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Wednesday 25th November 2020

STEM:

We are pleased to be part of this partnership with our local Bendigo Discovery Centre. It is a specialist programme to enable girls to be more actively engaged in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths activities. This year Leila B and Nadia E have enjoyed participating in sessions at the Discovery Centre and via Webex. Lila C and Lux D will be participating in 2021. We will look forward to hearing about their experiences next year too.

Students leading assemblies:

Our students and teachers have continued to be creative and lead assembly via Webex at the moment. Each grade is taking a turn and will invite families to join when they are hosting assembly. Congratulations to Leila and Nadia for their great presentation about their involvement in the STEM programme last Friday.

Chinese LOTE competition:

All students at BVSPS participate in weekly Chinese Mandarin lessons under the expert guidance of Yuling—our LOTE teacher. They continue to develop their skills and it certainly demonstrates how easily languages are learned in younger children. Yuling has provided information about the competition in this weeks newsletter. I encourage all families to consider supporting their children to enter this on line competition.

Fathering Project involvement for 2021— an exciting opportunity:

We have been given the opportunity to be involved in this initiative in partnership with some other schools across Bendigo, supported by funding from the CoGB (Bendigo Council). This is an exciting opportunity and will provide opportunities for Fathers (and Father figures) to connect with each other, participate in some activities together (both with and without their children) and have access to some great on line resources.

More information will be available (sent home) and will also be in next weeks newsletter— watch this space!

School Levies and Contributions for 2021:

Notes were sent home on Friday to all families outlining processes and payment options for 2021. Some families of students in Grades 5 and 6 for 2021 have already paid camp deposits, to help ease the 'back to school' burden in 2021. If you wish to commence a payment plan or you have any questions, please speak with Sharon or myself.

Uniform logos:

Noones (our uniform supplier) have notified me about some t- shirts that have not been embroidered with the school logo. They apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused. If you have one, please contact the staff at the Bendigo shop (Ph:(03) 70184199) and they will organise a replacement.

Mandy Costello Principal

Amanda.Costello@education.vic.gov.au

Be Your Best!

Sharon.Frappell@education.vic.gov.au



Calendar of Events

Regular Events

Camp Australia OSHC

Every day, Monday to Friday 3- 6pm

Brekky Club

Wednesdays at 8:15am

Toasties and milo before school

Please do not arrive before 8:15am.

FUN FIT FRIDAY

Meet at Garden Gully

at 8 am

ASSEMBLY

Online option being explored. Watch this space!

Library Club

Cancelled until further notice.

YOGA

Cancelled until further notice.

Special Events

Friday 27th November

Pupil Free Day

Book NOW for Camp Australia care on the 27th.

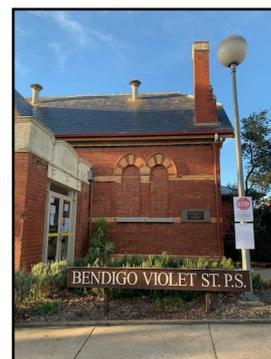
Go to [https://
campaustalia.com.au/](https://campaustalia.com.au/)
to register and book in.

Friday 4th December

Fresh Food Friday

Wednesday 9th December

Grade 6 Graduation



Pre-loved Uniforms!



Unfortunately the summer stock is in short supply, but there is still lots of winter stock available!

Louise Rodriquez is available to assist with selection on **Fridays from 2– 3 pm.**

Please email Louise to make an appointment: Louise.Rodriquez@education.vic.gov.au

Thank you!



Lost Property

There is a large range of unlabelled jumpers in the Lost Property basket at the office. We continue to stress the importance of labelling all items bought to school, for ease of return- **ESPECIALLY HATS!**



Empowering parents to track their child's education

Reporting student absences: All Parents and Carers are legally required to make contact with school and explain all student absences. This may be done via a written note to school, the student absence line (using the school phone number) or by using the parent notifications section on the parent portal on Sentral. Please use one of these processes. ***It is our preference that***

you use the parent portal on Sentral as much as possible. Your child's teacher will email access codes and instructions to assist you if needed.

2020 Grade 6 Graduation ceremony:

This will be celebrated at school on Wednesday 9th December. Our grade 6 students have commenced work on their memoirs and speeches, to capture their highlights of their time at Violet St PS.



Grade formations for 2021:

Teachers have commenced planning for grade formations for 2021. They spend substantial time planning, to ensure that many factors are taken into account. If parents have any special considerations that need to be brought to our attention, please notify me in writing- either via email or a written note to the office.

