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Next Friday Market

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Our Vision: To create confident, passionate and curious learners who are highly literate and numerate, have high expectations and are engaged in their community.

www.beps.vic.edu.au

PLEASE NOTE: Children are supervised at school between **8.45am** and **3.45pm** each school day. They should not be on school grounds outside those times. If you require your child to be supervised outside those times they need to be at OSHC.

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From Janet

Hi Everyone,

Well this week has flown by so quickly that I can't believe that it is Thursday again.

What you need to know:

1. 2015 Parent Opinion Survey has been sent out to a randomly selected 15% of the school community. If you received one of these surveys can I please urge you to fill it in as they are an important part of the data collection process the DET requires from schools?
2. Working Bee this Sunday: this is an important activity that helps to maintain the school, improve facilities and play spaces and helps to keep our school fees down. They are also an excellent way to get to know other parents at the school. If you can help out please see the notice further along in this week's newsletter.
3. 3-way conference survey: now that we have finished the 3-way conferences we would like your feedback on the new format of our reporting process.

What you might like to know:

Over the past two terms, students from SNC and Il Nido have been participating in a debating at competition at Coburg Senior High School.

This competition included six local primary schools and BEPS debated with three out of the six.

The team worked really hard researching their topics and were passionate and curious about each area. The students had a great deal of success winning each of their debates and getting speaker of the day for each debate. Perhaps what was the most wonderful thing was that the students all had a fantastic attitude during the whole process, showed excellent sportsmanship towards their opposing teams, maintained the highest level of behaviour, and their participation was for the enjoyment of the experience. I loved seeing them when they returned to school and they told me (all at once, in very excited tones) about the morning.



The students debated at an extremely sophisticated level and should be very proud of all their hard work. I am very sorry that I did not get over to CSHS to see you in action but I am assured that you all have a very promising future in debating! Well done debaters!

Debating will carry on this year and the students will have inner-school debating groups running within their LCs, introducing debating knowledge to other students.

Last Friday was National Tree Day which was a very successful day. We had some students and teachers dress up in tree inspired costumes and a few woodland creatures lurking around the school. The market after school resulted in some fantastic pizza (I had a couple of pieces), gingerbread and other goodies. A group of parents had organised to buy young trees to plant around the school (this weekend) and many people sponsored these trees. The tree planting at BEPS is moving along well and will continue over the next couple of years to enable us to put in shade and trees that lend themselves to natural play. The grounds don't look great at the moment but with your help and enthusiasm they will improve and be even better than before.

Have a great week! I hope to see many of you at the working bee on Sunday.



Janet

BEPS Community Events

Bumper Working Bee

This Sunday 2nd August, 12-3pm

We need as many people as possible from our wonderful community to come along to what will be a **very important working bee**. Main jobs will include:

- **Reinstating the Nicholson Street Playground**
(so that it is usable - while plans for a nature playground are being developed)
- **Reinstating the downball courts**
- **Planting our new trees**
- **Finish painting the Agora**
- **Weeding Stewart Street garden**
- **Cooking pizza**

A list of jobs will be placed outside the office during the week for sign up. Please pop the date in your diary and **bring the kids along** for a fun day.

- WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE -

For any queries please email Zoe Austin-Crowe on
zoeaustincrowe@me.com

FATHER'S DAY GIFT STALL

Baking, making or packing – tell us if you can help

The BEPS Father's Day gift stall is **on Wednesday 2 September** and we'd love it if you can help create items for sale.

Past items have included potted plants, seeds, jams and preserves, knitted and crocheted things, wooden things, magnets, key rings. You can do solo projects at home or join one of our group making workshops and connect with others in our community. (Next week's newsletter will have details of workshops happening in August).

We are hoping for 300 handmade items and 500 food items (baked goodies, jams, chutneys) to sell at the gift stall for between \$1 and \$10. Every little thing you can make helps us get there.

If you haven't joined our mailing list, please email BEPSmakers@gmail.com

- For **makers**, there is **a tub in the art room kitchen** for you to place handmade items in and we'd like contributions **by first thing Monday 31 August**, please.
- For **bakers**, we need to know what slices/goodies you can make and approximate quantities. Please put it in your diary for drop-off on **Tuesday 1 September**.

About the BEPS makers

We provide flexible and relaxed ways to connect with the BEPS community and help raise funds for the school. The BEPS makers coordinate the Mother's and Father's Day stalls and believe that many hands make light work. Everything sold at these stalls is proudly made by the BEPS community with all funds raised going back to the school. There are no barriers to participation and talent or crafting experience is a bonus. If you can help occasionally, or want to know more, please email BEPSmakers@gmail.com.

Put up your hands



Our Mother's Day stall raised more than \$4000 in May and these events make a vital contribution to our school.

4th Annual Trivial Trivia Karaoke Cocktail party - Après Ski

As the polar vortex rolls over Melbourne we are proud to announce this year's theme for the 4th Annual Trivial Trivia Karaoke Cocktail party is.....Après Ski! Think Brunswick ski lodge, artic explorers coming in from the cold, thawed out snow bunnies and of course an avalanche of daggy ski wear! The night will include the usual fundraising inspired fun and games, best fondue competition plus a top class selection of snow and ice inspired cocktails to get you in that 'off-piste' state of mind.

This is one of our major fundraisers for the year with all monies raised going to help kit out the new portables. It's a fun night hanging with the BEP's massive for a great cause so please come along.

To make life simple you can purchase tickets online at www.trybooking.com :Just search for BEPS Trivia on 15/08/2015 or go direct to www.trybooking.com/IJNE

Secure your seat for the night by putting your name down on the tables list at the front office, so start organising your team of up to 12 OR pop your name down for the randoms table! You can pay for tickets at the office (cash only), by trybooking or at the last minute on the night.

Kompetitive Karaoke – Fancy yourself as a crooner and love winning? Sign up for the ever popular Kompetitive Karaoke Kup. Individuals or groups can sing their way to success (Must register by 14th August)

\$25 tickets include legendary trivial cocktail, beer or wine on arrival. BYO fondue, nibbles & snax (sorry no BYO alcohol)

Doors open 7:00pm Trivial trivia commences 7:30pm sharp Dancing till 1am

Cretan Brotherhood of Melbourne & Victoria. 148-150 Nicholson St Brunswick East VIC 3057 (Diagonally opposite the school)



Community Ads



Lions Club of Glenroy Inc.

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President: Ross Pollard Secretary: Cynthia Eunson

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

Meetings held 1st & 3rd Thursday of the Month.

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TO THE PRINCIPAL/DIRECTOR

FREE VISION SCREENING

The Lions Club of Glenroy will be conducting
FREE Vision Screening for children Aged 4 to 7 at:

PASCOE VALE NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

KENT Rd., PASCOE VALE

(Melway Map 17 D7)

On SATURDAY, 8th AUGUST 2015

The purpose of this program is to carry out general vision checks of children to detect common ailments and refer those found for further examination.

Vision impairment is one of the leading causes of poor childhood development.

Previous screening sessions have identified vision difficulties in about 10% of those examined and this is significant.

Screening is conducted by fully qualified Orthoptists.

We ask that you please publicise this event to the widest extent possible - in your next school Newsletter perhaps - with a brief note in other languages as considered relevant.

Enrolment forms are enclosed with this letter for parents to complete and return to your Pre-school/Kindergarten/Primary School should they wish to participate. (Please feel free to make extra copies should the need arise.) ***Completed forms should be returned to your school/facility. We will contact you per e-mail prior to the day to determine numbers attending.***

Please do not hesitate to contact the Project Members (below) should you have any questions.

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