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**THURSDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023**

## CALENDAR

Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> July  
Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> August  
Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> August

Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> August  
Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> August

Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> August

Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> August  
**Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> August**  
Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> August

Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> August  
Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> August  
**FRIDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**

**Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> August**  
Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> August  
**Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> September**  
Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> September  
**Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> September**  
**Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> September**  
**Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> September**

Middle Unit Gym continues – Lunch Orders ARE available 😊  
**Payment of \$5.60 due on Compass for SU Radio Awareness for Kids Incursion**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Instalment of \$90 due for Year 5/6 Camp**

Middle Unit Gym concludes – Lunch Orders ARE available 😊  
**SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP OPEN FROM 3PM TO 3:30PM**  
**Payment of \$38 due for First Steps Gym**  
**Year 7 Acceptance Slips due at our Office**  
Senior Unit Radio Awareness for Kids Incursion  
**Payment of \$26 due on Compass for SU Bricks 4 Kidz Incursion**  
**Payment of \$18 due on Compass for FS/JU Bricks 4 Kidz Incursion**  
First Steps Gym commences

## **CURRICULUM DAY – NO SCHOOL ON THIS DAY**

Book Week commences  
Book Fair commences – every night this week in the Library  
FS/JU & SU Bricks 4 Kidz Incursion  
First Steps Gym continues

**BOOK WEEK DRESS UP PARADE 9:00AM – ALL WELCOME 😊**  
**Father's Day Stall & Raffle drawn-tickets due by 9:00am**

First Steps Gym continues  
**SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP OPEN FROM 3PM TO 3:30PM**  
First Steps Gym concludes  
**Final Instalment of \$65 due for Year 5/6 Camp**  
**Junior Production – tickets on sale soon**  
**Last Day for Term 3 – early dismissal 2:20pm**  
No Second Hand Uniform Shop today – apologies

## School Organisation

Dear School Community,

### **CURRICULUM DAY**

Apologies for this not being in the newsletter earlier, but all of the Curriculum Days were listed in the first newsletter for this year. Also, just a reminder about Term 4's – it will be held on Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> November.

### **CALLING ALL CURRENT FAMILIES**

If you have a younger sibling that you wish to have attend Big Hill PS next year, could you please advise the Office, as we are starting planning for 2024 classes. Thank you. Enrolment forms are now available from the Office. Also, if you know of any other families that are interested in sending their Foundation child/ren to Big Hill PS, could you please ask them to contact us so we can start their enrolment process? Thank you everyone.

### **YEAR 3 & YEAR 5 NAPLAN RESULTS**

These were handed out / sent home this week. Please notify the Office if you haven't received yours. Please keep them in a safe place as we don't have copies. Thank you.

### **BOOK WEEK CELEBRATIONS 21-25<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**

Each year since 1945 the Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) has brought children and books together through Children's Book Week. During this time schools and public libraries spend one glorious week celebrating books and Australian authors and illustrators. This year at Big Hill PS, we will be celebrating Book Week through holding our annual Scholastic Book Fair, a dress up parade on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> August, and celebrating shortlisted CBCA books in the classroom and in library sessions. This year's theme is Read, Grow, Inspire.

### **SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR 21-25<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**

The Scholastic Book Fair will run again this year, each night after school in our library. Please support our worthwhile fundraiser each night after school during Book Week. Last year we raised over \$800 which was spent on quality non-fiction books for our school library. Books can be purchased via EFTPOS at the Office.

## **BOOK WEEK DRESS UP PARADE FRIDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**

To celebrate Book Week, we will be holding a dress up parade at school on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> August at 9:00am. Students are invited to come along dressed as their favourite book characters in celebration of their favourite books. This event is open to our school community so please come along, join in the fun and have a quick look at what's on offer at our Book Fair in the library while you're here. Last year teachers were dressed as Where's Wally characters and this year we have decided that our theme is going to be Mem Fox's Where is the Green Sheep? Students are encouraged to visit teachers / staff around the school to see all the different sheep dress-ups and especially make sure to look out for our mystery GREEN sheep!

