



The Basin Primary School

Est. 1880

June 13, 2024

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

ATTENDANCE—EVERY DAY COUNTS

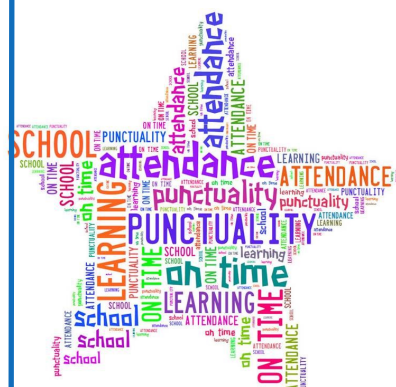
At The Basin Primary School we are committed to providing your child with an excellent education. The building blocks of a great education begin with all students coming to school each and every day. Regular school attendance is vital and missing school days can have a big impact on your child's future. Regular attendance at school is crucial for a student's academic success and overall well-being.

Last year The Basin PS had 219 students with 20 or more days of absence, with a target to reduce this number to at most 175. So far this year 18 students have already had 20 days or more absence. 190 students are currently identified as being on the trajectory to have 20+ days of absence, by already having 7+ days of absence so far this year.

5 days off per year is approximately a day off every 8 weeks	=	Just 5 days off per year adds up to 7 weeks of missed schooling throughout your child's time at Primary School.
10 days off per year is approximately a day off every 4 weeks	=	10 days off per year adds up to 14 weeks of missed schooling throughout your child's time at Primary School which is about a term and a half of school.
15 days off per year is approximately a day off every 2 1/2 weeks	=	15 days off per year adds up to 21 weeks of missed schooling throughout your child's time at Primary School which is about two terms of school.
20 days off per year is approximately a day off every 2 weeks	=	20 days off per year adds up to 28 weeks of missed schooling throughout your child's time at Primary School which is almost three terms of school.

If you have concerns about your child's attendance please speak to either the classroom teachers or the schools administration team so that we can assist in improving your child's attendance at school.

Just as important as regular attendance is punctuality. Our music plays at 8:55am and this year we open our doors to the classrooms at this time with the aim that students will be in class, organised and ready for their school day to start at 9:00am. If you are finding that you are regularly late, please take the time to look at the morning routines and see if there is something which can be changed to help you get your child to school on time each day. As well as the missed learning time, your child being late also impacts the other students in the class as teachers time is taken up re-introducing the learning tasks and means that your child is playing catch up from the time they enter the room.



UPCOMING DATES

Thursday June 13

Chess Tournament
Regional Cross Country

Wednesday June 26

Student Parent Teacher
Conferences
2:30—7:30pm

Thursday June 27

Student Parent Teacher
Conferences
2:30—5:00pm

Friday June 28

Term 2 ends
2:30pm finish

2024 TERM DATES

Term 3—July 15—Sept 20

Term 4—Oct 7—Dec 19

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🌐 <https://www.thebasinps.vic.edu.au>

ENROL NOW FOR PREP 2025

We ask that families within The Basin PS community who have a child who is due to commence Prep in 2025 please enrol as soon as possible. This year all schools in the Outer East are using an online system for new enrolments to Victorian government schools called VicStudents. VicStudents is available for students who are enrolling in a Victorian Government School for the first time. To commence online enrolment visit

<https://students.educationapps.vic.gov.au/s/> to create an account and complete the online application form.

If you require any assistance in this process please contact our office.

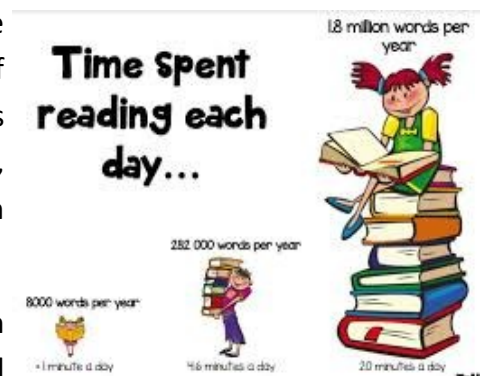


WHAT A DIFFERENCE A LITTLE BIT OF READING EACH DAY MAKES!

As the weather turns wet and cold it is a great chance to spend some more time inside with a book. Reading at home is an essential part of practicing important reading strategies learnt at school. Research shows that children need to read regularly at home to become fluent, confident readers. Even the most busy of kids can still find 10 minutes in their daily routine to do some reading.

As parents it is also important to remember our role in this also. Be seen reading by your kids, set aside a set time where as a family you read each day. Have a discussion about what you have read and what you might think will happen next in the book. This role modelling of reading habits is important and shows that as a parent we value reading.

If you are listening to your child read and they come across a word they don't know straight away - here are the 3 Ps tips. Also further in the newsletter I have included an article from Annie Facchinetti who is a literacy expert from Oxford University Press who shares her top ten tips for home reading in the article.



The 3 Ps

PAUSE – wait a few seconds. Allow for the child to check the pictures and words to work out the meaning themselves.

PROMPT – Give your child a prompt. Encourage the child to have a closer look at the pictures for a clue. Give a hint or ask a question that will help the child with the right word. Allow the child to keep reading to see if the word makes sense, if not encourage the child to have another try. If it doesn't make sense, then tell the child the word.

PRAISE – Please praise all efforts. Be positive and encouraging so the child will continue to try. That is what good readers do!



COMMUNITY PANTRY

The Basin Primary School is continuing to run our "Community Pantry".

