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**WELCOME TO BPPS
2017**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hello everyone

How delightful it was to welcome our 627 students for their first day of the school year on Tuesday. They are to be congratulated for the way they have settled in and commenced their learning with enthusiasm and diligence – and lots of big smiles. It is always especially exciting to welcome our new Foundation children and they have been particularly impressive, adjusting to school routines and expectations very quickly. We believe that our Transition Programs conducted last year have greatly aided this process. A full list of all new families to the school, including 28 new children other than at the Foundation level, appears further on in the newsletter.

Our wonderful office staff, Mrs Lloyd-Vanni, Mrs Brennan, Mrs Coombs and Mrs Nedelkov were hard at work from Monday 23rd January to ensure all administrative tasks were completed in readiness for the start of school. They also managed the fee paying and book buying, assisted by our Integration Aides. During this time, our two Assistant Principals, Mrs Woodman and Mr Symons were most industrious ensuring timetables and various other organisational necessities were in place. Many of the teachers spent many days both at home and school preparing for the recommencement, meaning everything was in place to start as soon as the children arrived. Grant Brown, our champion handyman, affected a variety of repairs and constructions and parent Bernie McInerney made sure our grounds were looking well kempt. The Spanos family are to be acknowledged for the wonderful job they did tending the amphitheatre area, ensuring the new plantings survived the hot weather, and Tamsin Ashdown did a sensational job looking after our chickens, keeping them fed, watered and loved! **Thank you all very much.** We suffered some water damage from the deluge in late December. This primarily impacted on 5DJ who are temporarily housed in the Library while restoration work is carried out in Room 15.

We are thrilled to introduce four new staff members in the BPPS team. **Ms Sarah Quinn** is in 2SQ and comes to us with considerable experience and an outstanding skill-set. We have 'stolen' Sarah from a school in Shepparton. **Miss Jemmah Kelly** is taking 6JK. Jemmah impressed us immensely as a Masters of Education student placed with us last year (in 6CF), so we snapped her up before any other school could! The children in 3AP are fortunate to have **Mr Andrew Parthenopoulos** leading their learning. Andy has a rich background in ICT and is a most welcome addition for his expertise in that area as well as his high level teaching proficiency. **Miss Aleksis Payne** has taken up the position vacated by Ms Stephen. Aleksis has a comprehensive musical background and will be a wonderful addition to our Performing Arts faculty. It's great to have them on board! We are also really pleased to have **Mrs Draper**, **Mrs Thwaites** and **Mrs Trevorrow** back with us. We have included a full list of BPPS staff in the *Press*.

We need to let you know of a couple of significant operational and organisational changes that are effective immediately this year. The first maybe already be apparent in that you had to wait till Friday for this newsletter. The publication day for the **Boroondara Press will now be Friday** and, furthermore, it will only be produced **every second week**. Each edition will mention the date of the next edition to make it easier for you to remember. The second significant shift is that **assemblies will now be held on Thursday afternoons** at 2.50 rather than Mondays. We would actually have preferred Fridays but would not have had the flexibility to move it to 9.00 a.m. in hot weather because of senior school sports commitments. As in recent years, assemblies are every second week and will alternate with Care, Learn and Share Group time. Assemblies will be conducted on non-newsletter weeks – so our first for the year will be next Thursday 9th February.

DIARY DATES

Monday 6 February	Swimming Trials
Wednesday 8 February	Melbourne United Basketball Day at BPPS
Thursday 9 February	School Assembly 2.50pm Stadium
Friday 10 February	Chess Club commences
Tues 14—Thurs 23 Feb	Life Education
Thursday 16 February	Care, Learn & Share groups
Friday 17 February	District Swimming Carnival
Friday 17 February	Back to School BBQ 3.30pm
Friday 17 February	2nd Hand Uniform Stall 3.30pm inside hall
Tuesday 21 February	Grades 3/4 Information Night 6—7pm
Tuesday 21 February	Grades 5/6 Information Night 7—8pm
Wednesday 22 February	Foundation Information Night 6—7pm
Wednesday 22 February	Grades 1/2 Information Night 7—8pm
Friday 24 February	Student Leaders Conference 9am—3.30pm
Monday 27 February	Division Swimming Carnival
Monday 13 February	Labour Day Public Holiday—SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues 14—Fri 17 March	Grade 6 Camp

Please watch out for details of our **Information Nights** which will be conducted in Week 4. Sessions for Grade 3/4 parents and Grade 5/6 parents will be conducted on Tuesday 21st February at 6.00 p.m. and 7.00 p.m. respectively, and for Foundation and Grade 1/2 parents, again at 6.00 p.m. and 7.00 p.m. respectively. We replaced our traditional Information Nights with Open Classrooms sessions over the last couple of years but, in response to parent feedback, have reinstated them.

