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Week 2 – 12 October 2016

Full newsletter will be distributed fortnightly with a brief memo in alternate weeks.

3rd October – 15th December

October (Walk to School Month)

14th Friday – Regional Athletics

26th Wednesday – Instrumental Performance Evening

28th Friday – Community Breakfast

31st Monday – Pupil Free Day – Report Writing

1st Monday – Pupil Free Day – Melbourne Cup Day

11th Friday – Remembrance Day

15th Tuesday – School Performance

23rd Wednesday – Grandparent's Day

25th Friday – Schools as Neighbours BBQ at BPS

7th Wednesday – Volunteer Afternoon Tea

9th Friday – Reports Distributed

9th Friday – Graduation Dinner

15th Thursday – Last Day of Term – 3.15pm finish

15th Thursday – Christmas Catch Up & Graduation at The Priory

Where the mulch has been spread, our entrance is looking fantastic! Once again Jenny Penna, in addition to organising the delivery of the mulch, organised the Beechworth Correctional Community Team to assist over the holidays with spreading the huge pile of mulch, that was up near the top of the Early Years Yard, around plants in two garden beds for our entrance. Thank you Jenny, and please also pass on our thanks to the Beechworth Correctional Community Team. There is still more mulch available and more areas that need mulch spread around plants at our entrance, so if any parents are inspired, keen and able, we would love your help!

Nadia Dean has suggested to me that the Canberra Montessori Fair is an excellent fund raiser for that school, and wondered whether we might want to plan one for Beechworth Montessori. She has offered to head up a committee to plan a 2017 Beechworth Montessori Fair. If you would be keen to support this initiative and could help in a practical way in the planning of this event, please let Feona in the office know. Feona will then pass on your contact details to Nadia, who will make contact with you to discuss initial plans/ideas and set a proposed date for 2017 to hold this event. Thanks Nadia for this suggestion and willingness to lead a team to get it off the ground.

This week you will receive a book of raffle tickets in your parent pockets. I would like to thank Quentin Pfahlert for his wonderful donation of a table as the prize for the raffle. The raffle will be drawn at the School Performance on Tuesday 15th November.

We are presently focussing on planning for 2017, and as indicated still have a waiting list for Cycle 2 places, with limited places available for prep and 4 year old kinder. Thank you to Beechworth Tennis Club, for supporting us to advertise these locally via our banner on the Tennis Court fence, this community support is appreciated. If your family, or if you know of anyone, who is hoping to secure a place for children at Beechworth Montessori for 2017, please make contact with Feona soon. Not only, are Early Years places filling, but it also assists with budgeting and planning to have a firm idea of what our numbers will be. We are in the process of recruiting to fill our positions advertised at the end of last term, and I hope to be able

to have confirmation of these by the end of the month. Thank you to Pamela Walpole, Karen Bowey and Feona Roscouet, who have all assisted or are assisting on panels.

The children have commenced rehearsal for our concert scheduled for Tuesday 15th November, please mark this date in your diary now. We are working to a 4.30pm start at the Memorial Hall. In addition, our instrumental music night is scheduled for Wednesday 26th November, and information about this event will be forwarded by our instrumental teachers in coming weeks.

As always, Beechworth Montessori School is a busy, engaging and productive place!

Lastly, I would like to share with you, that Terie has let me know that both her and her husband have decided to have some time out next year. In light of this, she has decided to resign her position as from the end of January 2017. I am sure you will share with me, in thanking Terie for all she has contributed to Beechworth Montessori, from its early days, and again, since she returned in 2014, after leaving temporarily. As a community, we will work with the students to plan a fitting way to wish her well, as she takes time for her family next year.

Have a great week.

Kind Regards, Bron Martin

Principal

General News

Please remember SUNHATS! Children are required to wear them from the start of September as per our Sun Smart policy.

Walk to School Month is on this month. We have been given a number of pedometers for children who are participating. Please see us in the office if you would like one.

