



The Basin Primary School

Est. 1880

November 28, 2024

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

In the last fortnight I have been fortunate enough to attend both the Grade 3 camp at Phillip Island and the Grade 4 camp at Camp Adanac. Among other things, camps are a great way for students to continue to develop independence and resilience and this was evidenced this week as students undertook a range of outdoor activities which challenged them in different ways. I am extremely proud that we have been able to offer our camp program this year and acknowledge the work of the staff and parents who have allowed us to continue these opportunities for our students.



STUDENT LEADERSHIP

This year we had 25 students who were seeking to be elected School Captains. Each student prepared and presented speeches to students from Grade 4 and 5. Once the speeches were completed the students voted to elect the 2025 School Captains. Staff then were asked for input and to endorse the selections. It is our pleasure to announce that Sophie R, Kobe C, Indi H and Madeline J will be the School Captains for 2025.

UPCOMING DATES

November 27—29

Grade 4 Camp

December 2—13

Prep—Grade1 & 2

Swimming Program

Wednesday December 4

School Carols on the Oval

5:30pm—7:00pm

Friday December 6

5/6 STEAM Presentation Day

State Future Stars (5/6) B'ball

Saturday December 7

The Basin CFA Carols at The

Triangle. Glee Club and Mr

Hartley to Perform.

Tuesday December 10

Gr 6-7 Secondary School

Transition Day

2025 Class Transitions

Thursday December 19

1:30pm School Finishes



PARENT CONTRIBUTIONS 2024

You will notice on your Newsfeed under Course Confirmation that the 2025 Parent Payments are now available to be paid on Compass. A big thank you to those families who have already paid.

This year as we endeavour to keep the cost of schooling down as well as cut down on excess books we are changing our book packs. Parents are no longer required to collect a book pack from the office. We are going to order bulk supplies of all of the stationery requirements and they will be handed out to the students by the classroom teacher in 2025. By doing this we are able to reduce the amount of supplies that we need to order and subsequently this has meant that we have been able to keep our school contributions at the same cost as 2024.

Thank you for your vital contribution to our voluntary levies. Without your contributions we would not be able to offer our extensive and diverse learning programs, purchase the excellent resources we have and improve our facilities to the level that we do.



If you have any further queries please contact the school office.

CLASS PLACEMENT FORMS FOR 2025

As we move towards the end of the 2024 school year staff have been working on the process of creating grades for the 2025 school year. Whilst this sounds like a straightforward task, creating grades is a complex process which takes much time and effort.

What factors are considered when making grades?

The objective of making classes is to ensure they are as balanced as possible. Factors that teachers and principal staff consider are learning needs, behaviour, gender, learning and social networks, social and emotional maturity, class placements in previous years, opportunity for students to broaden their friendship groups and family situations (eg. twins, cousins, siblings).

Why has my child not been placed with one of their four nominated friends?

All children are placed with at least one of their four nominated friends. While this question is often asked, when the handwritten forms of the students are checked it proves that a mistake was not made. Quite often students forget who they selected or inform their parents they have not been placed with at least one friend when in fact they have.

Why haven't my requests been approved?

All family requests are seriously considered and recorded. At times, family requests can be conflicting with another family's request, to the student's requests, or from the professional opinion of the teacher.

When I get my child's class placement, can I request that it be changed?

The class placements are considered final. Changes are not made due to the fact they cause a chain reaction and impact on the class balance. We consider the learning and wellbeing of each individual during the placement process and families must realise their child is part of a complex equation in school placements. If the school has made an obvious error, a change may be made.

How can I help my child during this process?

Families can help by supporting the informed decisions of the staff and ensuring all conversations with their children are positive and encouraging. Hold a conversation with your child and discuss who would be suitable to list as 5 possible classmates in 2025.

PARENT AND CARER SCHOOL SAVING BONUS CODE DISTRIBUTION

The Victorian Government is delivering the School Saving Bonus – a one-off \$400 support for government school students from Prep to Year 12 in 2025.

From Tuesday 26 November 2024, you will receive an email from the Department of Education with your unique \$400 School Saving Bonus code.

The School Saving Bonus will help families cover the cost of uniforms, textbooks, excursions, activities and more.

If you have multiple children enrolled in Victorian government schools for 2025, you will receive one School Saving Bonus code email per child. These emails might arrive on different days. Please make sure to check your spam/junk email folder.

Parents and carers can use the School Saving Bonus code in store at school-nominated suppliers. Parents and carers can also choose to access the School Saving Bonus online system, where they can allocate part or all the \$400 bonus to use at school nominated-online suppliers or for school activities. To learn more about the School Saving Bonus, visit School Saving Bonus | vic.gov.au (www.vic.gov.au). A step-by-step user guide will be available on the webpage on 26 November.