Pupil Free Day:

A REMINDER THIS FRIDAY 27th November all staff will be involved in professional development, assessment and reporting activities and also commencing planning for 2021! Students are NOT required at school!





Wilson Corner

Sharks and Fish



A game with some build up before an explosion of energy and excitement as fish dash for safety whilst being chased by sharks.

This is followed by either elation or disappointment, both of which must be left behind to start the game again.

Players change roles often, experiencing the excitement of being hunted and being hunter.

Children pair up, with one being the shark and one being the fish. The fish must try to get through the shark infested waters to a safety zone behind the sharks without being tagged by their partner. Once a fish is tagged or makes it to safety, they and the partner leave the playing area.



For more information, please visit: <https://playistheway.com.au/>



Specialist Corner



It has been fantastic to see more activities starting up again now that restrictions are easing. I really enjoy hearing about our students at Bendigo Violet Street Primary School making up for lost time during the sporting achievements section of assembly., It is great to hear many students trying new sports and activities.

We have been able to start to increase our programs at school also, Fun, Fit Friday is back up and running starting with a walk to school from Garden Gully Recreation Reserve at 8am. Last week we set a record with 20 students joining us on the walk and participating in games run be me once at school.

During Lunch times students have been practicing skipping basketball and tennis. On Fridays SLC have been running a house sports competition. The first sport selected was ultimate Frisbee which was won by Fortuna, Congratulations!

F-2 Classes

Foundation to grade two students have been focusing on the skills of bouncing, passing and shooting during our basketball unit.

3-4 Classes

Students in grade 3-4 have been concentrating on developing tennis skills and tactics. Students have been learning about forehand and backhand shots and improving hitting accuracy.



Ultimate Frisbee

5-6 Classes

Grade 5-6 students have been participating in a SEPEP unit which is run by the students. This unit of work is designed to reflect community sport and is structured in a round robin tournament format. The class is broken up into three teams, each week the teams take it in turns to play each other with one team running the game with roles which include : time keeper, referee, news reporter, statistics and scorer. This is a beneficial experience to allow the students to gain a greater appreciation for the role that many volunteers play in our community to make sport possible.

Have a great week,

Mr Tooley.

Maths

3/4CK Room 4



In Maths this term we have been working on the topic of Fractions.

We all know that fractions are equal parts of a whole.

Did you know the line in a fraction is called a vinculum?

For one of our activities we made pizzas and represented the toppings we put on them as fractional amounts.



I know that $\frac{2}{8}$ is the same as $\frac{1}{4}$. (Jono)

I like to eat $\frac{1}{3}$ of a pizza! (Lilly)

I learnt many things about fractions. $\frac{1}{6}$ is my favourite fraction. If I chop my pizza into eighths and then cut each piece in half again, each piece is $\frac{1}{16}$! (Scarlet)

Remember you can access Mathletics at home at www.mathletics.com.au and Mathseeds at <https://mathseeds.com>

Literacy

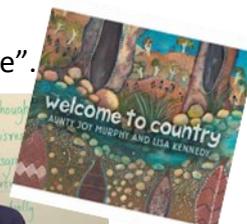
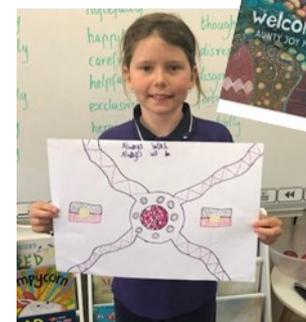
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This term we have been focussing on making connections to text, self and world in our reading.

For NAIDOC week we read a range of books written by our First Nation's People.

We also designed our own NAIDOC week poster to match the theme "Always Was, Always Will Be".



Saoirse: In 'Cunning Crow' by Greg Dreise Murray the cockatoo was pecking the ground for seeds and this reminds me of the cockatoos that take our pears.

Sian: In 'Silly Birds' by Greg Dreise, they threw the rubbish in the billabong and polluted the billabong and people pollute in the bush near where I live. So the message is don't pollute.

Ingrid: In 'Welcome to Country' by Aunty Joy Murphy and Lisa Kennedy, it reminded of me of when we went to Mallacoota. There was a little forest with a stream and we would always see lyrebirds.

