

Term 4
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Term 4

5th October – 16th December

11 weeks

1 pupil free days – Report Writing Day

1 public holiday – Melbourne Cup

October

28th Wednesday – Satisfaction Surveys due back

29th Thursday – Beginning of Life Play Memorial Hall 4.30pm

November

2nd Monday – Pupil Free Day - Report Writing

3rd Tuesday – Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

5th Thursday – Cycle 2 & 3 Beechworth Goldfields excursion

11th Wednesday – Cycle 1 Family Picnic

11th Wednesday – Remembrance Day 11am

16th Monday – 20th Friday – Cycle 1 kindergarten parent teacher interviews

17th Tuesday – Instrumental student performance evening

25th Wednesday – Grandparents Day Cycle 1 10-11am, Cycle 2&3 11-12noon

December

4th Friday – Cycle 1 Prep reports distributed

4th – Graduation and Farewell Assembly 1pm, Graduation Dinner 6pm

7th Monday – 10th Thursday – Cycle 1 Prep parent teacher interviews

7th Monday – 11th Friday – Cycle 3 Sovereign Hill & Queenscliff Camp

9th Wednesday - Volunteer Afternoon Tea 2.00-2.45pm

11th – Cycle 2&3 reports distributed

16th Wednesday – End of Term 4. 3.15pm finish

18th & 19th Thursday & Friday – Pupil free days

News from the Board

With Heather Gerrard now having left the school the Committee of Management (CoM) have looked at the possibility of appointing an interim principal. After discussion it was decided this would only be effective if it was someone that understood our school and Montessori methods. We approached Karen Bennetts from Montessori Australia Foundation (MAF) as she has worked with the school previously, however due to distance and other commitments she was unable to commit the required time to take on this role. We are delighted however that Karen will be working with the CoM on key areas such as recruitment of our new principal, and any areas where we feel Principal experience or expertise is required. The Committee of Management have had to take on some operational responsibilities and are working with staff to ensure the school continues to operate smoothly. The recruitment process for a replacement Principal is progressing well and we will continue to keep you updated as we move through this process.

Regards, Dean Cleave-Smith

On behalf of the Committee of Management

Sushi lunch order Day change **This week only**

Lemongrass Café Lunch Orders

Orders need to be handed in by Thursday afternoon

\$3.50 per sushi roll

❖ Choices:

Egg & Salad

Tuna & Avocado

Teriyaki Chicken

Collect an order form from the foyer, place your order and **correct money** in a **zip lock bag** and place in the Form Lodgement Box in the foyer. No credit possible and money must be in a zip lock bag. Orders to be placed at school by Thursday 5th Nov.3pm – late orders cannot be accepted.

General News

Term 4 Icyroles for Sale

Icyroles will be available for sale Friday lunchtimes for Cycle 2 and 3 children. Children will only be sold a single icyrole – not multiple. Children will be able to choose from lemonade, raspberry or cola.

No pre-ordering required, simply bring along your 50c and purchase your icyrole once you have finished eating your lunch. This will continue each Friday unless:

1) children walk around with their icyrole as opposed to sitting and eating, or 2) rubbish is left in the yard.

If these occur, icyroles will not be for sale the following Friday.

Thanks Turquoise.

Lost Property

Cycle 2 & 3 students – A reminder that any unclaimed items will be donated to a charity shortly.

Cycle 2 News

Turquoise

History: Last week we laid out multiple 1000 chains end to end to help illustrate the concepts of CE and BCE in relation to the present day and ancient civilisations. It's a very visual way of helping children understand the huge amount of time that has passed and how our current calendar system works. The children have commenced individual projects focusing on either ancient monuments/structures and/or ancient civilisations. Their ability to recall facts continues to amaze me. Why not ask your child to tell you 5-10 things about ancient Egypt, 3 things about each of the Great Wall of China, the Terracotta Army, the Sphinx, the Colosseum and the Moai statues of Easter Island.

Play: A large amount of time has been dedicated toward the rehearsal and participation in the Great story Play. This has been great for the children to be part of a whole school event, and to have the opportunity to extend their listening, team work and dancing skills.

Moonstone

Rehearsals

Cycle 2 has been working hard rehearsing songs and dances each day for the play. Students have said rehearsals have taught them to listen carefully to instructions. Many students have found that standing up and listening is tiring. We hope to see you all there.

Please help solve the problem of readers The readers that come home are part of a set which we share with Turquoise. There is an expectation to read the book during the week and return it within the week. This way planned reading groups in Moonstone and Turquoise can continue without interruption. At present we have a lot of readers that have not been returned making it difficult to run reading groups. Please assist your child to return their reader each week.

Susi and Sally



Building Uluru and Kata Juta

Sand is not easy to glue down.

It was really, really fun because we learnt how to model with plaster.

Foam was difficult to shape and glue.

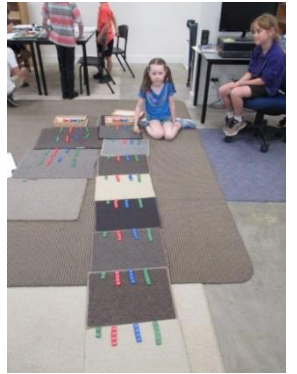
It takes time to do one little thing such as making the grass.

Construction of scrunching newspaper to form the shape of the rock was difficult

Planning the stages of the model making was complicating.

Thank you Sally for helping us.

Please come and look at the model in the foyer.