## **MCKERNS FRESH FRUIT**

Thank you once again for our great selection of fruit that was delivered yesterday. Here are Vincenzo, Ruby & Valentine enjoying their apple, pear and mandarin 🍌.

## **BIRTHDAYS**

Happy birthday to Jack L, Zaheyliya B, Avery F & Jarrod M.

*Sharayn Burnett, Assistant Principal*



## **FIRST STEPS NEWS**

### **STARS OF THE WEEK**

*For displaying the School Value of 'Respect' by treating their classmates with care and kindness:*

**FSN** Wade G  
**FSJ** Seth P

*Nicole, Nick & Jayden*

## **JUNIOR UNIT NEWS**

### **READING SUPERSTARS!**

Congratulations to the following reading superstars:

#### **100 nights**

**JJ** Hunter G, Elias S  
**JA/R** Edward M, Anna S

#### **125 nights**

**JJ** Jack L, Connie P  
**JW** Levi S  
**JA/R** Jade L, Edward M, Anna S

#### **150 nights**

**JJ** Blake M, Sofia D  
**JW** Hendrix M  
**JA** Lleyton H, Jake F

### **STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**

*For treating their peers and teachers with the School Value of 'Respect':*

**JA/R** Lleyton H  
**JW** Elisabeth A  
**JJ** Sofia D

*Ainsley, Roberta, Wendy & Jen*

## **MIDDLE UNIT NEWS**

### **STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**

*For displaying the School Value of 'Responsibility':*

**MD** Lacey B  
**MC** Tasman H  
**MP** Ainslee S

*Dean, Catherine & Pauline*

## **SENIOR UNIT NEWS**

### **STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**

*For demonstrating the School Value of 'Resilience':*

**SB** Rydder G  
**SK** Aleeah M  
**SL** Caitlyn B

*Brett, Kate & Leisha*

## **PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS**

### **FATHER'S DAY STALL**

We are running the Father's Day Stall on Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> August in the Multipurpose room. Items available range from 50c to \$10. Please bring a bag along on the day to take your special things home in. We look forward to seeing you all there on the day!

Donations of items for the stall or raffle would be greatly appreciated.

Some items which would be helpful include:

- Blocks or boxes of chocolates
- Wrapped lollies
- Fishing/camping, sporting, gardening items
- Mugs
- Gift vouchers / cards
- Tissue paper, curling ribbon, clear cellophane
- Raffle prizes

Thanks again for your ongoing support.

## **LIBRARY NEWS** **TERM 3 – PREP TO YEAR 6**

Welcome to another fabulous term at the Big Hill Primary School Library.

Your children will visit the library once a week for stories, lessons and book selection.



- Borrowing limits: First Steps and Junior Unit: 2 books, Middle Unit: 3 books, Senior Unit: 5 books.
- Books are borrowed out for a maximum 2 week period. They may be renewed if there is not a waiting list.
- There are no fines for late books, but if books are overdue for an extended period, borrowing privileges may be suspended. We recommend books are returned weekly if possible.
- Library lessons involve sessions on caring for books. Here are some ways to encourage your children to take responsibility for their library books:
  - Help them remember their library day,
  - Set aside a specific place in your home for school library books so you don't misplace them,
  - Provide a library bag to protect Library Books for First Steps, Junior Unit and Middle Unit students,
  - If the book is damaged, send them back to school as we have special library mending supplies.
- Encourage your children to come to me with any questions regarding their books.
- We hope to get (or keep) your children "hooked on reading" by recommending excellent authors, illustrators and books to read. This term our focus will be on the Children's Book Council of Australia Book awards (previous and current short-listed books). Library sessions have an introduction to a book from our collection (this book is usually read and discussed and how to find it in the library), browsing and borrowing time and then an activity related to the book introduced at the start of the session.
- Authors of focus books include Pamela Allen, Kylie Howarth, Bob Graham, Freya Blackwood, Rachel Tonkin, Pip Harry and Frane Lessac.
- <https://www.cbca.org.au/>
- We will add 100 or more new titles this year of the latest and most exciting new books for young readers, including quality non-fiction.