Beechworth Montessori Raffle tickets will be in your parent pockets this week. They are due back to the school on Tuesday 15th November. Please return any unsold tickets to the office.

Wodonga Children's Fair. Due to the busy time of year and the lack of interest from people to staff the stall the Marketing subcommittee has decided to postpone this opportunity to 2017.

Early Years News From the Ruby Room

Educational Care Program

Welcome back to our ECP families,

We hope you all enjoyed your Term 3 break. We have been hearing wonderful things from the children about their break, it is always nice to have them share their adventures. You may have noticed a few new faces and if you haven't introduced yourself please do. Rangi is in ECP Tuesday to Friday from 9am to 5.30pm.

Sue is here Monday full day and Thursday and Friday afternoons. Lisa will be here Monday to Wednesday afternoons. Geraldine will be helping in the room covering lunch breaks and Thursday afternoon.

We have placed a basket near the sign in book to collect any unwanted LARGE jars to store our pantry items. As the weather gets better we hope to spend time working outside, it would be great if parents could remember to put a hat in the children's bag, if you have any that you would like to give away as spare to Ruby Room that would be a great help. Just a reminder that if your child is staying after 3.30 pm please pack up a little afternoon snack as they do get hungry.

This term we are continuing in cooking activities, it is a great way to communicate, work in small groups, use their fine motor skills and also some math. This week we are making "mission moon rocks" We will be doing one cooking activity a week on rotating days so everyone gets to be involved. Once the sun appears we will continue planting the seeds for our terra cotta pots. A big Thank you to Kerrie Riddoch (cycle 2 parent) for donating them.



Tiny Tots

The children continue to enjoy the morning session, please do give us your suggestions so we can incorporate it with the programming. On the first week of this term we made some scones, it was a great group activity. Children and their parents are welcome to choose to be in the group activity or not. We don't have a structured plan but a guide, we try to work around it making it a pleasant/practical Montessori environment. The parents come in and out through the session so having the flexibility is helpful for everyone. The children do a wonderful job packing and putting their activities away along with the help from parents. The afternoon ECP session starts soon after the Tiny Tots so it is important to leave the Ruby Room ready for them to enjoy.

Thank you and we hope to continue working with you and your children.
Rangi, Lisa , Sue and Geraldine .

From Cycle 1 (Amethyst and Emerald)

THE OUTDOORS

On Thursday we made the most of the morning sunshine and engaged in play and projects for the first two hours of the day. There were a group of children who collected all the worms from under the pot plants and relocated them into our vegetable garden (and a few were put in a glass bowl for display on the nature table). A child came over to me with their hands open to show me the 'knot of worms'. We discovered the collective noun for worms could be:

- a wriggle
- a clew
- a chat
- a bunch
- a bed

When we came inside some children made parts of a worm booklets. It was a lovely example of the flow between the indoor and outdoor environments.



HATS

Could all parents please check that your child has a sunhat for outside play. As per the school Sunsmart policy, children must wear a sunhat when playing outside when the UV factor is moderate (3) or higher. Although it may seem strange to wear a sunhat when it is cold and cloudy, as it has been this week, the UV radiation is constantly at or above moderate from about 9:20 each morning at this time of year.

Cycle 2 News

From the Moonstone Room

Thank you to Sol, he decided we should have a party to welcome Reuben back from his travels. When we talked together, he decided we should make a cake or muffins to share with everyone. On Friday of week 1, Sol chose some friends to work with him to make the cake. They measured, poured, beat, looked and thought about what the mixture should look like. When he looked at the box, he discovered that it made only 12 muffins. That isn't enough. Problem solving time, we used a smaller muffin tin, so we would have one for each person.

Sol formally welcomed Reuben back to our classroom. Then we celebrated by eating the muffins. Thanks for thinking of such a lovely thing to do for a friend.