Cycle 3 News

Welcome to Term 4 – it certainly is going to be a busy one! Terie and I have lots planned including a visit to the Burke museum and the courthouse, a local history session run by Andy, Akeidha's step-dad, several interesting guest speakers for our studies in anatomy & physiology and of course, camp in week 10! Of course there is also the 'Beginning of Life' production in week 4 which we have been doing lots of rehearsing for.

Thank you so much to Arnya's mum, Meg who has been coming in to help some students with their Zen garden project. Over the next few weeks you should start to see this evolving in the playground. We also have several 'social enterprises' on the go including Kobi & Jack's seedling business, Edan's coffee business and now Taya and Caitlin are selling tea as well on Thursday mornings! Matt Pfahlert and Peter Sacco are coming in next week to chat to the students about social enterprise so that we can help students refine their ideas further.

Kat

Hot House Theatre

On Wednesday October 21st, The Hothouse House Theatre Group did a workshop in cycle 3 4-5's. They played games with us and did a game called postcards where you pictured a site, and say the beach and you would have a group and you would make the beach. We also played a game called street lights, green was for starting and walking red was for stop, yellow was for going extra slow, purple was for going backwards, pink was for running on the spot, blue was for running really fast. It was exciting and imaginative. Bianca and Lia



On Friday the 23rd of October Anne Walker-Stelling visited Topaz with six Guinea-pigs for us to choose from. There were four boys and two girls. Our class decided to take the two females, whom we think are pregnant. Their names are Buttons and Peaches. The black fuzzy one is Buttons and the browner one is Peaches. We have bought and put together a cage for them. The project has been completed now that we have got both Chickens and Guinea pigs. We would like to thank everyone who has contributed to this project over these two terms, especially Terie and Kat the Cycle 3 Directors.

Written by Jade Thomas and Charlotte Hopp!!!

On Friday the 23rd of October, Topaz did botanical drawing for art all afternoon. We had a variety of flowers that were brought in by our awesome teacher Terie. We had roses and bottle brushes or we could get a picture of a flower off Google. I chose to do a Tasmanian Blue Gum, which is Tasmania's floral emblem, in soft chalks. Most of our completed drawings are on display in the foyer. The reason Terie chose for us to do the botanical drawing and put it in the foyer was to brighten up our school. Feel free to look at our drawings in the Cycle 2 and 3 waiting area. By Amelia Leach



On Tuesday the 27th of October in Topaz room we had a 'Gold rush' in the sandpit. Lilly and I went outside in the morning and set up the area. It looked very nice and pristine. We had made mining licences and everyone who wanted to search for gold had to have a licence. The gold was made of spray painted rocks. There were two bushrangers, Jack Bussell and Berti Wild who came around with hot glue guns and demanded gold. Some people didn't buy licences so they were sent to jail by the trooper, Charlotte Hopp. There are now wanted posters for the bushrangers stuck up in the Cycle 2 and 3 courtyard.

By Mia Davidson and Lilly Holmes ☺



The Beginning of Life

In year 6, everyone has to do a project that usually goes for the whole year. For my year 6 project I decided to do a school play. The play is called the Beginning of Life. It is about how the earth was created, all of the animals on the earth and the layers of the earth. I then wrote a script, Mia choreographed the dances, I found songs to go with the play and Ruby R organised costumes. Caitlin, Arwen, Mia, Charlotte, Jade, Taya and I then taught the dances and songs to everyone. Kat has been a great help and so has Danielle Bell. We are really looking forward to having the school play.

Eadie Pfahlert

Community News

the maker's market

BEECHWORTH HANDMADE MARKET
DESIGNERS AND ARTISTS FROM NORTH EAST VICTORIA

**SATURDAY
NOVEMBER
7TH
9AM-2PM**

HOMEWARES
CERAMICS
WALL ART
PHOTOGRAPHY
JEWELLERY
STATIONARY
ORIGAMI

7 CHURCH STREET **OLD STONE HALL** ART SPACE + VENUE
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ZOMBIE WALK

On Halloween, time to unleash the undead! Come in costume and be prepared to let make-up artists transform you before participating in a group Zombie Walk. The Spooky-Likes (ghostly group of make-up playing kids) will provide entertainment.

Saturday, October 31
3pm to 5pm (make-up session)
5pm Zombie Walk
The Cube Mornings Courtyard
Free
All welcome. (Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult)

Movie for the kids and a night out for you?

Consider this...

Give the children an early tea, put them in their PJs, drop them off at school at 6pm where they can enjoy a G rated movie with friends, or quiet reading, colouring etc...

Then you and your partner enjoy a meal out without the children!

Collect the children by 8pm, and tuck them into bed.

Sounds appealing doesn't it?

Cost? Only....

**\$10 for 1 child, \$15 for 2 children
\$20 for 3 children**

All money contributes towards Amber's China fund.
Supervision provided by Amber and Karen Bowey

When? October 23rd, November 6 & 20

Book at karenb@bms.vic.edu.au

Priory Cup Day

Tuesday 3rd November

Get out your racing digs and come to The Old Priory to celebrate the "Race that stops a Nation"

12.30pm ~ 5.30pm

Tickets: ★ \$40 per Adult ★ \$10 per Child (3yrs & above)
★ \$90 per Family (2 adults & 2 children)

Includes: Antipasto and complimentary glass of sparkling on arrival.
Platters of chicken and cold meats, spring salads & savoury tarts.

Live Music by The Kissin Cousins

Fashions on the Field
Dress for the races and walk the red carpet for your chance to win a prize.

Cup Sweeps | Race on the Big Screen | Drinks at bar prices

Bookings advised. Call 03. 5728 1024.

8 Priory Lane, Beechworth.