OCTOBER 8th

October
13th 1/2D, 2S & 2W
Mont De Lancy Exc
2016 Prep Transition
15th 1C, 1M & 1W
Mont De Lancy Exc.
Grades 3, 4, 5 & 6 Hands on Science Incursions
19th School Council
20th 5/6 Sport
22nd 5S/6H Firesafety
29th 5/6R & 5/6C Firesafety

November
2nd Curriculum Day
3rd Cup Day
6th Gr 6 Metro Trains
11th - 13th 3/4 Camp
16th-20th 5/6 Camp
23rd School Council
30th 2016 Swimming

TERM DATES FOR 2015

TERM 4
5th Oct—18th December

Principal’s News

Welcome back to Term 4
I trust everyone had the opportunity for some quality family time over the holidays. I would like to welcome back our staff, students and community members and wish all a fantastic Term 4. I spent the holidays catching up on several overdue jobs around home, a few day trips and some preparation for a busy Term 4 ahead. A highlight was celebrating my footy team’s third successive AFL Grand Final - WE ARE A HAPPY ‘BACK to BACK to BACK’ TEAM AT HAWTHORN!

Term 4 promises to be an extremely eventful one with a host of excursions, camps for Grades 3-6 and our big Country Fair in three weeks. The annual two weeks Swimming program commences at the start of December and then in the last week of term we will farewell our wonderful Grade 6 students.

Curriculum Day 2nd November
Parents are reminded that our next and last Pupil Free Curriculum Day for the year is on Monday 2nd November. The Melbourne Cup public holiday falls on the Tuesday 3rd November so school will resume in that week on Wednesday 4th November.

Staffing News
Currently we have three staff on LSL who will all return at the start of next week. Elyce Boyd sent me a picture of a café table with pizza and wine in front of the Coliseum in Rome. We welcome Emma Winsall, Evelyn Pagnin and Kate Mitchell who are doing a great job this week filling in for Jill stock, Kristin MacDonald and Elyce Boyd.

2016 Planning
Planning is now well underway for the 2016 school year including preliminary staffing arrangements and grade structure. Once again there will be 5 x Prep grades with a current Prep enrolment number of 82 and no doubt a couple more late enrolments during this term. If you know of anyone who is yet to enrol their child in Prep or at another grade level could you encourage them to collect and complete an enrolment form from the office a.s.a.p.?
At this stage the school will increase by one grade next year due to our large 2016 Prep enrolment which outnumbers the grade 6 departures. Despite the increase in grades, class numbers will again be small - 26 and under. There is no doubt that many families in the area continue to recognise the wonderful educational and specialist programs we have for our students at The Basin PS.

DEPARTURES
To assist our 2016 planning we would like to hear from families who are moving and their children not returning to The Basin PS in 2016. 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. Four years ago we unexpectedly lost 12 children in December as they moved to take up residence in country areas and this impacted upon our staffing. Your help in this matter would be appreciated.

PREP TRANSITION
Next Tuesday we begin the Transition process for our incoming 2016 Preps. The transition program forms an important part of getting the students ready to begin with us next year by addressing anxieties and demystifying what a day at school is like. Three transition sessions are scheduled in term 4 with students spending a couple of hours with us and experiencing life at school. The program will culminate in December where students will spend time in their 2016 classroom teacher and new classmates. Enrolled families have been sent information directly about sessions and the dates for this important transition pathway in to school.

COUNTRY FAIR – SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER
Our Country Fair is less than three weeks away and attached to this week’s newsletter is a detailed pamphlet of Country Fair information including a call for volunteers throughout the day including the setting and packing up - many hands make light work! Our organisers are short of 5 small marquis and if you are able to assist please contact the office.

STUDENT PLACEMENT REQUESTS
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.

Teachers discuss, reflect and review their decisions over several weeks. However, please be aware that each and every factor in the decision as to where a child is placed for next year is given our utmost attention. 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 30th October. 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.

SUN SMART – SCHOOL HATS MUST BE WORN!
As the weather gets warmer the sun’s damaging UV rays become more intense and dangerous. Because we are a Sun Smart school all students are expected to wear a school approved hat, during all outside activities including recess and lunch breaks from October to April. Those students without a hat or without the correct hat will have to play in the undercover area at recess and lunchtime.

LAST DAY OF TERM 4 2015
A reminder that the last school day for students is Friday 18th December and the dismissal time will be 1:30pm following a final assembly of the year which will commence at 12:50pm. Sadly we farewell our wonderful Grade 6 students.

Graeme Russell
Apple Man

Friday 9th October 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.

