

# The Basin Primary School

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## Newsletter

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**31st July**

### PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

#### AUGUST

1st 5/6 hooptime  
4th Wakakirri heat  
6th District Basketall  
13th 3/4 MCG excursion  
27th Prep excursion to  
Chesterfield Farm

#### TERM DATES FOR 2014

##### TERM 3

14th July -  
19th September

##### TERM 4

6th October -  
19th December

#### SPECIAL RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

On 1st May 2014, the Minister for Education signed Ministerial Direction 141 - Special Religious Instruction in Government Schools. The Direction sets out roles, responsibilities and requirements related to the delivery of Special Religious Instruction (SRI) in Victorian government schools. Principals must offer parents the opportunity for their children to participate in SRI when an accredited and approved instructor approaches the school and is available to deliver SRI. Tomorrow your family will receive this Parent Consent Form and we would appreciate its early return.

Last week we sent home the updated permission form for families to complete so their child(ren) can participate in the Religious Instruction program at our school. Can all families who have not returned the form please do so by this Friday so SRI classes can commence ASAP?

#### COMMONWEALTH GAMES

Australia's results at the Commonwealth Games to date are heart-warming and should fill us with pride. As a past competitive swimmer I couldn't be happier about the results in the pool. Listening to the athletes being interviewed you gain a greater insight into their dedication, sacrifices and focus to keep improving and that basically, it takes hard work. These messages are so very important for us all and in particular to our children. Go the AUSSIES!

#### GRAFFITI PAINTING

Again thankyou to Pat O'Neill and all his parent helpers who once again gave up time again last Saturday to finish painting over the awful graffiti. We believe those responsible have all been identified and the matter is with the police.

#### PARENT SURVEY

Forty five surveys were distributed to a randomly selected group of families last Monday. Could we please have all surveys returned by Friday of next week?

### SOCIAL MESSAGING APPS

Yesterday I was contacted by one of our families alerting me to a social messaging app called - KIK. Apparently quite a number of our students use this free app. An inappropriate request was sent to a child in this family and he instantly showed his mother who then spoke to the Sex Offenders Unit at Knox Police. The parent was informed that the wrong types of people frequent this site and it is highly dangerous and all parents should not allow their children to use this app. After speaking to a member of this unit myself, he added two other similar apps to the list of dangerous apps - TUMBLER and SNAPCHAT. I sincerely thank the family who contacted me, congratulations to their son who did the right thing by alerting his parent to the inappropriate request and to the Knox Police who provided us with more information. We want our children to be safe! Apparently FACEBOOK is the most secure; however the recommended age limit is 14+.

### WAKAKIRRI DANCE FESTIVAL

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. Next Monday our Wakakirri team will travel to the Frankston Cultural Centre to perform their dance. Mr Hartley and Mrs MacLean have spent hours formulating the story and choreographing this year's dance and I know the team have been practicing hard to fine tune their performance. We wish them every success next Monday.

### CHOCOLATE DRIVE

Thankyou to all the families who have participated in this fundraising drive! We still have a few spare boxes that need selling. If you can help the extra boxes are available from the office. Could all money from the chocolate sales please be returned to school as soon as possible?

### RETURNING NOTICES

Our school regularly sends home notices and/or makes late phone calls to parents for their child to participate in scheduled excursions, incursions and special lunches. We need your help to improve this situation. Just think of the trees we would save if multiple notices were not required? Being organized and on time are qualities of successful people and it is never too late to start. We would appreciate your help to rectify this trend.

Graeme Russell

# Notices

## SCHOOL CAMPS

A reminder that the next instalment of the Grade 3/4 and Grade 5/6 camp are now past due. If you have not already done so please see the office with your payment.



## Cuppa Group

EVERY WEDNESDAY FROM 9.00AM -10.00AM

IN THE MULTI PURPOSE ROOM

**Come in for a cuppa and a chat**

You can drop off younger siblings for a play while you help with reading in the class room

COORDINATORS: TARA CALLAWAY & JEN WIERSEMA



The apple man is back!!!

