### JULY 23rd

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**24th 5/6 Hooptime**

**August**

3rd Prep Incursion
6th Basin Idol 3/4’s
17th School Council
24th PB & PKW excursion
25th PH & PSW excursion
31st 1/2 Aquarium exc.

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### TERM DATES FOR 2015

**TERM 3**
13th July—18th Sept

**TERM 4**
5th Oct—18th December

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### PRINCIPAL’S NEWS

**BULLY BUSTERS**

We have invited BULLY BUSTERS to run workshops for all our students between Wednesday 12th and Friday 14th August. Previously we have had The Power of One team.

**STUDENT WORKSHOPS:**

They run three sequentially layered workshops for students at the different age levels. In this way they can build on, and add to, the knowledge base at each stage. Bully Busters use both role-play and explicit teaching in their presentations to make the sessions fun and energetic, as well as practical and informative. Two facilitators deliver each session and try to involve all students as much as possible to maximize their learning.

1. **Cool, Calm Kids (student workshop Prep-Year 2)**
   - This session teaches young children the foundations of assertive behaviour and the dangers of certain types of reactions. The way we respond to teasing and bossy behaviour is explored through developing social skills, body awareness and appropriate language to build resilience. Starting an education around this topic early has been shown to greatly influence behaviour patterns, as children get older.

2. **Resilient Kids (student workshop Year 3/4)**
   - This session teaches children to identify the different types of bullying behaviour and to better understand its impacts on others. Using small group discussions and role plays we aim to actively engage the students and equip them with strategies for assertiveness, resisting peer pressure and taking an active bystander position. Creating proactive bystanders has been shown to be the single biggest factor in reducing the level of bullying at schools and, as such, we bring a strong focus to it at this level.

3. **Empowered Kids (student workshop Year 5/6)**
   - This session further develops and extends the ideas that we introduced in the “resilient kids” workshop. At this age it starts to become less important what teachers or parents think about the issue as to what their peers think. Using a series of facilitated student discussion panels and role plays we aim to explore with them how they approach and feel about this issue. Thereby creating a safer group norm. The period leading up to and crossing into secondary school is a transitional phase where statistically bullying (whether that is physical, verbal or emotional) can be at
its worst. As such, we will also be equipping them with some practical strategies to respond, as a bystander or a target, to this behaviour in assertive ways.

EXTRA CURRICULAR EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES
We can sometimes undervalue and take for granted both school and staff 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 -

- Our involvement in the special ANZAC ceremony at the FTG Arboretum
- 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, Hoop time 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
- 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
- Special educational visits from the CFA and Police
- Our camping programs, etc.

THE EDUCATION STATE
The most important thing that we can do as a school community is to make sure we give each and every student a great education and a great start to life. I regularly hear ideas from our staff, our school council, and others in the community on how we can make The Basin PS and the state government education system even better. My colleagues and I are impressed with Education Minister James Merlino’s willingness to take feedback and review arrangements in our quest to be ‘The Education State’. I would encourage you to go to Education State website @ http://educationstate.education.vic.gov.au/ where you can join in the online conversations or read the Consultation Papers that are available.

PREP 100 DAYS
Tomorrow we congratulate our Prep children as they celebrate a 100 days of school with some special activities. I’m proud to say that they are doing fantastically well under the expert care and dedication of our wonderful prep teachers. They have easily settled into the routines of school life and in my regular visits I always observe them working well in class. How good were they at our school concert? Last week I received a note from the Minister for Education James Merlino who asked to extend his congratulations to all our Prep children.
**EARN AND LEARN PROGRAM**
This year will again be participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn Program. The more points we collect the more chance we have of earning new educational resources for the school. Simply shop at Woolworths and collect the Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers. Stick them onto the sheet which can be obtained either at Woolworths or at the school. Once complete, place the full sheet in the collection box situated in the office foyer. We look forward to your help with this fundraiser.

**UPGRADE INFORMATION**
We continue to navigate through processes to fine tune our priorities for the upgrade works and a meeting tomorrow with Education Department Facility people from town and our region will assist in us this process. We are still happy to receive ideas from our parents if you would like to drop in or send me an email. At this stage works will take commence around Easter next year.
I recently came across this quote (source unknown) that highlights one aspect that makes our school unique - 'When the community is engaged the school flourishes'. We really value the input of our parents and the wider community into the many programs we offer for students at TBPS.