October

4th    Shaun Steer
5th    James Eldridge
6th    Simone Martin
       Tahlia Saravanauttu
8th    Hayley Collins
10th   Lillian Cochrane
       Nikith Kanduri
# Pupil of the Week

**Week 1 Ending 9th October, 2015**

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<td>Lexie Allen - for really great concentration when we were learning about 'st' words. Good thinking Lexie!</td>
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<td>Duke Dowling - for his wonderful apology letter to Little Red Riding Hood from the wolf. Great work Duke!</td>
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<td>Hannah White - For her excellent counting skills whilst adding numbers. Great work Hannah!</td>
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<td>Hayden Montell - For showing such attentive listening in class. You are so respectful of all those around you. Thank you, Haydo!</td>
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<td>Mia Duckworth - for always being a hard working and lovely student.</td>
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<td>Kylie Frattura - a really settled start to Term 4 and for great ladybird maths.</td>
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<td>James Lock - for a brilliant start to Term 4 and for getting ALL of his work finished on time. Keep it up Jem!</td>
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<td>Baxter Johnson - for his fabulous spelling and detail in his recount writing. Awesome Baxter!</td>
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<td>Hayley Andrew - for a great start to Term 4 and concentrating hard to complete work.</td>
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<td>Skyla Eaton - for her fantastic newspaper article about her holidays. Fabulous writing Skyla!</td>
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<td>Ella Rule - for her wacky and wonderful story using words with the 'W' sound. Super creative Ella!</td>
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<td>Ethan Major - for his enthusiasm on money and terrific skills when working out change given.</td>
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<td>Lillian Cochrane - for her great understanding of exchanging money when playing &quot;Get the Cash&quot;.</td>
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<td>Indi-Lee Riley - for her wonderful investigation into the prefix 'octo'. Well done!</td>
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<td>Alannah Menhenett - For terrific revising and editing skills. Keep up the great work Alannah!</td>
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<td>Andrew Berezy - for his excellent work with fractions. You have worked hard and asked good questions. It has been great to see you so proud of your learning. Well done Andrew! 😊</td>
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<td>Jackson Pollock - for settling back in to school with ease. It sounds like you had an incredible holiday, thank you for sharing it with us!</td>
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<td>Rosie Collumbine - for the fantastic contribution she is putting into our class discussions, especially when answering questions! Brilliant work Rosie, keep it up!</td>
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<td>Cooper Mason - for his outstanding effort he has put into his holiday writing! Fantastic work Coops!</td>
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<td>Gareth Tuituiohu - For his cleverly written Recipe for a Good Holiday. Awesome work Gareth!</td>
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<td>Callum Moore - For his fabulous written Recipe for a Good Holiday. Top work Callum!</td>
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<td>Lorlei Ahern - for her excellent holiday recipe writing. Fantastic Lorlei!</td>
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<td>Kaila Swindell - for her excellent writing piece entitled 'A recipe for a good holiday'. Great work!</td>
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The Basin Primary School

Bounce Back Award!

Prep:
Nathan Collins—for always inviting others to play and always offering to help a classmate. Thankyou Nathan you are such a great friend!

Grade 1:
Zoe Houghton—for being a great mate and including others in games and activities. We enjoy your smile and your sense of humour Zoe as well as the way you treat your friends. Keep it up!

Grade 2:
Isaac Windsor—for being a great participant in our role play showing how to use the ‘Three Step Telling Rule’. Thanks Isaac—it’s a great way to deal with problems in the yard. You’re a great actor too!

Grade 3:
Xavier Leather—For always showing kindness and consideration to others in the classroom and in out in the yard at playtime. You continuously offer to help when your classmates are in need, whether it be to borrow a pencil, help them on the iPads or taking friends to sick bay. Keep up your wonderful attitude Xavi!

Grade 4:
Hayley Collins— for always being a great friend to others. Thankyou Haley for being such a kind and caring member of 4B. You always include others and treat your friends with so much respect. We love your smile and growing confidence. You make others feel so special. We are very lucky to have you in our class. You’re an awesome friend Hayley!

Grade 5:

Grade 6:

BounceBack!
Oliver’s Miracle Whole School Fundraiser
Friday 9\textsuperscript{th} October - TOMORROW!!

Oliver from 1W recently heard a Radio Station was doing an appeal to raise funds for people in Nepal to have eye surgery for Cataract Blindness. Oliver has new glasses to help him read and can’t imagine life without being able to see. So Oliver decided to offer to read his favourite books for anyone who would donate money on his behalf.

