



Term 2

Week 10 – 16 June 2016

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

<p>Term 2 11th April – 24th June <i>11 weeks</i></p> <p>June 16th Thursday – Committee of Management Meeting 17th Friday – Meals on Wheels 22nd Wednesday – Prep, Cycle 2 & 3 Reports Distributed 23rd Thursday – Cycle 3 Ecology & Bird Identification Excursion 24th Friday – Cycle 2 & 3 Shrek Excursion 24th Friday – Last Day of Term 2 – 2.15pm Finish</p>	<p>Term 3 11th July – 16th September <i>10 weeks</i></p>
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From the Principal

The past few weeks have been busy ones with numerous incursions, excursions, events and learning experiences. It has also been a busy time for the room directors as they prepare the student reports which will be distributed next week. These reports are quite unique and a work unto themselves. The detail and understanding displayed in them really give a snapshot of each child. In this way, as I read over the entire school's reports, they are also a valuable tool for me in getting to know your children. I would like to acknowledge and thank the directors for all the work they put into the reports and also to their assistants for supporting them in this process.

The Building Sub-Committee met with the architect yesterday, and Rachel Kerkvliet and I also visited Hothouse theatre yesterday to gain information about how best to ensure that the multi-purpose hall will have the flexibility to host not only our own concerts and productions, but also visiting artists and potentially after school or school holiday drama classes for the children. In addition, tonight there is a board meeting when policies will be revisited before being shared and published with you next term. We have a lot of very dedicated volunteers in our community, who give an awful lot of their time, to support the school and their children. Thank you to everyone who supports, either in these more prominent forums, or quietly in the classrooms sharing expertise, cutting fruit or listening to reading. Our school gains strength by working with and for our immediate and wider communities. To this end, tomorrow, Charlotte and Natasha will be serving Meals on Wheels as volunteers in Beechworth. So far, all Cycle 3 students who have helped in this way have found this an interesting and thought provoking experience. We thank Indigo Shire for inviting us to contribute to the wider Beechworth Community in this way. It was wonderful to see so many children of all ages at the disco last week. It was a great night and enjoyed by all.

Kind Regards,
Bron Martin, Principal



Friday Family Lunch

Thanks to the generosity of the Food Bank, Moonstone Room is offering vegie soup and a slice of banana bread for lunch on Friday.

BYO Mug to Moonstone Room at 12pm on Friday 17th June.

All welcome, parents and children.

Wood Fired Oven Update

Works on our wood-fired oven have recommenced. Over the coming weeks we will be working with the weather to lay the platform for the oven, roofing over the support frame, building up the insulation layers and then to begin the brick dome which forms the oven.

Thank you Murray Walker, Rob Holden and Xavier Pinard for your work on this in recent weeks and months....

Anyone who is really keen to be involved, possibly even for a half day in the holidays, please let me know!

Thanks - Rebecca Swift. ph. 0429336182

Last Chance

This Thursday is your last chance to book in for the Stuffed Spud Night, a fundraiser for the Montessori Adolescent Program at Beechworth Secondary College.....

General News

School Lunches

School Lunches next week are sausages and vegie burgers at \$3 each. Please make sure you have placed your order by end of school on Wednesday.

Lost Property:

A watch and an ipod were found in the car park late last term. If you think they could be yours, please see us in the office.

The Cycle 2 & 3 lost property is growing by the day. Please check or encourage your children to check if any items belong to them.

Child ID Photos

Did you know your local post office now has a 20% discount on child ID photos from until 30th June 2016. Just mention the promo code CHILD20 instore for your discount.

Early Years News From the Ruby Room

I had the privilege to attend the Whole School Refresher about creativity, in Sydney over the long weekend. There was so much information that it will take time to process. A few points that resonated with me are:

- Freedom and limits are sides of the same coin.
- When there is conflict, go to the child, get down to their level and whisper. Don't be afraid to say 'no'.
- Children are innately creative, to encourage this to continue we must recognize our own strengths and weaknesses in this area.
- We must link children to the materials and remember the process is more important than the end result.