Graeme Russell

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**Nissan Raffle**
Could everyone who hasn't returned their raffle tickets, please do so. If you have not managed to sell them, please return all unsold tickets by next Wednesday the 29th of July. As a school community we have raised over $2,000, what a fantastic effort. Thankyou PFA

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**Apple Man**
Friday 31st 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.

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**Happy Birthday to the following Students**

**July**
19th  Niah Wallis  
      Willam Bone  
      Nathan Thompson  
21st  Connor Buckley  
      Karlia Buckley  
24th  Nathan Collins  
      Duke Dowling White  
      Logan Moore  
      Josiah Murrell  
      Aaliyah Lacy  
      Stephanie Osborne  
25th  Brynn Terure  

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| 1W    | **Ava-Rose Edwards** - for brilliant work on her weekly spelling words. You really are a super speller!  
    |                              | **Ryan Moorfoot** - for radical reading! Your reading this week was spot on Ryan. Keep it up! |
| 1/2D  | **Taj Shoebridge** - for his awesome effort to complete 100 nights of reading. Keep up the terrific progress Taj!  
    |                              | **Baxter Johnson** - for his terrific effort with handwriting and leaving spaces between words. Keep it up Baxter! |
| 2S    | **Ivy Smith** - for her excellent recall of basic addition facts to 20.  
    |                              | **Jacqueline Gribble** - her wonderful handwriting, with all letters the correct size and shape. |
| 2W    | **Eden Lobb** - for being a fantastic, responsible learner who always puts in a top effort when completing tasks. What a great role model to our grade!  
    |                              | **Shaun Steer** - for a super effort completing his literacy activities so fast. Great start to Term 3 Shaun! |
| 3H    | **Casey Cormack-Brown** - for his terrific knowledge and understanding of time. Fabulous work Casey! |
| 3L    | **Sonia Cursion** - for a terrific job in revising and editing her writing about our excursion. Great effort Sonia! |
| 3/4P  | **Cohen Young** - for the terrific effort he put into drafting and publishing his letter. Keep up the fantastic work Cohen! |
| 4B    | **Constanze Hau** - for her brilliant work on her newspaper article about the excursion. You have written it like a real reporter. You are awesome! |
| 4D    | **Angel Winsor** - for her fantastic effort she has put in to tell the time to the nearest minute. Well done Angel, keep working hard! |
| 5S    | **Sara-Rose Lock** - For always putting in so much effort to complete her work to a very high standard! You should be very proud Sara-Rose! |
| 5/6C  | **Briana Kilbride** - For her excellent work when using Microsoft Excel. You are a star! |
| 5/6R  | **Miranda Cogdale** - for her terrific hard work and persistence on class tasks. You are a star Miranda! |
| 6H    | **Brock Riddell** - for excellent reflections while reading ‘DARK LIFE’ in reading groups. |
The Basin Primary School

Bounce Back Award!

For the first half of this term we will be focussing on relationships and what is means to be a good friend. We will address issues such as friendship and loyalty, how to be a thoughtful friend, good and bad ways to disagree, saying sorry, building bridges and listening and conversation skills. There are many great friendships within our school community; well done to those students who regularly display these wonderful values and skills!

Prep: Kate Wiersema: For displaying the true qualities of being a valuable friend. You always think of others first and treat others with kindness and care. You make our classroom a great place to be! Well done Kate!

Grade 1:
Sascha Kubik: for being a very kind friend out in the yard and in the classroom. You know that to HAVE a good friend you need to BE a good friend. Keep it up Sascha, you make many people very happy!

Grade 2: Tamika Wiloughby: you are a true friend! You are always thinking about the thoughts and feelings of others. Thank you for being a reliable and supportive friend.

Grade 3: Abby Wigney: For always treating others, including her friends, with kindness and respect. You have a caring and thoughtful nature which makes you a wonderful friend to others. You are a very special girl Abby!

Grade 4: Lily-Grace Murrell: For being the caring and thoughtful friend you are. You respect other people and their feelings and stand by your friends when things get tough. You’re a fantastic friend Lil! Keep it up!