A Facebook Page was created called ‘Oliver’s Miracle’ and people donated money for the eye operations and let him know which book they wanted Oliver to read and the name of the child he was to read it to. Along with his family he made video recordings of his reading and gave them to the people as a thank you. In the end Oliver raised enough for eleven eye operations.

The above story has touched many people within our community and it has been suggested that we have a fundraiser to help Oliver with his wish to help restore eyesight to people in Nepal.

TOMORROW at assembly Oliver will read a story to the whole school and in return we thought each child could donate a gold coin. The money raised will of course then be sent to Nepal.
WALK TO SCHOOL OCTOBER

Isn’t it great to see so many of our students being a part of Walk to School October. The charts in each classroom are filling up quickly as each walk, to or from school, is recorded. Students who ride, scoot or skate to school are also acknowledged for their active travel by being allowed to mark each trip on the charts as a walk. We recommend that students walk with parents where possible.

SECOND-HAND BOOK DONATIONS

As part of our whole school reading program (CAFÉ), we are aiming to implement a “classroom library” in each grade next year. We want our children to be exposed to a literacy-rich environment at all times, not just when they visit the school library. We are asking for donations of second-hand books to fill the classrooms and our little ones’ minds. If you have any books and are willing to donate them, please take them to Mrs Beed in Room 2.
## Program Update

**This Week We Have Been Busy Doing...**

Welcome back to Term 4! We hope everyone enjoyed their holidays. This week, we have been busy establishing our expectations and routines. Children have enjoyed the sunshine by spending time outside. We have also received our Assessment and Rating results. We are proud to announce that The Basin OSHClub is Meeting the National Quality Standards.

**Planning Ahead**

Next week our theme will be Summertime. We will be talking about the things that we like to do during summertime and how we can implement them within the OSHClub program.

**No hat, no sunscreen, no play**

As we are in Term 4, please be reminded that children must have hats when playing outside. Please ensure that your child has a spare hat for OSHClub!

**Parent Feedback**

Please let us know if you have any ideas for activities, projects or recipes. Your contribution to the program is always appreciated!

## 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

**OSHC program phone:** 0428 162 718  
**Coordinator:** Dee Donmez  
**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](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.
The Country Fair
Saturday 24th October 2015 10am-3pm

16 Days To Go!

Proud Sponsors

What’s Happening?
This week, every family should receive a newsletter containing information for the coming weeks lead up to the Fair. It also contains our Wristband Pre Order Form and our Volunteer Roster Form. Please fill these out and get them back to us ASAP.

Plates and notices for the Home Made Cake and Food Stall will be sent home next week as well. Please remember we are happy to sell chutneys and preserves if you have them.

Flyers
Letterbox drops have already been started but we have extra flyers. If you would like some for a workplace or your area you can pick them up from the office.

Sign Boards
Hopefully you’ve seen our Fantastic advertising boards up, encouraging people to come to the fair. These boards were donated by our Sponsors Bell Real Estate and Barry Plant Boronia. Special thanks to Dots Diner who kindly allowed us to display our board.

Marquees
We are still needing marquees for school stalls at the fair. If you or someone you know have one you can donate for the day, please contact us on the below email address.

Any Queries, Opinions, Thoughts, Suggestions Email us at Thebasinpscountryfair@gmail.com
Or contact Marquita – 0407561492 or Jacqui – 0417145971
Don’t forget our Facebook page
http://www.facebook.com/TheBasinPrimarySchoolCountryFair
Thank you to the following businesses who have provided donations to our Country Fair

- Seasol – 2 Hampers
- Sarah Louise School of Dance - $50 voucher
- Kilshy 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 Perele – Assorted Lingerie Voucher
- Wantima Hill Club - $50 Bistro Voucher
- Kmart Boronia - $20 Gift Card
- Bell Real Estate – Sponsorship and Advertising Boards
- Paul Sadler Swim School – Sponsorship and Face Painter
- Inflatable World /Action Indoor Sports – 5 Passes
- Beck’s Automotive – Sponsorship and $100 Voucher
- Coles Kilshy - $20 Gift Card
- Choice Cakes – 2 x $25 Vouchers and Sponsorship
- Metro Cinemas Boronia – 2 x Vouchers
- Blackburn Trailers – 6x4 Heavy Duty Trailer
- Flemington Races – 4 x passes
- Cylinder Tech – Sponsorship
- Phillip Island Nature Park – 2 x child 3 park pass
- 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
- Erin’s Headquarters
- Zagames Boronia – 2 x Breakfast Vouchers
- Beaver Swim School – 4 free swimming lessons
- Officeworks (Bayswater) – Box Rulers
- Cuckoo Restaurant – Dining Voucher for 2
- Croydon Cinemas – 4 x Free Coupons
- Beechworth Bakery – Assorted Coffee, Cake vouchers
- Bunnings (Bayswater) - $50 Gift Card
- Exclusive Hire – Fairy Floss and Jumping Castle
- Moorabbin Swim School – Voucher for 10 free swimming lessons
- Kubochi Hair – 2 x Spa Pedicure Vouchers and Hair product
- The Real Thing Craft Centre – Sponsorship
- Starshots – 3 x Glamour Photography Sessions
- Parkview Hotel – Weekend Bed and Breakfast Package
- Scienceworks – 2 x Adult Passes
- Lollipops Playland – 2 x passes
- Bendigo Bank – Sponsorship
- Philco Supply - Wheelbarrow
WiseOnes

