

Beverford District Primary School Newsletter

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Term 4, Week 1

What's On at BDPS?

<u>Calendar Term 3, 2020</u>	
Monday October 5	Term 4 Begins All students return to onsite learning
Wednesday October 21	School Council Meeting 7.00pm
Friday October 23	Public Holiday – AFL Grand Final
Friday October 30	World Teacher's Day
Monday November 2	Pupil Free – Curriculum Day
Tuesday November 3	Melbourne Cup – Public Holiday
Friday Nov 20 & 27, Dec 4 & 11	BDPS 2021 Prep Transition Program
Friday December 11	Whole School 2021 Transition - BDPS
Friday December 18	Last Day of School



Term 4, Day 1 – Whole School Photo with Welcome Back Cake.

Welcome to Term 4!

Welcome back to everyone. It is great to have everyone back onsite. Our three classrooms have settled back into their routines and work very smoothly. A special welcome to three new students at the school: Jacob (Gr. 6), Sommer (Gr. 3) and Indie (Gr. 1).

We continue to follow the very strict COVID-19 Schools Operation Guide and this means that non-essential visitors including parents and parent helpers are not permitted on the school grounds. Anyone who comes on the ground for 15 minutes or more must sign in and out at the office.

We welcome Pre –Service teacher Miss Emmalee Walters to the school for the first few weeks of this Term. Emmalee will work in the Junior and Senior Rooms in the morning, but will work across Prep to Six during Specialist subjects. Miss Walters is Mrs Blackmore's little sister.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Homework has begun in Week 1
School Hats are compulsory in Term 4
No Lunch Orders – until further notice

Principal's Report

It has been an exciting week at Beverford District Primary School with everyone very keen to catch up with their peers and teachers. It is wonderful to have our three classrooms back into onsite learning. The students have settled back into the school routines and expectations very quickly.

As we transition from remote learning, I would like to again thank all of our families for your support, patience and gratitude throughout this unprecedented journey. We will be conducting assessments on Reading, Writing and Mathematics in the first few weeks of the term to ensure we are best catering for every individual students. Some students will have made excellent progress during remote learning and we will endeavor to build on this further. Other students may have made less academic progress and will require extra support and strategies during this term.

The Department of Education have announced three priorities for schools to focus on during Term 4, 2020.

Priority 1: Mental Health & Wellbeing

Priority 2: Learning

Priority 3: Transition

BDPS has always prioritized Mental Health, Wellbeing and Learning along with Student Engagement and we will continue this focus for the remainder of the year. Heading into Term 4 with an eye on 2021, transition will also become a key component. Transition is not only Preschool to Primary School and Grade 6 to Secondary College but also transitioning between the three classrooms at the school. If you have any concerns or queries about your child's mental health, wellbeing or academic growth please contact the school to discuss with your classroom teacher or myself.

We have a Pupil Free day and two Public Holidays coming up in the next month. A reminder that Victoria has a Public Holiday on Friday October 23 for the AFL Grand Final and Tuesday November 3 for Melbourne Cup. The School Council has also approved a Curriculum Day for Monday November 2, which will allow staff to complete Professional Development.

There are still many unknowns about the programs and extra curricula activities that we will be permitted to run at school due to the ongoing COVID-19 restrictions. This could impact on our swimming program, transition programs, grade 6 graduation and end of year concert. Changes to planned programs will be communicated as soon as we know exactly what we can offer.

In staffing news, we congratulate Miss Fairley who has picked up a teaching position at Marist College in Bendigo for the beginning of 2021. Abbey and her partner Geoff will be building a house in Bendigo at the beginning of next year. I'm sure we will give Miss Fairley a deserving send off at the end of the year. Two teaching positions have been advertised at the school for 2021 and beyond and closed on Monday. The selection panel will work through the process in the coming weeks.

If you know of any students starting school next year that may consider Beverford, please let me know and I will make contact with them. With our small school we can offer a very flexible transition program for anyone that requires it.

Enjoy your Week,
Thanks, Phil



Welcome to Indie, Jacob and Sommer.

TENNIS LESSONS - NYAH WEST TENNIS CLUB

Tuesday Afternoons/Evening commencing 13/10

All ages/playing levels

For more information and to register contact David Jonkers 0411 635907

REMOTE LEARNING DEVICES & RESOURCES

Please return any devices, books and learning resources that may be still at home from remote learning. We are currently missing a couple of computer and iPad charge cords.

Timetable for Term 4

The timetable has changed for Term 4 and is attached. We are very fortunate to be able to run three classrooms up until lunch every day and then two in the afternoon for specialist subjects.

Miss Pretty will continue to run the Literacy Intervention Program on Wednesday and Fridays. Miss Menzel will take the Senior Classroom on Friday mornings and Mrs Blackmore returns for Thursday afternoons to teach Performing Arts.

	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
	P-2	3-4	P-2	3-4	P-2	3-4	P-2	3-4	P-2	3-4
9.00am	Assembly		Whole School Reading		Whole School Reading		Literacy		Literacy	
9.30am	Literacy	Literacy	MARC VAN	MARC VAN	MARC VAN	MARC VAN	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy
10.30am	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Maths	Maths	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy
11.00am	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Sport	Sport	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy
11.00am – 11.30am	Recess		Recess		Recess		Recess		Recess	
11.30am	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths
12.30am	Spelling	Spelling	Spelling	Spelling	MAARC VAN Gr 5-6	MAARC VAN Gr 5-6	Wellbeing	Wellbeing	Spelling	Spelling
1.00pm	Spelling	Spelling	Spelling	Spelling	Sport	Sport	Wellbeing	Wellbeing	Spelling	Spelling
1.00pm – 1.50pm	Lunch		Lunch		Lunch		Lunch		Lunch	
1.50pm	Indo (P-3)	STEM (4-6)	Inquiry (P-3)	Inquiry (4-6)	Art (P-3)	Art (4-6)	Dance (P-3)	STEM (4-6)	Whole School Reading	Sport (P-3)
2.30pm	STEM (P-3)	Indo (4-6)	Inquiry (P-3)	Inquiry (4-6)	Art (P-3)	Art (4-6)	STEM (P-3)	Dance (4-6)	STEM (4-6)	Sport (4-6)
3.20pm	STEM (P-3)	Indo (4-6)	Inquiry (P-3)	Inquiry (4-6)	Art (P-3)	Art (4-6)	STEM (P-3)	Dance (4-6)	STEM (4-6)	Sport (4-6)