Grade 5:

Grade 6:

BounceBack!
GRADE 3/4 Excursion

On Wednesday the 15th of July, students from Grades 3 and 4 went on an excursion into the city to visit the IMAX cinema and the Botanic Gardens. We watched a documentary called ‘Pandas 3D: The Journey Home’ which showed what some people in China are doing to help save Pandas from extinction which includes the breeding and raising of baby pandas, along with releasing them into the wild after years of being in human care. After the movie, we went to the Botanic Gardens. We took part in a program called ‘Connecting to Country’ which gave us a greater understanding and respect for Aboriginal culture. We participated in rotations including making and using ochre paint, string making and a hands on exploration of tools used by Aboriginal people. We also went on a tour around the gardens, being informed of local and native plants and their significance to Aboriginal life. At the end of the program we were involved in a smoke ceremony where we acknowledged our ancestors and the land. We were incredibly lucky with the weather and we all had such an amazing day!

Thank you to the parents who came along also!
HOOPTIME BASKETBALL

Last Friday we had 31 of our Grade 3/4 students participate in the district Hooptime basketball tournament at Kilsyth Basketball Stadium. It was a great day thoroughly enjoyed by all students. All students are to be congratulated for not only their performances on the court, but for their excellent behaviour and sportsmanship. The highlight of the day was the performances of our “All Star Boys” team. The boys made it through to the Grand Final and played extremely well in that game against outstanding opposition. It was also particularly pleasing to witness the enjoyment displayed by our “Rookie” team having their first experience of competitive basketball and winning 4 out of 5 games. The day would not have been possible if it wasn’t for the fantastic support we received from our parents and staff. We are extremely grateful to everyone who assisted with coaching, scoring, photography and transport. The results for each team were as follows:

“Future Stars #1” L 1-15, L 0-32, L 0-7, L 3-6, L 2-12, L 4-6.
“Future Stars #2” – L 5-6, L 4-14, L 5-10, L 5-6, W 6-4.
“Rookie” – W 10-0, L 4-5, W 4-2, W 15-0, W 4-0.

Dale Goldsmith
Phys-Ed and Sport
STATE CROSS COUNTRY

Last Thursday Jack Watt competed in the State Cross Country event at Bundoora. To reach this level Jack had qualified by winning the district and division events and then placing 4th at regional level. Jack ran a mighty race to finish 42nd in the 12 year old boys. He also ran an outstanding time of 10 minutes 11 seconds for the 3km. What a fantastic effort. Congratulations Jack!

PFA Chocolate Drive

The boxes of chocolates for the PFA Chocolate Drive were sent home with students yesterday. Funds from this year’s drive will go towards resurfacing the oval and the construction of a running track.

Additional boxes are available from the office. There are fantastic prizes for the students who sell the most boxes.

For those who opted to donate the $20, please send it to the office in an envelope.

Please return the money you raise to school no later than Tuesday August 4, 2015.

Thank you
PFA
Donations

Thank you to all who have donated items for our fair. Our book stall is now full so no more books please. There are boxes in every classroom that you can place your donations in, we are still looking for temporary tattoos and hairspray to help with that stall. LUCKY JARS are back for this fair so start collecting your jars and filling them with fun items, more information will be coming in the next few weeks. Big THANKS to all the volunteers that have been collecting these items from the classrooms.

Stall Holders

We received several more stall holder applications over the holidays. Please make sure you’ve got your stall holder application in if you are wanting a stall and ensure any friends/family you know get their applications in ASAP or they may miss out.

Sponsorship

Our 2013 Country Fair was a huge success due to the hard work of parents and friends of our school as well as to the generosity of our local businesses. We are once again looking for donations towards our live and silent auctions, or prizes for our stalls. If you own a business or know of a business who could help us please get in touch with us so we can send out a letter of offer. Every business who donates to our fair will receive their name in our newsletter as well as on our Facebook page. We also encourage the school community to support these companies by using their services.

This year we are opening up an exciting opportunity to our small businesses as well. We understand many parents at the school own businesses which would like to help our fair but are not sure how. We are offering the chance to sponsor our $100 note stall as well as our other school stalls which will see your business logo proudly displayed at that stall. To be a part of this we are asking for donations of $10 or more. More details will be coming in the next few weeks but if you are wanting to get on board now please email thebasinpscountryfair@gmail.com.

Entertainment

Does your child belong to a sport or dance club that would like to perform at our Country Fair? Once again we will be having a truck stage and a floor stage and our entertainment coordinators are eager to get our stages filled with family entertainment. If you are interested or believe your club might be, please contact Sharon on ……or email thebasinpscountryfair@gmail.com to pass on the details.

