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<td>5th Prep Family Fun Night</td>
<td><strong>LONG WEEKEND</strong></td>
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<td>6th Curriculum Day</td>
<td>Tomorrow is a PUPIL FREE CURRICULUM DAY and with next Monday 9th March being a public holiday we look forward to seeing our amazing students on Tuesday March 10th.</td>
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<td>9th Labour Day</td>
<td><strong>WISEONES</strong></td>
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<td>10th Prep Incursion</td>
<td>Last Friday students in Grades 1-6 brought home a notice about a gift-ed program called WISEONE. This notice is the standard one provided by WISEONES. It is a user pay program which operates during school hours in small groups. It provides gifted students with an opportunity to mix with other creative thinkers, be challenged and have fun. This program targets fast learners, children with IQ's of 120+. The organiser will undertakes an assessment of children whose parents have returned the form to see if they are in the gifted range. We are all talented in different areas whether it’s in the arts, sport, academic, woodwork, design, etc. however only a small percentage of us are truly gifted and WISEONES aim to target these children.</td>
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<td>11th Icy Pole Day</td>
<td><strong>PREP FAMILY FUN NIGHT</strong></td>
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<td>12th 5/6 Ceres Exc</td>
<td>I know the Prep children are looking forwards to tonight’s special Family Fun Night which will provide both parents and children an opportunity to socialise and get to know each other. After some games and a bite to eat Mr Ossie will sing a few songs with the children before the event finishes. Fingers crossed for good weather - we’ll be checking the weather radar during the day!</td>
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<td>16th School Council</td>
<td><strong>RED BALLOON RESULT</strong></td>
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<td>18th RACV program</td>
<td>What a fantastic event last Friday as our students attached balloons to our corner fence showing our school communities support for the CFA - in particular our own Basin CFA. It is so important on several levels for our young people to develop community links. Last year we raised $565 and this year result was an amazing $805.</td>
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<td>4/5/6 Wendy Fox night</td>
<td>People driving past as our children were tying their balloons to the fence acknowledged our support by waving and tooting their car horns. The Basin CFA brought a truck down and Captain Koala also made an appearance. We will invite the Basin CFA Captain Mr Matt Ahern to attend our next assemble to present the cheque. Many thanks to Marquita Telford for organising this event once again and to her many parent helpers.</td>
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<td>25th Twilight Sports</td>
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**TERM DATES FOR 2015**

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<td>5th Oct—18th December</td>
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CARPARKING
Again thankyou for your patience in exiting the school at the end of the day! I would like to add to the list I included in last week's newsletter and that is that we only have one EXIT into Liverpool Road, a system we implemented several years ago after speaking to traffic management people. I was sad to learn that as one well-meaning parent was directing another parent to the correct exit an inappropriate hand gesture was made. That behaviour is unacceptable in our community and a poor example to children.

Graeme Russell

NOW THAT THE PREPS HAVE STARTED
ATTENDING SCHOOL ON WEDNESDAYS THIS
IS A SPECIAL INVITATION AND REMINDER TO
ALL PREP PARENTS TO COME AND JOIN
OTHER PARENTS AT

Cuppa Group
EVERY WEDNESDAY FROM 9.00AM-10.00AM
IN THE MULTI PURPOSE ROOM

Come in for cuppa and a chat.
(We have a coffee machine!)

You don’t have to have younger siblings
but if you do you can drop off for a play while you help with reading in the class room

COORDINATORS: TARA CALLAWAY & MARQUITA TELFORD
SCHOOL FEES

If you have elected to pay your child’s / children’s school fees by instalment, the second instalment is now due. Plan A $45.00 or Plan B $70.00 per child. Please send your payment to the office.

Icy Pole Day

Wednesday 11th March, icy poles are being sold at lunchtime by the PFA for 50 cents. Limit 1 per child.

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY POLICY

Parents are invited to visit our website www.thebasinps.vic.edu.au to view our updated “Physical Activity” policy. Simply visit the site and go to “Parents” then “Policies”.

