



Kobi making pizzas with our Year 1 and 2 students

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Assistant Principal's Report



I often reflect on how lucky I am to be in the Assistant Principal role at Balnarring Primary School. *No two days are ever the same!*

On Monday morning our Year 6 students enthusiastically met at Bittern Station to travel up to Melbourne for their Urban Camp. They have certainly had an amazing week exploring the sights of our capital city.

Our Foundation students began their week strengthening both their fine and gross motor skills. I saw children carrying wooden eggs carefully on wooden spoons, riding scooter boards on their tummies and supporting themselves on the climbing ropes.

Some Year 1's were in the kitchen of the science room making pizzas with past student Kobi Watson. Kobi owns 'Kobi Jack's', a wood fired pizza & homemade pasta restaurant in McCrae. Our students were very excited to have a 'real chef' working with them.

Visiting the Year 2 classes I admired the scarecrows they had created during their Discovery unit. I also watched as they began their work on procedural texts, each text needing a goal, a list of materials, steps and a final statement. They were then off to take their turn working in the kitchen with Kobi (*and later they would write their own procedural text on how to make pizza!*)

In Year 3 some students were predicting what would happen next in the poem '*The Owl and the Pussycat*' whilst others were writing similes about six of their own personal qualities "*I am as shiny as a diamond*", wrote one. I revisited them later in the library where they were relaxing with their own 'good fit books'.

Some Year 4 students were practising for their Poetry Expo, reading aloud to their classmates and listening to the respectful feedback given. When I visited the Science room other Year 4 students were discussing the three types of rocks – sedimentary, igneous and metamorphic - before matching samples to the posters.

I chatted with one student who was needing a little time in our 'Green Room'. He returned to class much calmer and ready to participate.

Our Year 5 students stepped up to be the school 'leaders' this week. They were highly engaged in their Genius Projects; each student had chosen a topic they had some knowledge of but wanted to know more about. The topics included gymnastics, global warming, archery and light shows!

Others were in the art room working on labels for their terrariums, to be sold at our Sustainability Fair. Later they all participated in a STEM session facilitated by staff from Western Port Secondary College to develop their coding skills. They are working to get 'Mobi', the robot, to move and talk.

I also observed younger students in the music room "keeping the beat" and following the action of others whilst still keeping that beat!

In the Japanese room children were matching the Hiragana symbol to words to achieve their 'yellow belt' and out on the oval others were practising their 'AFL footy kicks'. '*I'm kicking with my left foot now*' one younger child announced proudly.

No wonder the days and weeks go by so quickly – *I can't believe this is our last newsletter for term 3!*

Bookings for our optional parent/teacher interviews close this Friday at 3.00 pm.

Enjoy the break when it comes,

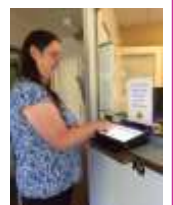
Sandy O'Meara

ARRIVING TO CLASS LATE OR LEAVING SCHOOL EARLY

Please remember that if your child/ren arrive at class after the first bell, you are required to come to the office and sign your child in and your child must collect a late pass.

If you are collecting your child early, you are required to come to the office and sign your child/ren out prior to collecting them.

Late arrivals and early departures must be recorded on the Kiosk at the office for correct recording on Compass. Adding a note via the Compass app does not have the correct recording flow on effect.



ATTENDANCE: All attendance must be entered onto Compass. Please ensure that if your child is absent or going to be late, that you record this on Compass prior to 8.30 am daily.

Bendigo Bank School banking:
Bring your bank books on TUESDAYS or if new to banking, you can enroll at the Balnarring Branch

Uniform Shop dates
(Please note that samples only are kept onsite)
Cash only
Term 4 - 9th October, 23rd October
6th November, 20th November

WALKING BUS
The walking bus departs from the Skate Park at 8.30 am every morning and departs school for the return trip at 3.20 pm. Please be at the meeting point on time to meet your children.

WHAT ACTIVITIES ARE COMING UP

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT DATES SOMETIMES CHANGE AND UNFORSEEN EVENTS MAY BE ADDED. CHECK COMPASS FOR UPDATES.