If you have not received your School Saving Bonus code via email by Friday 29 November, please contact the Department of Education by emailing

school.saving.bonus@education.vic.gov.au

END OF YEAR

The school year will finish for students on Thursday December 19 at 1:30pm. A whole school assembly will be held on the oval (weather dependant) on the final day starting at 12:45pm. We encourage all families to attend the assembly as we farewell the Grade 6 students.

Have a great week, take care

David Orlandi



ADULTS APPROACHING STUDENTS

A reminder to all parents that we strongly encourage you to speak to class teachers when an issue or concern arises that relates directly to something that has happened in the classroom/playground. Unfortunately in the past few weeks we have had a number of instances where parents have approached students to discuss concerns. **Parents must never address an issue with another child, nor approach the parents/carers of the other child/ren.** Students being confronted by an adult other than a staff member is quite distressing. The matter must be dealt with in the first instance, through the class teacher and where required, leadership.

Sometimes, what has happened or been said in the classroom/playground is taken out of context or is exaggerated; or both sides of the issue are not presented. When such matters are discussed widely, or when passing information from one party to another, the facts can often be distorted and inaccurate. If an incident occurs at school and has been dealt with at school, it should be left as a school issue and should not be discussed outside of the group of people it directly involves.

Parents are welcome to discuss an incident with the class teacher who has dealt with it for further information or clarification. However, I reiterate, due to confidentiality, the matter should not be discussed with other parents in the school community. Parents may sometimes not agree with the way a staff member deals with a classroom / playground incident between two or more children. Staff manage situations often based on the best information they have possession of at the time. At The Basin PS we are working with students to action solutions to issues which arise around learning, friendships and disputes, and I think parents would agree this is a lifelong skill which requires building strategies and unconditional support.

I encourage communication and a great deal of patience and understanding with our approach to managing issues. I can't emphasise enough the importance of good parent—teacher communication — it is much easier to solve problems, feel reassured and be confident in what is happening in the classroom when there are open channels of

Respectful school communities start with respectful behaviour

Parents, carers, staff and students can help keep our school community safe, supportive and respectful.

Good relationships are based on:



Open and honest communication



Trust and respect



Working together



Fair and reasonable expectations by all

These behaviours are **not** okay in our school community:

- ⊗ Threats
- ⊗ Violence
- ⊗ Rudeness
- ⊗ Harassment
- ⊗ Discriminatory and derogatory comments
- ⊗ Aggression
- ⊗ Intimidation
- ⊗ Threatening gestures

This includes in-person, over-the-phone, email, text message, social media and online platforms.

For more information ask your school about the **Respectful Behaviours within the School Community Policy**.

THE BASIN
PRIMARY SCHOOL
PRESENTS

CAROLS ON THE OVAL

WED 4TH | **5:30PM**
DECEMBER | **TIL 7PM**

COME AND JOIN IN ALL THE CHRISTMAS
SPIRIT AT OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

THE SHOW WILL BEGIN AT 6PM

CLASS ASSEMBLING AT 5:50PM

FAMILIES ARE WELCOME TO COME FOR A PICNIC PRIOR TO THE EVENT STARTING.
BACKGROUND MUSIC PLAYING FROM 4:45PM.



The PFA have organised Dessert Trucks and Raffle which will be drawn on the night.

Ice Cream truck, Fairy Floss/Popcorn and Donuts will all be available for purchase on the night.

Christmas



**We are seeking donations for our
Christmas Raffle**

Donations are appreciated for the following categories:

❄️ Chocolates/Lollies ❄️ Toys/Games ❄️ Wine
❄️ Gift Vouchers ❄️ Art/Craft ❄️ Tubs for Hampers

Donations will be accepted at the office from Thursday 7
November. Raffle Tickets will be going home soon with
eldest children. Tickets will be \$2 each.

Don't forget to bring extra **cash on carols night** to buy
raffle tickets!

It will be drawn at the Christmas Carols
Wednesday 4th December 2024

Grade 2 Minibeast Incursions



Holly's Backyard Bees

On Thursday 7th November we had Holly visit us at school to teach us all about bees and how to be a beekeeper. We loved tasting her delicious homemade honey and trying on her beekeeper hat! Watching the bees working away in their hive was so interesting, we even saw some carrying egg shells!



Australian Wildlife Lecture with Andrew Wegener

During the wildlife incursion we learnt so many amazing facts about minibeasts and reptiles. We investigated the importance of insects in our environment and the role we can play to protect their habitats. The highlight was being able to hold and touch a variety of lizards and minibeasts.





On Wednesday 27th November, Oliver attended the 2024 Victorian Schools Junior Primary State Final. Held at Doncaster Gardens Primary School with a field of 110 competitors Oliver did a wonderful job representing The Basin PS. In an incredibly strong competition Oliver was able to pick up a couple of wins throughout the day and should be very proud of his efforts.

Congratulations Oliver!!



Grade 3 Phillip Island Camp





Our amazing artists have been working so hard lately! Come check out our mini- Art Exhibition in the art room during the Christmas Carols. Wednesday the 4th of December.





