THANK YOU EVERYONE
What a fabulous final week we have had. Starting with our end of year assembly on Monday morning, followed by our parent helpers morning tea, and then our stunning graduation evening on Tuesday. We could not have asked for more.

I think it’s fair to say that 2019 has been a year crammed with outstanding achievements and events all the way through.

Thank you to everyone – students, staff and parents. Each and every one has contributed in any of many ways to make our school the wonderful place of learning and engagement that it is.

To our graduates, congratulations. You have been excellent school leaders and are all well-prepared for the next exciting stage in your schooling. To our grade 6 students of next year – you have big shoes to fill and I have no doubt that you will fill them well.

Thank you parents – parenting is the most challenging (and rewarding) experience that I have ever encountered and I’m sure it is for you too. Thank you for your support and I look forward to working together in partnership with you all next year in the best interests of your children.

Our staff – what a wonderful staff we truly have. They all work so hard, so professionally and with the kindest of hearts. Thank you.

Finally do have a restful and enjoyable break over the festive season. You all deserve it.

Continued...
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.

DIARY DATES:

- **Friday 20th December**  
  - Grade 6 Graduation Bear/Ball
- **Friday 20th December**  
  - Grade 1LW Matilda DVD
- **Thursday 30th January**  
  - **First day for term 1.**
  - Grades 1 - 6 start time 9am to 3.30pm
  - Preps - start time is 9.15am - 12.45pm on the first day, then 9am to 2pm on Friday 31st January until Friday 14th February.

PORTAL PERMISSION TO BE GRANTED BY:

- **Thursday 19th December**  
  - Grade 1LW Matilda DVD

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

**Q. What’s been your personal professional highlight this year?**

**A.** Gee! That is a hard question – there have been so many highlights. Probably Graduation night – it is always a very special occasion for me and I enjoy sharing in the pride and joy the children experience having just completed their primary education at our wonderful school.

QUOTABLE QUOTE

‘New Year resolutions are just round the corner - you know, the one with which we are all too familiar’

Henry Grossek
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – Friday 20th December 2.30pm finish.

Parents are reminded that our last school day is Friday 20th December and school finishes at 2.30pm. Out of Hours School Care will operate from 2.30pm and students attending need to be booked in.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

What a fantastic morning we had enjoying the performances as part of our Monday assembly. It was lovely to see so many families enjoying the songs. Congratulations to Miss Thomas and the students for all their hard work.

PARENT HELPER MORNING TEA

Thank you to those parents who attended our annual Parent Helpers’ Morning Tea on Tuesday. It was wonderful to see the familiar faces and acknowledge their contributions to our school. We look forward to working closely with our parent community again in 2020.

GRADE SIX GRADUATION

We enjoyed a wonderful evening at Cardinia Cultural Centre celebrating the grade 6 achievements and time at Berwick Lodge Primary School. We wish all of our graduating grade six students every success at secondary school.

BOOK PACK COLLECTION

Book packs will be ready for collection from the school on Friday 24th January and Wednesday 29th January between 9am and 3pm. The office will be open to receive payments on these two days. A discount of $20 will be applied to the Essential Education Item component for all payments that are received in full by 29th February 2020 or to those families who commit to a payment plan by this date. Payments can also be made in a variety of ways. Information regarding this option is provided on the Student Requisite notice.

FIRST SCHOOL DAY 2019 – THURSDAY 30th JANUARY

School resumes for all students on Thursday 30th January 2020. Grade 1 to 6 student’s start at 9am and our Prep students start at 9.15am.

We wish all families a very happy, safe and relaxing holiday and we look forward to seeing our students back on Thursday 30th January 2020.

Sandra McCrum and Angela Maskery
Medical forms will be going home to all students who have a known medical condition such as:

- ANAPHYLAXIS
- ASTHMA
- ALLERGY

It’s the department of Educations guidelines that these forms are completed within a calendar year, so families are asked to take these forms to their local G.P during the school holidays and return them to the office during book collection. **Can you please ensure all forms have a photo attached to them and the medication is given to the office prior to the commencement of school.**

All medication held in sick bay this year will be sent home with your child on the 20th December 2019, the last day of term 4. If your child is finishing school earlier than the 20th December, please call into the office to collect their medication.
2020 Parent Payment forms were sent home to all families on Monday 18th November 2019. We do encourage all families to complete and return these forms to the office by Friday 20th December 2019. You don’t need to pay in full by this date, just complete the paperwork so we know how and when you are going to pay. You have the option to pay in full if you wish or you can set up a fortnightly or monthly payment plan. In order to collect your book pack on the 24th or 29th January, we will either require full payment of the book pack or the first (1st) payment of your plan. There are several ways you can pay, cash, cheque, Eftpos, credit card, direct credit or Centrepay. If you have misplaced your payment plan, please call into the office for another copy.

Semester 2 school reports are available online via the Parent Portal.

To view your child’s school report, please log onto the Parent Portal,

https://sentral.berwicklodgeps.vic.edu.au/portal2

Your username is your email address & the password you would have created. To find reports, click on the menu tab, select your child’s name, click on Student Details and then click on “Published reports”

If your child is in grade 6 and leaving us at the end of term 4, please remember to save or print these reports as you will loose access to the Parent Portal from Mid January 2020.
Please return **ALL LIBRARY BOOKS** by no later than **Friday 20th December** in order to complete our stocktake.

We currently have 138 books on loan that need to be returned so please remind your child to return them by tomorrow.
COMMUNITY ADVERTISING

Qualify as a Teacher Aide (TA)

A rewarding and stable career choice for a stay at home mum returning to work, or someone looking for child-friendly hours.