Last year we trialled the kiosk in the foyer to **record late arrivals**. Disappointingly, we continually had so many children arriving after 9.00 a.m. that queues to use the kiosk caused the children to be even later. We are therefore no longer employing this system. Children arriving after 9.00 a.m. are requested to go to their classrooms. They will be recorded as absent until they arrive at the classroom and then it will be changed to a 'late arrival'.

Another date for your diary is Friday 17th February. Our annual **Back to School BBQ** will be held in the afternoon/evening commencing at 3.30 pm. Ellie Williams and Laila Genitsaris are organising a number of exciting activities, including the ever-popular *Bop Till You Drop*, and these can be enjoyed along with food and refreshments. You should have received a purple notice earlier this week with the details and a RSVP slip. Don't forget to return this to assist with catering. Please note that there will also be a **Second Hand Uniform** sale on that afternoon.

The whole school is looking forward to next Wednesday's **You Got Skoold Day** with the Melbourne United Basketball Club. The children in grades 5/6 will be having clinics, selected children from 3 – 6 will get the opportunity to play against the Melbourne United team and students in Foundation to 6 (who wish to) will receive a Bulla frozen yoghurt or icy-pole and a show bag. Please see Mr Batt's notice about this activity, which was sent home yesterday, and complete the important information on the return slip regarding the selection of iced confectionery.

With all of these good things happening, it's disappointing to report that after only three school days we have received our first complaint from a Bolinda Rd neighbour regarding **motorists parking across driveways**. Signs in that area indicate that parking is not allowed on the west side of the road where the driveways are, so no vehicles should be stopped there at all, whether or not across driveways! We have included a traffic safety brochure in this week's Press. Please familiarise yourself with the traffic rules and guidelines to ensure that our children are always safe and that our community is respected.

We were saddened to hear of the passing of one of our parents over the holiday break. **Tony Smith**, father of Benjamin, Stephanie (both now at secondary school) and Nicholas, lost his battle against cancer on Christmas Eve. Our sincere condolences are extended to the family.

Condolences are also extended to Tracey Cronin, Mark and Ryan Side on the death of their **mother and grandmother**. Tragically, Tracey's mother passed away early this week after a 12 month illness. Our thoughts are with the family at this difficult time.

Eric Regester



NEWSLETTER 2017

The *Boroondara Park Press* will be published on Fridays every fortnight and emailed to school families through the Sentral Portal. It will also be available on the BPPS website.

Dates for Term 1:
February—3, 17, 24
March—3, 17, 24

Newsletter deadline is **1pm Wednesday** prior to publication.

Please note that we will **no longer be including paid advertising**.



TERM DATES 2017

Term 1

31 January—31 March

Term 2

18 April—30 June

Term 3

17 July to 22 September

Term 4

09 October—22 December





Artist of the Week

Artists of the week are Dan Stavretis, Dylan Wijesekera & Leon Zhang from 6KS.

Students created a collaborative work inventing an imaginative character following a set of instructions.

Dan, Dylan and Leon worked cooperatively together and created a very interesting art work of an alien monster using texta, crayons and pencils. A fantastic and fun way to start the year, well done for being the artists of the week

Jennifer Hortin & Lisa Trevorrow



Notice to parents - help support the school when doing everyday shopping. Just mention BPPS before paying at the cash register at **Balwyn Bakers Delight** on Whitehorse Rd and your purchases will be tallied up and 5% will be donated back to our school at the end of each year.

2nd Hand Uniform 2017

Over the last few years, a volunteer group of parents has organised the sale of BPPS 2nd hand uniform through a stall, usually held once a term. Kim Bui has kindly offered to coordinate this group for 2017 but would love to hear from anyone who would be willing to help her out.

