

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to the fourth and final term for 2019! Despite being eleven weeks long things are already flying with the first week already under our belt.

3/4 Camp

Our Year 3/4s got straight back into the swing of things and spent the first three days of term down at Camp Wilkin, Anglesea. I've heard nothing but positive feedback from everyone who went and was part of the experience. Many students got to experience a new 'first'. For some it was being away from home for the first time, others it was being brave and participating in a new adventure activity or even the chance to be part of a collective group away from the regular routines of the school week. Thank you to the staff who gave up their time away from friends and family to attend.

Staffing Update

Cath Mannella was on leave during term 3 and was replaced by Hayley McKenzie. You may have seen Cath back earlier this week at school, but unfortunately she has since become unwell and has taken further leave. At this stage we don't have a return date. We have appointed Caro Guthrie to work in the 5/6 area for the remainder of the year and work alongside Chiara, Toby and Aimee. Please join me in welcoming Caro to BSPS and we look forward to seeing Cath back at school at some stage this term. Unfortunately, we received the sad news that Peter Turley passed away earlier this week. Some of you may remember Peter who worked as a regional psychologist and was a regular feature at BSPS for many years. He worked closely with many students and families and, having only recently retired, this news comes as a very sad shock.

Foundation Transition

Next Friday we are welcoming our new cohort of Foundation students for their first transition session. We currently have 70 enrolments for our 2020 cohort, which is a significant increase from this year. As you know we've had significant interest in our school this year and are preparing for a slight enrolment increase in our workforce planning.

As with every year there are some families who may be departing BSPS at the end of this year. To help us with our planning you can assist us by sending an email through to the school address.

Learning Display – Discovery

You might have noticed the new noticeboard in our front office area this term. For most of the term it was blank, but our aim has been to make this a space to showcase some of the fantastic learning our kids do at school each term. The focus of the board will change each term in line with our whole school Integrated Learning focus. Integrated Learning isn't a standalone subject, but a way of teaching a concept through Literacy or Numeracy. Last term it was DISCOVERY and across the school we've learnt about Design and Technology with a focus on construction, sound and instruments, coding and inventions. When you have a chance, please pop into the office and see the work for yourself – the students who have had their work displayed are very proud!

Sun Protective Clothing

Term 4 marks the beginning of another Sun Smart term and in line with the school's Sun Smart Policy we recommended that from September onwards, students wear sun-protective clothing such as:

- loose, cool, closely-woven fabric
- shirts with a collar and/or high necklines
- tops with elbow length or long sleeves
- longer style shorts and skirts

At recess and lunch times from September to April, all students must wear a hat when playing outside. Students are required to wear a school hat or another hat style that protects the face, neck and ears when outdoors, for example broad-brimmed, legionnaire or bucket. Students who are not wearing appropriate protective clothing or a hat will be asked to play in the shade or in a suitable area protected from the sun. Even though we've still had some cooler weather this week, the sun still has a bite to it. Please ensure your child brings their hat to school each day. New ones can be purchased from the office for \$20.

Here's to another successful term at BSPS,

Trevor.

Term 4 Calendar:

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 WC: 7 October	3/4 Camp	3/4 Camp	3/4 Camp		Whole School Production Rehearsal Ciao Down
Week 2 WC: 14 October	1/2 Swimming	1/2 Swimming	1/2 Swimming	1/2 Swimming	2020 Foundation Transition Session 1
Week 3 WC: 21 October	Junior School Assembly 9.00am: Foundation Hosting Whole School Production Rehearsal 1/2 Swimming	1/2 Swimming School Council Meeting 7.00-9.00pm	1/2 Swimming	1/2 Swimming	2020 Foundation Transition Session 2 Colour Explosion Run
Week 4 WC: 28 October	Senior School Assembly 9.00am: 3/4 Hosting	Whole School Production Rehearsal at the Clock Tower School Production	School Production		
Week 5 WC: 4 November	Curriculum Day: Report Writing – No School	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday – No School			2020 Foundation Transition Session 3
Week 6 WC: 11 November					2020 Foundation Transition Session 4
Week 7 WC: 18 November	Junior School Assembly 9.00am: 1/2 Hosting			TBC: Family Maths Night	
Week 8 WC: 25 November	Senior School Assembly 9.00am: 5/6 Hosting				Ciao Down
Week 9 WC: 2 December		School Council Meeting 7.00-9.00pm			
Week 10 WC: 9 December			Year 6 Graduation		Reports live on Compass
Week 11 WC: 16 December					Whole School Assembly 1.00pm: Year 6 Hosting Last day of Term: 1.30pm dismissal