WEEKLY AWARD WINNERS

Week 8 Term 4

PUPIL OF THE WEEK



PM - Charlie A - for showing great enthusiasm when learning about time. Your clock looked amazing! Keep it up Charlie!

PM - Scarlett M - for the incredible effort you put into your buddy reflection. It certainly showed how much you enjoyed spending time with your buddy this year. Well done Miss Scarlett!

PD - Rhys L - for trying out new activities even when you are feeling unsure. It is great to see you being brave and giving things a go! Fantastic effort, Rhys.

PB - Milla P - for your outstanding reading. I love how you are sounding out all your words. You are a superstar Milla!

PS - Harriet D - For the fabulous effort you have been putting into your independent writing. I am so pleased to see you using our Word Wall and Soundwaves chart to help you. Great job, Harriet.

1S - Jack W - For your wonderful work creating your name using MAB and place value. You did a great job adding the total and checking your answer. You're a SUPERSTAR, Jack!

1M - Ari S - For getting 100% in his spelling test. Well Done Ari.

1T - Hunter W - For consistently being a positive, friendly and supportive member of our class! Your kindness and hard working attitude makes you a wonderful role model for your classmates. Keep up the great work, superstar!

2SM - Heath C - For the wonderful start you have made to your tadpole project. Heath, you have been extremely focused during our research sessions and I love how neatly you are presenting your work.

2E - Ivory N - For her amazing time telling of quarter hour times on analogue clocks. Ivory, you have mastered this skill with confidence! Excellent work!

2H - Laney K - For the amazing attention to detail you have put into your minibeast project so far. You have learnt so much and it looks amazing! Well done!

2SK - Zoe G – For writing a very informative book about spiders. You included great diagrams and interesting facts. Well done, Zoe!

3EA - Alexis P - For setting a great example of being brave and demonstrating persistence when faced with a challenge on camp. It was so wonderful to see you participating in new experiences and you should be proud of yourself! Well done, Alexis!

3HS - Hannah A - for her outstanding camp reflection, you expressed how brave you were on camp with challenging activities even when you were scared. You are a brilliant student and we are so proud of you!

3EL - Mattias M - for his outstanding efforts on all tasks this week. Your work is beautifully presented and includes such great detail. Keep up the awesome work Mattias!

3W - Piper K – for using the author's punctuation to add expression to her reading. It's lovely to listen to you read as you make the book come alive Piper!! Well done!!

5S - Georgia T - For the fantastic job you did with your Artists impression for your steam project. Well done Georgia you should be proud of your amazing efforts!

5C - Connor J-DC - For the incredible effort you've put into our STEAM sessions. You've shown wonderful teamwork and worked hard on your ICT component. Top stuff, Connor!

5D - Liam B - for his active engagement in our debating sessions. You provided thoughtful and persuasive responses to all of our topics. Well done Liam!

5W - Jack B – for the terrific work you have been producing on your 3, 2, 1 Reflections after reading. Your detailed summaries, predictions and questioning display your clever understanding of the text. Keep it up Jack!

6K - Zane B - For the amazing energy you bring to our class each day. It's so great to see your maturity when focusing on classroom tasks, such as reading, STEAM and Grad bears. Keep up the great work Zane!

6H - Tilly M – For always doing the right thing because it's the right thing to do. You show honesty, responsibility, and kindness every day, setting a great example for others. Keep it up, Tilly!

6J - Oscar Russell - For the dedication and leadership he has demonstrated towards Science. Your work during leadership sessions and the STEAM project has been outstanding. Well done, Oscar!

6M - Ebony S - For the amazing leadership and mediation you have shown when working on your STEAM project. Congratulations on keeping your team on track and communicating with them clearly.



PLAY IS THE WAY



PREP - Bonnie W - For always treating others with kindness and respect, even if they are different to you. We so enjoy having you in our class, Bonnie! Keep up the terrific effort.

GRADE 1 - Amber T - For always pursuing your personal best and being a kind, caring and supportive classmate. We are very lucky to have you in 1T Amber, keep up the great work!

GRADE 2 - Tazon N - for always pursuing your personal best. You always try so hard and you have made so much progress this year. Keep up the amazing work, Tazon!

GRADE 3 - Rylen B - for stepping bravely into Grade 3 Camp. Rylen, it was awesome to see you push through some challenges and try so many new things!!!

GRADE 5 - Mylah L – for the wonderfully respectful way you always conduct yourself both inside and outside the classroom. You treat others with beautiful kindness, a friendly attitude and a warm smile. Thank you Mylah.

GRADE 6 - Max B - for demonstrating a positive attitude and making great decisions while working in the classroom. It is wonderful to see you fully engaged, completing tasks with dedication, and striving to achieve your personal best. Your commitment to learning over the last few months has been truly impressive. Well done, Max!

AWARD WINNERS





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Play 9 & Under Netball:

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No experience necessary, girls and boys welcome. Trial sessions available.

Training: Tuesday Afternoon at GRPS
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Cricket

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