Please contact Kim on 0402 160 168



Second Hand Uniform Stall



The next Second Hand Uniform Stall will be on

Friday 17 February at 3.30pm

in the school hall.

If you have any clean, wearable items of school uniform no longer required by your children, please place them in the green wheelie bin inside the Hall



A **SPECIAL WELCOME** to the following children whose families are new (or have returned) to our school this year: Mailee Adie, Marielle Alysandratos, Sharon Cai, Jayden Castro, Valentine Cavara, Wendy & Ho Nam Chen, Peter & Andy Deng, Ella Flanagan, Isabel Hsu, Sophie Garner, Amelie George, Ian Ho, Itzy Kelly, Olivia, Savannah & Gabriella Lambert, Sangyun & Sanyoon Lee, Justin Li, Warren Lim, Adam Lin, Anthony Louey, Holly Maclean, Mitch Meeking, Mariah Michael, Jasmine Morris, Ariane Neoh, Margaret Obolenski, Julius Ongarato, Ella Perera, Sophie Pym, Maja Romic, Clara Schmidt, Isla Shaw, Victoria Shen, Amrith & Ashok Sinnadurai, Eshani & Janavi Sivanesan, Remy Smith, Allyson Taylor-Spencer, Sophie & Winston Sun, Lucia Teng, Kouki & Yuka Tog, Lola & Nikoletta Tsekrekos, Jerry & Johnny Wang, Aryan Watwani, Sienna Wimalasena, Miranda Xu, Eveline Zervos.

Travel around school

Keeping our children safe

- Children up to nine years old should hold an adult's hand in traffic.
- School crossings are the safest place to cross the road.
- Model safe crossing procedure: STOP, LOOK, LISTEN and THINK .
- Drivers must stop at flagged children's crossings if a pedestrian is on, or entering the crossing, even if there is no crossing supervisor present.
- Travel anti-clockwise around the school, and set your child down on the school side of the road. Use the rear kerbside door.
- Plan your trip, don't change direction of travel-avoid U turns.



Handy tips for safe parking

- Park a few streets away and walk to / from school. Use this time to teach your child about road safety and be a good role model.
- Allow enough time to get your child to the school gate safely and without rushing.
- Always observe the parking signs around the school.
- Never park illegally in a driveway, or on / near a school crossing.
- Never double park. It blocks the vision for other drivers, forces children onto the road, and obstructs the flow of traffic.
- Drive as far forward as possible in the drop off / pick up zone in Almond Street; it keeps the traffic flowing.
- Do not use staff car parks, or Almond Street circular driveway.

Please keep this brochure handy, and show it to all those adults who take your child to and from school.

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 A Safe to School Initiative

Driving safely around our school



Safety around our school is everybody's responsibility.

Obey the signs

Parking unsafely puts children at risk.

There are parking restrictions surrounding the school. The area is regularly patrolled by City of Boroondara Local Laws Officers, who will issue Penalty notices.



No Standing signs

You must not stop at the kerb for any reason.



No Parking signs

Drop off / pick up area in Almond Street
 Drivers are not permitted to stop their vehicles unless dropping off or picking up passengers. You may only stop for 2 minutes and must remain within 3 metres of the vehicle.



Speed limit

Always slow down to 40km.

