



Students from Balnarring Primary School performing at the Japanese Festival.

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Principal's Report and Assistant Principal's Report

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Thank you for supporting the Science and Technology Expo which was an enormous success with over 180 children putting in an entry. It was particularly pleasing to see the level of family support provided to our young scientists. David Keystone is keen to speak to a number of students about entering their work in the Science Talent Search. A special thank you to Westernport Secondary College for allowing our students to experience the field of robotics on the night.

10 families from Balnarring participated in the Japanese festival last weekend. Congratulations to Oliver and Leo Prestney who came first and second in the beyblades tournament.



Monday May 21st marks the beginning of Education Week and to celebrate we are inviting you to join us for an afternoon of fun, playing number games in your child's classroom. You will learn easy games, which you can play at home, and which will help you assist your child to learn their number goals. The fun starts on Monday at 2.15 pm. We hope to see you there.

Teachers will spend the next curriculum day which is on 25th May working with numeracy consultant George Booker. Camp Australia will be providing day care at the school.

Assistant Principal's Report



During any one school day our students have ample opportunity to demonstrate *doing their best*.

These opportunities occur both in the classroom and outdoors.

When students are playing with their friends, practising their sporting skills, participating in the latest craze or using their imaginations, they have the opportunity to demonstrate that socially they are *doing their best*.

When students are participating in tuning in activities, listening to explanations, joining in class discussions, collecting resources and completing set tasks, they can repeatedly prove to their teachers, their classmates and indeed themselves that they are academically *doing their best*.

Parents and friends witnessed the work of many students at the Science and Technology expo. It was a magnificent display. It was obvious that many students are passionate about and indeed skilled in the scientific field.

It is indeed evident at school expos, sporting events, musical performances, curriculum presentations and artistic displays that we all have different talents and abilities. There are very few of us who can excel in everything we do.

Some children despite doing their best find literacy skills difficult to grasp, implement and retain. As reading and writing is fundamental to schooling it is important that

We will have our first Parent Representative Meeting in the library on the Tuesday 15th May starting after Ready Set Go. We hope to see you there.

Last week we held auditions for the school production of the Wizard of Oz. Thank you to all those children who applied for a role. All our children will have their time on stage. The production is on Thursday 6th September.

Congratulations to Maya Butler de Castro, from grade 1A, who was selected as a finalist in this year's Young Archie competition. The Young Archie coincides with The Archibald Prize which is awarded annually to the best portrait painting. Maya's artwork will be published on the Gallery of NSW website and be displayed in the Gallery of NSW in Sydney until the 9th of September. Four winners will be announced on Saturday 28th of July. There were over 1400 entries, so to make it to the top 20 is a huge achievement.

Just a reminder to year six parents that you need to return your child's application for a placement at a secondary school by Friday 11th May.

If you happen to be in the school grounds on the weekend and witness poor or dangerous behaviour, please report it immediately to the police.

Rhonda Stephens

children struggling with their literacy development are supported and provided with additional opportunities to grasp these skills. If you would be interested in working with one of our Year 3, 4 or 5 students to support these developing skills we would love you to come along to an informal 'training' session in the library next THURSDAY 17th MAY at 2:30 pm.

At this session we will introduce you to the very explicit 'Phonics for Reading' program, which is most successful when delivered to individual students. It is simple to implement as it sets out step by step what the 'instructor' says and what the children have to do.

This excellent program has been supported by a small group of parents for the past two years. "It was terrific to see my student become more confident with the activities over the term. I really enjoyed meeting with her" – Kirsty.

Each parent meets with their nominated student at the start of the school day 2 or 3 mornings a week. The supportive sessions run for about 15 minutes.

We would love to be able to provide this one on one opportunity to other students, so if you or someone you know in the community would be interested in participating please join us on the 17th. If you have any questions about the program or your possible involvement, please give me a call or drop by the office.

Wishing all our mums and special friends a lovely day on Sunday,

Sandy O'Meara

ATTENDANCE:

Please remember to call the office or send a Flexibuzz absence notice before 9:30 am on any morning your child will not be at school. Thank you.

School banking:
The day to bring in
your bank books is:
TUESDAY

Uniform Shop dates:
Term 2
16th, 30th May,
13th, 27th June

WHAT ACTIVITIES ARE COMING UP



PLEASE BE AWARE THAT DATES SOMETIMES CHANGE AND UNFORESEEN EVENTS MAY BE ADDED. CHECK FLEXIBUZZ (Tiqbiz) FOR UPDATES.

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
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| | | | | 11 MAY *CANTEEN CLOSED *Mothers' Day Stall *Wetlands Sausage Sizzle for those who ordered *Whole School Mothers' / Special Friend Day - 2.15 pm |
| 14 | 15 *NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5 *Class representatives meeting 9am *Foundation Discovery Day | 16 *NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5 *Wetlands Meeting *School Council Meeting | 17 *NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5 | 18 |
| 21 *Education Week Special Event 2.15pm (see Principals report) | 22 *Yr 5 & 6 Winter Interschool Sports permission and payment due | 23 *Whole School Photo Day | 24 *Yr 5 & 6 Round 1 Winter Interschool Sports | 25 CURRICULUM DAY Student free day |
| 28 *Book fair | 29 *Book fair | 30 *Book fair | 31 *Book fair | 1 JUNE *Student Led Conferences 2.30 pm |
| 4 *Whole School Working Bee 2.15 pm Parents most welcome | 5 | 6 *Southern Division Cross Country | 7 | 8 *Assembly for Yrs 1 to 6 Curriculum presentation 3/4A & 1A |

CURRENT NOTICES

- ◆ Foundation Discovery Day — Revised notice
- ◆ Yr 5 & 6 Winter Interschool Sports
- ◆ Yr 6 Transition Forms

PINK SWANN BAG TAGS

If you required a replacement split ring for your bag tag ordered through the recent fundraiser, please see the staff at the office.

Mothers' / Special Friend Stall

Tomorrow is our Mothers' Day/Special Friend stall. Students will come along with their class to purchase gifts for their mothers or special friends. Gifts range in price from \$2.00 to \$10.00. Students can purchase two gifts each until all classes have had the opportunity to visit the stall. Students are welcome to return at recess to purchase additional gifts unless sold out.

Please make sure your children have an environmentally friendly bag to place their purchases in.

Cross Country- 2018

Congratulations to our cross country team that recently competed in the District Carnival held at the Hastings Foreshore on the 3rd May.

19 of our children were able to make it into the top ten placings which allows them to progress to the next level. An amazing effort considering there were up to 100 children in each race.

12/13 Years

Girls

Erin Moloney - 6th
Jessica Gregory - 7th
Fin Fawcett - 8th
Abbie Newman - 9th

Boys

Max MacGowan - 2nd
Dakota Litchfield - 5th
Alex Northcote - 8th



11 Years

Girls

Mizuki Brothwell - 2nd
Matilda Lannan - 3rd
Nalu Brothwell - 6th
Gleeson Litchfield - 7th

Boys

Ty Silcott - 6th
Giacomo Caligiuri - 8th



10 years

Girls

Evie Price - 1st
Mia Brewer - 3rd
Chloe Trevaskis - 4th
Kiera Silcott - 6th

Boys

Harry Hoadley Royale - 4th
Jackson Partington - 8th

