



# Calder Chronicle

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## THURSDAY, 19<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2018

### CALENDAR

Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> April

Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> April

Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April

Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> April

**Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> April**

Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> April

Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> April

Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> May

Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> May

Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> May

Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> May

Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> May

Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> May

Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May

Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> May

Monday, 28<sup>th</sup> May

Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> June

Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> June

**Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> June**

Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> June

Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> June

Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> June

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June

Final day for Footy Tipping Competition registration and payment

Year 5/6 Camp returns approximately 1:30pm—parents can collect at this time or wait until normal dismissal

Spare Change Drive begins

School Council

**ANZAC Day Public Holiday**

P&F General Meeting in the multipurpose room 9:15am

Big Hill PS Cross Country

Grip Student Leadership Conference – Senior Unit – selected students only

Year 3 – 6 Gym program commences

Mother's Day Stall

Mother's Day Raffle tickets (both sold and unsold please) due back and the office by 9:00am

Division Cross Country

Year 3 – 6 Gym program continues

Walk Safely to School Day

Education Week commences – stay tuned for events

Overseas Learning Experience China, tour begins

Year 3 – 6 Gym program continues

Prep – Year 2 Gym program commences

Year 3 – 6 Gym program concludes

Prep – Year 2 Gym program continues

**Student Free Day**

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

School Photo Day

Prep – Year 2 Gym program continues

Prep – Year 2 Gym program concludes

### School Organisation

Dear Parents/Guardians,

#### **COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS VOUCHERS**

We are still accepting Coles vouchers until the end of next week so remember to drop them into the office. We will then send them off and will be able to choose our rewards next month.

#### **ANZAC DAY BADGES**

We have a number of different badges, a wristband and a pen available for sale from the office starting at \$1.

#### **CCS – NEW CHILD CARE SUBSIDY**

From 2<sup>nd</sup> July there will be a change to the way families receive Child Care Benefits. Next week there will be more information provided. Please visit this website for a brochure for parents to help understand the changes:

[https://docs.education.gov.au/system/files/doc/other/6\\_pp\\_dl\\_web\\_accessible.pdf](https://docs.education.gov.au/system/files/doc/other/6_pp_dl_web_accessible.pdf)

#### **GASTRO**

Just reminding families of the need to keep your child at home for a full 24 hours after your child has been sick with gastro. Children are contagious for a full day after their last "episode" and for this reason, those who have been ill need to be quarantined to ensure no other children or staff get sick. This ensures that the bug does not go through the whole school, disrupting teaching and learning programs etc. During periods such as this, it's also important to remind your child of good hygiene practices... such as washing hands after going to the toilet and before eating any food.

#### **SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY**

This will be held next Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> April. First Steps and Junior Unit will compete from 9:30am – 11:15am, and Middle and Senior Unit will compete from 12:00pm – 1:45pm. Ribbons for the top 3 place getters and certificates for the top 10 will be awarded. Students that finish in the top 10 in their division will represent Big Hill PS at the Division Cross Country on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> May.

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Happy birthday to Latoya F, Chase L, Clare P, Remy W and Indigo B.

*Sharyn Burnett, Acting Principal*

## FIRST STEPS NEWS

### WELCOME BACK

We hope you have all families had an enjoyable break. All children have returned to school refreshed and ready to learn.

### SHOW AND TELL

Next week we will be beginning Show and Tell sessions as part of our speaking and listening component. On Friday, please check your child's 'Take Home Book' for your child's allocated Show and Tell day. Please have your child bring one item on their Show and Tell day. This item could be a treasured toy, interesting item or souvenir. Your child will have 3 minutes to talk about their item and answer questions from their classmates.

### SPECIALISTS TIMETABLE

On Friday you will find a timetable of specialist classes that your child participates throughout the week. Please ensure your child brings their library bag on their library day and wears comfortable footwear for physically active days, for example PE or for PMP.

### GYM

As part of our Physical Education Gymnastics Program, we will be attending Jets Gym in Hattam Street. This is a wonderful opportunity for the students to participate in a sequential weekly gymnastics program run by accredited instructors. The program will consist of 4 one hour sessions to take place on Mondays and commences on Monday, 28<sup>th</sup> May.

Permission notes will be sent home today with the newsletter outlining dates, session times and cost. Parents are welcome to meet their child's class at the Gym to watch their child participate.