*Alice Bath, Art Teacher*

Regards,  
**Sharyn Burnett**

## ART NEWS

The results are in! I'm thrilled to announce the winners of the Lansell Square NAIDOC Week Book Illustration Competition! Congratulations to:

✚ Snow Win (SK)

✚ Scarlett (SL)

✚ Claudia (MP)

I hope you all enjoyed voting for your favourite illustrations from our school as well as the other schools that participated!

## COMMUNITY NEWS

St Mary's  
*Anglican Church*

# Winter Art Show

**28, 29 & 30 July 2023**

**Friday, Saturday & Sunday**

**10.00am to 4.00pm**

**Entry is \$5.00 per person**

Children under 15 free with adults

Enquiries to Alison on 0409 326 495

FOUNDRY HOTEL

KANGAROO FLAT **SPORTS CLUB** COMMUNITY CLUB

mount alexander FUNERALS

**LANSELL HOMES**

Property Plus REAL ESTATE

193-195 High Street Kangaroo Flat Vic 3555 (entry from large car park in Church Street)





## Saver Plus

### Program includes:

- Matched dollar for dollar savings up to \$500
- Money Minded workshops - Financial Education
- Coaching on budgeting and savings



SCAN ME

### Eligibility Criteria

- Must be a health/concession card holder;
- Be in receipt of a Centrelink Payment
- Be studying or have a child in school
- Have some regular income from work
- Be 18+ years old



## State Schools' Relief

Provides school uniforms and shoes to those that are unable to afford them.



SCAN ME

### Eligibility Criteria

Situations include but not limited to:

- Unemployment
- Health issues/illness
- Financial difficulties
- Independent living and/or homelessness
- Natural disasters
- Bereavement
- Domestic and family violence



## Camps. Sports and Education Fund

### Funding to attend activities like:

- school camps or trips
- swimming and school-organised sports programs
- outdoor education programs
- excursions and incursions

\$125 per year for eligible primary school students

\$225 per year for eligible secondary school students.



SCAN ME

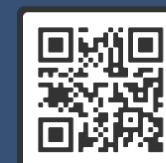
### Eligibility Criteria

- Parent must be a health/concession card holder;
- Or families on protection/bridging visas, or seeking asylum;
- Or children in out of home care



## Computerbank

Low cost refurbished computers that include various programs including word processing, Google Chrome and PDF Maker



SCAN ME

### Eligibility Criteria

- Concession/Health Care Card holders
- Students
- Asylum seekers

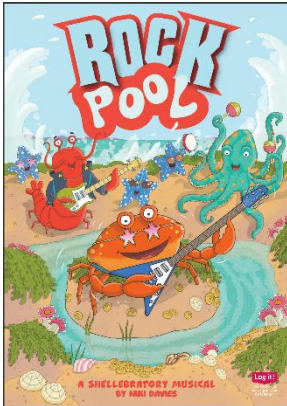
# BHPS 2023 School Productions

**Junior Production – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September**

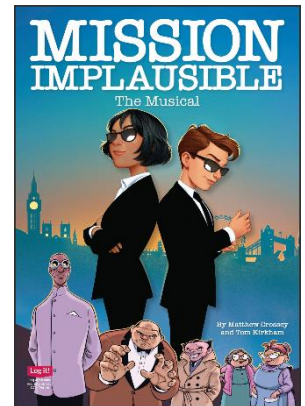
**Senior Production – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**



Dear Parents,



There will be two productions, one for First Steps & Junior Unit and one for Middle Unit & Senior Unit. The Junior Production is called 'Rock Pool' and is a musical based on sea creatures and rock and roll music. The Senior production is called 'Mission Implausible' and is a secret agent/spy-parody musical taking influence from Mission Impossible and the James Bond films.



## Venue Location

The Bendigo Baptist Church, 757 McIvor Hwy, Junortoun

## Dates / Times

### Junior Production:

Thursday, 14 <sup>th</sup> September	1:00pm Matinee	6:00pm Evening
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### Senior Production:

Thursday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	1:00pm Matinee	6:00pm Evening
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Each production is expected to run between 40 to 60 minutes.

