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<u>APRIL</u>

Sunday 21st

Fundraising Committee Pre-loved Markets 10am-2pm- Volunteers needed.

Monday 22nd

Pupil Free Day. Staff attending Professional Development

Tuesday 23rd

Mitchell River Cluster Cross Country @ Nicholson PS. 10am start

Wednesday 24th

Nicholson PS ANZAC Service 11am. Everyone welcome

Thursday 25th ANZAC Day Public Holiday

Monday 29th

Finance Meeting 5:30pm School Council Meeting 6pm

Tuesday 30th School Photos

Welcome back everyone! I hope you all enjoyed the Easter and holiday break and had a chance to spend some quality family time together.

This term there is quite a bit happening across the school, as usual we will endeavour to keep all families informed well in advance of events through the newsletter and uEducateUs messages.

Fundraising / Pre-Loved Markets

Thank you to all who contributed to the Easter raffle at the end of last term which raised \$436.50 towards our Musical Garden Project.

The Fundraising Committee are holding their Pre-loved Markets this Sunday 21st. All families received a volunteer request form at the end of last term. If you can give up a small amount of time to help on the day, it would be greatly appreciated by the committee.

Cluster Cross Country

Next Tuesday 23rd we will be hosting the Mitchell River Cross Country event here at school. Our cluster schools consist of Bruthen, Clifton Creek, Lindenow South, Wild Cherry, and Bairnsdale Christian College. The event commences at 10am with the Junior Grades. Older students will run in age groups. Students aged 10yrs and above who finish in the top 6 will go on to represent the cluster at the Division Cross Country later in the term. We invite you all to join us on the day.

Pupil Free Day

Reminder that next Monday 22nd April is a Pupil Free Day for all students. Staff will be attending a Professional Development day focused around improving engagement in mathematics facilitated by renowned numeracy education research and leader Dr. Jennifer Attard.

Kind regards

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We acknowledge the Gunai-Kurnai people the traditional owners for the land our school is built on. We pay our respects to the elders past, present and emerging and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.



RECURRING EVENTS:

Breakfast Club:

Monday to Friday 8:30 -9:00am

Playgroup:

Mondays 9:30am till 11:00am

Lunch Orders:

Orders and payment into school by Thursday morning. Friday is lunch order day

Wheelbarrow Grand Prix















ANZAC DAY APPEAL

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Birthdays

Happy Birthday Charlie, Jodie, Mr. B Charlotte, Lyla, Aspen, Indi, and Cc!





Classroom News

FOUNDATION

We were excited to welcome Aspen back from her extended holiday on Monday. All students settled back to school life quickly.

This term we're continuing to consolidate number formation. We're working on doubles, friends of 10 (numbers that add to make 10) and using number lines to assist with 'counting on' and 'counting back'.

The focus in literacy for at least the first part of this term is handwriting. We continue to introduce the correct formation of letters and practise these until they become automatic. We also continue to introduce the phonemes, beginning with e, r, and u.

As well as these activities we are enjoying music, especially singing and dancing along with our other specialist areas.

Grade1/2

Everyone has made a positive return to school after the Easter break, catching up and sharing stories. This week the class have been working on a writing piece, recounting what they did on their holidays. During maths, we have been reflecting of some of the learning we did last term and starting to look forward at new focusses such as addition. During reading workshop, students are building upon their decoding and blending skills, learning new ways in which to apply their knowledge as well as being exposed to new phonemes and graphemes. ANZAC Day has also become a focus topic and the students have been creating some of their own poppies whilst learning of the significance of the day.

Grade 3/4

We are all happy to be back at school, catching up with what everyone has been up to over the holidays. Our focus in maths this term is addition and subtraction. At the end of last term, we completed pre-tests in these areas. This term we have looked at our grades results, seeing which areas and strategies we need to work on. Leading into ANZAC Day, we are sharing what we already know and building on our understanding through books, videos, and activities.

Grade 5/6

Everyone has returned to school appearing relaxed and ready to take on the challenges of Term 2. Students are in the process of preparing for our ANZAC Service which will take place here at school at 11am on Thursday 24th.

The service is conducted by our student leaders on the day and we invite everyone to join us in commemorating a significant day on the Australian calendar.



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uEducateUs



Do you have the uEducateUs app yet? This free app allows our school community, teachers, and parents, to stay in touch. You'll find all the newsletters in the app, as well as handy forms. You can even let the school know if your child is absent. It's free, from both the Google Play Store and the App Store.

Little Bang Discovery Club



Join us for this four-week science program!

Little Bang Discovery Club (LBDC) is a four-week course designed for pre-schoolers (aged 3–5) and their accompanying adult

The aim of the LBDC is to develop ideas and skills that inspire further scientific exploration, discovery and learning. Key features of the LBDC are the hands-on activities, question and answer time and a Discovery Box and Book loaned to each child for the duration of the LBDC. Activities experienced during each session can be safely replicated and further explored at home.

A Discovery Club Passport is provided to each child and stamped after each session and a graduation ceremony follows a Science Fair in the final session.

Participants are encouraged to attend all four sessions.

Bairnsdale Library

Monday 13 May Monday 20 May Monday 27 May

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