Register for Info Session
10 Jan 2020 (Friday)  9.30am
@ Berwick Lodge PS

Certificate 3 in Education Support
(24 weeks / once-a-week / 100hrs placement)

GOVERNMENT FUNDING AVAILABLE!!
(Ask us on our payment plans)

Enrolling for 13 & 14 February 2020 Classes Now!
13 Feb (Thurs) or 14 Feb (Fri) weekly classes* during school hours (9.30am to 2.00pm)
* minimum of 10 students needed for a class to start

Classes held at Berwick Lodge PS
139-145 Mansfield St, Berwick VIC 3806.

Why study with TAmums?
* classes held in a primary school
* school based learning environment
* study close to home
* study between kids pickups and drop-offs
* no classes during school holidays

TAmums Student Support
* teaching resources sharing
* students placement support
* TA job-seeking support
* comprehensive learning support

More info please call: Vicky (0414 386 024) or Jas (0403 745 464)

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enrol@tamums.com.au

Awesome group dynamics amongst students
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Developing multi-skilled educational support work in our community

Supported by & Classes held at:

Berwick Lodge Primary School

Courses delivered by:

Multi Skilled Teacher Aides

Visit our website for more details:

www.TAmums.com.au
We have lots of glasses, toys & jewellery that have been handed into the office. If your child belongs to any of these, please collect it by Friday 20th December 2019 or they will be given to charity.
COMMUNITY ADVERTISING

FOUND ITEMS

We have lots of glasses, toys & jewellery that have been handed into the office. If your child belongs to any of these, please collect it by Friday 20th December 2019 or they will be given to charity.
Southern Cleaning Co. is a local, bespoke cleaning company. Some of the services that we specialise in include house cleaning, spring cleaning, housekeeping, home organisation and much more. We pride ourselves in tailoring a package that best suits the needs of each individual household. If you would like any more information or to arrange a no obligation quote, please feel free to contact me.

Carla – 0474788532
southerncleaningc@gmail.com
Moonlit Sanctuary Keeper Club

Kids enjoy environmental activities, animal encounters and native animal care. Day includes: interactions with dingo, python, off-limits animals, feeding animals & food prep, animal enrichment activities. Learn about our animals, their conservation and the environment. For ages 7-14 years.

Spring 2019 school holiday dates:
- Week 1: Mon 6th, Tue 7th, Wed 8th, Thu 9th January
- Week 2: Mon 13th, Tue 14th, Wed 15th, Thu 16th, January
- Week 3: Mon 20th, Tue 21st, Thu 23rd January
10am–4pm

Cost: $90.00 per day, or $250 for 3 days (pro rata for additional days). Maximum 16 children per day.

Bookings essential as spaces are limited
Dress for the weather, wear closed-toe shoes and remember your hat or raincoat. BYO lunch or purchase at the cafe.

Moonlit Sanctuary
550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale
Phone 5978 7935
www.moonlitsanctuary.com.au
Open daily between 10am and 5pm
If you have some junior wildlife lovers looking for fun over the holidays, check out our Keepers Club holiday program.

In a day full of fun hands-on activities, they will get up close to many animals including dingos and pythons and learn how their keepers work to keep them happy and healthy.

Places are limited so book early and make your junior keeper’s day!
For ages 7-14. Cost: $90

moonlitsanctuary.com.au | t. 5978 7935 | e. bookings@moonlit-sanctuary.com
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PARENTS BUILDING SOLUTIONS
- The TEEN Years -

FOR MUMS, DADS AND CARERS OF TEENS AND PRE-TEENS AGED 11+

RESPONDING TO BEHAVIOUR
Where’s the balance between rules and independence?

TECHNOLOGY USE, OR ABUSE?
Helping our teens to understand the difference

IS YOUR TEEN OFTEN ANGRY?
What’s happening emotionally, physically and socially with your teen?

STRATEGIES THAT WORK
Ideas to make navigating the teen years easier!

DATES: Monday evenings for 6-weeks
10th February to 23rd March 2020
(Not on Labour Day)

TIME: 6.45pm – 9.00pm

WHERE: Endeavour Hills
Neighbourhood Centre
10 Raymond McMahon Blvd

COST: FREE – BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
Refreshments provided

BOOKINGS AND ENQUIRIES:
Endeavour Hills NC - 9700 3789
info@eihilsnc.org.au
Sandra Phillips – call/text 0447 500 355
sandra.phillips@anglicarevic.org.au

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# Beleza School Uniforms

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Summer Holiday Club

Book into a Summer of discovery, right here at Holiday Club.

Helping children discover their passions in life is something we value at Holiday Club. Right here in our clubs we’ve got our future leaders. Our future scientists, actors, lawyers, CEOs, chefs, dentists and even Primo Ministers!

Discovery all starts with variety and exposure; and this Summer, we’ve got a jam-packed program with all kinds of activities. We’ve got active excursions, engineering projects, mindfulness incursions, cooking workshops and everything in between.

Engineering  Cooking

Active Play  Mindfulness

Book now. To find out when these activities are on during the school holidays and to find your nearest service, visit www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs.

We look forward to seeing you at Holiday Club.

The Camp Australia Team

Access any one of our 230+ Holiday Club locations Australia-wide. Near home, work or even your holiday destination!

Want more excursions? Maybe more club days? Pick any program near you, they’re all unique.

Avoid a late booking charge and save $10 by booking at least 7 days in advance. Plus, with limited space, spots fill up.

To find locations near you and to book, visit www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs