**NOVEMBER 3rd**

**PRINCIPAL’S NEWS**

**REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY**
Our Remembrance Day service will be held on Friday 11th of November just before morning recess. Our ceremony will commence at 10:40am. Grade 6 leaders will be visiting each classroom for children to purchase commemorative poppies and wrist bands. Red poppies are of special significance as they were among the first plants that sprouted from the devastation of the battlefields of northern France and Belgium. The proceeds of these poppies will help the families of those who gave their lives for all Australians.

![Poppies Image](image-url)

**The Ode**

They shall grow not old,
as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them,
nor the years condemn
At the going down of the sun
and in the morning
We will remember them.

**2017 PREP TRANSITION**

The next 2017 Prep Transition session is scheduled for Tuesday 15th November. I have invited the Prep parent’s to attend a special gathering in the multipurpose room after they drop their children at 11:30am. Apart from myself or Dale talking about next year, including an update of our schools achievements this year it will be an opportunity for parents to ask questions and socialise with other parents both new and existing. Several of our staff across the school will also drop in to be introduced as well as being available for a chat.

**TERM DATES FOR 2016**

**TERM 4**
3rd Oct - 20th Dec
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 (last opportunity)
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.

THE IMPORTANCE OF SLEEP
An early bedtime may lead to healthier children and happier mums. A study of 3600 Australian children aged four to nine found a bedtime for younger children may be more important than a long sleep. The children who went to bed before 8:30pm had better health-related quality of life than those children who were late to sleep. The mothers of the early sleepers also reported better mental health. "So mums and dads, getting kids to bed early is not just great for them. It’s good for you too," said lead researcher Dr Jon Quach. "These benefits were seen in all early-to-bed kids regardless of whether they woke early or slept late."

Another study has shown benefits of early bedtimes that extend into adolescence. A University of South Australia study of 2200 children found those aged nine to 16 who went early to bed and got up early were more likely to have smaller waistlines. "The late sleepers were considerably more likely to be obese, have a poorer diet, get more screen time and less physical activity than other kids," said lead researcher Professor Tim Olds.
- The Australian, 22 Oct 2015

Graeme Russell
Apples
Friday 11th November 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

Blue baby Budgies for sale
$20 each

Pied baby Cockatiel for sale
$50 each

Please call Leah on 0413 076 092

PFA NEWS
A PFA meeting was held last Thursday. Thank you Jacqui and Richard for coming along.

Things to look forward to this term:
- Grass Heads and Vegie Boxes Fundraiser from next week
- Icy Pole Days (23rd November and 14th December)
- Book Fair (28th to 30th November)

More information will be sent home about these events. We will be asking for helpers, so look out for your notices.

Our last meeting for the year will be Wednesday 7th December, at 2:45 pm. We hope to have a good turn out!

Thank you
PFA

October
31st Kaitlyn Eldridge

November
1st Sam O'Neill
2nd Ashlee Evans
4th Brailee Cross
      Kaity Mayfield
5th Keaton Furlong
SCIENCE CLUB!

Every Monday
starting
7th November 2016
2 – 2:30pm
in the Science Room.

The Basin Juniors
TRIVIA NIGHT

NOVEMBER 5, 2016
7PM
$12 PER PERSON

ST PAUL’S BORONIA
273 DORSET RD, BORONIA 3155

Join us for a fun night of trivia, games, raffles and silent auctions to help raise money for our State Championships and ongoing costs.

FOR TICKETS AND MORE INFO PLEASE GO TO:
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