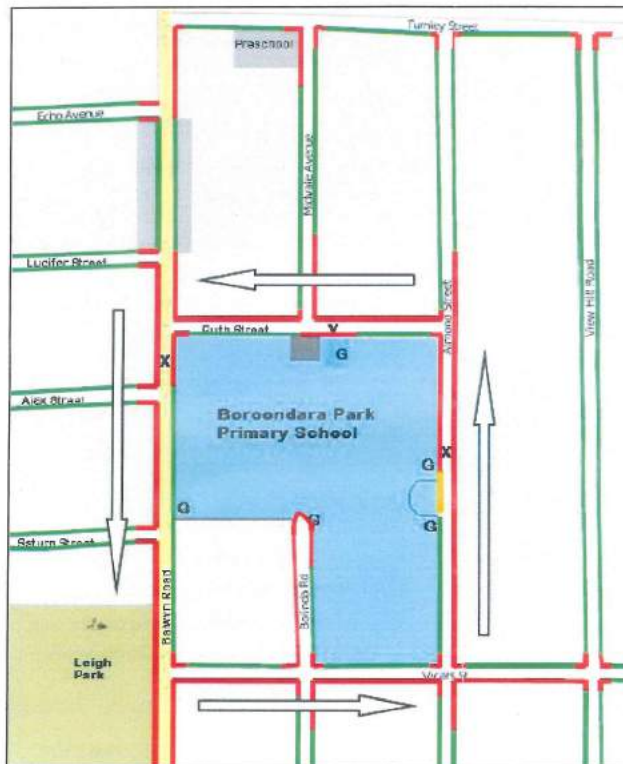
Balwyn Road, Vicars Street, Almond Street, Ruth Street, are all 40km zones outside the school at all times.



Parking signs

Part of Almond Street has time restricted parking.

Map : where to park



Key

	No Standing
	No Parking: drop off / pick up only
	Parking
	Flagged School crossing
	Pedestrian gate
	Direction of travel

Not to scale



Staff Member	Role	Location	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Specialist Team							
Miss. Lianeath Poor	Performing Arts	Stadium					
Miss. Aleksis Payne	Performing Arts	Stadium					
Mrs. Lisa Trevorrow	Visual Arts	Vis Arts					
Mrs. Jennifer Hortin	Visual Arts	Vis Arts					
Mr. Cameron Batt	Physical Education	Stadium					
Mrs. Lyndsey Thwaites	Physical Education	Stadium					
Mrs. Marylou Higgins	French	28					
Mrs. Simone Draper	Grade 5-6/Learning Support	Library					
Mrs. Sujatha Chaturvedi	EAL	EAL Room					
Mrs. Tracy Cronin	Learning Support	Lit Office					
Ms. Emma Chiera	Curriculum Leadership						
Mrs. Angela Knights	2GM for the first 5 weeks of term						
Mrs. Chris Trollope	Assessment and then First CRT						
Education Support							
Mrs. Carol Calder	Integration						
Mrs. Anna Damalas	Integration						
Mrs. Karin Tsandikos-Huf	Integration						
Mrs. Antonella Giardina	Integration						
Miss. Louisa Judd	Integration						
Mr. Nathan Grigg	Integration						
Mrs. Liz Watson	Integration						
Mrs. Litsa Nedelkov	Integration						
Technical Support							
Mr. Sujeewa Costa	Technician	Tech					
Mr. Michael Mitoski	Technician	Tech					
Additional Staff							
Mrs. Diane Cleary	Canteen Manager	Canteen					
Ms. Sandra Groves	Guidance Officer	Student Support Room					
Ms. Caitlin Stephenson	Speech Pathologist	Student Support Room					
Ms. Bridget Hall	Speech 4 Kids	Student Support Room					
Mrs. Julie Dussin	Uniform Shop Coordinator	Support Room					
Ms. Joey Arnold	OSH/Club Coordinator						
Mr. Howard Ainley	Cleaner						
Mr. Amial Fernando	Cleaner						
Mr. Grant Brown	Maintenance						
Crossing Supervision							
Martin	Crossing Supervisor	Balwyn Rd.					
Rocco	Crossing Supervisor	Almond St.					
Sandra	Crossing Supervisor	Ruth St.					
Music Tuition							
Mrs. Ruth Tenace	Piano	Piano Studio 1					
Mr. Ben Taylor	Piano	Piano Studio 2					
Ms. Maryellen Liu	Piano	Piano Studio 1					
Ms. Rosemary Walsh	Violin	Stadium Kitchen					
Mr. Emily Clarke	Sax/Clarinet/Flute	Piano Studio 2					
Mr. Sebastian Fowler	Drums/Guitar	Stadium					