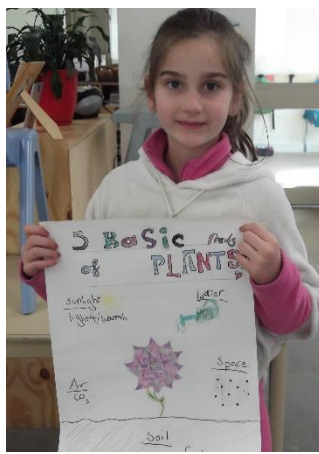


We had a beautiful Moonstone family moment Tuesday morning. Rather spontaneously most of the class settles on the mat for work. Sitting in close proximity to one another students were engaged and focused in their work, each respectful to the learning of the other. The atmosphere was inviting and serene interspersed by the occasional hum from a quick chat, an inquiry or a giggle. It felt as if we were one big family bonding over our activities while sitting together around a huge kitchen table with the wood fired stove warming us. All that was required to perfect the picture and the ambiance was a big pot of tea, scones and jam. It truly was a Montessori moment.

From the Turquoise Room

Welcome back to the last term of the year, and what a term it will be! The children will be learning about botany, mapping and food chains. We also welcome back Luke and Alysha from their travels and welcome in Hugo from cycle one.

Last week saw us take a walk around May Day Hills collecting samples to place into the flower press for art work in around 4-6 weeks time. We also started botany experiments based on our knowledge of the 5 basic needs of plants. We have finished posters and/or booklets depicting the needs of plants.



Cycle 3 News

From the Tigereye Room

Welcome to Term 4! I hope that everyone had some relaxing time in the school holidays. I was fortunate enough to escape to northern NSW, camping by the sea with lots of sunshine, beautiful weather and incredible wildlife including humpback whales! Term 4 is always a busy one with concerts, graduation and finishing up work. This term we will continue our work on the Timeline of Life, with the students electing to pursue further topics in Botany, Geology and Zoology that link to the timeline of life. We will finish our Science Fair projects soon and hope to present these in about Week 4. In art, we will spend a few weeks exploring emotions through art and in November we will have Amelie's mum, Bec Humphries come in again to teach art. Bec currently has an exhibition on at MAMA in Albury which you might be keen to see.

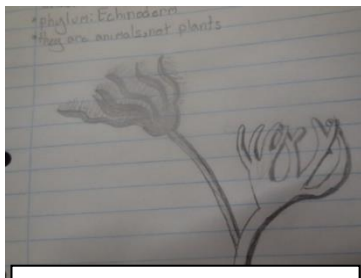
<https://www.mamalbury.com.au/see-and-do/exhibitions>

Upper Hume Division Athletics by Maddy

On Friday October 7th Ruby, Maddy, Pipa and Hagen, went to upper Hume division athletics. Ruby entered discus and came 4th, Maddy entered the 800 and came 6th, and Pipa did very well in the shotput and Hagen came 8th in the cross country, 3rd in the long jump and even though they did not make it through they did awesome representing our school.

Crinoids by Sophie and Brianna.

Crinoids are sea creatures, they look like waving sea weed, and they are also called sea lilies. Some crinoids' stalks can grow up to metres long. In the sea, crinoids are 200 metres down. Crinoids were first known in the Ordovician period. Phylum: Echinoderm. They are animals, not plants.



Crinoid drawing by Brianna



Crinoid model by Sophie

From the Topaz Room

Hi, This term we are studying Astronomy. The students have written and listened to stories and created their own version of how the Sun was formed. We have painted giant suns in essence of 'King Sun' by John Olsen. Each day we have 'Professors of the Day' who research and present the answer to a class question. Below are some samples of the students work.

Small

Long ago, before the Sun had formed, lived a small boy who went to a small school. One day his small school had a small science fair. For the small science fair the small boy made a small glowing ball. The small glowing ball was called 'small SUN'. Which stands for Super Unusual Neutrons. While he was working on the sun it suddenly got very hot and started to expand and heaps of bright lights turned on. As all scientist know, hot air rises. So the small boy grabbed on. Luckily he was wearing gloves.