Martina

It is always enlightening to attend a workshop or a conference and we are looking forward to sharing some insights experienced by Martina. Often these are the times that our practices are reinforced or we learn ways to extend particular materials to enhance the child's and adult's learning.

STUFFED SPUD NIGHT

friday the 17th of june
5:00 to 7:00pm
at Beechworth Secondary College

Tickets: \$15 age 16 to adult
\$10 children aged 4 to 15
Gold coin donation for aged 3 and under
\$40 family ticket - 4 family members

FOR THIS YOU WILL GET :
BAKED POTATO WITH A CHOICE OF TOPPINGS,
A HOT OR COLD DRINK
AND MOUTHWATERING DESSERTS

*Tickets must be purchased by Wednesday 16 for catering purposes
Tickets available from the B.S.C. school office or Goldfields
Greengrocer until the 15th of June
BRING SOME SPARE CHANGE - THERE WILL BE THINGS FOR SALE ALSO

This fundraiser is being organised by the students
of Beechworth Montessori Adolescent Program.
Proceeds will go towards our trip to an indigenous community this year.



In Tots we need to have the patience not to do the activity for the child even if we see the work that may (or may not- it could go either way) have to be done by us on our child's behalf. A general rule of thumb is to give to the child only what the hand can manage as this can indicate what the brain is able to do. Be on the look- out though as children are continually changing and may be ready for something a little more challenging once self -mastery and refinement has occurred.

Children attending ECP will have their sheets and blankets sent home next week for washing as this will be our last week. With the weather being colder some children are eating lots and so run out by afternoon tea...can a little more be sent please? Thank you.

We hope to modify our sleeping room to make it more noise proof over the holidays. It is likely the babies area will change to the area used for sleeping.

In the 3rd week of term 3 Martina will be away on placement for 5 weeks.

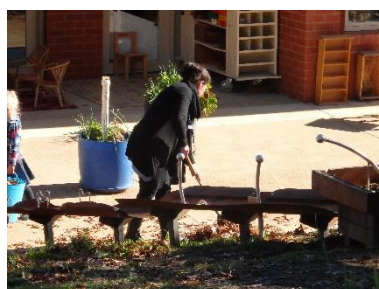
We wish you a happy and safe break and look forward to seeing you next term
Michaela, Martina, Lisa and Geraldine



From Cycle 1 (Amethyst and Emerald)

Maria Montessori used the term Practical Life to describe a set of exercises designed to help children gain the skills they need in order to be as independent as possible in caring for themselves and their environment. She considered the outdoor environment just as important as the indoor environment.

To this end, we made the most of a gorgeous day last week, and worked together to rake the playground and transfer barrow-loads of leaves to the chook pen. The children worked collaboratively to solve problems, make decisions, help others, communicate effectively, and include others.



Cycle 2 News

From the Moonstone Room

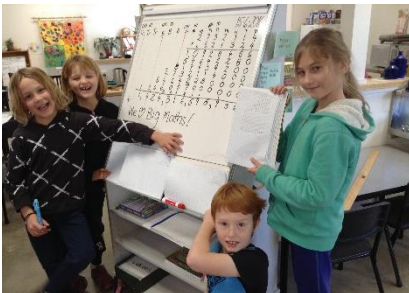
A 3d map in the making



Brianna, Harriet, Matilda & Maya work in the habitat. Moonstone says goodbye to Harriet



The class looks at Reuben's blog. Good luck to his family as they travel.



Moonstone students are big fans of big maths

From the Turquoise Room

A few more 'happy snaps' from Turquoise. In the past two weeks we have had Callum McDonald assisting and learning in our room, a visit from the RFDS, lots of revision of everything from botany to zoology and geometry, and we have discovered why and when rainbows appear. A reminder that I would love to see readers from everybody each and every week, that parents are always welcome to come and visit, and we have two upcoming events—the sleepover and the excursion and the last Friday before a well deserved break from learning and the dreaded winter bugs infiltrating our room.