### HOME READING

All children have completed stage 1 of our Little Learners Love Literacy phonics program. Stage 1 consists of a sequence of explicit learning tasks focusing on 8 letter sounds of the alphabet. As of Monday, your child will take home a 'decodable' reader in their reader bag. A decodable reader is a reader that only has letters that your child has learnt at school. This means children can use their knowledge of sounds and letters to 'sound out' the words. There is 'no guessing' the words.

You will find that each book has a few 'sight words'. 'Sight words' are words that children need to 'learn by heart' as they cannot decode or 'sound out' these words. For example 'the' and 'my' cannot be 'sounded out'.

Once the following 8 sounds of the alphabet have been taught in class your child will receive the Stage 2 Little Learners Love Literacy Decodable books.

### STARS OF THE WEEK

*For a great start to Term 2:*

**FSN** Rydder G  
**FSP** Xavier P

*Nicole, Sharyn & Pauline*

## JUNIOR UNIT NEWS

### WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to all students, staff and families. We hope you had a relaxing holiday and we look forward to a busy term.

### SCHOOL JACKETS

With the cool autumn mornings and the warm days, students are often taking off their jackets. Please ensure that all jumpers and jackets are clearly labelled with your child's name.

### JETS GYM

During Term 2, the Junior Unit will be attending Jets Gym with notes being handed out today. Information regarding the dates and times will be included in the note. Please ensure the return of permission forms and payments to the office.

### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

*For a great start to Term 2:*

**JC** Dustan H  
**JJ** Charlie T  
**JW** Lexi C

*Catherine, Jen & Wendy*

## MIDDLE UNIT NEWS

### WELCOME BACK

We welcome our students back. All classrooms have reported a smooth start to the new term and are looking forward to the many exiting learning opportunities ahead.

### WEEK 2 READING

Our shared CAFÉ focus areas and Learning Intentions include: Wondering Wolf. Learning Intention, I can locate key information in a text. Tune in Tiger. Learning Intention, I notice interesting words when reading and think about their meaning. Students should read for 30 minutes each night and record this in their Student Diary.

### WEEK 2 WRITING

We will be moving onto a new genre next week as students will be writing to persuade. Unit 10 Spelling explores the sound **girl** and **egg**. Students will be tested on 10 words from their Sound Waves book and 10 words from the Oxford word list. Students who are consistently achieving a score of 20/20 may like to challenge themselves to learn additional words from the set lists.

### WEEK 2 NUMERACY

Our Middle Unit students are working towards the Learning Intentions; I can recall basic facts, I can complete vertical addition and subtraction problems, I can measure, order and compare length.

### WEEK 2 HUMANITIES, SCIENCE AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Students will attend rotations to learn about famous Australian Bush Rangers, Physical Sciences and prepare for the school Cross Country.

## **EXTRA-CURRICULAR**

Cross Country – the school Cross Country will be held next Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> April. Our students will run between 12:00pm and 1:45pm. Students who finish in the top 10 for their division will go on to represent the school at the District Cross Country.

Gym – Our first gym session will take place on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May. Please return notes and payment as soon as possible.

## **STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**

*The following students have been selected for showing the School Value of 'Respect':*

MR *Eliza K*  
MD *Mitchell G*  
MN *Shelby S*

*Rena, Dean & Amanda*

## **SENIOR UNIT NEWS**

### **WELCOME BACK TO TERM 2**

The Senior staff hope you all enjoyed a wonderful Easter Break. We hope you are relaxed, recharged and ready to start a new term. All signs point to another incredible, action packed and productive term. With lots to look forward to, including but not limited to Maldon Camp which we are currently enjoying, Cross Country, Gym and Production to name a few.

**Homework** in the senior classes will start next week with a focus on nightly reading, diary maths and spelling practice.

### **STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**

*To all students for a positive start to the term*

*Ainsley, Brett, Kate, Lauren & Roberta*

## **PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS**

### **EASTER RAFFLE & GUESS THE EGGS COMPETITION**

Thank you to everyone who bought and/or sold tickets and donated something towards our raffle which was held at the end of last term. Our Raffle winners were:

1<sup>st</sup> Mitchell G  
2<sup>nd</sup> Liam W  
3<sup>rd</sup> Mackenzie N  
4<sup>th</sup> Matt E  
5<sup>th</sup> Hulls Family  
6<sup>th</sup> Will S  
7<sup>th</sup> Indigo B

And our lucky winner of the Guess the Chocolates Competition was Vienna F with the first closest guess of 150. The correct number was 149 chocolates. Thank you to everyone who had a guess and supported our competition.

Congratulations to all of our winners!

## **FOOTY TIPPING COMPETITION**

Today is the last chance to enter our Footy Tipping Competition and to be in with a chance of winning some great prize money.







Prize money currently sits at:

1<sup>st</sup> \$150  
2<sup>nd</sup> \$75  
3<sup>rd</sup> \$25

## **MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE & STALL**

Mother's Day is not far away and our members have been busy preparing for our annual stall and raffle. Raffle books will be sent home next week and will be due back to the office on stall day, Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May. Our stall will again have a range of lovely gifts available from 50c to \$10 each for children to purchase for their mum or special person.

To make our raffle and stall successful we rely on donations from our school families. If you are able to help with any donations we would be most appreciative and these can be left at the office. Some items which be useful are:

-  Chocolate or wrapped lollies
-  Gift vouchers/cards
-  Mugs
-  Wine glasses
-  Beauty/pamper products
-  Clear cellophane, tissue paper and curling ribbon

OR perhaps you're a crafter that would like to make something for our stall OR maybe you own your own business and could donate a goods or services voucher as a raffle prize?

### **SPARE CHANGE DRIVE**

For something different this year (and because we're sure everyone is running out of 5 cent pieces) we will be running a Spare Change Drive which replaces the 5 cent drive we have run in previous years. The drive will start on Monday next week and will run until the end of the term. Labelled bottles will be placed in each classroom from Monday and ANY loose change can be placed in the bottles. The class who raises the most money at the end of the drive will win a class prize.

### **JUST ONE THING CAMPAIGN**

Have you returned your "Just One Thing" letter? We'd love to hear back from you. If you have any questions about the campaign please don't hesitate to ask us by emailing us at [bhpspf@gmail.com](mailto:bhpspf@gmail.com).

### **P&F FACEBOOK PAGE**

Keep up to date with P&F activities by joining our Facebook community: (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/bhpspf/>). Our page provides reminders and updates on P&F activities as well as connecting you with other families at our school.

### **P&F GENERAL MEETING**

Our next general meeting will be held next Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> April from 9:15am in the multipurpose room. We welcome new members at any time during the year so please feel free to come along and find out how you can get involved with P&F.

*Your support of P&F activities is appreciated*

## ART NEWS

If any families have any old calendars with colourful pictures that they would be happy to donate to the school, please leave at the Office. Thank you.

*Sandra Willis*  
Visual Arts Coordinator

## SUNSMART NEWS

### SUNSMART

Families are reminded to keep sun protection on the agenda until the **END OF APRIL**.

UV levels are still moderate to high at this time of year so it's important to continue to Slip! Slop! Slap! Seek! Slide!

Please make sure hats and sunscreen are used in school until the end of April.

## COMPUTER ACCESS NOTE & PG PERMISSION NOTE

Notes have been sent home to those students who have not yet returned them. Please sign and return ASAP. Thank you.

## CANTEEN NEWS CHANGE OF DAY/ MENU CHANGES

### CHANGE OF DAY

The canteen is trialling a different day instead of Tuesday due to falling sales.

The new day is **WEDNESDAY**. The other day will remain on a Friday. Apologies for any inconvenience.

### MENU CHANGES

Pizza roundas and frozen cordial cups will no longer be available. There is a **NEW** item of Mac & Cheese, and warm Milo cups will be back on the menu.

