**PRINCIPAL'S NEWS**

**21st August**

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**TERM DATES FOR 2014**

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ROBIN WILLIAMS - A CHALLENGING STUDENT by Cory Pearce

Like many I was sad to learn about the passing of Robin Williams last week! His energy, personality and flair would have certainly been a challenging combination in a classroom as his teachers worked to try and harness, direct and mould his exuberance.

Schools offer many things for many different types of people and although it was not for example the Maths or the Science that he learned whilst at school that led to his overwhelming success in life, the complex and complicated environment of a school did allow him access to learn valuable lessons that contributed to his success.

Schools provide students with a miniature version of society, full of different personalities and social constructs that give students an opportunity to make sense of the world and their place in it with the fall-back safety of teachers who will help guide them and provide support.

It was within this context that Robin Williams would have begun learning about people and what made them happy and how he could receive positive feedback from them in response to his behaviour; what worked and didn’t work in terms of eliciting the response he was after. I imagine that school for him provided the opportunity to ‘study people’ as an added extra to being able to study the more traditional subject areas like learning to read, write and be numerate that are all important for everyday life. He will be missed!

WAKAKIRRI FEEDBACK

If you haven’t seen our Wakakirri Dance routine it is currently featured on the Wakakirri site as part of the Wakakirri TV program. Fingers crossed we are selected to perform at the State Final! During the week we were thrilled to receive a glowing acknowledgment from the Principal of Lilydale West PS whose school also competed in the same heat. Wendy Bartsch was very impressed with our dance and thought all of it was great - the theme, the music and the students. She went on to say that it made her shed a tear or two. Wendy’s praise is also significant as she was an excellent music and performing arts teacher for many years. Nice to get that feedback from an independent source!
LITERACY LAB
Following a visit to Dandenong North PS last year we introduced a modified version of their successful Literature support program. We introduced this program in Grades 1&2 at the start of the year, next a group from the Grades 3&4 and this term the Preps. We also run a slightly different program for a handful of students in Grades 5&6. Students requiring English support in reading, writing and word study are identified and attend a half hour session on a daily basis. As the children achieve the targets we set, they are replaced by new children. Currently there are 44 students in this program from Prep to Grade 4. The great news is that eighteen of these children have jumped up to three reading levels and the remaining 26 have jumped between 3 and 7 levels. I wish to sincerely acknowledge Lauren Wite who coordinates this program, Rani Lutwyche, Claire Keltie, Jenny Beale and Kylie Cribb who are the amazing people who have assisted these students to achieve great results which includes a positive attitude to reading.

2015 PREP NUMBERS
If you know of anyone who does live close to our school who has not yet enrolled for 2015 please give them a gentle reminder to do so immediately as it may potentially impact on the teacher numbers we require to work in our school.

‘A STORY TO ENJOY’
While working for an organization that delivers lunches to elderly, a mother used to take her 4-year-old daughter on her afternoon rounds. She was unfailingly intrigued by the various appliances of old age, particularly the canes, walkers and wheelchairs. One day the mother found the little girl staring at a pair of false teeth soaking in a glass. As the mother braced herself for the inevitable barrage of questions, the little girl merely turned and whispered, ‘The tooth fairy will never believe this!’

Graeme Russell

Book Week Dress Up Day!

On Friday 22nd August the whole school will be celebrating Book Week! During this week, all classes will be participating in activities around the many ‘Book Week’ books that have been awarded in 2014.

The theme for the week is ‘Connect to reading’
This is about teaching the students to enjoy the experience of exploring stories and travelling to other worlds.

On Friday 22nd August, students will have the opportunity to dress up as their favourite book character or author from books they have enjoyed throughout their childhood. We look forward to seeing all the wonderful costumes on the day!
The apple man is back!!!
Friday 29th August is the next delivery. $10.00 per bag for Royal Gala, Golden Delicious, Granny Smith and Pink Ladies. If you wish to place an order please send your order and money to the office by 9.30 on the Friday morning.

Daffodil Day
Raising money for Cancer Council
Friday 22nd August is Daffodil day. Throughout the week commencing Monday 18th August students from the Junior School Council will be coming around to all the classes during lunch eating time to sell merchandise. If you wish to support this charity, please send some money to school with your child to purchase some merchandise such as badges, bracelets etc. All money raised will go to the Cancer Council.

Dear Parents,
Due to our Book Week Dress Up Day on Friday 22nd August there will be no Early Morning Start this week. We look forward to seeing you bright and early the following Friday.

