WHAT A GREAT NIGHT
Another wonderful Open Night at our school! Congratulations to our students and staff for the outstanding presentations across the school. Open Night is one of our major highlights for the year and it was great to see so many parents and visitors in attendance. I cannot thank you enough for making time to come along – that means a lot to all of us – students and staff alike.

WEBSITE UPDATE
We are getting there – I am pleased to inform you that we now have the online newsletter subscription service available again. Simply scroll down the front page of our website and, on the right hand side, enter your details, including the email to which you wish to have the newsletter sent, and submit your request and you will receive our weekly newsletter online every week. Next week you will receive our Type-form, online survey via email, 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.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ’s)
Q. Given that the DET are introducing a number of changes to the student reporting requirements, what changes can we expect to see in this year’s midyear student reports?
A. There will be several changes. In particular, we will now be reporting on four areas of Capabilities: Personal & Social Capability (Prep-Year 6), Critical & Creative Thinking (Years 2-6), Ethical Capability (Years 2-6) and Intercultural Capability (Years 2-6). We will also assess Health & Physical Education (previously assessed as one subject area) as two separate subjects, Health and Physical Education. We will provide parents with a detailed explanation of all changes and their implications prior to the distribution of student reports in the last week of term 2.

QUOTABLE QUOTE
‘Having a good memory doesn’t mean hanging on to grievances forever.’

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.
OPEN NIGHT – WEDNESDAY 24TH MAY
Thank you to all families who attended our Open Night last night. It was great to see the familiar faces of our current and past families and very rewarding to see the number of prospective families who took the opportunity to visit our school and see the wonderful programs we have on offer. The positive feedback received from families indicated that everyone enjoyed the opportunity to visit classrooms and specialist areas and view the results of our students’ efforts. Thanks must go to our hard working staff for the preparation of displays and activities and their attendance throughout the evening. Our student leaders did a magnificent job in showing new families around the school and supporting the specialist teachers in their programs.

GRADE FIVE and SIX CAMP
Next week the children in Grade Five and Six will be heading off to camp. The grade 5 students will enjoy learning about Australian History at Sovereign Hill, Ballarat and the grade six students will attend the CYC City Camp in Melbourne. The students, teachers and parent helpers will be leaving on Wednesday morning and returning Friday afternoon. We wish them a great time and look forward to hearing their stories on their return.

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY – FRIDAY 19TH MAY
It was terrific to see the number of students who chose to wear crazy socks and use active travel on Friday. We encourage families to support their children in continuing to walk, ride, skate or scoot to school on a regular basis. Establishing these habits at primary school age will have benefits in the years ahead. Thank you to our Junior School Council for organising this fun activity.

REPORT WRITING DAY – FRIDAY 9th JUNE – NO STUDENTS REQUIRED AT SCHOOL
Friday 9th June is Report Writing Day for our school. No students are required at school on this day. Camp Australia may be open on this day, depending on sufficient numbers and bookings are required as soon as possible.

LONG WEEKEND – MONDAY 12th JUNE – NO STUDENTS REQUIRED AT SCHOOL
Our report writing day leads into the Queen’s birthday long weekend and the school will be closed on Monday 12th June.

WANTED – FULL PACKS OF PLAYING CARDS
We require packs of playing cards for a games evening we are planning to hold later in the year. Do you have a business that would be able to donate these or know of someone who would? All donations of playing cards will be greatly appreciated. Please speak to Sandra McCrum if you are able to assist.

Sandra McCrum and Angela Maskery
Autumn is a lovely time of year to enjoy the outdoors. A fun activity to do with children at this time of year is to collect as many different coloured leaves and try to make a leaf rainbow or leaf art picture. To make a rainbow, lay out leaves according to their colour. Use your imagination and be creative to design your own leaf art picture. This involves Mathematics activities such as sorting by shape, size and colour. Leaf rubbings are another great activity that children love.

Can you make a leaf rubbing elf/fairy/person?
- Find some different size leaves and place under a piece of paper. Use a coloured crayon and gently rub over the top.
- Cut out the different leaves and make a person using leaves for the body, arms, legs, face.
- Draw or glue on other items such as seedpods for details and add bark to give texture to your picture.
- Display your leaf drawing for all to enjoy.

Happy gardening,
Sandra McCrum
INSTRUMENTS WANTED

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
SICK BAY NEWS

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.

PFA NEWS

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

June 26th
July 24th
August 28th
September 18th
October 23rd
December 4th

Book Club

Book Club brochures were sent home to all families today. 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.
**Sweeney Drive Closure Update:**

It was originally hoped that Sweeney Drive would reopen up to traffic by the end of this month, however that has now been revised to **August**. This is partly due to unknown additional scope, i.e services relocation. The works still to be completed include a month of strengthening, guard rail installation, resurfacing of the road and installing new lights.

The pedestrian path will also need to close from Tuesday 23rd May to Sunday 28th – four school days.

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**JAM HOT MUSIC CONCERT**

**PERFORMANCE DATE:**
**FRIDAY 23RD JUNE**

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

**VENUE:** ASSEMBLY POINT

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