*Tammy Fear*  
Canteen Manager

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Multicultural BADMINTON

|       |                       |                       |                      |                       |                       |                       |
|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| When: | Saturday<br>21<br>Apr | Saturday<br>28<br>Apr | Saturday<br>5<br>May | Saturday<br>12<br>May | Saturday<br>19<br>May | Saturday<br>26<br>May |
|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|

Come to one or more days

**Where:** Badminton Stadium, 140 Victoria Street, Eaglehawk  
**Time:** 1.00pm - 2.30pm  
**Cost:** \$5.00 per person, \$10.00 per family (2 adults & children)

**What to bring:** wear comfortable clothes, sneakers and a bottle of water. All badminton equipment will be provided.  
No need to register, just come along on the day.  
Any questions, please phone Laura Bradley at Sports Focus on 5442 3101 or email [laurab@sportsfocus.com.au](mailto:laurab@sportsfocus.com.au)

Supported by the Greater Bendigo Cultural Diversity and Inclusion Plan  
Sports Action Group

**FUN**  
for the  
whole  
family

**EBDBA**



Kangaroo Flat Fire Brigade



IN AN EMERGENCY DIAL 000

The Volunteer members of Kangaroo Flat Fire Brigade would like to welcome you to our fire station once again, on Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2018 from 10:00am to 2:00pm.

There will be various activities for young, and young at heart, including:

- ❖ Firefighting Demonstrations and other Emergency Services:
- ❖ Raffles
- ❖ North West CFA Community Education Group
- ❖ New and Antique Fire Trucks on Display
- ❖ Brigade Merchandise
- ❖ Competition Running Team
- ❖ \$1 Sausage Sizzle, Drinks, Popcorn and Fairy Floss
- ❖ Kids Jumping Castle
- ❖ Fire Extinguisher and Blanket Sales
- ❖ Coffee Van

And much, much more!

Come in and say hello to your local fire brigade and meet some of our local community heroes.

For more information visit the Kangaroo Flat Fire Brigade Facebook page or visit

<http://www.kangarooflatfirebrigade.com.au/open-day/>

## DAD'S DAY OUT

(or other significant male - Step Dad, Uncle, Grand Father etc)

IT'S FREE

PLACES LIMITED

Face Painting, Free BBQ Lunch, Games & Sport activities, Photo Booth and D.I.Y craft with Bunnings

**Come along & celebrate being a male role model with your kids!**

Sunday 29th of April 2018 - 12pm until 2pm  
Major League Multi Sports Centre  
1 - 3 Waterson Court, Golden Square VIC 3555  
Call CCS on 5438 1300 to secure your spot!

CCS Family & Relationship Services  
CITY OF GREATER BENDIGO  
BUNNINGS warehouse  
TRIPLE 93.5  
MILWAUKEE MULTISPORTS  
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# LOTE CHINESE NEWS

Nihao 你好, everyone. I am excited to share some information with you about what has been going on in our LOTE Chinese lessons in Term 1.

All the students from Big Hill Primary School have done a fantastic job learning some language and cultural knowledge in their Chinese class. We have spent the first half of the term focusing on the Chinese New Year, which is the most important festival in Chinese speaking countries. We have had a look at how people with Chinese background around the world celebrate the festival, and we have learnt some traditions that people have kept to get ready for the Chinese New Year, such as cleaning the house, putting up red lucky Chinese character '福' and eating dumplings at night. Year 3 and 4 students have completed an amazing art work 'the Year of the Dog' as the ending of the unit and Year 5 and 6 students have made a marvellous ending by completing a craft work 'The Story of Nian'.

As for the second half of the term, Prep to Year 2 have learnt more knowledge about China including the Chinese population, the traditional family structure in China and the Chinese flag. We have also spent some time learning Chinese characters and the students did a great job remembering the writing order of them by winning a jigsaw puzzle game about the characters learnt. Year 5 and 6 students have focused on the Chinese Zodiac. We have learnt the pronunciation and writing of all the 12 Zodiac animals and conducted an interesting research about the particular characteristics that people born in different animal years may have.

I really appreciate the great effort that has been made by all the students in LOTE Chinese and I would like to show some lovely photos of students' works taken during our lessons.

Thank you very much everyone and I am looking forward to more fun activities and language learning with you in Term Two! Xie xie 谢谢 (Thank you)!

Chen



## WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS

Accounts will be sent home shortly for the whole school. This hasn't been done before, so I've attached a copy of what one looks like to prepare you for when yours arrives.

It shows all charges for this year (if required, we can send home previous year/s) and how they have or haven't been paid. Each child will then be listed with their own charges for applicable items.

