



Briar Hill Broadcast

Newsletter 31

Friday 19th October 2018

Dates to Remember

OCTOBER

19th Chai Friday

20th Saturday Working Bee

28th Spring Fair

31st 3-4 Camp 3 days

NOVEMBER

1st Outdoor Classroom Day

5th Curriculum Day

6th Melbourne Cup Day

12th P-2 Swimming commences

13th Parent Talk—TBC

15th 3-6 Swim Carnival

16th Chai Friday

22nd Strings Concert 7pm
Montmorency Secondary

Principal Report

Working Bee TOMORROW 9.00 to 1.00pm!!!

We have changed the date of the working bee to next Saturday the 20th of October from 9.00 to 1.00pm. It's basically a "spruce up" before the Spring Fair. Please bring along wheelbarrows and shovels as we have a large mulch pile to spread. Rin is coordinating the morning so report to her on the day for a job!

Vanuatu – Principal Mentoring

I spent Monday to Thursday in Port Vila working with a group of three Principals as part of a mentoring Program for the Vanuatu Ministry of Education. It was a great experience. The Principal that I worked with was Haward Mala at Vila East School in Port Vila. He has 800 students from Prep to year 8. The aim of the project is to have the three Principals we are working with become leaders of other Principals in Vanuatu. They can then lead and monitor other Principals from Vanuatu.

Whilst it's easy to say how happy the children are with so little when visiting developing nations. I believe it's actually more than that. They are grateful for what they have. It does sound funny that we now attempt to teach gratefulness in schools and in society in general. This is at a time when modern day Australian society has so much more to be grateful for. Is it the more we receive the less grateful we are?

In the 3 days over there a lot was achieved. Giving the leaders the confidence to truly believe they are on the right track was important. It was good to have conversations about the future direction of the project with the Ministry of Education officials. Investing in school leadership will lead to better learning outcomes for children in their schools. I'll be exploring further options for connections to be forged with Haward at Vila East with our School Council.



Spring Fair

If you are not already involved – get involved!! Now is the time...it's not far away!! Thank you to all who are starting to appear out of the woodwork....like worker bees....making chutney....collecting prizes...the work is happening. This year the money will go towards a kitchen for the kids! It will be located in the upstairs floor of the Science/Curiosity Centre. What a great way to bring our garden program alive!

Have a great weekend

Rowan Kayll

Principal



The time is near for us to bake! Our fair cake stall needs your help.

Please can you supply 1 cake or baked good from your family for us to sell at our wonderful fair?

Cake stall packaging will be in your child's bag and extras are found by the office, more baked goods = more money raised for our children's school kitchen ♡ ♡ ♡

Your goodies are to be dropped at the cake stall as early as possible on fair day.





It is getting exciting now!

The children are perfecting their performances and we are looking forward to seeing the classes on the day. All the class stalls are working so hard to get the finishing touches together.

There are still a few things to be done and rosters to be filled. Please take your time to read through the information below.

Woodworking

We still need some help with this additional stall. Collecting off-cuts, gathering nails and hammers and of course looking after this area. We also need to fill some time slots.

Safety Marshal

A very important job indeed! We would love some assistants on the morning from 7.30am to help with directing cars, making sure marquees are safe etc.

Does this sound like you? Please contact Hayley: hayleyjblack@gmail.com

Please fill an empty roster slot

<https://tinyurl.com/Fair-Roster-2018>

Fair day can only be a success if we all share the load and help throughout the day. Families are asked to sign up to at least one rostered time slot, and if you can do more, fantastic – we love you!

This google spreadsheet is available to everyone, even non-google users. If you can't get online then please send Suzy a text message. Tell her the stall and time slot you can help with and she will add you to the roster (Suzy 0430 275 449).

Organic Pea Straw Bales: Ends Friday the 19th October!

This is the last chance to buy bales to help provide seating on fair day and to mulch your garden before summer. Orders can be taken at the office or, if you can't make it into the school, over the phone!

Pre-purchased wristbands: \$25 (\$20 for every additional wristband).

