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**Dear BCCS Community,**

Welcome back to Term 2. This term is a very busy term and I encourage you to keep connected and be informed of the activities, events, and programs through tracking the term calendar; reading the fortnightly newsletters; logging onto the School's official Facebook community and becoming a part of the new parent forums and discussions with the Principal. A great learning community is a partnership between school and home that values positive relationships with the wider community. It is this partnership with an integrated focus on academics, social and emotional wellbeing and community that leads to improved student outcomes and stronger families and healthier communities.

As a school team we are committed to work together with each of our families for our students to learn better and feel they are loved and belong at our school. However, from time to time parents or other members of the school community may need to approach the school in order to:

- Discuss the progress or welfare of own child
- Express concern about actions of other students
- Enquire about school policy or practice.

Throughout last Term, the School team has been very accessible with providing time and moments of opportunity to listen and hear concerns at a moment's notice. However, there has been some information lost or forgotten. The best results usually flow from working together and communicating specifically about the concern. For this communication to be prioritised and highly effective, it is necessary to provide guidelines for accessing the principal and teaching staff.

To ensure that the rights of students, teachers and parents are respected and to uphold and support the sensitivity and confidentiality of concerns, the following guidelines should be followed:

- the staffroom is closed to parents and students prior to the 8:50 bell.
- An appointment time should be organised with the class teacher to talk in an unhurried and confidential atmosphere:
  - Concerns about progress or welfare of your child, or to express concern about actions of other students,

If no resolution is achieved then an appointment with the Principal should be made

- An appointment with the Principal to talk in an unhurried and confidential atmosphere and to deal with matters in an open and fair manner, should be made through the administration team for:
  - concerns about the actions of a teacher or another staff member, and you are unable to approach them personally, or you have no resolution in your approach of them,
  - School policy or practice concerns
- The School Board should be contacted if you have concerns about the actions of the Principal. Contact details and procedures can be attained through the administration team.

**From Admin,**

**Canteen Orders (attached)** due on **TUESDAY, 24 April**, Wednesday is a public holiday. These orders are for Hot Dogs on Friday, 27 April.

**Parent Teacher Interviews** are tomorrow, Tuesday, 17 April and Wednesday, 18 April, if you have not booked times in uEducateUs please contact the office or login to do so.

**School Swimming** begins in Week 6. More information will be provided closer to the time via permission slips in uEducateUs.

**Report Writing Day** will be Friday, 15 June, please ensure your calendar is updated to reflect this.

**BBQ in the Mall** form for volunteers and donations is attached, we are still looking for a family to coordinate this one BBQ, if you are able to that please contact Cristil Moore.

**Coles Sports for Schools** vouchers have been sent off with approximately 12000 vouchers being collected.

**Semester Reports** will be changing significantly this year, this is just a note to prepare you for something different.

**Scripture Encouragement**

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.*

*Proverbs 3:5*

**Prayer Points**

- *Dubbed & Davidson families*
- *Hearts and minds ready to embrace all the learning available this Term*
- *The ongoing partnership between parents, students and staff*

**Praise Points**

- *A safe and refreshing holiday break for our School community*
- *Congratulations to Lynn Morrison who has officially completed a Masters of Teaching and Learning*

**Parent/Teacher Meetings** – Tuesday, 17 April and Wednesday, 18 April

Please ensure that you have logged into uEducateUs for the forthcoming parent/teacher meetings this week. These meetings provide a great opportunity to meet with your child’s teacher to discuss progress, evidence achievements and establish future learning goals. I look forward to hearing how you are constructing your child’s educational journey together.

**Anzac Day** a day on which we remember all Australians who served and died in war and on operational service. The spirit of Anzac, with its qualities of courage, endurance, mateship, and sacrifice, continues to have meaning and relevance for our sense of national identity. As this year celebrates the centenary of Armistice that ended the First World War, I invite families to encourage your child/ren to march. As a tribute of gratefulness, love, honour and respect the school will attend the service and march. Students able to participate need to be in full school uniform and meet outside Coles at 10:40am on Wednesday, 25 April. The wreath laying service begins at 10am at the Cenotaph, followed by the march.

Blessings, Lynn

**Community Notices**

There are many community notices pinned to the noticeboard in the School Foyer. Please take the time to have a look on your way through for School pickup and drop off times. If you have community notices that you feel would be relevant to our School community please feel free to add them to our Facebook community page.

**Fortnight Snapshot**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
<b>Week 1</b>	16/4 <b>TERM 2 START</b>	17/4 Parent Teacher Interviews 4-6pm	18/4 Parent Teacher Interviews 4-6pm	19/4	20/4	21-22/4
<b>Week 2</b>	23/4	24/4 GRIP Leadership <b>Canteen Orders Due Today</b>	25/4 <b>ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY</b>	26/4 RACV Street Safety	27/4 Canteen #1	28-29/4



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## **From Parents and Friends,**

### **Autumn in the Park**

This family event takes place in the beautiful surroundings of the Buchan Caves Park on Monday, 25 April, ANZAC Day. For many years we have had an informal family picnic afternoon on ANZAC Day in Buchan, where we can enjoy the beautiful Autumn colours in Buchan. Mark it on your calendars and join us from 12:00pm onwards for a lovely afternoon relaxing together. This is a casual time, with no agenda, just sitting on a picnic rug or the grass near the playground.

### **BBQ in the Mall**

We have our first BBQ in the Mall fundraiser on Saturday, 5 May. Bronwyn Carroll will be coordinating this, however we have a gap with transport of the BBQ, are you able to pick up and drop back the BBQ to the School? This is a very fruitful and simple fundraising activity. Like other times, a note will be going home to ask for anyone willing to donate a couple of hours to serve on the day or donate food items.

The other two BBQs later in the year are Saturday, 18 August and Saturday, 17 November.

### **Chocolate Drive**

The very popular Cadbury Chocolate boxes from 2016 will be organised for this term, get creative in your friends/families workplaces or your neighbourhood, but more details about the incentive program for each box sold will be in next fortnights newsletter, so keep a lookout!

### **Mothers Day Breakfast**

Calling all Mothers and female special people in your kid's lives, more details to come, but lock in breakfast at the school on Friday, 11 May.

### **Kidzshot Photo Shoot!**

There coming back, only one day was available for the whole year, so we have locked in Sunday, 11 November.

Other possible activities for later in the year are 'kids art plate fundraiser' and a Trivia Night in Term 3.

If you have a passion to help with the Trivia Night, Canteen or any of our fundraising/fellowship activities, regardless if you're male/female or attend our meetings, please let Bronwyn know. The sense of community within our school through fellowship activities is because everyone contributes where we can, and it's never left to one or two people, so thank you.

### **Why do we fundraise?**

The Parents and Friends group regularly raises funds for resources and opportunities for enriching the learning environment within the School and Kinder, but also tries to create activities that incorporates and targets our wider community, beyond the direct school families. Over the past couple of years, P & F have contributed \$6,200 to additional resources at the Kinder, \$4,000 to reducing the cost of school camps, \$2,700 on extra resources based around sensory/special needs, \$700 library upgrades, Samaritan Purse shoebox freight, sponsorship of a child in Thailand through Compassion, passive play boxes for each class, fellowship activities like mothers and fathers day events and recognition of significant events of families within the school/kinder community. This year there are new developments with the sensory room and sensory garden that we are looking to help out with, as well as kinder resources, more camp contributions and other things.

### **Next Meeting**

Next P & F meeting will be Monday, 30 April at 7:30pm. Please consider coming along and being a part of this core group of our school.