MONDAY	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
				13 September *Basketball permission due on Compass *Yr 4 Camp Medical forms due *Assembly Yrs 1–6
16 *Mini Working Bee 2.30 to 3.00 pm	17 *Division Basketball (select students)	18 *Optional Parent Teacher Interviews *School Council 7.00 pm	19 *Yrs F to 2 Melbourne Aquarium Excursion permission and payment due on Compass	20 *Wear your footy Colours *Footy parade 9.00 - 9.45 am - Gold coin donation for 'Fight Cancer—Kids with Cancer' END OF TERM 3 2.15 pm FINISH
TERM BREAK				
7 October First day of Term 4 *Southern Peninsula Athletics permission and payment due on Compass	8 *Sustainability Fair Raffle Tickets due	9 *Division Athletics (select students)	10	11 One sleep until the Fair *Yr 4 Camp permission and payment due on Compass *Assembly Yrs F-6 -Curriculum presentation 3B
Saturday 12th October 4 pm to 7 m Sustainability Fair				
14	15	16 * Royal Australian Navy Band	17 * F to 2 Aquarium Excursion	18 *House Activities Yrs F to 6—wear your house colours
21 *Science Talent Search Awards permission due on Compass	22	23 *Year 4 Camp begins *2020 Foundation information night 5.30 pm *Wetlands Committee meeting	24 *Year 4 Camp	25 *Year 4 Camp ends Assembly Yrs 1-6 -Curriculum presentation 4B

LABEL CLOTHING



Please make sure you label your child's clothes. Without names we are unable to locate the owners.

Any clothes without names will be added to our second hand rack for resale after a couple of weeks.

UNIFORM SALE—PENINSULA UNIFORMS

Due to feedback from families, we have asked Peninsula Uniforms to change our uniform items. Due to these changes Peninsula Uniforms will hold a sale on the discontinued items on the following date:

DATE: Wednesday 9th October
TIME: 2.30 pm to 4.00 pm
LOCATION: Uniform shop (at school)

Sustainability Fair Committee Update

Fair date: 12th October 2019 4.00 pm to 7.00 pm

Volunteers

Thank you to those who are pitching in with donations, assistance and signing up to help on the day. If you are yet to sign up please do, we need more volunteers. A shared effort across our school community will make for a fantastic Fair. You can sign up on Compass, via your class rep or through Michelle (0422 047 345).

Art Auction

The 2019 Art Auction brings together a fine selection of 9 art works for silent sale. This is a rare opportunity to purchase an original work of art while at the same time supporting the School's literacy program and the Balbirooroo Wetlands. The participating artists are:

KARINA ARMSTRONG, KATE DE CASTRO, WARREN COOKE, MARION HARPER, JUDITH VAN HEEREN, HANNAH LEWIS, JANE REISEGER, JACQI RUSSO

Encompassing oil, acrylic and watercolour painting, drawing, and original print mediums including etching, and linocut, this vibrant selection of art works will have you wondering which one (or 2) you want to take home with you!

To preview the work on offer please visit (and like!) our Instagram or Facebook pages @balnarringsustainabilityfair

All works are framed. The starting prices range from \$100 - \$500, and the retail values range from \$280 - \$1,200. Bidding opens at 4 pm and closes at 6:30 pm.

Donations please!

We are still welcoming in donations for the Preloved Department Store - we are seeking goods that are of the best quality; clothing, shoes, handbags and accessories, haberdashery, toys (no plastic other than Lego and Duplo please), musical instruments, kitchen items, gardening, outdoor. Items can be dropped off anytime in the green room. Thank you!

Raffle Tickets

If you are yet to return your book of raffle tickets, please do! There are some amazing prizes to be won including:

- 1st Prize - 2 nights accommodation at Bessie Creek Retreat in Nar Nar Goon and a Merricks General Store hamper valued at \$750
- 2nd Prize - A double Peninsula Hot Springs bathing pass and Farmers Lunch at Green Olive accompanied by a bottle of T'Gallant Rose valued at \$300
- 3rd Prize - Be Fit Food – A week of Be Rapid Program valued at \$210
- 4th Prize - Paringa Estate triple wine pack valued at \$150
- 5th Prize - Sustainable Hamper; a multitude of goodies donated by a range of businesses with a sustainable focus. Valued at \$120

Be sure to return your tickets by Tuesday October 8th to be in the running for these fabulous prizes! Additional tickets are available from the school office.

Good luck and thank you for your support!