With a rise in the cost of living, many families will be able to benefit from a range of free grocery items. The pantry is in the office foyer near the front door. Shopping bags are provided, so if you could use a few extra groceries, please grab a bag and help yourself. Foodbank Victoria, who provide for our Breakfast Club, are enabling us to increase our orders to help continue running fantastic initiatives such as a "Community Pantry".



STUDENT—PARENT—TEACHER CONFERENCES

We have set aside very important time for Student-Parent-Teacher Conferences on Wednesday June 26 (2:30pm—7:00pm) and Thursday June 27 (2:30pm—5:00pm). These meetings provide a timely opportunity for our teaching staff to discuss your child's mid year report as well as discuss the learning goals for the students for the second half of the year. Working in partnership and having consistent expectations between home and school leads to better outcomes for our students. The Interviews are strictly 15 minutes and if you feel you need a longer time then a follow up time should be organised. The bookings for interviews can be done online through the Compass app and we will send out a notification when they are available early next week.

Have a great week, take care

David Orlandi



THE BASIN
PRIMARY SCHOOL

2024 REGION CROSS COUNTRY

On Thursday 13th June 7 of our school's highly talented Cross Country runners took part in the Eastern Metropolitan Region Cross Country Event at Yarra Glen. To qualify, they had all finished in the top 12 places at both District and Division level.

Each of our students gave their absolute best and can be congratulated on their performance at such a high standard of competition. In finishing in the first 12 places (out of 90), Tilly M, Flynn C, Nathaniel M, Harlie S and Lucy M have now qualified to take part in the State Cross Country Event at Yarra Valley Racecourse on Thursday 18th July.

Thank you to all families who came along to support.



12 Girls – Tilly M 2nd 12.18

12 Boys – Flynn C 6th 11.33

11 Boys – Nathaniel M 3rd 11.45, Lucas R 71st 13.42

10 Boys - Brody B 66th 9.40

10 Girls – Harlie S 2nd 9.21, Lucy M 5th 9.30



Top 10 Reading at Home Tips by expert literacy educator Annie Facchinetti

[Oxford University Press research](#) shows that Australian children are missing out on vital literacy and communication skills due to time poor parents. Research suggests that 25% of Australian parents only read to their children once a week or not at all.

Expert Literacy educator Annie Facchinetti has shared her top ten tips for reading at home, helping children become better and more confident readers.



1. Find Books You Both Enjoy

Find books you both enjoy - If you've read a book that you both love, read it again! Running short of time? Let your child choose the book they want you to read.



2. Expand Your Book Search Parameters

You can find things to read everywhere, not just in bookshops - Try local libraries, op shops or markets. Friends and family are often keen to share their books too!



3. Books Aren't the Only Reading Material

Don't think books are the only thing to read ... you can read anything together, including the shopping list, road signs when you're in the car, and posters in shop windows. Or explore some naudiobooks or podcasts at home or on the go.



4. Prioritise Reading Time

Set aside a regular reading time that works with your life - Make it a habit that you both look forward to and finish every day with a story before bed.



5. Enlist the Help of Siblings

Enlist the help of brothers and sisters - If your day gets too busy, siblings might like to read together! Ask them to tell you all about what they have read.



6. Familiarise Yourself With the Text Beforehand

Ensure you're pitch perfect - Before reading, practice reading the book, so you know the story line and the expression required. Find any tricky words that you might need to explain to your child.



7. Take Your Time While Reading

Remember to read slowly - Take your time and make it interesting to listen to. Encourage your child to join in too.



8. Analyse the Cover

Judge a book by its cover - Look at the cover of the book together and have your child guess what it is going to be about. What is the book called? What can you see in the pictures? Talk about the book as you read.



9. Discuss the Stories Together

When you've finished the book (or a page or a chapter or whatever you are reading), talk about it together... who were your favourite characters, what happened, what was the ending like? This talk can happen while you're doing other things, such as getting dinner ready, or driving to footy practice.



10. Change Up Your Reading Location

Reading together can happen anywhere - The living room floor, the back veranda, or the kitchen table all make great reading spots. Take photos and make a book together of the funniest or strangest places you can find for reading time.



Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open, and The Basin Primary School is excited to be participating. The PRC application offers a range of exciting features including:

- access to a library catalogue (including book images and blurbs)
- a modern user-friendly interface
- rewarding students with badges as challenge milestones are achieved.
- the option for students to mark books as a favourite, give them a star rating or complete a book review.

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 6 September 2024.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklist and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit: <https://www.vic.gov.au/premiers-reading-challenge>



FAMILY MOVIE AFTERNOON



METRO CINEMAS BORONIA - PRIVATE VIEWING FOR TBPS

JUNE 23RD 1.30PM

keep an eye out on compass for payment details

Adults \$15

Children \$12 (3-16)

PRIZES & GIVEAWAYS

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PFA RUN EVENT

QUESTIONS



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1-12**

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PER
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Batterham Reserve - Miller Rd The Basin

Saturdays 9.30am- 10.30am

Starts 27/4/24 - 20/7/24 (10 sessions)

Presentation Day 27th July

Contact: Hillary Mitchell

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www.thebasinfnc.com/auskick



**AGES 5-12 (INCLUDING THOSE TURNING 5 IN 2024)
ALL ABILITIES. JOIN THE FUN!**





BORONIA NETBALL CLUB

COME & TRY NETBALL

2 WEEK FREE TRIAL



- Wednesday
- 19th & 26th June
- Chandler Park, Boronia
- 4:30 pm- 5:30 pm
- Ages 7-18
- Weather pending

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