Glossary for the circled numbers on the example shown:

- 1) Charge Amount – how much the item listed to the left costs.
- 2) Since Paid – how much has been paid off this charge by cash, EFTPOS or BPAY.
- 3) CSEF/EMA Receipts – items paid for using the CSEF.
- 4) Amount Owing – any balance owing on an item.
- 5) Total of outstanding invoices – total of what is owed to the school.
- 6) Unallocated CSEF – the balance of the CSEF that is still to be used. It will have a – at the front as it is a credit on your account, not something to be paid.
- 7) Ref: this is the code you can use if paying via BPAY.

For those families who have applied for CSEF but it doesn't show on your statement, don't panic, please check with the office to see if it is just a case of the payment not coming through to the school as yet.

If you believe there has been a mistake, or need help deciphering the statement further, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

*Janet Dean*  
Admin Assistant



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ABN: 25904985894

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Big Hill  
3555

Date: 19/04/2018

### Statement

| Charge Description         | Charge     |           | Since Paid | CSEF/EMA Receipts | Since Credited | Amount Owing |
|----------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|-------------------|----------------|--------------|
|                            | GST Amount | (inc GST) |            |                   |                |              |
| <i>Elders child</i>        |            |           |            |                   |                |              |
| Gr3 Essential Items        |            | 70.50     | 70.50      |                   |                |              |
| ipad lease- Junior,Middle  |            | 50.00     | 50.00      |                   |                |              |
| Middle Unit MCG Excursion  |            | 38.00     |            | 38.00             |                |              |
| Let's Get Moving Incursion |            | 16.00     |            | 16.00             |                |              |
| CSEF Receipt Unallocated   | -125.00    |           | 54.00      |                   |                | -71.00       |
| Year 3-6 Gym Program       |            | 28.00     |            |                   |                | 28.00        |
| <i>Second Child</i>        |            |           |            |                   |                |              |
| ipad lease- Junior,Middle  |            | 50.00     | 50.00      |                   |                |              |
| Prep Essential Items       |            | 39.50     | 39.50      |                   |                |              |
| Let's Get Moving Incursion |            | 16.00     |            | 16.00             |                |              |
| CSEF Receipt Unallocated   | -125.00    |           | 16.00      |                   |                | -109.00      |
| Prep - Year 2 Gym          |            | 32.00     |            |                   |                | 32.00        |

Charge amounts for "Left" students are marked with an "L".

Charges with a GST component are marked with a hash (#) next to the charge amount

Invoice amounts that are the result of split billing are marked with an (s) next to the charge amount

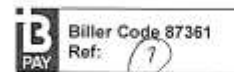
Total of outstanding invoices: **\$60.00** (5)

(inc GST)

Unallocated CSEF: **-\$180.00** (6)

Please cut off on dotted line and return this portion to the school to indicate what you are paying for. Account ID: 1

| Charge description       | Student | ID | Amount Owing | Payment enclosed |
|--------------------------|---------|----|--------------|------------------|
| CSEF Receipt Unallocated |         |    | -71.00       | N/A              |
| Year 3-6 Gym Program     |         |    | 28.00        |                  |
| CSEF Receipt Unallocated |         |    | -109.00      | N/A              |
| Prep - Year 2 Gym        |         |    | 32.00        |                  |



Direct Deposit to:  
Account Name: Big Hill Primary School Official A/c  
BSB: 633000 Account Number: 100642952  
Please include your reference when making a payment.

## Family Webcast Information Session

**You are invited to participate in an online family information session.**

Child care fee assistance is changing. From 2 July 2018, the Australian Government is introducing a New Child Care Package. The Package includes a Child Care Subsidy which will replace the current Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate.

To transition to the subsidy, you'll need to provide some new information and confirm your current details now through **myGov**. The webcast will step you through what you need to do to transition and give you the opportunity to have your questions answered.



Three sessions will be held. Choose the one that best suits you.

### **Thursday 19 April 2018**

5.00 – 6.30 pm AWST / 6.30 – 8.00 pm ACST / 7.00 – 8.30 pm AEST

### **Thursday 3 May 2018**

12.30 – 2.00 pm AWST / 2.00 – 3.30 pm ACST / 2.30 – 4.00 pm AEST

### **Tuesday 15 May 2018**

6.00 – 7.30 pm AWST / 7.30 – 9.00 pm ACST / 8.00 – 9.30 pm AEST

To register for the webcast visit: [education.gov.au/childcare](http://education.gov.au/childcare)