WEBSITE SURVEY
As I mentioned in last week’s newsletter, you will receive our Type-form, online survey via email, tomorrow, seeking your feedback and comments on our current school website. Please take the time to complete the survey, as your feedback will inform us in relation to making changes to our website.

REMINDER: NEWSLETTER EMAIL SUBSCRIPTION
Our weekly newsletter is now available again via free subscription, details available on our website. Please contact our office staff if you wish to access this service and are having problems in doing so.

BUDDY DAY ARRANGEMENTS FOR THIS YEAR
Buddy Day will be held on Thursday 15th June this year. We have made several changes to its format. Previously parents paid a $5 contribution, $4 of which was allocated to cover the cost of providing a cupcake and drink for the children to enjoy over a shared lunch with their buddy and $1 was allocated as a donation to the Alannah & Madeline Foundation, the sponsors of Buddy Day. This year the Junior School Council encourage students to dress up in purple in recognition of this day and donate a gold coin to the A&M foundation.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ’s)
Q. What happens to unclaimed lost children’s property?
A. If the lost property has no identifying nametags or markings, at the end of each term, we donate it to charity groups. During the last week of each term we do lay out all lost property in the main corridor and invite children to check as to whether any items belong to them. We do hold a lot of unclaimed lost property, so I urge parents to also check the lost property items in the last week of term, if not before.

QUOTABLE QUOTE
“A commitment not made is preferable to a commitment broken “
Henry Grossek
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## HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER?

Please ensure you let the school office know if you have changed address or updated mobile phones with new numbers. This information alleviates stressful situations for students when they are ill and we cannot contact parents.
STUDENT REPORTS

Student reports are provided to parents twice a year, at the end of Term 2 and Term 4. Our teachers are currently very busy assessing their students against the Victorian Curriculum in preparation for writing mid-year reports. The Victorian Curriculum F–10 sets out a single, coherent and comprehensive set of content descriptions and associated achievement standards to enable teachers to plan, monitor, assess and report on the learning achievement of every student. The Victorian Curriculum F–10 is structured as a continuum across levels of learning achievement not years of schooling. This enables the development of targeted learning programs for all students, where the curriculum is used to plan in relation to the actual learning level of each student rather than their assumed level of learning based on age. The achievement standards reflect the emphasis within the broad stages of schooling, these being:

- **Foundation stage (Years Prep–2)**
  The focus is on the five curriculum areas of English, Mathematics, The Arts, Health and Physical Education, and Personal and Social capability. These areas all have a standard at Foundation.

- **Breadth stage (Years 3–8)**
  Students have the opportunity to fully engage with all learning areas and capabilities, with a focus on English, Mathematics, Science.

- **Pathways stage (Years 9–10)**
  Students engage in a broad education and begin to plan their senior secondary program of study.

Each curriculum area includes content descriptions explaining what is to be taught and achievement standards describing what students are able to understand and do. The achievement standards are provided in 11 levels for English and Mathematics or in five or six bands for all the other learning areas and capabilities. Further information about the Victorian Curriculum can be found on the website: [http://victoriancurriculum.vcaa.vic.edu.au/](http://victoriancurriculum.vcaa.vic.edu.au/)

NO FOOD SHARING (GUIDELINES)

We would like to remind families that at Berwick Lodge we do not permit children to share food with other students. The reasons for this are because we have many children who have allergies to a wide range of food products. We are aware that families often like to acknowledge their child’s birthday and allow them the opportunity to share the celebrations by sending along treats. Any treats provided on birthdays should be packaged, shop bought with the list of ingredients.

WINTER WEATHER

The cold weather has now set in. Please make sure that the children are dressed for the cold weather, with a warm jacket and a beanie. We want the children to continue to enjoy playing outside even on the colder days.

GRADE FIVE AND SIX CAMP

Yesterday we farewelled our grade five and grade six students as they ventured off on camp. School camps are a fantastic opportunity for children to develop new skills. Children exercise independent thinking, increase their social skills and decision-making, as well as increase their knowledge by participating in authentic learning experiences. The grade six students will spend the next few days exploring the city, visiting Parliament House, The Shrine of Remembrance, The Immigration Museum, Captain Cook’s cottage and they will even enjoy a spin on the Melbourne Star. The grade five students will enjoy an action packed few days discovering all about the 1850s gold rush heritage. They will enjoy many exciting and interactive experiences at Sovereign Hill. We can’t wait to hear all about their experiences when they return.

SUPPORT YOUR CHILD’S LEARNING AT HOME

Many parents are interested in looking at ways to support their child’s learning at home. The LEARNING POTENTIAL website supports the Australian Curriculum for primary school, and is child (and parent) friendly. Click on the following link to find some activity ideas that will reinforce and build on the concepts and skills your child encounter in the classroom. [http://www.learningpotential.edu.au/](http://www.learningpotential.edu.au/)
Congratulations Berwick Lodge!