Thanking you,
Amy Hillier, Jess Leach and Melissa Richardson
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<td>Oliver Lindner - for all the hard work you place into keeping our school yard clean. Keep it up! Lincoln Foster - for the pride you take into the presentation of all of your work. Keep it up!</td>
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<td>Tanish Kaul - for putting in 100% effort and displaying wonderful listening skills during our writing sessions this week.</td>
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<td>Joshua Fox - for trying hard when spelling in his weekend diary writing. Alexandra Evans - for working hard on her literacy activities. Good girl Alex!</td>
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<td>Alannah Turner - for her beautiful Pet Profile on her cat Boots. Well done Alannah!</td>
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<td>Oscar Turner - for the incredible effort he puts into every task. You're a star, Oscar!</td>
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<td>Rachel Weirsema - Always working to the best of her ability and keeping her work well presented.</td>
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<td>Abigail Jeffree - for her detailed report about the Potato Games</td>
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<td>Kayla Peak - for her very thoughtful letters to our class VIPs. Well done Kayla!</td>
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<td>Matt Smit - for working out and confidently answering complex word problems on time. Jye Raistrick - for always settling to tasks quickly and remaining focused, concentrating and completing tasks to a high standard</td>
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<td>Jack Downard-Pengilly - For developing and asking some great questions to Para Olympian Don Elgin at our incursion.</td>
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<td>Ella McCallum - for her excellent work with comparing and measuring mass. You are a star Ella!</td>
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<td>Claire Dobson - for her excellent attitude while listening to Paralympian Don Elgin. Her questions were so thoughtful and she was really engaged. Awesome effort Claire!</td>
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<td>Finn Krygger- for the excellent effort he made to tidy his tub. Let’s keep it clean! Great organisation Finn.</td>
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<td>Aiden Klepac - for showing great teamwork and leadership skills when working in small group discussions.</td>
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<td>Grace Keogh - for her fantastic weather report presentation to the grade. Great work Grace!</td>
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The Basin Primary School

Bounce Back Award!

Prep:
Jade Van Nugteren—for inviting different children to play with her and for being kind to all children in class and on the playground. Good girl!

Grade 1:

Grade 2:
Sarah Hassing—for being a responsible class member who always considers the thoughts and feelings of others.

Grade 3:
Alex Lee—for continually treating everyone around him with respect and liking others for the differences and similarities they have. You are a mature, happy and considerate young man Alex. We are lucky to have you in our class!

Grade 4:
James Eldridge—for being a kind and considerate friend who always demonstrates a caring attitude towards others. Thank you James!

Grade 5:
Tom Swindell—for being a great leader and working effectively with his team to complete tasks with his peers.

Grade 6:
Jayden Smit—for his excellent questioning to make a shy person feel comfortable when meeting them for the first time.

BounceBack!
WEEK 5 AWARD WINNERS
Program Update

RSPCA CUPCAKE WEEK! COME BUY A CUPCAKE FOR $1 TO HELP FIGHT ANIMAL CRUELTY.

This week is RSPCA cupcake week and if you would like to come up to OshClub and by one of the cupcakes please feel free do so.
The Children here have been decorating and making cupcakes all week and want to be able to sell them for a good cause.

ALSO TODAY IS THE DAY WE START TO BUILD OUR IGLOO SO IF ANY PARENTS HAVE ANY 2 LITRE MILK BOTTLES THAT THEY'RE GOING TO RECYCLE PLEASE FEEL FREE TO BRING THEM UP SO WE CAN ADD IT TO OUR IGLOO.

WE HAVE A LOST WATCH UP HER AT OSHCLUB. THE BRAND OF THE WATCH IS FCUK. IT WAS HANDED IN MONDAY AFTERNOON. IF YOU HAVE LOST YOUR WATCH PLEASE COME UP TO OSHCLUB TO COLLECT IT.

Can You Help?
We are collecting the following items
- Small Off Cuts Of Wood  
- Boxes  
- Old Clothes Suitable For Dress Ups  
- Dolls That Are No Longer Being Used  
- Milk Bottles

Parent Information
OSHCl program phone: 0428 162 718
Coordinator: Leah Halls
Assistants: Pam Lecky & Brittany Morton
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 BASIN NETBALLERS

WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS
AGED 11 AND UNDER TO JOIN OUR CLUB

NEW SEASON STARTS SEPTEMBER 2014

FOR MORE DETAILS CALL
KRISHA 0417 018 687

THE BASIN NETBALLERS INC.
CRN CHANDLER RD & ALLANDALE RD BORONIA

Calling all Junior Cricketers

Come join us at The Basin Cricket Club. Our 2014/15 season will commence with pre season training at TC Top Line Indoor Cricket (1/31-35 Burgess Rd. Bayswater North) 3,10 & 17 Sept from 5-6pm for U13’s to 17’s. TBJCC will be fielding 6 junior teams U11’s, U13’s, 2 x U15’s and 2 x U17’s.

This will be followed with a Meet the Coach/Rego night 19 Sept 6pm at the club.

All enquiries: Helen Sanders 0425 803 849 (hsanders@optusnet.com.au)

Bayswater Park Reserves, Miller Rd, The Basin Vic 3194
P.O. Box 44, The Basin Vic 3194. Phone: (03) 9781 8820
http://thebasincricketclub.com.au

BAYSWATER CRICKET CLUB
Junior Registration Night for 2014 / 15 season

Wednesday 17th SEPTEMBER 2014
Time: 5.30pm to 7.00pm

Location: Bayswater No.2 (Junior) Oval
Mountain Hwy, Bayswater
(enter opposite Bayswater Hotel)

Are you all set to go for the 2014 /15 season?
Come down and bring a friend!

New players are very welcome to join in our cricket programs ranging from Mini's/2s/3s (10-14 year olds) through to our Under 15 teams.

For more details please contact the Junior Coordinator Charles
Derham on 0438 347 600