Vision Portraits

Once again we have vision portraits coming to the school as a fundraiser for prizes and other items needed for the fair. Please save the date 22nd August. This year the portraits will be taken outside in our wonderful grounds. More details can be seen on the accompanying flyer.
Thank you to the following businesses who have provided donations to our Country Fair

- Seasol – 2 Hampers
- Sarah Louise School of Dance - $50 voucher
- Kilsyth Club – 2 x $30 Dining Vouchers
- Enchanted Adventure Garden – Family Pass
- Sidetracked Go Carts – Value Pass $37
- Wetlands Golf n Games – 5 x Golf n Games Pass
- Montania - $20 Voucher
- Australian Fishing Network – 2 x Magazine Subscription
- Bendigo Tramway – 2 x Tram Passes, 2 x Goldmine Tours
- Thai Tables Restaurant - $40 dining voucher
- Banksia Nursery – 2 x $10 gift vouchers
- Chesterfield Farm – 2 x Junior Farmer Pass
- Luna Park – Family Pass
- Lightning Speciality Products – 2 x Cleaning Hampers
- Simone Perete – Assorted Lingerie Voucher
- Wantima Hill Club - $50 Bistro Voucher
- Kmarts Boronia - $20 Gift Card
- Bunnings (Bayswater) - $50 Gift Card
- Yarra Valley Railway – 1 Family Ticket
- Whispers Hair Designs
- Puffing Billy Railway – Family Pass
- Melway Publishing – 5 x Mini Melways
- Paesano International Buffet - $50 reward card
- Nikos Tavern - $50 Voucher
- Knox Leisure Works
- Boronia Chiropractic Healthcare - $60 Voucher
- Sky High Mount Dandenong – Sunday Roast Voucher
- Erins Headquarters
- Zagames Boronia – 2 x Breakfast Vouchers
- Beaver Swim School – 4 free swimming lessons
- Officeworks (Bayswater) – Box Rulers
- Cylinder Tech – Courier Service
- Croydon Cinemas – 4 x Free Coupons
- Beechworth Bakery – Assorted Coffee, Cake vouchers
- Cuckoo Restaurant – Dining Voucher for 2

Any Queries, Opinions, Thoughts, Suggestions Email us at Thebasinscountrycountryfair@gmail.com
Or contact Marquita – 0407561492 or Jacqui – 0417145971

Don’t forget our Facebook page http://www.facebook.com/TheBasinPrimarySchoolCountryFair
VISION PORTRAITS

$15 Photo Fundraiser
10” x 13” photo with frame

- Don’t miss this great opportunity to update your family photos.
- Choose your time, book, & pay online.
- Cash bookings also welcome, simply fill in a cash voucher & return it with the cash.
- 100% of the booking fee goes to the school.
- Share the link with friends and family, everyone is welcome!

The Basin Primary School
$15 Outdoor Photo Fundraising Event

Date: Saturday 22nd August 2015
Book online at: www.trybooking.com/ICXF
Bookings Due by: Friday 14th of August

Bookings close:
Enter the link above (exactly as it appears here) into your web browser’s address bar. Entering this into Google or a search engine will not work.
Please read the TryBooking page for more information and our terms & conditions.

Questions? Contact Vision Portraits (03) 9596 9400
Program Update

This Week We Have Been Busy Doing...

We have embraced winter this week by making snow and growing crystal snowflakes. The children have enjoyed doing yoga and meditation in the mornings and group meeting times are becoming smoother and much more efficient. We have also added a fairy garden to the OSHClub room. The children have been busy collecting rocks and building a home for the “fairies”. We have also changed the room around. Please leave a comment or suggestion in our parent feedback book.

The Week Ahead...

Next week we will be celebrating Aboriginal Culture. We will be dot painting a snake and using some Aboriginal techniques while doing art and crafts. We will also be discussing dreamtime stories and exploring Aboriginal music and dance. If you have any items that will help with this theme, please bring it by the OSHClub room.

Lost Property

Please check our lost property box to see if any of your child’s belongings have been left behind, which are now located under the parent sign in area.

Items needed

If you have any items that may benefit our fairy garden or our theme for next week please drop them off.

Parent Feedback

If you have any feedback, please leave a comment in our parent feedback book! All suggestions and comments are welcome! If you have any ideas for themes, activities or recipes, please let us know!

Booking In

Please ensure that your children are booked in by 6 pm the night before so that staffing arrangements can be made. If your child is unable to attend the session please let us know via text message, phone call or email.

