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Dear BCCS Community,

2018 is a year to recognise the goodness of God and our inheritance as a school and community. As one, we can seem insignificant but as part of our community the power of our testimony and the unity it brings will transform. Each one of us has words and stories about our BCCS journey of raising the next generation who will lead, grow, contribute and develop our community, nation and world into the future.

It is our hope throughout this year that we take the opportunity to speak and record our stories to create hope in our souls and reveal the goodness of God into our world. I hope you are inspired and blessed by the Davidson family story and that you take the opportunity to contact Kristen with your story.

Blessings,

Lynn

My BCCS story - Davidson family

The Davidson family first came to the school as part of our pre prep program in 2015. In 2016, William attended school part time and also kinder before moving to a school closer to the family home. He's recently returned to BCCS as part of the Grade 2 class. Here, Mum Claire shares some of their story.

"William came to BCCS for pre prep, then was doing kinder and one day of prep in his first year of school. We moved him to another school closer to home, but he was missing BCCS and asked if he could come back here, so this year he's back, and loving it.

"A friend recommended BCCS when we were first looking for a school, and we came and had a look and loved it. It's a beautiful, nurturing environment for kids and parents.

"The school is so friendly and nurturing of everyone - as soon as I walk in the door here people are saying hello, and Will has settled back in really well. It's a very inclusive environment, everyone is so caring and kind.

"The values at BCCS fit with how we're raising our kids, he is most definitely in the right place. When I drop him off at school, there is happy chatter in the car on the way here. It's great having William at a smaller school, he doesn't get lost here.

"I'd encourage anyone thinking about schools to check out BCCS, don't write it off, come check it out. It's a beautiful, nurturing environment."

From Admin,

School Photo Day: Thursday, 1 March, please ensure students are in full school uniform on this day. If you have not returned your envelope please do so by the end of School Tuesday, 27 Feb.

Canteen: Canteen order forms are attached, please return by Wednesday, 7 March.

Assembly: The assembly days and times are changing, our next Assembly will be hosted by the 1/2 Class on Friday, 9 March starting at 2:10pm. All parents and friends welcome to attend.

What's your BCCS story? How did you become part of the BCCS community? We are keen to tell the BCCS story through the eyes of those living it. Over the coming weeks, Kristen will be collecting people's stories of BCCS to use across our communication platforms including the newsletter, website, social media, and promotional material. If you've a story you'd like to share, please email admin@bccs.org.au or visit the office Monday - Thursday to have a chat.

Scripture Encouragement

The Lord says, 'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.'

Matthew 11:28

Prayer Points

- Halligan, Griffin & Quigley families
- For great weather on Thursday for our School Photo Day
- The health of our School Community
- For the Family Fun Day preparations

Praise Points

- Barrie Lester's visit to BCCS and the excellent participation of students
- Fantastic results from our students who participated in the district Swimming on Wednesday last week.

Fortnight Snapshot

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
Week 1	26/2	27/2	28/2	1/3 SCHOOL PHOTO DAY - Full School Uniform	2/3	3-4/3
Week 2	5/3	6/3	7/32 Division Swimming Canteen Orders Due Today	8/3	9/3 Canteen - Chicken Burgers Assembly - 1/2 2:10pm Start	10-11/3 1 WEEK TO FAMILY FUN DAY

From Mr Micallef

Commonwealth Athlete: Bowls athlete Barrie Lester's visit was a very informative and interesting time. The students learnt about the different aspects involved in training and competing in lawn bowls to make it into the Commonwealth games team. He also discussed the disappointment of not being selected for the Australian team in 2014 and how he overcame different challenges to regain selection. The students need to be congratulated as Barrie told me that their behavior was one of the best he has seen and their questions and answers were very insightful.

Swimming Results:

Melinda = 2nd in Free, 1st in Fly, 2nd in Medley relay.
Naomi = 3rd in Free, 2nd in Medley relay
Matthew = 2nd in Free, 2nd in Back, 2nd in Breaststroke
Grace = 3rd in Back, 3rd in Breaststroke, 2nd in Medley relay
Apryl = 2nd in Medley relay
Lincoln and Noah also competed strongly and should be proud of their efforts.

This has been our most successful swimming team. The sportsmanship was excellent on the day. Thanks to Rachel Turnley for marshaling the students. Next level will be the division carnival on Wednesday, 28 February students who finished 1st or 2nd will compete.



URGENT: Donation Requests

With only 3 weeks until our Family Fun Day we have some urgent donation requests, we also have a need for more helpers. Do you have a family member or friend who might be willing to man a stall for a 2 hour shift? Please contact Carolyn Betts on 0447340610 if you do. Any items can be delivered to the box in the School Foyer.

Coloured hair spray:
Pink x10, Purple x10, Green x5, Orange x5, Red x5, Blue x5
Hair glitter x1 of each:
Blue, Red, Purple, Pink, Gold, Silver

Multi chip packs
Multi juice box packs

Flat chocolate bars
(350gm, 250gm, 100gm, 40gm, 50gm, 35gm blocks or bars)
Cherry Ripe, Furrie Friends, Violet Crumble, Crunchie, Dairy Milk Bars, Freddo Frogs, Kit Kat

Plants, cuttings or flowers for the plant stall

Prizes valued at around \$2
Lollypops, bouncy balls, fidget toys, notepads

Organisers for the Plant Stall and White Elephant Stall

NOTICE:

PE and STEAM days are swapping days for next week as we have Hockey Victoria coming up to run a clinic on Tuesday, 27 February. STEAM will run on Thursday 1 February.

All students need to wear sport uniform on Tuesday, 27 February. Then on Thursday, 1 March - School Photo Day - full school uniform, (including black shoes) will be required.

A load of firewood and people willing to help collect it.