



Brookman

PRIMARY SCHOOL

An Independent Public School



Newsletter 7: 4th May, 2018

Dear Parents / Carers,

May I extend a very warm welcome to Term 2. It is fantastic to be back and I thank the many parents who took the time to catch up and welcome me back. My knee replacement surgery and recovery have been a total success and my recovery continues to improve.

To our new families may I welcome you to our wonderful school and I hope your stay with us is positive and rewarding.

I would like to thank Mr Brendan Hodge for his work as Principal in my absence and pass on my special thanks to Deputy Principals Mrs Lawrence and Mrs Rennie for their outstanding work while I was away.

Uniforms: Cold Weather

With the colder weather upon us can I ask parents to continue to support our uniform policy by ensuring students wear only their uniforms. Our uniform shop is open each morning with our P&C ladies always willing to assist.

I would ask that non-uniform articles, hoodies and the like not be worn to school. The obvious exception is rain coats or heavy jackets in wet weather.

If you have uniforms your children have outgrown you may like to consider donating them to the P&C Uniform shop.

Next Assembly

A1 Year 2 will host our assembly next Friday 11th May. I look forward to catching up with many families on that morning.

Touch Rugby Carnival

Our Year 6 students from C4 and C6 will again attend the Touch Rugby Carnival under the guidance of Mrs Quan, Ms Mifsud and Mr Nicholson. This will be held at the Ken Allen Field, Shepherd Street, Beaconsfield.

In the past the school has had several players selected in State Teams. I wish them well in the carnival.

COMING EVENTS

Breakfast Club
Uniform Shop

Daily 8.00 a.m. - 8.15 a.m.
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8.00 a.m. - 8.30 a.m.
2.00 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.

Student Banking

Wednesdays 8.00 a.m.

Touch Carnival

Thursday 10th May

A1 Assembly

Friday 11th May

EAL/D Parent Meeting

Friday 18th May

NAPLAN Testing

NAPLAN Testing will occur in Week 3 for Year 3 and Year 5 students. Students are asked to try their hardest and do their best.

Should you have any questions please ask one of the Deputy Principals who will be able to assist you.

Childcare Facility: 'Brilliant Beginnings'

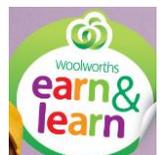
The all-day Childcare facility opposite the school is now open, offering a valuable resource to our community. Please see page 2 for additional information.

School Gates

A reminder that our school gates are locked every day at 8.45 am and re-opened at 2.00 pm. If you are still on school premises after gates have been locked you will need to leave via the front pedestrian gate at the front of the school.

Woolworths Earn and Learn Dockets

The P & C need 174 more Woolworths Earn and Learn Dockets to complete their last sheet before sending the last of our dockets in which closes next Friday 11th May. If you have any available please drop them in to either the front office or the Parent Room by next Friday.



I look forward to catching up with more families as the term goes on.

Kind Regards

Hans Geers, Principal

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Welcome back, I hope you all enjoyed the break from the school routine of early mornings and that you managed some time to read during the holidays. The Education Department has a new campaign to remind parents to Never Stop Reading to their child even when they can read for themselves!



[Recent research by literacy expert Dr Margaret Merga](#) found that over half of parents stop reading aloud with their children once they begin to start reading for themselves. Remember ...Reading is a fundamental skill your child will use for the rest of their life – sharing stories and reading aloud with your child strengthens their skills in reading, writing and comprehension. It builds their confidence and sense of security and it creates those special moments with your child that you cherish... so don't stop when they're just getting started? Find out more at

www.education.wa.edu.au/neverstopreading

This term in week 3 we have NAPLAN testing for students in Year 3 and 5. During this busy time ensure your child has enough sleep and a healthy diet. Results of the test will be made available to parents in Term 3. If you would like more information about NAPLAN please see class teachers/admin or check out the website at www.nap.edu.au.

Tina Lawrence, Literacy Teacher

Brilliant Beginnings Childcare, Langford

We have recently opened our childcare service adjacent to Langford Primary School on Brookman Avenue. Please feel free to drop in any time for a look at the centre between 7.00 am and 5.00 pm every day of the week and meet our wonderful team. Alternatively you can call us on 9356 2025 or email us on :

langford@brilliantbeginningschildcare.com.au



In recent times there are lots of consumers who don't pay cash for items. Some small children are confused to see their parent getting groceries from the store with a plastic card and the person on the till giving back cash! The goods seem to be free. Please have discussions with you children about 'virtual' money and how the bank is storing it for you to pay bills etc. With older children, show them a bill and look at the goods and services tax (GST). What goods on your shopping docket are marked with having GST and which ones aren't? There should be an * to indicate the items. Understanding money is a great opportunity to incorporate maths into home discussion. This term Years 5 and 6 are learning about Economics where needs, wants, resources and choices are heavily linked to mathematics and real world problems.

Tania Rennie, Numeracy Teacher

Breakfast ideas

Children should eat a healthy, nutritious breakfast to give them the energy they need for the school day. Ideally, breakfast should include fruit or vegetables, a dairy product (or alternative) and a wholegrain product. Here are some breakfast ideas:

- raisin bread or fruit loaf topped with ricotta cheese and fruit
- porridge, made with milk and topped with berries or chopped banana
- fruit smoothies, made with milk, yoghurt, soft fruit and wheat germ or psyllium
- wholegrain muffin (topped with cheese and tomato) and a piece of fruit
- yoghurt topped with cereal and chopped or pureed fruit
- baked beans with wholegrain toast and a small glass of diluted fruit juice
- poached or scrambled eggs with toast and a glass of milk
- toast with avocado and a glass of milk
- wholegrain toast, spread with a small amount of jam or honey and topped with sliced banana, and a small yoghurt tub
- if you're in a hurry, grab a piece of fruit, a cheese stick and some low fat crackers.

Go to www.nutritionaustralia.org for more healthy breakfast ideas.