We received some very exciting news yesterday that our school has been successful in receiving a $1000 grant from Junior Landcare, thanks to the sponsor Momentum Energy and a $2000 Environmental grant from the City of Casey. The grant money will go towards signage and items within the Sensory Garden.

What to plant in the winter months?
June is a great time to plant broad beans, cabbage, chicory, dill, endive, garlic, lettuce, mint, onions, peas, radish, rosemary, sage, shallots, snow peas and thyme. Winter is also a great time to turn over your compost, add shredded paper, fruit and vegetable scraps, straw and then let it rest over the colder months ready with great compost come spring time!

Happy Gardening,
Mrs. McCrum.
Do you have any unwanted instruments collecting dust at home?

I am looking for a variety of instruments to complement and extend the music program at Berwick Lodge Primary School.

Ideally I would love to source an electric drum kit, ukuleles, acoustic guitars, keyboards and percussion instruments.

I am also looking for bamboo chopsticks which will be used to teach drumming. If you think you can help, please contact Lorraine Montgomery in the Performing Arts Room.
CSEF Applications

Application forms are now available in the office for the Camps, Excursions & Sports (CSEF) funding.

Please bring a copy of your concession card into the office when applying for the CSEF Fund.

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply. $125 per year is paid for eligible primary school students. Payments are made directly to the school and are tied to the student. Parents or legal guardians are required to submit a new CSEF application form each year.

To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

on the first day of Term one, or;

on the first day of Term two;
   a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be the holder of a Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
   b) Be a temporary foster parent, and

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of the above.

CSEF application forms and a copy of your concession card must be handed into the office by Friday 23rd June 2017.
We are after donations of any old lego or duplo blocks. They will be used in paint so if you are happy for them to be used well, without being returned, then please bring them in!!

Thanks to those who continue to drop other materials for the Art room, it’s been greatly appreciated.
Please remember all students require an art smock for class, named is an added bonus!

Thank you
Jo Zammit/Julie McLeod
Visual Arts
Our sick bay has a limited stock of spare uniforms in the event your child has an accident and requires a change of clothes. If your child requires these, can you please wash them and return them back to school as soon as you can. Please do not return underwear, but you may wish to purchase a new pair to replace them.

Second hand Uniform Shop open hours

(Meeting Room 1 - Entry via main school building from outside door Collins Cres side near the Art Room)

Payments are by CASH or EFT – via the office- (Min $15 EFT)

8:45am - 9:20am 3:00pm - 3:45pm

June 26th

June 19th
July 17th
August 14th
September 11th
October 9th
November 13th

July 24th
August 28th
September 18th
October 23rd
December 4th

Book Club

Book Club brochures were sent home to all families last week. Please place all orders online by Friday 9th June 2017.

Please note, the office cannot accept cash for your orders, it must be done online.
JAM HOT MUSIC CONCERT

PERFORMANCE DATE:
FRIDAY 23RD JUNE

CONCERT TIME: 11.45 am - 12.30 pm  PREP 1-2
CONCERT TIME: 12.30 pm - 1.15 pm  GR 3-6

VENUE: ASSEMBLY POINT

Enquiries please contact JASON STONEHOUSE
0419 872875 or jamhotmusic@hotmail.com

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AQUASTAR BERWICK (HALEYBURY COLLEGE, 13B HIGH STREET, BERWICK)
(03) 8958 8377 | WWW.AQUASTARSWIM.COM.AU
**When:** Saturday 1st July 2017—7PM start  

**Where:** Beaconsfield Primary School  
(Cnr of Princes Highway & Lyle Avenue, Beaconsfield)  

**Why:** To have fun of course!! Also to raise funds for Preventing Suicide in Youth  

**Cost:** $25 per person  


BYO Food and Drink.  
Silent Auction and many games to be played and prizes to be won so don’t forget to bring your gold coins along.
Host Families and Exchange Students

A number of Exchange Students from Italy, France Germany, Japan, Austria, Norway, Sweden and Finland are hoping to come here this July and August because they wish to study here for a term, a semester or even two (which would mean they would be with the family who chooses them over Christmas and the summer holidays) with a family that would like to experience the differences and similarities of having an extra boy or girl aged 15-17 stay with them while they enjoy the experience and feel it is worthwhile. I'm hoping that's you and your family, so if you'd like to give it a try for a length of time, can afford an extra member of your family at mealtimes and have a spare bed, share room or own, please call Klaus Schumann on 0472 771 785 or email; klaus.schumann2000@hotmail.com
(There is no payment involved as these are exchange students). Look forward to hearing from you or receiving an email.