Pre-sales will commence this week. Come past the deck THIS FRIDAY between 3.30 and 4pm to pre-purchase your wristband (cash only). Credit card or Eftpos purchases can be made through the school office any time before next Friday, 26th of October.

An all-inclusive wristband will give 1 child unlimited access to all the great kids activities that will be on offer at the fair.

Included activities:

- Camel rides
- Archery
- Children’s tent (single entry)
- Henna
- Box maze
- Clay
- Marble guessing game
- Clown faces game
- Eco face glittering

Your child’s name will be taken on the pre-sales list and children will collect their wristband on fair day. Wristbands are non-transferrable amongst children. Each child will need their own individual wristband to get unlimited access. Tickets for individual activities will be available to purchase on the day.

On the day pricing:

- Wristbands (unlimited access): \$30 (\$20 for every additional wristband)
- Camel (Single ticket): \$10 per ticket
- Photo booth (Single ticket): \$5 per ticket
- Individual activity (Single ticket): \$5 per ticket

Stage schedule:

Please note class 1/2 have yet to confirm if they will perform as class or grade.

10.15	Maypole Year 2 Oval
10.30	Friday Trillers
10:45	Prep
11:00	Thursday Trillers
11:15	Class one
11:30	Class two
11:45	Class six
12:00	Class five
12:15	Parent all-star band
12:30	Parent all-star band
12:45	Aishah
1:00	Aishah
1: 15	
1:30	Class four
1:45	Class three

Briar Hill Parent and Community Talk: Cyber Safety



When: Tuesday 13th November

Where: Briar Hill PS Library

Time: 7-8:30pm

The presentation covers the following:

- What young people SEE, SAY and DO online
- The challenges they may face – including bullying and online predators
- How to report and get help if things go wrong
- Online security and privacy principles
- Online gaming

The presenter: *Gerrad Del Bono from the Australian Federal Police and ThinkUKnow organisation*

ThinkUKnow Australia is a cyber safety education program that educates parents, carers and teachers of how people are using technology, the challenges they may face online, and how to help them overcome these in a safe and ethical way.

ThinkUKnow Australia is a partnership between the Australian Federal Police, Microsoft Australia, Datacom and the Commonwealth Bank. The program is delivered in collaboration with policing partners, as well as Neighbourhood Watch Australasia.

The presentation will be delivered by a local law enforcement member and an industry volunteer. The presentation covers issues relating to children and young peoples' privacy and security online, their relationships with other users and their online reputation. It provides insight into the devices young people are using, as well as the popular websites, apps and social networking sites they're accessing.

This is a fantastic opportunity for you to learn more about young people and the online environment, and how you can help them to be safe and responsible users of technology.

For any more information jump on to the website, www.thinkuknow.org.au.

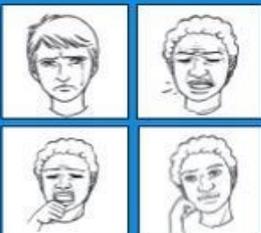
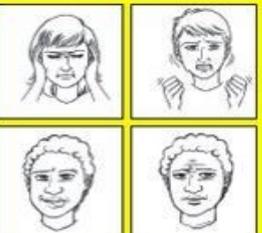
Please pass on this information and invitation to other people in your network. All are welcome!

Kindness Framework

This week at school we have talked about the using kind voices. Sometimes when we speak and we want something a certain way. For example if we want to play with a friend and we want to be included, we may say....."I really want to play with you." Others may say....."I won't be your friend unless you play with me." We call these gentle threats. We are seeking a friend, but it isn't the kindest way we could ask a friend to play. Other more serious threats can come through play which are more red zone behaviour. They may include yelling at others "I'm going to kill you." This is a direct threat to others and can make another child feel very unsafe and even cause them to not want to come to school. Even if it is a joke, it causes others to feel really scared and distressed. At Briar Hill Primary School we believe that every child has the right to feel safe. We want our school playground to have recognisable green zone behaviour. This includes expressing our needs in kind ways, telling each other how we feel, sharing ideas and getting along. The teachers at Briar Hill Primary School will be looking for green zone behaviour in the school yard. This is the behaviour that helps everyone feel safe and secure at school.

Please talk to your children about the zones of behaviour

The ZONES of Regulation®

			
<p>BLUE ZONE</p> <p>Sad Sick Tired Bored Moving Slowly</p>	<p>GREEN ZONE</p> <p>Happy Calm Feeling Okay Focused Ready to Learn</p>	<p>YELLOW ZONE</p> <p>Frustrated Worried Silly/Wiggly Excited Loss of Some Control</p>	<p>RED ZONE</p> <p>Mad/Angry Mean Terrified Yelling/Hitting Out of Control</p>

Leadership at Briar Hill Primary School

At Briar Hill Primary School Janet Patterson is the senior school (4-6) leader and Bridy Fitzpatrick is the junior school (P-3) leader. The role of the leaders within the school is to oversee curriculum and the running of the areas. They co-ordinate the teachers, run leadership days, host team meetings and ensure the teams are meeting the AIP goals of the school. In addition to this, they facilitate staff professional development. In the junior school at present Bridy is facilitating professional development with staff on self esteem in Maths. In particular she is looking at student mindset and their attitudes to Mathematics. This has involved some interesting discussions with students about their perceptions about themselves as mathematicians. Some rich discussions have also been developed around when you feel stuck on a problem and how this is the time that our brain develops stronger connections. So its great to feel stuck and we can relax and love the stuck feeling! Our brains are getting bigger!

Janet has been developing student attitudes towards feedback in the senior school. In particular students were able to see the important skills that are developed when we listen to feedback and give each other feedback. From this the students have developed their SHARK feedback system and are now using this in class. Students are able to see through this type of learning that extra skills and improvements can be made to their work. It's been a real celebration of developing skills.

In addition to these roles, from time to time Janet and Bridy also work with families and develop individual learning plans for students who need them, have meetings with concerned parents and facilitate team meetings to assist students who are having difficulties at school. Janet and Bridy will also oversee the grade placements for next year as we move into term 4. Whilst your child's teacher should be your first port of call to discuss your child's needs, Janet and Bridy are also available should you need to speak to them.

SPRING FAIR SILENT AUCTION IS ONLINE! CHECK OUT WHAT YOU CAN BID FOR:

<https://www.32auctions.com/SilentAuctionBriarHillPS>



MANGO FUNDRAISER

This term we are doing our mango fundraiser again. It is a very popular one that raises lots of money for the school.

The mangoes are \$30 per 10kg box (\$5 of this goes to the school). They are super yummy.



The order forms went home at the end of last term. If you didn't get one you can download it from the website or get a copy from the office. Orders are due by October 30th with delivery 1-2 weeks later.

Any questions please contact Jodi on 0413 582 183.

Sophia Mundi Steiner School

Where students love to learn ...

OPEN DAY

St Mary's - Abbotsford Convent

10am - 4pm

Sunday 11 November

*Silent Auction Live Music
Open Classrooms Market Stalls
Children's Activities Delicious Food*



GREENHILLS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Spring Fair 2018

Sunday 21 October

10am - 4pm





BERRY STREET

We're for Childhood
SINCE 1877

It's hard to think about, but neglected and abused local children need safe and loving homes. Please consider enquiring about foster care. ***A little of your time could change an entire life.***

Berry Street is hosting information nights for people considering foster care. All welcome.

Each session runs from 6.00pm – 7.00pm at the Berry Street Northern Office, 677 The Boulevard, Eaglemont.

- Wednesday 3 October
- Thursday 8 November
- Tuesday 4 December

Would
YOU
open your door to
a child in need?

For more information please contact Lauren Riddle or Donna Lynch
T: (03) 9450 4700 or E: northernhbc@berrystreet.org.au



Family Camp Eureka

CUP WEEKEND

2nd - 6th November, 2018
All families welcome

affordable accessible accommodating

visit: www.familycampeureka.weebly.com for more details
or call 0409 955 779