**Principal’s Corner**

**Goodbye & Welcome!**

Today Year 2 students said their farewells to Frau Wilson who is leaving today to start her maternity leave. Frau Janice Dickinson has been working alongside Tiia this week to familiarise herself with the students and their routines. We are sure that Janice will be a valuable asset to the school.

**Key Dates - for your diary**

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Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

Firstly, I would like to acknowledge Frau Tiia Wilson, who has taught Year 2 during the first part of this year for all her professional effort and contribution. Tiia has just left to go on maternity leave for the next exciting stage of her life. On behalf of all the school community, we wish Tiia all the very best on the impending arrival. Thank you to all who contributed in any way in making this time special.

As they say life goes on and the education of our children are of a priority. Thus I would like to welcome formally to our school, Frau Janice Dickinson, who will replace Tiia for the rest of 2016. She comes to us with a genuine passion for languages and we look forward to the contribution she will make to our learning community.

Some important reminders:
Where possible, students should not arrive at school before 8.45am and should be collected at 3.30pm as staff are only on yard duty from 8.45am and until 3.45pm, therefore your child would be unsupervised outside of these times.

Open Mornings
Thursday, May 19: 9-10am

Open Evening
Wednesday, May 18: 6.30-7.30pm
For private tours, new parents can contact the office to arrange a booking.

Enrolment forms for siblings of current students are due now.
Currently, we have already over 20 Prep enrolments for 2017 which is an increase compared to last year.

New families are requested to have their forms in by June 24 2016.

Have a great week.

Jayson Williams
Principal
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@principalbsps
**BSPS Reminder & News Snippets**

**BSPS Effective Communication Channels**
- Student query/issue = Contact the classroom teacher
- School wide query/issue = Contact Jayson or Bret
- Financial - Administration query /issue = Contact the office.

NB. Our Parent's Club Facebook page is not an official communication channel of BSPS

**Student Free Curriculum Days:**
- Friday, June 10
- Monday, October 31

**2016 School Fees** are now due

**Emergency details** - it is the parents' responsibility to ensure your emergency details are updated regularly

**Bike safety** - Student are reminded to walk their bikes and scooters on school grounds. While on pathways All students to look out for pedestrians and to keep a good distance between themselves and other children.

**Dogs on the school grounds** — Could parents please refrain from bringing their dogs onto the school ground, as per school council regulations.

**Open Mornings & Evening**
- May 18, Open Evening 6.30pm—7.30pm
- May 19, Open Morning 9am—10am

**OFFICE NEWS**

**Camp, Sports & Excursions Fund— Payment Arrangements for 2016 (CSEF)**
Families holding a valid means-tested concession card are eligible to apply. Cards must be valid as of January 27, 2016. Please see the information below

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - INFORMATION FOR PARENTS**
School Camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors and excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a health curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the cost of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you have a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is: $125 for primary school students $225 for secondary school students

**HOW TO APPLY** - Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

**Building Fund and Library Fund Donations**
This week, tax receipts for donations made to the school’s Building Fund and Library Fund have been sent home with the eldest child in the family or posted to the home address.
From the Assistant Principal

**District Sports**

On Wednesday the 27th 50 students from years 3, 4, 5 and 6 competed in the District Athletics competition at Knox Athletics Track.

On a fantastic 25 degree day it was great to see the BSPS students doing so well individually on the track while supporting each other so vocally from the sidelines.

It was terrific to see most of our students lining the side of the track and loudly supporting and cheering each individual runner in the 800metre event. This was the final event of the day when everyone was at their hottest and tiredest, but I’m sure each of those 6 individual 800m runners remember hearing their name chanted above all the other noise as they came down the straight, it was great to experience.

There were a number of outstanding individual performances resulting in wins and invitations to attend the next level of competition. There were also a number of students who told me they achieved personal bests on the day even though they did not place. This is equally impressive.

Thank you to all the students who attended for representing our school so well and being a great support for others around them. Thanks also to Mr Williams and Mrs. Oates-Pryor for their help on the day.

