



Baringhup Primary School

Mitchell Street Baringhup 3463

Ph: (03) 54752574

Fax (03) 54752814

Email: baringhup.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

Acting Principal: Bernadette McKenna



April 28th 2017

What's on this term

May 9, 10, 11

NAPLAN Grade 3, 5

May 12

Bendigo Cross country

May 13th

Baringhup Trivia Night

May 14

Mother's Day

Monday 15th

Mother's Day afternoon tea
2:30pm

May 17/18/19

Gr 3-6 camp at Angahook,
Anglesea

May 24

Open Day 9-11am

June 5th

Life Ed at Dunolly

June 21st-23rd

Performing Arts Festival
Dunolly

I am looking forward to our Trivia night which is rapidly approaching, and hope to see all of you there. Toni has been incredibly busy and is being supported by Jane and Tania and everyone on the school council to make sure it is a fantastic success. Their efforts are greatly appreciated. **If you haven't booked your table, get in quickly so you don't miss out!**

Make sure May 13th is in your diary.

NAPLAN assessments are approaching. For some students this can be an anxious time. We are spending time each day working on NAPLAN style tasks, so that students are very familiar with the format, and to lessen any possible stress. Each year NAPLAN assessments collect data to show where students sit in relation to other students their age across the country. Schools can use the data to get a snapshot of learning growth from year 3 to year 5. We aim for all students to have high growth, and NAPLAN allows us to see how the student has progressed. It is one form of assessment we use, but by no means the only one. We pre-test students at the beginning of each maths topic and teach to every child's point of need, then post-test to check learning. We target specific strategies in reading and work with students in individual conferences to give feedback and set reading goals. In writing we teach the structure of different genres, give feedback, and check against the Victorian Learning Standards to find the next teaching point.

I have been lucky enough to work over the last three years with Lyn Watts, an International Education Consultant to implement best practice in teaching and learning. As a result, this year at Baringhup we are introducing CAFÉ Reading, Writer's Notebook, VOICES and the Effective Maths model. Earlier in the year we had an information session for parents on reading and writing, and later this term will run a session on maths.

On 15th May the students will be holding an afternoon tea for mothers at 2:30pm. Mums and grandmothers are welcome to join us.

HOME READING

Just a reminder, it is an expectation that all students read every day at home.

In the junior class this generally takes about 10 minutes. Parents are asked to support your children by listening to them, chatting about the book and signing the reading diary.

In the senior class, students read for 15-20 minutes and write their own comment on the pages read in their diary. Parents are asked to check that your child is reading daily. I realise that sometimes life is hectic and finding the time can be difficult, but ask you to persevere. Reading is like any skill: the more we do it, the better we get.

Thanks for your support.



These images were taken at the Castlemaine State Festival and sent to us from the Festival team.

School Council News:

At this week's School Council meeting, Council

- Endorsed the new Anaphylaxis policy
- Finalised arrangements for the Trivia night
- Discussed maintenance issues, the process for allocating DET maintenance funds
- Looked at continuing problems with our phone line and possible communications solutions between classrooms in the event of an emergency
- Were updated on the latest educational news at school.

We are very lucky to have such a dedicated group of parents and school councillors at Baringhup Primary to make sure our learning environment is so vibrant and dynamic.



**For sale
Make an offer!**



Baringhup Primary School invites you to their

**“T” FOR
TRIVIA NIGHT**

Saturday 13th May

Arrive from 6pm for a 7pm start

**DECORATE YOURSELF OR YOUR TABLE “T”
THEME.**

MIGHT SEE TARZAN IN A TUTU

Prizes for best dressed, best table & lucky door

Auctions and silent auctions

Drinks at bar price’s

BYO or buy nibbles.

Book a table for 8 @ \$12 per person

Contact Toni on 0425811329 for bookings



There are a limited number of tables left.

Get in quickly to secure your place.

Spread the word with friends and in the local community.