## Buses / Transport

**Matinee:** All students will travel by bus to and from the Baptist Church on the day of their respective Production to perform the Matinee. They will require lunch, snacks, a water bottle, any required medication, and costumes/props to be brought with them.

**Evening Production:** Families are required to transport their students to the venue, as well as bring any costumes and props required. Students can wear their costumes to the venue or get changed after they arrive, although please ensure enough time is allowed prior to the performance for preparation of props and costumes. There will be plenty of parking at the front and the back of the venue for parents and guests. Entry into the venue is via the front main entrance. On arrival to the production, it is asked that students performing are dropped off into the function room (immediately to the right after walking in the main entrance). This is where the student performers will wait with a teacher and get organised in their groups until they are ready to walk backstage, ready for their performance.

## Tickets

Tickets will be on sale in the coming weeks at the Office.

There will only be a limited number of cash only tickets available at the door for each performance.

## Auditions

Auditions will take place during school time in the next few weeks. It is important that students have in mind what their highest priority role / character is, as well as at least 1 or 2 other roles that they would be happy to do. It is not guaranteed that they will get their first pick. The character list is on display in the music room and will be discussed during school hours this term.

## Roles

Each student will be taking on one or two roles for the production. Some of the roles require a large amount of practise and hard work in order to memorise the lines and play the role convincingly. Some students will require less rehearsal time, but will still require time to memorise certain song lyrics and choreography. If your child has a special exemption from performing, or will be absent on the day, please let me or their classroom teacher know as soon as possible. All students are expected to participate, as involvement is part of the Assessment for Semester 2 in Music. There will be plenty of variety in roles to suit the needs of all students, including many non-speaking parts for extras, as well as ensemble members who will primarily be involved in the song performances.

### Costumes / Props

Many of the props and finer details of the costumes will be supplied by our Art teacher Alice, as well as our classroom teachers, however some clothing basics will be required of families to provide.

Please speak to your child to confirm their role in the performance. This will be finalised by Week 5 of Term 3 for the Junior Production and Week 7 of Term 3 for the Senior Production.

**Please see the script / booklet document via the QR code or link below for details about costume / prop requirements** for each of the characters and settings within the scenes. If families have any suitable costumes or props that they could help us out with, please email me at [nickolas.reid@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:nickolas.reid@education.vic.gov.au). Any support we can get from the school community with costumes and props will be greatly appreciated.

### Scripts and Rehearsing

Students will be able to do most of their practise during school hours in their music lessons, as well as in some class time with classroom teachers. Students are welcome to practice their singing, dancing, or instrumental roles at home as well. I will have a small amount of planning time available each week in which he can take certain groups of students for additional preparation for the Production where required.

### Home Practise

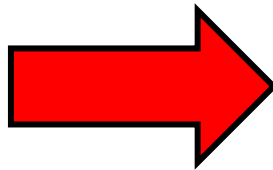
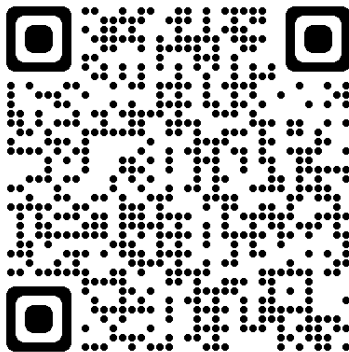
All documentation including scripts, costume, prop information, music and lyrics for both productions can be accessed at any time via the 'Booklet' or 'Songs' buttons in the Linktree page. The Linktree page can be accessed via the QR code or URL provided below.

Please note that these documents are for home use only and not for public consumption or replication.

Please support students by encouraging them to practise and use these resources regularly at home.

<https://linktr.ee/bhpsmusic>

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Please contact me at [nickolas.reid@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:nickolas.reid@education.vic.gov.au) if you have any questions.

Kind Regards,

Nick Reid  
Music Teacher