Staff Member	Role	Location	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Administration							
Mr. Eric Regester	Principal	Prin					
Mrs. Jane Woodman	Assistant Principal	AP					
Mr. Rendal Symons	Assistant Principal	AP					
Mrs. Kelly Lloyd-Vanni	Business Manager	Office					
Mrs. Lyndi Brennan	Office Manager/Student Enrolment	Office					
Mrs. Litsa Nedelkov	Administration	Office					
Mrs. Margaret Coombs	First Aid/Administration	Office					
Foundation Team							
Miss. Bridget Grundy	Foundation	FBG					
Miss. Claire Brennan	Foundation	FCB					
Miss. Sarah Amiconi	Foundation	FSA					
Miss. Lisa Ainger	Foundation	FLA					
Grade 1/2 Team							
Ms. Monica Lindau	Grade 1	1ML					
Ms. Emma Chiera	Grade 1	1ML					
Mrs. Ray Owens	Grade 1	1RO					
Mrs. Jenny Christie	Grade 1	1JC					
Mrs. Emma Chiera	Grade 1	1JC					
Mrs. Bianca Gelsi	Grade 2	2GM					
Mrs. Ali Mulder	Grade 2	2GM					
Miss. Lisa Kanaris	Grade 2	2LK					
Mrs. Maryanne Cozzio	Grade 2	2MC					
Mrs. Sarah Quinn	Grade 2	2SQ					
Grade 3/4 Team							
Miss. Kirstin Jones	Grade 3	3KJ					
Miss. Carli Greenwood	Grade 3	3CG					
Mr. Andy Parthenopoulos	Grade 3	3AP					
Mrs. Julie Tainsh	Grade 3	3JT					
Mrs. Cat Fleming	Grade 4	4CF					
Mrs. Roslyn Pritsis	Grade 4	4RP					
Mrs. Tracey Cronin	Grade 4	4RP					
Miss. Bronwyn McHugh	Grade 4	4BM					
Mr. Travis Longmuir	Grade 4	4TL					
Grade 5/6 Team							
Mrs. Sarah Jacobs	Grade 5	5DJ					
Mrs. Janice Dransfield	Grade 5	5DJ					
Mrs. Claire Ballot	Grade 5	5CB					
Miss. Hannah Francis	Grade 5	5HF					
Mr. Jason Mulder	Grade 5	5JM					
Mrs. Shannon Reeve	Grade 6	6SR					
Miss. Jemmah Kelly	Grade 6	6JK					
Miss. Kristen Schultz	Grade 6	6KS					
Mr. Nick King	Grade 6	6NK					

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated at St Bede's Wednesday March 29 at 7.30pm and

Catechist classes for children not attending the parish school will commence on Monday February 27.
Classes commence at 4pm and are held at St Bede's in the Jarrow Room.

Commitment Masses for this Sacrament and the Sacrament of First Eucharist will be held over the weekend of March 18 & 19. A Parent evening is scheduled for Tuesday March 7 at 7.30pm.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation must be completed before the Sacrament of First Eucharist. Both Sacraments are usually celebrated in Grade 3. Enrolments can be made through the Parish Office.

Other dates for 2017

ST BEDE'S
First Eucharist All Mass Times over the weekends of May 27/28 and June 3/4 Classes commence May 1
Confirmation Sunday August 20 at 11am or 2.30pm Classes commence July 17

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SPORTS ACTIVITIES AT BPPS

The following organisations provide privately paid sports activities at BPPS:

KELLY SPORTS—Soccer Fun, Basketball & Super Summer Sports

BIG5SPORTS—Netball, Soccer & Dance

TENNIS IN STAGES

All activities are held at the school at various times and days. Please refer to information flyers that have gone home this week.

Spare copies are available from the office.

Play Basketball at Balwyn Blazers

Register for GRADING Winter 2017 13th-16th Feb

All new players welcome

Make new friends and keep fit with a great fun safe sport for girls and boys and

Easy to learn, for beginners and experienced players aged 7 to 19 年龄 7 至 19

Play Saturdays in the EDJBA the biggest junior competition in Australia with home games at Balwyn High School and BPPS

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New players, for more information or to register your interest please contact Suzy Dickinson



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YOU GOT SKILLS

MELBOURNE UNITED BASKETBALL CLUB ARE COMING TO YOUR SCHOOL!

WED 8 FEB 2017, 2PM
MELBOURNE VS BOROONDARA PARK PS
Students please wear runners school sports uniform.
Parents welcome to attend.

Bring your A game and loud voices... we're coming for you!

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