9th October

October
15th 5/6 Lawn Bowls
17th Grade 2 Sleepover
18th Working Bee 9-12
20th School Council
21st Summer Sports 2
28th Hooptime Finals
5/6 Firesafe Kids
29th Imax Museum

November
4th Melbourne Cup Day
5th Gr6 Metro visit
12th-14th 5/6 Camp
17th School Council
19th-21st 3/4 Camp

December
1st-12th Swimming

TERM DATES FOR 2014
TERM 4
6th October - 19th 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 second successive AFL Grand Final - WE ARE A HAPPY ‘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 an overnight sleepover for our Grade 2 children. 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.

STAFFING NEWS
Pauline Donovan finally has a new hip and is recovering at a rehab hospital and heading home next week. The good news is that she has little pain and now is up to giving her usual blunt advice to her family and friends; however it is too early for her to be dancing around or on top of the kitchen table!

Congratulations to Lisa MacLean and husband Matt who are expecting their first child early next year. Also congratulations to Melissa Richardson on the announcement of her engagement to Michael over the holidays.

We also extend a very warm welcome to Brooke Harbour who has joined our staff this term to take over Prep W in a few weeks as Emma commences her Family Leave and prepares for the birth of her first child.

Recently we advertised three ongoing positions at The Basin PS and it is with great pleasure that I announce the appointments of Bec Beed, Ellyce Boyd and Jenny Wiersema (currently at Mt Dandenong PS) to these three positions from the start of 2015.
2015 PLANNING
Planning is now well underway for the 2015 school year including preliminary staffing arrangements and grade structure. Once again there will be three, possibly 4 x Prep grades with a current Prep enrolment number of 62 and no doubt a few 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 as our 2015 Prep enrolments outnumber the grade 6 departures. Despite the increase in grades, class numbers will again be small - 24 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 2015 planning we would like to hear from families who are moving and their children not returning to The Basin PS in 2015. 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. Three 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 2015 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 transitions sessions are scheduled in term 4 with students spending a couple of hours with us and experiencing life at school. The program will culminate on December 9th where students will spend time in their 2015 classroom with their 2015 teacher and new classmates. Enrolled families have been sent information directly about sessions and the dates they have been allocated for this important pathway in to school.

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 that you believe teachers may not be aware of that should be taken into account in making class placements, we will need to be informed of this in writing by Friday 31st 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.

OSHCLUB SURVEY
OSHCLUB are keen to introduce a holiday care program at The Basin PS during January and perhaps during school holidays to assist working families. In order to gauge interest in a January program they have provided a survey for families to complete. This survey will be sent home with children today and we would encourage families to return them to the office ASAP to assist in the decision. During the last 12 months the numbers at before and after school care have gradually increased and in part are a measure of how successful this program has become.
**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.

**DIVISIONAL ATHLETICS**

Today, 22 of our senior students will represent our school at the Divisional Athletics Carnival, which involved students from the outer eastern suburbs of Melbourne and from all sectors including Government, Catholic, and Independent schools. These students earned this opportunity through finishing in the top 2 places at the District Athletics earlier in the year. We wish them every success today.

Graeme Russell

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**Notices**

The apple man is back!!!

Friday 10th October (first Friday of the term) 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.

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**Happy Birthday!**

To the following students:

**October**

6th Simone Martin
8th Keeley Ross
10th Lilly Cochrane, Nikith Kanduri
11th Jack Ellicott
12th Shaun Dinter, Ben Gill, Tamara Johnson

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**WORKING BEE**

Our next Working Bee is on Saturday 18th October 9.00 - 12.00. A list of jobs that need to be done will be sent home shortly.
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<td>Bella Riley - for you participation and clever questioning during the Hercules production. Well done!</td>
<td>Jordan Brooke - for engaging in group work in maths where she used terrific measurement vocabulary.</td>
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<td>Cohen Chrystal - for his excellent recount about the play Hercules. Well done Cohen!</td>
<td>Dylan Rodda - For a terrific start to term 4, well done on putting your best effort in class tasks!</td>
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<th>Mia Crowhurst - For persisting in maths tasks that you find tricky. Fantastic attitude Mia!</th>
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<td>Kylie Fratto - for sharing her amazing word knowledge with us by explaining the meaning of the word 'version' when we were reading our BIG Book. Clever girl Kylie!</td>
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<td>Lachlan Groves - for his awesome holiday writing. You're a star Lach!</td>
<td>James Eldridge - for showing he can ask great questions as he practised the CAFÉ strategy 'Ask Questions Throughout the Reading Process.' Well done!</td>
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<th>Jhye Smith - for the fantastic contributions he is regularly making to our discussions. Great work Jhye!</th>
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<td>Olivia Collins - for using such beautiful expression when reading and working extra hard at your handwriting this week.</td>
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<td>Gage Garner - For showing a good understanding of his fractions in maths</td>
<td>Jada Lacy - for working independently and consistently, keeping on task. Great start to the term Jada!</td>
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<td>Zavier Edwards - for his positive attitude and hard working start to Term 4. Keep it up Zavi!</td>
<td>Amber Gibbs - for excellent results in her multiplication pre test.</td>
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<td>Sam O'Neill - for his excellent mathematical thinking about equivalent fractions.</td>
<td>Mitchell Sykes</td>
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<td>For starting the term with improved focus when completing mathematical tasks. Well done Mitch!</td>
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<td>Kirah Miller - for a great first week back at The Basin Primary School. Welcome back Kirah!</td>
<td>Lachlan Kennedy - for showing great enthusiasm about learning about our 'SPACE' unit this term.</td>
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| 5/6R | Ryan McRoss - for a hardworking start to Term 4, giving his best to complete tasks. Keep it up Ryan! |
Prep: Jennifer Berezy - for being kind and friendly to other students and for happily inviting others to play. Well done Jennifer!