Bret Mottrom
Assistant Principal
Inside the Classroom - Year 2—Learning about feelings and colours

This term the topic for Integrated Studies in Level 2 is ‘Colour My World’. We are exploring how colour affects our lives and how we express ourselves through colour. Students in 2M and 2W have been focusing on the question ‘How do we express ourselves through colour?’ Here are some examples of the fantastic ‘Feelings and Colour’ charts, where students had to associate a feeling with a specific colour of their choice. Enjoy!

Students have also been practising a colour song that they sung at assembly.
Curriculum News

Science in Schools Program
In recent years, we have all heard much about the importance of our students developing strong skills in the STEM areas (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) to prepare them to participate in Australia’s changing workforce.

At Bayswater South PS, we have long been proud of our quality Science and Technology program. With two hours of class devoted to this program each week, we already deliver much more than many other primary schools can offer.

It is with great pleasure, therefore, that I am able to tell you of the latest development in our Science and Technology curriculum through the CSIRO Scientists in Schools Program.

Late in 2015, a relationship was established with Dr Rebecca Yee, a chemical engineer from Biofuel Innovations, whose work involves developing biodiesel for sale in the Australian market.

We have been fortunate now also to form a relationship with Mr Sanka Ranaweera, a microbiologist who works in quality control at CSL to ensure that vaccines are free from unwanted organisms.

These two scientists will be visiting Science classes from time to time to share with our students their expertise and their experiences studying and working in their respective fields. This is a great opportunity for our students to see how the material covered in Science classes is applied in the world beyond the classroom.

Frau Wirth
Student Wellbeing

Inevitable Sibling Rivalry

Are you dealing with sibling rivalry in your home? If you have two or more children it’s almost inevitable! Sooner or later as parents you will have to deal with the “you love him/her more than me” syndrome. It’s an unavoidable fact, your children will argue over you. Children want your undivided attention especially when they’re young, and will do all they can to gain it. But if it seems like a constant occurrence, it may be time to give your relationship with your children a check-up. Could it be that you’re simply not spending enough time with them? The quality of your relationship with your children is directly proportional to the amount of time you spend with them on a daily and weekly basis.

It may be that you need to make some sacrifices, cutting back on the time you spend on hobbies, recreation, housework, or time on the TV, phone or computer. A strong bond with your children is much more important than a spotless home, or doing things that could be done once they’re tucked up in bed. Children need to turn the technology off too, this bond won’t happen automatically. If you all don’t make the sacrifices needed to connect, your family probably won’t have that unbreakable bond you may see in families you admire.

Whether you have boys, girls or both, make sure to pay attention to the cues that they desire more time spent with you. Attention seeking or bad behaviour is a big clue that they’re craving more time with you. If you make an effort to play with them you will gain more time in the long run because they’ll leave you alone once they’re feeling content, and some of the behaviour problems may disappear too.

We all need our ‘love tank’ filled up and the best way for your children to feel loved and valued is when you take the time to do some things they enjoy doing with them. Each child’s choice will vary, so sit down and ask each one of them what they’d like to do with you. Both Mum and Dad need to do this for you to really see the benefits.

Spending quality one on one time is essential for each child, but also doing things together as a family helps develop and grow a solid, united family unit, and don’t we all want that!

Bronwyn Upton

BSPS Chaplain – (Monday & Tuesday) The Chaplaincy program is funded through the Government & Community support. This is a voluntary program in our school community.

From Our Wellbeing Captains

We would like to give you an update on peer mediation. Peer mediation is working really well with the Preps-2s, but not many people come to us when they need help; which is good if that means they might not have many problems, or bad if people keep things to themselves or go straight to a teacher.

In reality, we are out there purely for everyone to have a great playtime without problems. So don’t JUST go to teachers, try finding us, that’s why we’re out there!

We would also like to apologise for the shortage of peer mediators, as the grade 5s, our new peer mediators, are about to begin training.