Cycle 3 News

From the Tigereye Room

Maths

The Year 5s & 6s have been investigating pi. Pi is the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter. The Year 5s and 6s measured the circumference and diameter of various circles to see how close they could get to an accurate value of pi (approximately 3.141592654). A true value of pi is never ending!!

Did you know??

The most decimal places of Pi memorised is 70,000, and was achieved by Rajveer Meena (India) at the VIT University, Vellore, India, on 21 March 2015.

Rajveer wore a blindfold throughout the entire recall, which took nearly 10 hours.

Extracts from Our Winter Poetry inspired by a frosty morning

The cold frost filled morning is the first of many to come.

The cold icy wind is nipping at my nose.

A great blanket of crystal mandalas cover the ground.

In winter I would like the snow to fall so gently down.

Quickly dropping, falling little droplets drip onto the soggy crumpled leaves.

All the trees were bare and Jack Frost had come to visit.

Royal Flying Doctor Service

Last week on Thursday the 9th, we met a guy called Tom Ryan. He worked for the Royal flying doctor service (RFDS). We got to go inside the RFDS plane! It was not the real plane. It was just a sample; it was still cool! What we liked was that you could see inside the plane. We liked using the headphones because you could talk to other people on the other side of the plane. The RFDS is important because if someone gets hurt in the outback or far away you can call them and they will come and help you.

By Mietta & Cooper

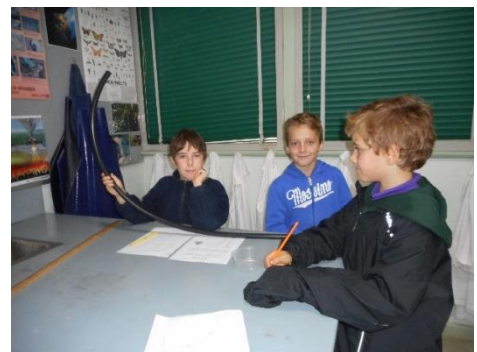


From the Topaz Room

The Beechworth Secondary Olympiad

On Tuesday the 7th of June, cycle three went and visited Beechworth Secondary College for the Olympiad. We did lots of fun activities such as a game called survivor, body percussion, science, bingo and indigenous art. We visited the MAP (Montessori Adolescent Program) students and some of us had lunch with them. After the bus people had left we played prison break dodge ball in the stadium.

By Charlotte



Topaz's annual MasterChef Competition

On the 6th of June one of the most spectacular competitions was hosted by Charlotte, Sage, Daisy and Zoe. Three teams were battling out for the chance to be 2016's champions. The teams were: **Red team: Captain: Poppy. Other team members: Oaka and Noah.** **Blue Team: Captain: Charlotte. Other team members: Nick and Jack** **Yellow team: Captain: Bianca. Other team members: Berti and Harry.**

Their task was to cook chocolate biscuits, with whipped cream, melted chocolate and raspberry jam. The red team was off to a strong start, with blue team close behind but the yellow team is lagging. The organisers forgot to order two crucial ingredients: marshmallows and eggs. How could they forget the eggs? After going in and out of class rooms, begging for eggs finally they struck gold with Tigereye. The blue team had trouble near the end with their whipped cream and chocolate. The cream was over whipped and looked like butter while their melted chocolate was burned and lumpy, but they had no time to start over. Red team is far ahead, they are favourites to win while the yellow team is slowly but surely catching up. The yellow team captain, Bianca, added more sugar to their slightly sour jam, an action that caused worry from judge, Zoe. But after tasting it once more their risky move turned out to be right. While in the kitchen an argument was brewing between red team member, Oaka, and blue team member, Jack. Red teams biscuits looked very scrumptious, their presentation looked very professional. Madness was in the kitchen, people darting here and there. With 5 minutes on the clock, blue team was still struggling with their whipped cream and chocolate, captain, Charlotte is definitely under the pump now. The winners were the yellow team because their dish was well balanced in flavour. Congratulations to Bianca, Harry and Berti.