The Sun rose up to space taking the small boy with it. The boy was very tired so he lay down on the Sun. Luckily he was wearing a fire-proof Oompa-Loompa suit. When he woke up the Sun was not moving anymore. He was wide awake so he decided to explore the Sun. He came to a small door in the big sun. He walked in and flicked a switch. "Ripper! This will be an awesome night light." The lights made him sleepy so he climbed back onto the Sun and lay down casting a shadow on the earth. He did this routine every night.

By Daisy and Charlotte

The Sun

When there was no light and no Sun, an alien went for a walk on his planet where he bumped into a big rope. He looked at the rope and then he pulled it. There was a blaze of bright hot light which beamed down on the alien. He was so excited that he had found light but he thought that it was too bright so he sometimes summoned the rain and clouds to shield his eyes from such brightness. Now when it is night he pulls the rope to close the curtains and the stars shine all night, until the alien pulls back the curtains, to show the sun once again. The End. By Jack and Berti

Asteroid Belt

The Asteroid belt is the circumstellar disc in the solar system. It is occupied by many irregular shaped bodies named asteroids or small planets. Most of the asteroids in the Solar System are found in a part of the Solar System out past Mars. The four biggest in the belt are called Ceres, Vesta, Pallas and Hygiea. The Asteroid Belt is found roughly between the orbits of Mars and Jupiter that places it between 2.2 and 3.2 AU (Astronomical Units) from the Sun.

Most Asteroids are the remains of planetesimals small bodies of rock and metal that predated the plants during the early formation of the Solar System. The largest Asteroid Belt is in between Mars and Jupiter and is the most popular one to study. By Sage and Poppy



Black Holes

A black holes gravitational pull is so strong that even light can't escape it. They form when a giant star is dying and matter is squeezed into a tiny place. It is near impossible to see one because to the naked eye they are invisible. But scientists have powerful telescopes that they use to find them. Surprisingly enough a black hole is essentially made of nothing, especially considering the amount of matter and stars it pulls in.

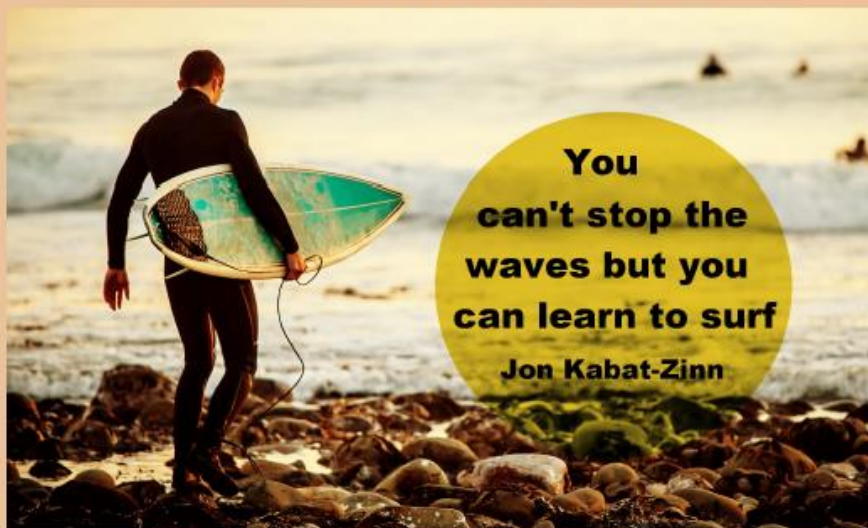
The largest black hole known to man contains 21 billion times the mass of the sun. It resides in the Coma Cluster. The Coma Cluster is a group of over 1,000 identified galaxies, and probably more that are unidentified.

By Amelia and Oaka



Community News

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Wangaratta Daytime course : 9:30am to 12:00pm starts 19/10

Wodonga Evening course : 6pm to 8:30pm starts 19/10

Wodonga Daytime course : 9:15am to 11:45am starts 21/10

Cost : \$475 full fee, \$375 concession : early bird discount to 15/10

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Stewart: 0458 040 046 Nathan: 0417 420 614



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