Remember, the peer mediators wear bright orange vests, so we’re easier to see, and we walk in between the canteen and Grade 1 and 2 playground.

Written by your wellbeing captains, Elise and Max.
I have to warn you. In this article I will express a personal opinion with the purpose to invoke a reaction. You might agree with my opinion or you might not. However, my personal opinion and your thoughts on it are irrelevant to the main purpose of this article and that is to highlight how important it is that all of us contribute to the education of all our children. I hope that at the end of this article you will understand what it is you can do, no matter what your expertise or knowledge is.

It is natural that parents always want to have the best for their children. But parents do not necessarily always make the best decision for the sake of their child. Often decisions are made with the parents’ experiences and expectations in mind, not the child’s. An example is that some parents like to choose schools whose principles are similar to their own, whether that is based on common ideology, religion or background. Their child most likely would not care about any of these.

It is my personal opinion that even though those schools could be excellent in every way, being restrictive to a certain environment will not help the child in getting prepared for the large diversity in our world. It is important to get exposed to life and society in all its forms. Our country, our world, has people from many different backgrounds, we speak many different languages and people have many different experiences and different histories. Exposure to all these differences will lead to greater understanding and acceptance of our multicultural society and hence allows one to thrive in it. Below I list a few famous quotes that I feel are applicable here:

“Our ability to reach unity in diversity will be the beauty and the test of our civilisation.”
— Mahatma Gandhi

“There are not more than five musical notes, yet the combinations of these five give rise to more melodies than can ever be heard.” — Sun Tzu

“Somebody who only reads newspapers and at best books of contemporary authors looks to me like an extremely near-sighted person who scorns eyeglasses. He is completely dependent on the prejudices and fashions of his times, since he never gets to see or hear anything else.”
— Albert Einstein

At Bayswater South we embrace diversity in all its forms and in doing so we reflect the real make up of our country and our world.

What has my personal ideology/opinion got to do with how parents can contribute to the education of their children? Your school council, committee members, parent club members, class helpers, principal and staff; we are all different people, with different ideas, with different backgrounds and different experiences. It is the diversity among us that makes us strong. People can contribute in many ways, irrespective of capability, background, expertise, or, dare I say, (political) ideology.

I purposely expressed a personal opinion here just to show you that I am different than you. I could have achieved that by writing a much more less-ideological or less political article. For instance I could have stated that I support the Demons (AFL!) and in doing so I probably would have invoked similar thoughts you have about me now. But what I believe is not what this article is about. It is to show you that parents with all kind of experiences, backgrounds and beliefs can, are, and should get involved in our children’s education so that our children get exposed to and learn from our diverse experiences (Imagine that BSPS kids are only learning about my opinions! You wouldn’t want that, would you).

This is therefore a call to all parents to further enlarge our pool of volunteers with your unique experience, thoughts and skills. Your expertise and knowledge will be an extremely useful contribution to the education of our children and the overall running of our school. Please see our Principals or a Council member to find out how you can help with our many projects and various committees. Have a voice in what we are doing. Be proactive and make that step!

Frank Drost
School Council President
Hello, my name is Bronwyn Upton and I am the Bayswater South Primary School Chaplain. I would like to outline for you the role a Chaplain plays within the school community.

- Provide care and be a friend
- Be a ‘listening ear’ for those who need someone to talk to
- Provide pastoral care (encouragement and support)
- Help a child sort through a problem or an issue
- Run support groups (eg. Friendship programs)
- Connect with parents as the need arises
- Refer a child to other professionals
- Support teachers in class, helping out as needed

Matters of faith are only pursued when a person wishes to talk about them.

Life is not always easy. But knowing that someone is there for you to talk to, to listen, to encourage and to walk alongside you can be very comforting and can help you through difficult situations.

My chaplaincy role is about offering care and support to the whole school community. It’s about working with students, parents and teachers to assist in meeting the needs that arise in our daily lives.

