

Newsletter ~ 18th July ~ 22nd July 2022

Term 3 ~ Week 2

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Dear parents, grandparents and friends,

It was fantastic to see the sunshine this week, despite some chilly mornings.

I had the wonderful opportunity to meet with our staff, one on one this week, to discuss their many successes and look at working together to overcome some of the challenges of the complex role of teaching. I must say, I am impressed with the collective dedication and wisdom of our team. Notwithstanding this is their genuine love for our school. Our children are in very good hands.

In saying that, I have been awestruck and the continued welcomes and light-hearted discussions with many parents before and after school. A reminder to everyone that my door is always open, so please feel free to drop in, call or send me an e-mail.

Our Junior School Council met this week to plan for some important events this term. Our annual Fun Run is fast approaching which, as I understand, is our school's biggest fundraiser for the year. As decided by our JSC, this year's theme is 'Time Machine'. This will allow individuals to dress up as though they are representing any particular time; be it historical, in the present or futuristic. Perhaps, the incredible fashion we saw in the 80s will make a resurgence? I look forward to this event, scheduled for the 14th of September.

Our Debating Team have spent much of this week preparing for their ACU Debating Event on Tuesday of next week. Thanks to Sam Peeters and Kellie Healy, the students are very well prepared and I look forward to them representing our school with dignity and pride. Good luck, kids!

At assembly this week, we celebrated the amazing work of some of our 3/4 students. They have been busy studying a range of poetry forms, with some reciting these at assembly. I think we have some budding young writers in our midst. Celebrating student achievements and success, be it academic, personal or social, is always a great pleasure.

Finally, with the sudden news of mask recommendations and expectations, I wanted to thank the community for their collective support and empathy towards our health and safety. I am really hopeful that we can minimise disruption to our students' learning over the course of the term.

I wish you all a wonderful weekend.

Ryan



Dates To Remember:

Wednesday 27th July

Young Authors Workshop (Selected Students)

South St ~ Gr 56 Debating Team

Thursday 28th July

Gr 12 Earth Ed Excursion

Gr 56 Incursion

Friday 29th July

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Tuesday 9th August

Gr 56 (Selected Students) Basketball Tournament

Monday 15th August

School Council Meeting 7:00pm

Wednesday 17th August

South St ~ Choir

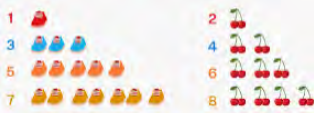

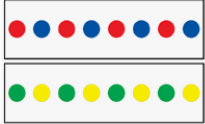

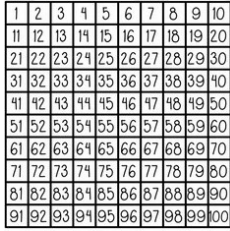




Maths at Home!

We LOVE maths at Ballarat Primary School! There is a high emphasise on building student capacity and confidence in mathematical language and number sense. Students are provided with lots of hands on learning tasks and materials to help build engagement as well as a deeper understanding of mathematical concepts. We are always planning for rich learning tasks which help build fluency, understanding, reasoning and problem solving. Encouraging your little mathematicians to discuss their mathematical learning at home is a great way to bring mathematical dialogue into conversations.

See below for some easy, fun and stress-free ways to bring maths into your home!

Which one will you choose?

<p>1. Write down numbers 1 – 20 or 1 – 50. Can you colour all even numbers? What about the odd numbers?</p> 	<p>2. Make my number. Find all the different ways you can make a number of your choice.</p> 	<p>3. Can you make a pattern using different coloured counters? What about using spoons, Lego or cups.</p> 
<p>4. Tug-a-War Using counters or toys, both players start with 10. Roll a dice and take that number of items off your partner. Partner rolls the dice and then takes that number of items off partner. Play ends when someone has zero items left.</p>	<p>5. Collect some data on your favourite collection of toys. Create a bar graph to display this data.</p> 	<p>6. Using a hundred chart, cover a selection of numbers. What numbers are covered?</p> 
<p>7. Play familiar games: - Sakes and Ladders. - Uno - Phase 10 - Skip-bo - Monopoly</p> 	<p>8. Play shops with items from around the house. How much for 1 apple? How much does the tin of fruit weigh? How much change do I get?</p> 	<p>9. Maths Tic-Tac-Toe Only a pen and paper is needed for this game. https://youtu.be/P7xCHmeANTQ Questions to ask: "Why did you put the ___ there?" "Who do you think has a better chance of winning- the attacker or the defender?" "What would you do differently next time you played?"</p>

Students Of The Week Awards



00B ~ IYLA

For your efforts in giving your best during our reading group sessions this term. It is great to see you focused on your learning goal and embracing opportunities to learn new things. Keep up the amazing work!



00R ~ AMALIA

For your wonderful attitude towards learning! Amalia, I have loved how passionate you are about learning your letters and sounds, as well as your numbers, and your hard work has paid off! It has been wonderful watching you grow as a person and learner. Keep it up, Amalia!