This on the spot account was written by roving reporter, Amelia.



Royal Flying Doctors Service

On Thursday the 9th of June, the Royal Flying Doctor Service came to visit the school. Tom talked about what they did and even had a plane and showed us how to rescue someone by strapping them into a stretcher and getting them onto the plane. We got to play with all the equipment such as the headphones and learnt how to fly the plane through a video game. Tom talked about the twenty dollar note, the man on the twenty dollar notes name was John Flynn, he was a teacher who travelled around Australia on a camel helping people in need. John raised enough money to hire the first Royal Flying Doctors aeroplane from Tasmania, but since there was no internet back then he had to use a radio which had to be pedalled with a bike pedal to create electricity, so the radio could function. There is also something called the body chart which has the numbers 1 to 9 on it, with each number representing a body part. Because you could not see the person on the radio you would have to tell the doctor a number, so they understood which part of the body was injured.

By Jack and Bianca

Community News



NRL Holiday Clinic

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Come along this Holidays and enjoy a Rugby League Experience

Venue – Sarvaas Park, Albury

Date – 5th July

Time – 10am to 1pm

Cost - \$40 (Includes pictured pack)

Age – Girls and Boys aged 5 to 12

To register -

1. <http://www.playnrl.com/programs/>
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@ The Butter Factory Theatre, Wodonga



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healthy families

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HEALTHY MOTHERS HEALTHY FAMILIES

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Do you have time for your own wellbeing?
You are invited to attend a **FREE** full day workshop
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The program is presented by occupational therapist Dr. Helen Bourke-Taylor, and women's health general practitioner Dr. Fiona Jane. The program is based on research that identifies issues that challenge women with additional family responsibilities, and offers strategies to women to manage stress and stay strong.

This event is proudly sponsored and supported by:

Venue: Kirkham Room – Hovell Tree Inn

Saturday, 18th June 2016

Registration from 8.30am for 9.00am

Registration Essential

Contact:
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BEECHWORTH NIGHT NETBALL

WINTER COMP JULY 12 TO AUGUST 30

WHO CAN PLAY?
Open for ladies in the Beechworth and surrounding areas looking for fun, fitness and a friendly social comp.
Junior players are permitted in the Winter competition provided that they are aged over 14 years and in minimum Year 9 and have played netball before.
Enter as a full team* or as an individual and we'll find you a team to join!
*No more than 4 Under 18s players per team. No more than 2 "A grade or equivalent" players per team.

TUESDAY NIGHTS AT BEECHWORTH COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTRE
Located at Beechworth Secondary College

COMPETITION FEES
UNDER 18s
\$45 (with existing VNA insurance)
\$94 includes VNA insurance for 2016
SENIOR
\$55 (with existing VNA insurance)
\$124 includes VNA insurance for 2016

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2016 July School Holiday Workshops

ANGRY BIRDIES



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Ages 5+

CLASSIC ARCADE ADVENTURES



Jump into the world of classic arcade and video games! Eat flashing dots, collect coins and rings, avoid getting killed by enemies... there are so many obstacles to overcome and levels to beat! People today have games with graphic animations and three dimensional capabilities. Let's take it back to when it all started, the 1980's! That was the time of 8-bit and later 16-bit technology, which gave these old games their classic appearance. Campers will build the famous plumber brothers, a Brick Eater, a jumping hedgehog, alien invaders, and more! Can you guess which classic game each model represents?

Ages 5+

DATE: Thursday 7th July, 2016

COST: \$35 half day
\$70 full day

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