SCOOTER, SKATEBOARD AND BMX DEMONSTRATION

Today we have an exciting demonstration for students in Grades 3/4/5/6. The “Madd Gear” team consisting of professional riders from all over Australia and a special guest rider from Germany will entertain us on BMX, skateboards and scooters. The demonstration is free of charge and aimed at delivering a safety message through something the students will find exciting.

March

1st Charlotte Torkington
    Paddy Finister
    Jye Raistrick
    Chelsea Hillier
    Taylah Westerman

3rd Brodie Prescott

4th Brodee MacGregor

5th Max Nicoll
    Brianna Kilbride

6th Finn Krygger

Garage Sale

Saturday March 7
8am—4pm

27 Avington Crescent Boronia 3155

Books—kids & adults
Shoes—brand name kids
Brica brac
All members of our school community are invited to take part in "Premier’s Active April". This initiative is aimed at having Victorian’s become more active. With over 25% of Victorian school children considered overweight, establishing the importance of physical activity during childhood can ensure lifelong participation with resulting health, social, economic and environmental benefits. Research also suggests that time in physical activity may improve academic learning outcomes. Active April challenges students, parents and staff to engage in 30 minutes of physical activity on as many days as possible throughout April. This activity can be achieved in countless ways: walking, riding, running, climbing play equipment, training for sporting teams, swimming, household chores, Phys-ed and Sport lessons at school, martial arts, dance, etc. We have established a school team for Active April and would love you to join (there is no cost involved and if there are days when you can’t manage the 30 minutes of exercise that is no problem either). By participating you also become eligible to win prizes individually and for the school.

- 10 free YMVA visits (eg. Knox Leisureworks)
- 15% off at Sportsmart
- A 2 for 1 pass to Melbourne Aquarium

Details of how to register are below.
Login/Register        www.activeapril.vic.gov.au
Team ID               the-basin-primary-school10
Team Name             The Basin Primary School
WEEK 6 AWARD WINNERS
Knox Schools Expo 2015

The Knox Schools Expo is an annual information night for parents/guardians of Years 5 & 6 children changing to secondary school in 2016/17, or for those with younger children who like to plan ahead.

Attendees can have conversations with representatives from Knox Secondary Schools, and a Q&A session at 7pm will provide the audience with an opportunity to explore/discuss critical factors when selecting a secondary school.

When: Thursday 12 March
6.30-8.30pm

Where: Knox Civic Centre, 511 Burwood Hwy Wantirna South 3152

For more information contact Knox City Council Youth Services:

Angela Thurbon on t: 9298 8533, or e: angela.thurbon@knox.vic.gov.au
or Megan Parker on t: 9298 8308 or e: megan.parker@knox.vic.gov.au or


Bookings are not required
Here is your chance to come alone and see Mr Hartley in action. As he Sings, Acts and Dancing his way through this vibrant and energetic show. Don’t miss your chance to see Mr Hartley on stage.

The Basin Music Festival
20-22 March 2015

A wide range of live music, over 100 performances in seven venues (five of them free!), including the main outdoor stage in the park. Food and market stalls surrounding a great playground. Music all day Saturday, from 11 am to 10 pm with an emphasis on rock n roll on the free outdoor main stage in the evening. Sunday is family day, with live music all day 11:00 am to 6 pm in the park and in all venues, and more music into the evening in the pubs. Weekend pass $20 for paid venues; children under 12 free. For more information about the program, prices, and special events, please see the web site!

www.TheBasinMusicFestival.org.au

Location: In the heart of The Basin, where Mountain Highway meets Forest Road (Melway 65 G7)
REGISTRATION DAY & PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

When: Saturday 28th March 2015 – between 10am & 11.00am.


Who: Boys & girls - Preschool to Grade 2.

Cost: $81 includes backpack

PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE PRIOR TO REGISTRATION DAY

To register or for further information visit

www.aflauskick.com.au

Enter our website via the centre locator