

Beverford District Primary School Newsletter

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April 23, 2025
Term 2, Week 1

What's On at BDPS?


<u>Calendar: Term 2, 2025</u>	
Tuesday April 22	Term 2 Begins
Wednesday April 23	Kobe Davison (Pre-service Teacher begins)
Friday April 25	ANZAC Day Public Holiday (School March)
Tuesday April 29	Small Schools P-6 Cross Country
Wednesday May 7	GRIP Leadership Conference Gr. 5/6 in Mildura
Thursday May 8	Mother's Day Morning Tea (10.30 – 11.30am)
Friday May 9	Pupil Free Day – Staff Professional Development Kobe Davison final placement day
Monday May 12	Book Club Orders Due
Tuesday May 13	Divisional Cross Country
Mon May 19 to Fri May 23	Education Week
Wednesday May 21	School Council 7pm
Wed May 21 or Thurs May 22	Swan Hill College Year 7 Transition Day
Friday May 30, June 13 & 20	2026 Come & Try Prep Sessions (9 – 10.30am)
Tues June 4 & Wed June 5	State Principal Conference – Phil away
Monday June 9	King's Birthday Public Holiday
Friday June 13	District Winter Sports P-2 Fun Day
Monday June 30	Semester 2 Reports sent home
Friday July 4	Term 2 Ends

Easter Hat Parade

The Easter Hat Parade was again a huge success with a very big crowd in attendance. Thank you to our families and friends who assisted with making hats and attending the event.

The Easter raffle was a big hit, with 8 Easter Hampers being raffled off. The school raised \$1037 which was donated to the Mallee MRI Appeal. Thank you to everyone who sold and purchased tickets and donated goodies for the raffle.

The Junior School Council ran some fun activities, including an easter egg hunt and egg & spoon race.



LUNCH ORDERS & ZOOPER DOOPERS

Lunch Orders will begin next week on Friday May 2.

The Junior School Council has ceased zooper doopers sales until Term 4.

Principal's Report

Welcome Back!

Welcome back to everyone! We hope you enjoyed your Easter break and that the Easter Bunny found you safe and sound. With Easter Monday and Friday off for Anzac Day it is an interrupted beginning to the term, but the students and staff have hit the ground running.

Last term finished with the annual **Easter Hat Parade** and drawing of the Easter raffle. The students looked great in their amazing hats and certainly enjoyed the Easter egg hunt around the school. Thanks again to everyone who donated items for the raffles and sold tickets.

Speaking of running, we have begun practice for the **Cross Country** this week, which is on next Tuesday April 29 at Riverside Park. Students will compete against students from Woorinen, Son Centre and Lake Boga. The times and distances of the events are listed below. The age group is the age that a student turns in 2025, in other words the age of the child at 31/12/25. Parents are welcome to attend, please arrive 10 minutes before your child's event in case the day is running ahead of schedule. Please return the permission slip sent home asap.

Time	Age Group	Distance
10:00am	12+ year olds	3,000m
10:20am	11-year-olds	3,000m
Recess-		
10:50am	10-year-olds	2,000m
11:10am	9-year-olds	2,000m
11:30am	8-year-olds	1,000m
11:50am	7-year-olds	1,000m
12:10pm	5 & 6 year olds	500m
Lunch		
1:00pm	Tug of War	N/A
1:15pm	Presentations	N/A

Our Grade 5/6 students will be attending the **GRIP leadership conference** in Mildura on Wednesday May 7. We look forward to these students building their leadership skills and sharing this with the rest of the school. Parents will be sent more information this week.

Anzac Day is this Friday April 25 and is a Public Holiday. However, all students are invited to be involved in the Anzac Day March wearing full school uniform. Students are to meet staff at 10.10am at Dunlop (corner of McCrae & Curlewis Streets) before marching to the Cenotaph for the Service. Captains Ryan Burney & Bailee Riordan will lay a wreath on behalf of the school community and Ryan will recite "The Reality of War" poem. Parents are welcome to stand with the school students during the service. Students may be collected at the conclusion of the service.

We will be having a **Mother's Day Morning Tea** and classroom activities between 10.30am and 11.30am on **Thursday May 8**. This will be a lot of fun and is open to all of the special people we have in our lives such as grandparents and aunties also. We ask that families supply a "share plate" for the morning tea.

The school will be celebrating **Education Week** in Week 5 of Term 2 (May 19 - 23). During Education Week the school will have an open session for current families, the general public and prospective parents **to tour classrooms and grounds**. If you know a family with a Prep starting in 2026, please let me know and I will invite them to tour the school.

A reminder to parents & carers that the school has a **Pupil Free Day** on Friday May 9. Staff will be receiving professional learning on the teaching of Writing. We look forward to implementing any new learning into our classrooms.

Book club catalogues have been sent home. Online orders are due by Monday May 12.

Have great week.
Thanks Phil

Invoices including Bus Charges

Each family will take home a tax invoice next week for class requisites and Term 2 bus charges (if applicable). Lois is more than happy to set up payment plans for those interested. Please contact Lois at school on Mondays or Wednesdays if you are interested in setting up a payment plan.

As per Department of Education Policy, families who are not attending their closest Primary School must pay \$125 per child to access the school bus. This must be paid termly for students to access the bus and all schools are required to enforce this. A reminder that all students who were travelling on the bus in 2023 are exempt from the payment. If you have any questions, please contact me at school.



Swan Hill Specialist School
Community Expo

Parents, students, families and community members please join us for our Community Expo to chat to disability service providers and find out what our region has to offer.

These services may include:

- NDIS support services
- Day Programs
- School Leaver Employment Services (SLES)
- Supported Employment
- Employment Services
- Respite options
- After school programs
- School Holiday programs
- Sporting Opportunities

FREE sausage sizzle provided by the Swan Hill Rapid Relief Team

Date/Time:
Monday 19th May
4.30pm - 6.30pm

Location:
27 -33 Yana St

RSVP NOW

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Student Attendance

Improving student attendance is a goal in the Annual Implementation Plan for 2024 and a key focus area in the 2024-2027 Strategic Plan.

There is a direct link between poor attendance and low **academic growth**, obviously teachers cannot deliver the necessary learning to students if they are not at school. Regular days away from school can lead to gaps in students' knowledge, which can be difficult to catch up in the future.

If students are absent parents/carers are required to notify the school via a phone call, seesaw message or note. For prolonged medical absences a doctor's certificate is needed.

Anzac Day Appeal

Tomorrow will be the final day (Thursday April 24) of sales for the Anzac Day Appeal. Please send cash in with students.



ANZAC APPEAL

Poppies: 50c, \$2 & \$5

Wrist Bands: \$3

Bag Tags: \$4

Key Tags: \$4

Pens: \$5