Children today have to deal with some very ‘grown up’ issues such as family breakup, grief and addictions. Or they may be struggling to make friends or to fit in with their peers. These can be very traumatic for children and could affect their ability to cope with the stresses of daily life.

As such it may be beneficial for your child to have someone who they can talk to. This would occur on a purely voluntary basis. If you would prefer that this interaction not happen for your child/ren, please contact the school.

Please feel free to call me regarding anything I can help you with. I am available on Mondays and Tuesdays at the school between 9am – 2.30pm. Or leave a message anytime and I will call you back.

Regards
Bronwyn Upton
SCHOOL CHAPLAIN

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Transition News

Vermont Secondary College
Open Evening Wednesday May 4. Information Session 6.00pm—6.30pm. College Open Evening 6.30pm—8.30pm

Fairhills Secondary College
School tours regularly run throughout the months of April & May. Please contact the school and for more details on 9758 5022.

*Bayswater SC—9720 7555  *Wantirna College—9801 9700  *Heathmont SC - 9871 4888
*Scoresby SC—9765 4136  *Vermont Secondary College 9873 1077  *Ringwood SC—9870 2002

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Riley’s Bulletin

In 6W were starting a new activity that is called Earn & Learn and that will go for about the whole of Term 2 and Term 3. It sounds like fun! We get to make our own businesses, buy our own cars and we even pay the bills. I think it is a great experience for all of the students in Year 5 and 6.

By Riley R

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School Group Photos on Display at the office

The following photos are on display at the office and are able to be ordered at a cost of $14.00

- School & Vice Captains
- Well Being & Sport Captains
- House Captains
- SRC

All orders need to be placed by Friday, 13th May
From Our Sports Captains

Some of the Year 3-6s went to the District Athletics on the 28th of April. Everybody had a wonderful time. The events that the Bayswater South Primary School children did were shot-put, discus, high jump, long jump, triple jump, 100m, 200m, 800m, and 1500m. Every single person who participated did an extraordinary job. Even though our school came 7th out of 8 schools, everyone did a really great job; especially the teachers who helped out and the family and friends who supported us. Overall we had a great day and we give thanks to Mr. Mottrom and Mr Mark Williams for organising Athletics Day.

In Sport, for the next few weeks the Year 6s will be focusing on our netball skills. We are improving our throwing, catching and shooting skills.

Emily Herter & Vijai Kasavaraj

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<td>For trying super hard during writing tasks and beginning to put spaces between his words! Well done!</td>
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<td>Eric Durrant</td>
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<td>His great efforts in practising the alphabet.</td>
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<td>Being proactive with his reading! Well done!</td>
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<td>Being really focused on her learning last week.</td>
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<td>Excellent work in spelling! Well done.</td>
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<td>Fantastic reading and moving forward with his words!</td>
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<td>Using her weekly spelling words in her writing and spelling them correctly. Well done Chelsea!</td>
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<td>Jack Gray</td>
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<td>Timofey Kustov</td>
<td>5OP</td>
<td>Being and excellent role model for team work. Well done Tim!</td>
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<td>A great effort learning about 3-D shapes and making good learning choices.</td>
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<td>Jay Geshev</td>
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<td>Always being an excellent monitor in the classroom.</td>
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St. Martin
Laternenumzug

Samstag, den 28.5 2016, um 17 Uhr in der Dreifaltigkeitskirche
mit Familientfeinstein
Laternenumzug durch Fitzroy Gardens
St. Martin voran
Glühwein, Kinderpunsch, Hot-Dogs, Brezeln, Flammkuchen
Verkaufserlöse für den guten Zweck

Bitte Laterne mitbringen!
(Laternenbogen 1.5. - 11 Uhr im Kindergottesdienst)

Laternen Walk
Saturday, 28th May, 5 pm, Trinity Church
Family Service, Lantern Walk through Fitzroy Gardens, St. Martin,
mulled wine, childrens punch,
hot dogs, pretzels, "Flammkuchen"
Please bring a lantern!

Excursion/Camp Payments Due

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Values: Respect Honesty Empathy Teamwork

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