Friday 1 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.

**Happy Birthday**  
to the following students

July  

28th Thomas Ciccone

29th Breanna MacGregor

30th Sascha Kubik

31st Tahlia Marshman

August 

1st Jordan McRoss  
Callum Moore

2nd Ivy Smith

3rd Caitlin Zinnow



## ART ROOM NEEDS SOME NEWSPAPERS

If anyone has stacks of newspapers that they would like to get rid of, the Art Room is always in need. The papers help to protect the tables. Please drop them off at the art room.

Thankyou

PUPIL OF THE WEEK  
WEEK 3 ENDING 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2014

**PB**

**All of Prep B** - for all you have achieved in your first 100 days of school. You are all amazing!

**PE**

**Leah Siegman** - for her fantastic concentration and attention to detail when working on her measurement activity. ☺

**PH**

**Abigail Telford** - for beautiful writing and pictures in her Chicken Diary. Well done Abigail!

**PW**

**Nathaniel Newby** - for his awesome thinking when brainstorming words for our short vowel endings. Wonderful work Nathaniel!

**1D**

**Paddy Fimister** - for fantastic work in maths this week and for displaying a great attitude in class games.

**1M**

**Asher Hodge** - great effort in his reading. Keep up the wonderful expression and fluency!

**1/2D**

**James Robinson** - for his enthusiasm and accuracy when learning to "carry" in addition. Great James!

**2S**

**Shaun Dinter** - for being a happy and helpful class member.

**2W**

**Danah McRoss** - for her fabulous improvement when recalling her 2 times table facts. Go Danah!

**3H**

**Chris Visolit** - For reading factual information and putting it into your own words.

**3L**

**Simone Martin** - For putting a great effort into her report writing about Melissa Tapper!

**Zac Kennedy** - Well done on a great report about Thomas Fraser-Holmes!

**3/4B**

**Kaylee Allen** - for the persistence and skill she has demonstrated while learning multiplication. Great effort Kaylee!

**Charlet Pride Grindlay** - for settling into our grade with a friendly attitude and happy smile. We are happy to have you here Charlet!

**4B**

**Zac Couch**- for displaying a positive attitude towards his extra reading. You are a star!

**Blake Nicholls**-for working so hard to read with fluency and for his excellent understanding of making inferences. You are a star!

**5C**

**Josh Gill** - for his outstanding 3D shape constructions.

**5M Kane Yeomans**- for his enthusiastic approach to literacy tasks about the Commonwealth Games.

**5/6H**

**Harry Evans** - for his creative use of net shapes to design an interesting 3D object.

**5/6R**

**Jesse Thompson** - for a great effort with his 'Smash It Writing' this week. Well done Jes!

**Todd Dowler** - for his excellent drawing skills of his 3D model.



# The Basin Primary School

## Bounce Back award!

### Prep:

**Addison Edwards**—for being a good friend by helping others during our 100th day of school activities. Well done Addi!

**Taylor Callaway**—for being a wonderful classmate and a lovely friend to everyone. You know what makes a good friend and you continually show these attributes. Well done Taylor!

### Grade 2:

All of 2S for being great friends to each other.

### Grade 3:

**Will Mays**—For being a friendly and cooperative classmate who displays important social skills like sharing and kindness to develop relationships in our classroom. Keep it up Will!

### Grade 4:

**Jhye Smith**—for being a kind and considerate classmate who is always willing to help others. Thanks Jhye!

**Chelsea Hillier**— for being such a lovely class member with an outstanding attitude. You are a terrific friend to everyone and your gorgeous smile lights up the room. Fantastic effort Chels!

### Grade 5:

**Lorlei Ahearn**— For being a wonderful friend, looking out for others and supporting her buddy.

### Grade 6:

**Noah Fenn Briggs**— for showing great mateship during Wakakiri rehearsals, demonstrating a new found commitment and dedication to the process. Keep up the great work!



## Girls Division T-Ball

On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July the girls T-ball team played in the Division T-Ball competition at Gilbert Park.