1/2B ~ RILEY

For having a red hot go at set tasks and being a great role model for others. It was great to see you collaborate with your peers to make a chance game this week.



1/2H ~ SCARLETT

For showing excellence within her writing. Scarlett, you are using your growth mindset to work on all our sentence work, this week. I'm so very proud of your perseverance and dedication you have displayed. Well done SUPERSTAR*



1/2K ~ COPELAND

For his brilliant work learning his blends and digraphs. Copeland, you are a digraph champion! You can even verbalise your knowledge to help others understand ... even teachers! WOW!



1/2S ~ JASMINE

For your constant display of resilience and positive attitude. I am continuously amazed by the way you show grit and determination. You never give up and always give every task a red hot go. I am so proud of your focus and drive in our lessons and the strength you show each day. Keep it up, Superstar!



3/4M ~ THE SUPERSTARS IN 3/4M

For the 21 incredible learners in 3/4M. I am so proud of the resilience and effort you show each day. It's wonderful to see how everyone shows our school values. Keep remembering to be kind and spread joy. Thank you all for being so amazing!



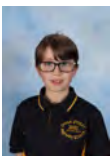
3/4P ~ ARKADY

For the sensational effort and enthusiasm you have shown in numeracy sessions this week. You worked hard on reading and recording digital and analogue times and displayed a growth mindset when challenging yourself to calculate elapsed time. Keep up the amazing work, Arkady!



3/4R ~ JACK

For being a kind and caring student to everyone in the classroom all the time. He is always respectful to others, speaks kindly and has a positive attitude to all his learning. He has a growth mindset towards his learning and completes all tasks to the very best of his ability. Congratulations Jack, you should be very proud of all your achievements.



5/6J ~ CHANDRA

For being able to explain her mathematical reasoning during our order of operation unit this week. Chandra has shown a willingness to learn and has developed a strong understanding of this concept. Well done, Chandra! Keep up the great work.



5/6P ~ BLAKE

For showcasing his vast knowledge and understanding of BODMAS this week. Blake, you locked into your learning and solved a range of complex equations using the order of operations and brackets to complete our colour by number task. Keep up the great work legend!



5/6W ~ EVA

For being an absolute ray of sunshine in our class each day. Eva, your upbeat attitude, kindness and hilarious sense of humour are so valued and appreciated. You should be proud of the infectious positivity you bring to our school. Keep being you, Superstar!

PE Newsletter Term 3 2022

This Term in Physical Education, our students are learning a range of skills and concepts. Each unit is focusing on different topics for the first half of term before moving into Dance, Rhythm and Movement for the second half.

Foundation & Grade 1/2 Physical Education

Our Foundation and Junior students have been learning how to run, dodge and evade. Students have been learning the key components of the fundamental movement skills of the run and dodge and have analysed video to embed this knowledge.

They have been playing lots of running, dodging and evading games. Some of the most popular games have been "Rat's and Rabbits" and "Giants, Wizards and Elves."

Grade 3/4 Physical Education

Our Middle students have been learning about games and sports from other cultures. Our focus to start the term has been on Australian Indigenous games and sports. Students have enjoyed playing the modified games and adapting their skills to suit the new games. Students have also discussed why some of these games were played by indigenous people and why the skills those games practised would be important. E.g. throwing accuracy and speed for hunting.

Over the coming weeks we will continue to explore indigenous games and also explore games and sports from other parts of the world including Europe and Asia. Students are very excited to learn some Japanese games and sports that they have been introduced to through our Japanese Day and Japanese lessons.

Grade 5/6 Physical Education

Our Senior students have been learning about how community sport works as part of SEPEP (Sport Education in Physical Education Program). Each senior class is running their own basketball competition with three teams. Each week there are three matches with students playing two and being the duty team for one. As the duty team students are required to take on many roles that are required to run a sporting competition or match. These include; umpire, scorer, timer, equipment managers, media representative and coach.

Students have enjoyed taking on these varied roles with many saying they enjoyed learning about and being a duty person just as much as a player. Students are excited to see which teams will finish on top in their class as that guarantees them a spot in the grand final at the end of the competition.

Interschool Sport dates this term:

Division Basketball Tournament – Selected 5/6 students – Tuesday 9th of August

Division Athletics – Selected 5/6 students – Friday 9th of September





Ballarat Hospice Care needs you!

Learn about the unique volunteer experience at Ballarat Hospice Care.
It's a chance to have a local impact and directly help people in your community.
Volunteering can be a time of growth, new friendships, appreciation and understanding.
It starts by attending an information session.
Please join us!

Details

- Venue:** Ballarat Hospice Care
- Address:** 1836 Sturt St, Alfredton VIC
- Date/Time:** Thursday August 11 from 10-11am
- Date/Time:** OR Thursday August 18 from 6-7pm
- Parking:** Front of Ballarat Hospice Care or on the street
- Registration:** By the day prior to the event on [Eventbrite here](#)
Or search Ballarat Hospice Care on the Eventbrite website.

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