Remember you can access Reading Eggs at home at www.readingeggs.com



Life Skills
Creative Time
New Experiences
Construction & Manipulative Play
Outdoor Play Time
Homework & Quiet Time

To book, visit:
www.campaustralia.com.au
or call 1300 105 343

Week 8- Term 4

Welcome Violet Street families to week 8 of term 4. This term is flying past, and we only have three full weeks of term left! As the term is coming closer to an end a reminder that the holiday club is now open for bookings. Holiday club will not run at Bendigo Violet Street, the services running are Girton Grammar, Kennington Primary School and Golden Square Primary School.

Bookings are also open for the upcoming Pupil Free Day running Friday November 27. We are excited to welcome Nadine Theodorou to Bendigo Violet Street who will be coordinating from 7am.

Service Details:

Our operating hours

3pm-6pm weekdays

Phone:

0408 592 784

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Bendigo@oshccampaustralia.com.au



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Virtual Information Sessions

Find out everything you need to know about OSHC



Camp Australia is bringing to all new families our virtual information sessions - with all the great details about how Outside School Hours Care can help your family.

We've organised information sessions that are based locally in Victoria to ensure you get the most relevant information for your family. These sessions will be run by local leaders in the OSHC community.



Your sessions are:

Session 1: 23/11/2020 • 12.30pm (AEDT)

Session 2: 1/12/2020 • 7.30pm (AEDT)

If you would like more information regarding Camp Australia's services but cannot attend any of the above sessions, please feel free to visit your service and speak with your friendly Coordinator. Alternatively, you can send us an email at oshc@campaustralia.com.au and one of our friendly Customer Care representatives can answer your questions.



Visit www.campastralia.com.au/virtual-info-sessions to register free for a Virtual Info Session

Register for OSHC

Once registered, you'll be able to easily make and manage your bookings online via our Parent Portal.

Register now free

Visit our blog

New articles are added each week for parents and cover various topics to help families.

Visit our blog

DO YOUR KIDS KNOW WHERE THEY ARE SPENDING CHRISTMAS?

Christmas can be a challenging time for many people, including those families who have separated or are going through a separation.

But holidays do not have to be a battlefield.

Join our **FREE** online session for practical tips and information on organising child-focused parenting arrangements this holiday season.

23 November 2020 6.00 PM to 7.00 PM

LIMITED PLACES. REGISTER EARLY!
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CHINESE LANGUAGE PARTICIPATION WEEK

2020 Term 4

Dear Parent/Guardian

Bendigo Chinese Language Teachers Network led by Bendigo Senior Secondary College are excited to announce the launch of a series of Online Chinese Language Competitions for students' participation. It aims to encourage, celebrate and showcase Bendigo students' language learning.

Learning a different language and culture plays a very important role in developing our students' intercultural understanding and capability that will empower them to be global citizens who contribute to the problem-solving of the challenges that concern the world we share. These competition will also provide a great opportunity for students to learn from their peers at other schools where they are learning the same language.

Participation is voluntary and we would like to thank our parents' support and students participation in advance. Students can participate in one or more of the following competitions based on their year levels.

- [Number Counting in Chinese Competition for All Year Levels students](#)
- [Chinese Singing Competition for All Year Levels students](#)
- [Chinese Character Writing and Graphic Design Competition for only Grade 3-6 Students](#)

HOW:

To participate, students will need to submit their completed work in a required format to our online platform which can be accessed via the following link and QR code.

Link: <https://padlet.com/learnchinesebendigo/2020>



Bendigo Chinese Language Teacher Network
led by Bendigo Senior Secondary College



PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION FORM

I, _____ (parent's full name) give permission to my child, _____,
(child's full name) to participate in one or more of the mentioned activities. I
understand and agree that

- My child's name and submitted work will be viewed by the Chinese Language teachers from Bendigo.
- If my child's work is rated as high quality, his or her work can be shown on a dedicated web page to other students for learning purposes in Term 4 2020.
- My child will participate respectfully and follow all rules in each activity.
- All participants will receive a certificate at the end of the year.
- Winners will be given a award to acknowledge their effort and achievement.

Other Important Information

- Permission Form and work submission due date: 4 December 2020
- Student Awards will be announced by your school's Chinese language teacher and shown on the participation platform by 11 December 2020.
- You might be contacted by your school's Chinese language teacher if we need to follow up with the submitted work.
- Please contact your school's Chinese language teacher if you have any questions regarding the competition.

School: _____ Year Level: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

This signed permission slip can be handed back to your child's Chinese teacher at school or to be submitted electronically to lin.juncaj@bssc.edu.au