Grade 1: Kade Terure - for your wonderful sense of humour, which you delight us with everyday. You bring so much joy and energy to our class and always make us laugh. Thanks for being you!

Grade 2: Rosie Sykes - For always encouraging others to join in her games. Thank you for being so thoughtful.

Grade 3: Jamieson Westerman - For being kind and friendly towards our new classmates, showing them around the school and explaining how our classroom operates. You’ve made them feel very welcome. You’re a star!

Grade 4: Martha Bone —for always being up for a laugh and for trying to get her friends to laugh when they are having a rough time. Thanks Martha!

Grade 5: Josh Gill —for his reflective thinking about how using humour can impact people in different ways. Great work Josh, keep up those positive reflections and thoughts.

Grade 6: Noah Fenn-Briggs — For knowing when to use humour in a positive way to help cheer up others. Awesome work Noah!
FOOTY DAY

What a fun day we had to finish term 3. Footy Day was a great success with all students enjoying the opportunity to participate in a fun match, dress in the colours of their favourite team, work on a footy theme in classroom activities and enjoy a sausage sizzle courtesy of our dynamic PFA. The “footy figures” painted in each team’s colours looked great on the art room walls and the sounds of the theme songs on the PA system added to the day. Thanks to Aiden, Todd, Cody and Jesse who helped with the umpiring and to all of those families who came along and supported.
REGIONAL RACQUETBALL TOURNAMENT

On the last Friday of term 3 Thomas Swindell, Mason O’Sullivan and Jesse Cormack-Brown took part in the Regional Racquetball tournament at Bayswater Squash Centre. As you can see from the scores below the boys performed extremely well winning their two matches comprehensively. The boys have now qualified to compete in the State Racquetball Championships to be played at Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre on Friday 10th October. We are extremely grateful to Naomi O’Sullivan who transported and managed our team. Results were as follows:

Game1 v Bayswater West – Mason 25-17, Thomas 28-15 and Jesse 38-8 **WON 3-0**

Game 2 v Knox Park (3) – Mason 28-12, Thomas 33-10 and Jesse 27-13 **WON 3-0**

Dale Goldsmith

Phys Ed and Sport
Walk to School October 2014

The Basin Primary School has enrolled in “Walk to School October 2014”. Students are encouraged to walk to and/or from school for as many days possible in the month of October. The program is aimed at improving the health and wellbeing of students. Where possible it is recommended that students walk with parents and that no student should walk alone. If you live on the school boundary you could encourage your child to walk 3 laps of the oval as they arrive at school. All classes will record their results on a chart and at the end of the month these charts will be submitted so that all students become eligible to be awarded prizes. Good luck and keep on walking!

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EVERY WEDNESDAY FROM 9.00AM -10.00AM
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COORDINATORS: TARA CALLAWAY & JEN WIERSEMA
Program Update

WELCOME BACK TO TERM 4
We all hope you have had a happy and safe break.
This term we need to remember to wear our hats. If you don’t want to bring in your school hat you can bring in your spare hat and leave it here at OshClub.
We also need to be wearing sun cream this term, if your child is allergic to normal sun cream please put some spare sun cream in their school bag for them to use whilst at OshClub.
This term some of the theme’s that the children have decided that they want to do are things like Magic, Science, Halloween, Space, Sports Week, Under The Sea, Mini Master Chef, Christmas and Spring Time. If you have any suggestions of activities that you want to do please feel free to come and let the OshClub staff know.

Can You Help?
We are collecting the following items
- Small Off Cuts Of Wood
- Boxes
- Dolls That Are No Longer Being Used
- Old Clothes Suitable For Dress Ups

Next Week’s Theme – HEY PRESTO

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<td><strong>Tuesday:</strong> Create a Magicians Hat &amp; Bubble Snake</td>
<td><strong>Tuesday:</strong> Hidden Objects, Jumping Through The Hoops, Protect The President &amp; Magic Tricks</td>
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<td><strong>Wednesday:</strong> Banana Magic Trick &amp; Bubbles</td>
<td><strong>Wednesday:</strong> Handstand Comp, Inside Hopscotch, Wands and Cheat</td>
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<td><strong>Thursday:</strong> Invisible Ink &amp; Fruit Salad</td>
<td><strong>Thursday:</strong> Chinese Whispers, Ship To Shore, Card Tricks &amp; Magic Stars</td>
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<td><strong>Friday:</strong> Magic Mud &amp; Magic Carpet</td>
<td><strong>Friday:</strong> The exterminator, Sit Down Stand Up, Magic Leaf Making &amp; Potion Making</td>
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Parent Information

OSH program phone: 0428 162 718
Coordinator: Leah Halls
Assistants: Pam Loecky, Brittany Morton & Chelsey Silvester
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.
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