Our first game was against Heany Park Primary School. The girls played fantastic and after a shaky start finished off strong going down by only 6 runs. In our next game we played St Jude's Primary School battling it out for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> positions. Once again the girls scored many home runs and we won comfortably with the final scores being 21 – 12.

A big congratulations to all the girls for their fantastic effort, teamwork and sportsmanship on the day. Well done girls 😊

Miss Richardson



## HOOPTIME BASKETBALL

Last Friday we had 32 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 outstanding behaviour and sportsmanship. The day would not have been possible if it wasn't for the magnificent support we received from our parents and staff. We are extremely grateful to **Kylie Cribb, Ally Airs** and **Marie-Claire Barry** who all did a fantastic job in coaching a team. We also had a host of other parents who assisted with transport and/or scoring.... **Katharine Dobson, Tracey Eldridge, Rhonda Mayfield, Lisa Neill, Claire Keltie, Christine Martin and Leanne Marnell**. The results for each team were as follows:

**"All Star Boys"** – L 2-24, L 2-22, W 16-4, L 4-16, L 0-17.

**"All Star Girls"** L 5-12, L 3-10, L 4-16, L 2-8, L 0-16.

**"Future Stars"** – L 0-31, L 0-11, L 2-6, L 2-20, D 4-4.

**"Rookie"**– L 0-20, L 2-8, L 2-6, L 0-22, L 0-22.

Dale Goldsmith  
Phys-Ed and Sport



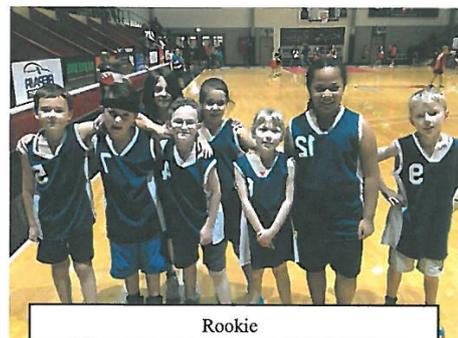
All Star Boys



All Star Girls



Future Stars



Rookie

# Week 2 Award



## School Banking News

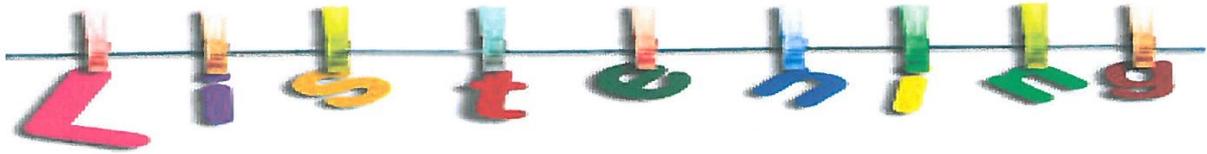
**Welcome to all our new bankers. Donna and I have been kept very busy with all of you remembering your banking on Tuesdays – well done!**

**Just a reminder that bankers receive one token per deposit and once they have banked 10 times at the school they are eligible to redeem one of the prizes. To redeem a prize, bankers need to return the redemption form for their preferred prize within their banking books, these are then ordered and the banker will generally receive their prize within 2-3 weeks.**

**Donna is busy writing out certificates for all the bankers who have reached 10 or 20 deposits for the year and we will be presenting these at assembly in the next few weeks.**

**For any questions or to set up a new school banking account please email us, Jacqui and Donna at [thebpschoolbanking@gmail.com](mailto:thebpschoolbanking@gmail.com).**

**Happy Savings!**



Over the first half of Term 3 our students through the *'Bounceback'* program are discussing ideas around *'relationships'* and this week I thought I'd focus on *'listening'*.

I was recently reminded of how important listening is to relationships. I was on my laptop, replying to the various emails I had received, when my 9 y/o daughter came to ask me a series of questions. At the time I was so focussed on getting my emails done that I didn't hear everything that she had said and she knew it. 'Daddy you're not listening to me!' she proclaimed.

