

Buchan Primary School Newsletter

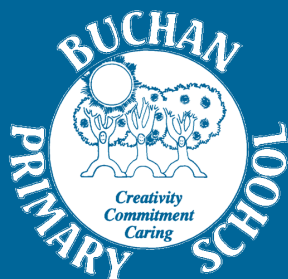
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Dear Parents,

TERM 4 2018

This term is going to be a whopper at Buchan with a lot going on, so please be sure to READ THE DATES ON THE NEWSLETTER!!!

ASSESSMENT

The first three weeks are scheduled for testing and assessment. This early testing allows teachers enough time to collate and analyse results and write reports before the term is through. Please make sure you let the school know if your child will be away.

SWIMMING

*Every year 8 children between the ages of 6 and 10 years drown in Australia. 68% of children who drown in this age group are boys. Inland waterways such as rivers and lakes are the location where the highest number of drowning deaths occur.**

Our five Fridays of swimming starts tomorrow. Bec Houghton and relief teacher Jim Allen will be supervising swimming. Jim was very popular with the students last year and they are looking forward to his return. This also allows me some time to complete administration tasks each week.

BBQ WORKING BEE

Every student deserves a safe and orderly school and the children at Buchan are no exception. Over the past two years, a great deal of effort has gone into tidying up and upgrading our lovely little school. Now it's our turn to pitch in and roll up our sleeves to get a few extra things done around the school. BYO gardening gloves.

A list of jobs will be posted up on the day including:

- Pressure washing the picnic tables
- Weeding the succulent garden
- Spray marking the edge of steps
- Stone mulching

The Working Bee will end with a simple sausage sizzle BBQ.

END OF AN ERA

Term 4 marks not only the last term for our Grade Six students Mackie, Harry, Sophie, Amity, Lucy and Kate, but the last for our long standing and much respected teacher Judi Sykes. After 50 years of service with the Department of Education, Mrs Sykes has officially decided to enjoy a more relaxed life away from the demands of teaching and school. Whilst this must have been a very hard decision to make, we certainly wish her well and are looking forward to making sure this is an enjoyable and memorable term for everyone.

IMPORTANT

DATES

TOMORROW

Swimming Sessions 1&2

Bus departs 10.15am

NEXT WEEK

Monday 15th Oct.

Kinder Transition Info

Night 5-6pm

Wednesday 17th Oct.

Fun for Fours

Free bus to Nagle

Kinder Teddy Bear's Picnic

Thursday 18th Oct.

BBQ Working Bee

3-6pm

Monday 22nd October

Pupil Free Curriculum Day

Teacher @ 754 Primary

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THUMBS UP



***Thank you to Tammy Woodgate for some extra cleaning and pressure washing of our undercover area prior to school starting.**

***Thanks to Bec Houghton for giving me a hand over the holidays to repaint and reorganize the Junior Classroom. It looks great!**

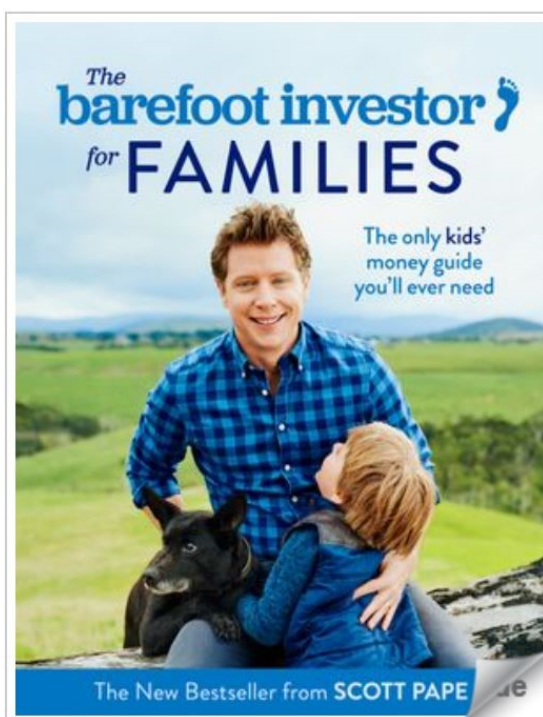
Attached to the newsletter is a really positive letter from Steven Gniel, our Regional Director. It's great to see the hard work we are putting in is being acknowledged.

Regards, Clare Edwards

*Please take a look at the attached Keep Watch Brochure - Royal Life Saving Australia

FAMILY FINANCE ADVICE

With the easy lure of credit cards, quick loans and click now/ pay later ads being splashed across the TV, it is becoming increasingly important that children learn good habits about how to manage money at a young age, from their family. A book covering this topic is available at the office for borrowing written by the 'Barefoot Investor'. It was donated to the school and recommended by the McAuliffe family who have found it really helpful and full of great ideas to help your children better understand money. If you would like to borrow it, please drop in. It is sitting on the office window ledge.



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