



Barwon Heads Primary School  
 'It takes a village to raise a child'  
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**Barwon Heads  
 Primary School  
 Newsletter  
 21<sup>st</sup> July 2016**

**Term Dates:**

Term 2: 11 April to 24 June  
 Term 3: 11 July to 16 September  
 Term 4: 3 October to 20 December (Tuesday)

**Calendar Dates:**

- 22/7/16: Grade 6 Girls Football
- 26/07/16: Grade 3 - 6 Athletics Day
- 26/07/16: Fundraising and events committee meeting  
7.30 pm in Staffroom
- 28/7/16: School Council Meeting
- 3/8/16: Girls Regional Soccer
- 4/8/16: Grade 5/6 Hooptime Basketball
- 7/8/16: BHPS/BHGC Golf day (SAVE THE DATE)**
- 11/8/16 - 12/8/16: Grade 2 Sleepover @ Cottage by the Sea
- 17/8/16: whole school performance: "Australian Folklore"
- 1/08/16: Back up day for Grade 3 - 6 Athletics
- 5/08/16 Olympic Whole School event
- 10/8/16 - 12/8/16: Grade 6 Camp
- 19/8/16: District Basketball @ Bellarine Secondary
- 22/8/16 - 26/8/16: Children's Book Week Theme: Australia Story Country
- 25/08/16: Book Week Parade 9.10 am Gym
- 5/9/16 - 7/9/16 - Grade 3 Coastal Forrest Lodge Camp
- 20/10/16: Grade 6 Photos
- 31/10/16 - 2/11/16: Grade 4 Camp Wilkin
- 2/11/16 - 4/11/16: Grade 5 Cave Hill Creek Camp
- 29/11/16 - 8/12/16: Prep - 2 Swimming program
- 8/12/16: Grade 1 Dinner
- 15/12/16: Grade 6 Graduation evening
- 16/12/16: Whole School Sports Day
- 19/12/16: Grade 6 Celebration day @ Adventure Park

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**Current Prep Enrolments for 2017: 54**

**A Word from Our Principal**

It is with great sadness that I inform the community of the passing of Sophie Elizabeth Blake, the recently born daughter of Mrs Blake and her husband Mark. I am sure the school community will wish Mark and Aimee the very best in their time of grief and I have been extremely touched, as has Aimee, by the offers of support already made by parents of our school community. I have passed on those offers to both Mark and Aimee. Whilst there will be no words that can ease the pain of their loss, what I am sure of is that Sophie knew, in the short time she graced us with her beautiful presence, the precious and privileged, unconditional love of her mother and father, as only parents can provide. Hug your children tightly and remember to celebrate regularly the gift of their existence. They truly are all truly unique and precious.

**Whole School Event**

BHPS will celebrate the 2016 Olympics by running its own personalised opening ceremony. We are inviting all available parents to attend and participate if they choose to. Each grade has been assigned a country to represent with children dressing in the national colours of that country. We would love for parents to also participate by representing a country and March as a collective group in representation. (SWITZERLAND - Red and white) Each country is responsible for creating a national flag and sign that indicates the country they are representing.

## Opening Ceremony Countries

1. Brazil - 4A
2. Greece - 2B
3. Australia - 1A
4. Great Britain - 3/4C
5. China - 5/6C
6. Germany
7. Japan - Prep A
8. USA - 4B
9. Afghanistan - 3B
10. Argentina
11. Canada - Prep B
12. France - 3A
13. India - 5A
14. Italy - 6A
15. New Zealand - Prep C
16. Norway - 2A
17. Spain - 2C
18. Indonesia - 1B
19. South Africa - 6B
20. Switzerland - PARENTS

<https://www.olympic.org/national-olympic-committees>

## Positive Education

This term there will be a more visible presence of Positive Education at BHPS. Staff, student, and parent information sessions have been booked around the Resilience Project, one of our Positive Education elements. At this week's assembly we will be introducing our new student acknowledgment awards that relate to 'Character Strengths'. There are 24 character strengths and we will be introducing one each week. At the conclusion of each week both peers and teachers will vote on a worthy recipient, maintaining our current practise of giving out 2 awards per week for each class.

Our focus on character strengths is about supporting children in acknowledging and celebrating the fact that they all have individual character strengths to either celebrate or build on.

## Prep Enrolments

Barwon Heads Primary School has been taking enrolments for 2017 during the course of term 2. Currently we have 54 prep students enrolled for 2017.

We have now commenced the determination of room availability and staffing, to cater for all students, based on this enrolment number. Late enrolments have a significant impact on these requirements resulting in possible staff shortages and crowded classrooms. More information can be obtained from the BHPS office or by email request [barwon.heads.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:barwon.heads.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au)

If you have a child who you wish to attend BHPS in 2017, please collect and return the necessary enrolment forms to the school **ASAP**. These are available at the school office. If you know of any other community members who may wish to enrol their child please feel free to inform them also.

## BHPS/BHGC Golf Day - SAVE THE DATE!!

The Barwon Heads Golf Club is once again generously donating their resources in order to support the school, by coordinating a Golf Day on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August. 100% of all proceeds received are generously donated to the school. Our school greatly benefits from having such a supportive neighbour in a number of ways. The BHGC also maintain our school oval free of charge.

Golf may be booked via the pro shop (opposite the clubhouse) either in person or by phone on 5255 6275.

Mr Darren Roskosch  
Principal



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*Barwon Heads Primary School promotes integrity, life-long learning and the attainment of excellence.*

