic effort that you have put into all your work this week. Well done.</td>
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<td>2W Xander Baxter</td>
<td>For his super attitude towards everything! Your determination and commitment to do your best in everything is fantastic! You are such an asset in our grade and an awesome role model! Go Xand!</td>
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<td>3H Sadhil MacDonald</td>
<td>For having the confidence to voice his thoughts and opinions in class. Great contributions Sadhil!</td>
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<td>3W Isaac Windsor</td>
<td>For working hard, and bringing a positive attitude and focussed effort to his learning. It’s great to see Isaac!</td>
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<td>3/4P Hayley Andrew</td>
<td>For your dedication, enthusiasm and happy smiles. You are such a hard worker Hayley and we are all proud of you!</td>
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<td>4C Rosie Sykes</td>
<td>For her enthusiasm and great results when completing long division equations. You are a star Rosie!</td>
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<td>4M Corran Lock</td>
<td>For being so engaged and enthusiastic during our CBL session on volcanoes. Thank you for sharing your knowledge with us. Top job Corran!</td>
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<td>5M Matt Smit</td>
<td>For being organised and getting onto task quickly. You are eager to make a good start to your work and it is paying off in the end result. Well done Matt!</td>
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<td>5S Chris Visolit</td>
<td>For your consistent independent work ethic in the classroom. I love your focused attitude Chris!</td>
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<td>5/6R Maddi Price</td>
<td>For her terrific oral comprehension when discussing and analysing the ideas and details of a text. Your an excellent reader Maddi!</td>
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<td>6G Charley Pride</td>
<td>For her outstanding reading response project. The thought and effort you put into all the tasks was fantastic and reflects your awesome knowledge.</td>
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Bounce Back Awards

During the first few weeks of term our Bounce Back focus is on humour. We will look at why humour is healthy, why people laugh, how humour helps us to cope, the social skill of telling a joke well and how humour can be hurtful.

Prep: Grace Cooke - for always sharing her wonderful sense of humour with our class. You are such a happy, friendly and entertaining person Grace - your show and tell this week had everyone laughing!!

Grade 1: Scarlett Whiting - For having such a delightful personality and wonderful ability to make others smile and laugh. You are a joy to be around, Scarlett!

Grade 2: Jack Ellicott - for always having a happy approach to all he does. You are always cheerful and smiling Bert, especially when you're not first in line!! We enjoy having fun with you!

Grade 3: Oscar Turner - for his fun sense of humour and enjoyment he finds in life. Oscar we love the passion you bring to school, and seeing the many ways you make your classmates smile. Thanks Oscar!

Grade 4: Noah Nugent - for your great sense of humour and getting your classmates to smile. You are such a friendly and happy member of our grade. We are lucky to have you!

Grade 5: Chelsea Gribble - for her quirky sense of humour and bringing a laugh and smile to her peers and teachers each day. You crack us up Chels!

Grade 6: Lauren Hassing - For being a happy, enthusiastic, positive and helpful classmate. You take on challenges and never give up. Keep being an amazing person!
REGION ATHLETICS REPORT - 2016

Last Thursday 20 of our outstanding athletes took part in the Eastern Metropolitan Athletics Carnival. To qualify for this high level of competition they had progressed through district and division levels of competition. I am proud to say each competitor gave 100% with many recording personal best performances. Thank you to all family members who assisted with transport and came along to lend support. A special mention needs to be made of Lauren Hassing who in winning the silver medal in both long and triple jump has now qualified to compete in the Victorian Primary Schools State Championships. Amazing effort Lauren! Congratulations to all competitors. Results are listed below:

**Triple Jump** - Lauren H 2nd.

100m – Ben Griffin 7th in heat.

Long Jump – Lauren H 2nd, Indy D 13th.


200m – Zarah S 3rd in heat, 5th in final.

800m – Olivia C 6th, Jhye S 13th.

1,500m – Zarah S 4th.

4 x 100m Relay –

Olivia C, Sarah H, Alex D, Zarah S 2nd in heat, 5th in final.


Dale Goldsmith

Phys-Ed and Sport
Last Saturday 23 students from the Junior and Performance choirs sung at The Stringybark Festival. The students did a great job with both groups singing 3 song and entertaining the audiences.
Well done to all the students.