Have you ever been caught out like me? It might have been while watching TV, reading a book, making tea or texting while someone is trying to talk to you. Listening is an important part of relationships and can make one feel heard, appreciated and can even build self-esteem in children.



How are you going really listening to your child?

In the midst of busyness, find a bit of extra time this week to listen and understand your child. Some times that have worked for me that may work for you are the following:

- Sitting on their bed at bedtime
- Going for a walk to the Park and sitting on the Park Bench for a bit
- In the Car – make sure the radio is off if you use this one
- Special treat afternoon tea – go grab a milkshake together

Use these times to ask some questions and more importantly to listen to the answers. You, like me, might just discover some new things as we take the time to intentionally listen to our children.

Richard  
*School Chaplain*

## **PFA Update**

### **What's Happened -**

#### *Lap-a-thon*

The end of Term 2 saw us run a very successful Lap-a-thon. Thanks to all the parent helpers and the great organisation and support of the teachers it was a very fun day for all. We were overwhelmed with the amount of money the students raised which to date is sitting at \$7200 with a bit more still to come in.

Big Congratulations to Prep B for their outstanding effort in raising \$757.40. You will receive a class party this term to celebrate being the class that raised the most.

#### *Chocolate Drive*

Our chocolate drive is well and truly underway with Lisa, Claire, Rani and Sarah all distributing chocolates to every class last week and a lot of money already returned and extra boxes taken. Please remember to put your child's name and class on money when returned so we can mark you off. There are still extra boxes available from the office for those wanting them.

### **What's Next? –**

This term we have our Father's Day Stall to look forward to which has already been organised by Fiona J.

Wendy Fox will be presenting a night on yummy and healthy food with plenty of chances to try some new recipes.

We will also be having Fish and Chip Hot Lunch run over two days which Angela Sykes is running. Notices will be out in the next week or two.

As usual we will be ending the term with our annual Footy Day Sausage Sizzle, this year run by Pat and Michelle O'Neil.

### **How You Can Help –**

If you have any suggestions, feedback or are able to help with our activities, please contact me, Jacqui at [nicolls.jacqui.a@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:nicolls.jacqui.a@edumail.vic.gov.au) Or come along to our next meeting to be held Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> August at **2:30pm** in the Staff Room.

**Program Update**

This week at OshClub we have implemented some our new item into our program. We have introduced some Chalk Board Stickers, some new dress up costumes, new games and new sporting equipment. We would like to say a big THANK YOU to all those families who have donated items to our program. We all appreciate it very much.

We are still trying to collect as many 2 litre milk containers as possible to do our Igloo. If you have any and you would like to bring them up to OshClub it would be much appreciated.

Here are some photos of the children who were dressed up in our New Costumes



**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

**Next Week's Activities**

<i>Before School Care</i>	<i>After School Care</i>
<u>Monday</u> :- Cloud In A Jar, Make A Bouncy Ball, Marble Run & Heads Down Thumbs Up	<u>Monday</u> :- Fireworks In A Glass, Blowing Up Balloons Invisible Ink & Tunnel Ball
<u>Tuesday</u> :- Cup Stacking, Celebrity Heads, Vinegar Volcano & Lava In A Cup	<u>Tuesday</u> :- Exploding Lunch Bag, Balloon Fizz Inflator, Play Dough & Loom Bracelets
<u>Wednesday</u> :- Coin Toss, Monology, Fireworks In A Glass & Instant Ice	<u>Wednesday</u> :- Crystal Snowflake, Bottled Tornado, Erupting Volcano & Hama Beads
<u>Thursday</u> :- Dead Fish, Grow Your Own Carrot, Sherbet & Chocolate Brownies	<u>Thursday</u> :- Cloud In A Jar, 5 Minute Ice Cream, Creating Crystals & Flinch Ball
<u>Friday</u> :- Musical Statues, Snakes And Ladders, Fizz Inflator & Bubble Blowing	<u>Friday</u> :- Colour Milk Changing, Good, Simon Says & Making Sherbet

**Parent Information**

OSHC 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](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.

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