Operation Times

Please be aware of our operation times:
7:00 am – 9:00 pm Mon – Fri
2:45 pm – 6:15 pm Mon – Fri

Parent Information

OSH program phone: 0428 162 718
Coordinator: Dee Donnez
Assistants: Martin Lester & 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 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.
Earn Rewards for our school just by spending!

We are excited to be taking part in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. You can help our school by collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Points. Just collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Points when you shop at Woolworths. Collect your sticker sheet from Woolworths, the school office or print your Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and find our more at woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.

We will redeem these for awesome educational resources for our school.

For every $10 spent at Woolworths you will receive a Woolworths Earn & Learn Point. Pop them onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet and once it’s completed, just bring it back to school and put it in the box at the office. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. There are thousands of products available through the Woolworths Earn & Learn program, and we’d like to get lots of new gear! Last year we achieved over 100 000 points and would love to beat this total.

We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program.
Rewarding regular savers with amazing prizes.

We’re bringing the exciting news that an intergalactic Prize Portal has appeared on Planet Savings, giving students who demonstrate good savings behaviour the chance to win amazing prizes.

- 75 x iPad minis Wi-Fi 16GB
- 125 x Beats by Dr. Dre Solo® Headphones
- 200 x $30 Booktopia Gift Certificates

Help the Dollarmites activate the Prize Portal for a chance to win

To activate the Prize Portal, students must simply make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 3 and they will automatically be entered into the competition for a chance to win one of hundreds of prizes. Students can also complete a Money Mission at commbank.com.au/prizeportal to double their chance of winning a prize. (Please note, students can start the Money Mission at any time, but are required to make three deposits by the end of Term 3 to double their chance of winning).

Win books for your school library

We’re also giving schools participating in the School Banking program a chance to win one of 75 sets of children’s books for their school library, valued at $200.

For more information, visit commbank.com.au/prizeportal

Things to know before you can: Conditions apply, see commbank.com.au/prizeportal. Promotion starts 9:00am AEST 13/7/15 and ends 11:59pm AEST 25/9/15. Student Eligibility: Entry is open to all YouthSaver customers aged 4-13 years. Entry is limited to 1 entry per school per week. Entry is limited to the first 30 entries per school. Entries will be divided into the following State/Territory groups: NSW/ACT, Vic, SA/NT, Tas, Old and WA. A total of 400 prizes comprising 75 x iPad mini Wi-Fi 16GB space grey tablets valued at $299 each, 125 x Beats by Dr. Dre Solo® On-Ear Headphones valued at $259 95 each, and 200 x $30 Booktopia Gift Certificates will be distributed amongst the State/Territory groups. The winners’ names will be published in the public notices section of The Australian on 23/10/15. School Eligibility: Entry is open to all schools participating in Australia who participate in the School Banking Program and have at least 1 student entered into the Student Element of this promotion. Limit of 1 entry per school. Entries will be divided into the following State/Territory groups: NSW/ACT, Vic, SA/NT, Tas, Old and WA. A total of 75 prizes of a selection of children’s books to the value of $200 for each winning school’s library will be distributed amongst the State/Territory groups. Prize draws will take place at 12 noon AEDT 13/10/15 at Commonwealth Bank, Level 8, 11 Harbour Street, Sydney. Total prize value $75,019.75. Apple and Beats by Dr. Dre® are trademarks of Apple Inc. registered in the US and other countries. The Promoter is Commonwealth Bank of Australia ABN 48 123 123 124 of Level 2, 11 Harbour Street, Sydney NSW 2000. NSW Permit No LTPS/15/023206, ACT Permit No TP/15/05517, Vic Permit No 15/520, SA Permit No T15/032
Brooke Tomlinson Singing School

SINGING AND PERFORMANCE AT THE BASIN PRIMARY SCHOOL!

Singing Lessons were introduced to The Basin Primary School at the start of 2015 and have been extremely popular with many students signing up.

PRIVATE SINGING LESSONS ARE RAN FROM THE BASIN PRIMARY SCHOOL EVERY WEDNESDAY ON A ROTATING TIMETABLE

SIGN UP NOW FOR TERM 3

Permission slips are available from the office.

Simply fill in and return to Mr Ossie, or call Brooke on 0400 506 177

CONCERTS, SHOWCASES, PUBLIC APPEARANCES, CD RECORDINGS AND MUCH MORE!

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BUILD YOUR CONFIDENCE, MAKE FRIENDS AND HAVE FUN!

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