STRINGYBARK FESTIVAL 2016
HOOPTIME REGIONAL FINALS

Yesterday our grade 3/4 “Allstar” Boys team played in the Regional Hooptime Finals day at Ringwood Stadium. To qualify for this level they had been undefeated at a district tournament last term. The team were on fire during the preliminary rounds winning 4 out of 5 games (14-7, 11-20, 26-21, 15-8 and 23-12). This qualified us for the grand final and an opportunity to make State level. Despite a terrific effort from the team we went down 9-22 to an outstanding team from Yarra Road Primary School. Congratulations to all team members for fantastic performances throughout the day and faultless sportsmanship and behaviour. Many thanks to Michelle Nicoll for coaching the team and to Deane Rule for scoring. Thanks also to all parents and family members for their support of the team and to Kate Mitchell for being team manager.
**Rounders**

On Monday the 17th of October, 11 girls played two games of rounders at Gilbert Park. Our first game was a bye so our first official game was at 12:15 pm and we versus Regency Park. Unfortunately we lost 2 vs 8. Our second game was against Lysterfield and we lost 5 to 16. Overall we had some good home runs and excellent catches. Thank you to Miss Smith and Miss Lawlor for scoring and umpiring.

**GIRLS TENNIS**

On Monday the 17th of October a group of eight girls participated in the District Hot Shots tennis round robin. We had four singles and two doubles being undefeated all throughout the day which means we made it through to the division tennis finals on Friday the 21st of October.

Kaitly: 14 - 11 (Win), 26 - 24 (Win), 20 - 9 (Win)
Martha: 12 - 11 (Win), 15 - 12 (Win), 21 - 6 (Win)
Sreaa: 14 - 16 (Loss), 11 - 11 (Draw), 14 - 13 (Win)
Ashley: 15 - 14 (Win), 15 - 14 (Win), 17 - 11 (Win)
Laura & Dayna: 11 - 11 (Draw), 13 - 15 (Loss), 16 - 5 (Win)
Jordan & Elia: 10 - 14 (Loss), 18 - 17 (Win), 12 - 9 (Win)
Absent: Prue Lynch

**SOFT BALL**

On Monday, the boys and girls softball team played 3 games and did awesomely. The boys won two games and drew one. The girls won two but unfortunately lost the other. Thank you to Mrs Reid, Miss Lawlor and Mr Goldie for helping with our training and helping us to do so well. GO BASIN!!

**Tennis Mixed B**

On the 17th of October the mixed B Tennis Team went to play tennis at Reta Matthews Reserve. In the first game we played Lysterfield and won 3 games with the score being 87 to 77. The second game was against Mt Gate and we won 5 games to 1. The last game was against St Andrews and we won 3 games, drew 1 game and lost 2 games. In the end we won the flag.

**Girls Cricket**

We may have lost all three games but we didn’t give up and kept on trying. In the first game, our score was 64-65. We lost by one run. Game two was 50-69, they may have won but we tried hard! Our last game was against Knox Gardens and we got smashed 163-86! We all had a great time on the field and our team worked amazingly together. Thanks Mr Murphy.

**Boys Cricket**

In the first game against Lysterfield we won by seven runs, all the boys did well. The scores were 112-105. Captain was Matt S. In the second game we won 163-86. Brandon and Matt got us off to a great start and everyone shielded the wickets. The captain was Bailey C-T. Our last game was a winner too. Captain was Sam A. We were stoked to win and overall it was a great day and the team played well together.

**Volleyball**

We played boys and girls Volleyball at St Jude’s PS. The girl’s first game we lost 1 set to 2 sets to St. Andrews. The second game we played St Jude’s and won. The last game we lost to Regency Park. The boys lost their first match. We won our second match and lost our third match. Thank you Miss Turner and Miss Gooch for looking after us. We had an awesome day!

**Boys Tennis**

The boys tennis team did really well they were undefeated except for the doubles team. We had (out of everyone) 15 wins and 2 losses and one draw so in total we did extremely well. I would like to thank Mr Goldsmith and Mrs Cribb for supporting us.
Register at The Basin Junior Cricket Club for a summer of great cricket action!

Register from 5 years of age. The Milo program consists of up to 12 sessions comprising of Milo skills development and semi-competitive QuickCricket games Post Christmas.

Ideal for children wanting to give cricket a try and for preparation for future U10’s cricket.

**Fridays 5pm - 6pm**
Venue: Batterham Reserve

Pre Xmas: late October - mid December TBC
Post Xmas: Late January - late February TBC
Fees: $85 includes a Milo shirt, cap, bat, ball & backpack

**Home & Away Age Group Cricket Teams**

- **U10’s - U11’s**: Friday night 5:15pm - 7:30pm
- **U12**: Friday night 5:15pm - 7:30pm
- **U13**: Friday night 5:15pm - 7:30pm
- **U14’s - U16’s**: Saturday morning 8:30am - 11:45am

**Fees**: U10’s - U11’s: $130 U12’s - U16’s: $180

*Discounts apply for new female participants*