WiseOnes is a program supporting the special needs of fast learners from Grade 1-6 and has been running at The Basin PS this year. The Program goes for an hour a week, for 8 weeks per term and it is in school time. It is specifically designed for gifted children being faster, more complex and more abstract than the usual class lesson. WiseOnes has been operating for 17 years so is very professional and experienced in gifted education.

Each term a different topic is provided, science type one term then non-science the next so that the children are exposed to many types of learning at a level around two years ahead of the average for their age. The aim is to move clever towards wise through an integrated approach covering **academic, intellectual, moral and social** new learning in a small group of like-minded children.

Some signs of giftedness are: likes talking to adults, knows a lot about some things, talks fast, asks many questions, very good with Lego, could read family names before stating school, has an outstanding memory, hard to go to sleep as mind is working overtime, emotional distress at bad news on TV or family quarrels, sensitivities to food or chemicals, very acute senses of smell, taste, touch, sight or hearing, empathetic beyond the years, dark circles under the eyes, constipation, frequent “colds”, seems advanced at art or a musical instrument, may be very good at sport or puzzles. May spend hours reading, likes Harry Potter series or scientific information. Also it may be very hard to win an argument with the child and they may have perfectionist tendencies and high expectations for themselves, of you and of their teachers. Some are born organizers or bosses. Some may be playing up at school to make life more interesting, especially if a gifted child has a reading or spelling learning difficulty. Computer and electronic games can be fascinating to them, even addictive. Some have lost their excitement about school and may even say it is boring. Since these children have been faster learners since before birth by about 140% per year that is not surprising in age graded classes. The extra neurological connections in their brains are inherited from you and makes them significantly different in their thinking while looking the same as their age peers on the outside. No child will have all these signs but will have a cluster of them.

This term the WiseOnes topic will be “How to mind your money”. If you would like your child to sit the free test to see if they qualify for the program please fill out the form below and return it to the school or email me for more information. Your child’s enrolment can be confirmed by payment of the $232 levy to the school.

Sandy Robertson, WiseOnes Licensee, 0432 326 070  sandyrobertson777@gmail.com

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**WiseOnes free testing**

Parent Name__________________________________________________________

Phone __________________________ Email: ________________________________

Child’s Name 1 ___________________________ Class _______ Date of birth ________

Child’s Name 2 ___________________________ Class _______ Date of birth ________
The Basin Cricket Junior Cricket Registration Night

Register at The Basin Junior Cricket Club for a summer of great action!

Registration will be Friday 9th October from 5-6pm.
Location: Batterham Reserve, Miller Road. The Basin
Milo- $85. 10 week competition playing prior to Christmas and then resuming after Christmas.

Home & Away Age Group Cricket Teams:
U/10’s, U/11’s, U/12’s & U/13’s: Friday nights 5:15-7:30
U/14’s & U/16’s: Saturday mornings 8:30-11:30
Fees: U/10’s-U/11’s: $120
U/12’s-U/16’s: $160

For all enquiries, call Joel Clarke on 0431 328 255
Activities for the Children

- Speeches and cake cutting at 2.00pm
- Contribute to a memorial wall hanging
- Light refreshments available
- Catch up with old friends and educators

GOODWIN ESTATE PRESCHOOL
28 Rome Road, East - 03 9722 5229
preschool@goodwin.com.au
Saturday 17 October 2015
12.00pm - 3.00pm

Come along and help Goodwin Estate Preschool celebrate 35 years of providing Early Childhood Education in The Basin. Do you have some memorabilia you can share? Please drop it into the Preschool or email preschool@goodwin.com.au

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FESTIVAL 2015
17 & 18 October
Rover Community Centre - 3110 Epping Rd, Hampton Park