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## Check Your Child's Bag!!

### Forms sent home this week:

Wrap Lunch – Due Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March  
Book Club – Due 15<sup>th</sup> March via the LOOP  
Photo Flyer

## Donations for Egg Guess:

Thank you to those families who have already donated a packet of eggs for the Egg Guess. Please bring a packet into the office if you are yet to donate. Make sure you let someone know so we can tick your name off. We will start the competition on the 27<sup>th</sup> March. Cost will be \$5:00 for 3 guesses.

## Cyber Safety Info Session:

Thank you to the families who have registered their attendance at the Cybersafety 'Raising Kids in a Digital World' Info night on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at the Bacchus Marsh Town Hall. So far, 10 Balliang East PS families have registered their attendance. I cannot stress enough, the importance of this session, especially to those families who have children who are playing games or are on online social media portals. The organisers strongly encourage parents of Grade 2 and 3 students to attend as this age group can have the most impact at preventing online issues.

## Office Hours:

Mel's Office hours are:

MONDAY 9:15 AM—2:45 PM  
TUESDAY 9:15 AM—3:30 PM  
WEDNESDAY – Out of Office  
THURSDAY 8:30 AM —4:00 PM  
FRIDAY 9:15 AM—2:45 PM

An in-tray has been put on the bench near the office window for notes etc.

## Coffee Tins:

Mrs Wood is collecting coffee tins for a senior school art activity. Please collect and send 500g tins into the General Office. Please ensure they have their lids.

## School Council:

Our first School council Meeting will be on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 6:30pm.

## MEGA Blocks:

This year Mrs D is collecting Mega Blocks. If your child has grown out of using them, instead of taking them to the Op Shop, could you please bring them into school to pass on.



## Absent Notes:

When your child/ren are absent **please** come into the office on the day they return to school and sign an absent note. These notes have been prefilled and only require 5 seconds of your time.

I still have notes waiting to be signed from several weeks ago. Your signature is a legal requirement for DET.

## Somers Camp:

Five students headed off today to Somers Camp for 9 days. I'm sure they will have a great time.

## Naplan:

Naplan assessments start next Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March for Grade 3 & 5 students. If you have any concerns regarding your child's participation please see Mrs Fox ASAP. Grade 5 students who are at Somers camp will start their assessments on the 16<sup>th</sup> March.

# Important Dates:

**Principal:**  
Mrs Caryn Fox

**School Information:**  
School No: 3787  
Phone: 5369 5148 Fax: 5369 5226  
BEPS Mobile: 0418 316 148  
Email: balliang.east.ps@education.vic.gov.au

**School Council President:**  
Kylie Borchard

Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> March:	Labour Day Holiday
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Somers Camp ends
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March:	Wrap Lunch Day – St Patricks Day
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March:	Cyber Safety Info session for parents – Bacchus Marsh Hall at 7:30pm.
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March:	Ride to School
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March:	School Photos 
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March:	Sports Day at Mason's Lane 
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> April:	Easter Activities 
	End of Term 1 – 2:30pm
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April:	Term 2 starts
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April:	Anzac Day

## New Bank Details

**Balliang East Primary School Council**

**BSB: 063543**

**Account: 1004 7398**

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You can email [melanie.fairall@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:melanie.fairall@education.vic.gov.au) for administration or see another member of staff if needed. You can leave items for the office in the marked tray in the front of the foyer.

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# Students of the Week Awards:



Abel



Sophie



Iverson



Mason

# February Citizenship Award



Lexi



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# Reading Nights



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Ebony



Bryce



Harrelson

# SMILE CENTRE

Targeted, specialist tutoring  
for students with individual needs

1:1 (online or in person options)

Foundation - Year 12

Literacy and Numeracy

Social/Emotional Learning

(VCE/MM/PC/Life skills)

## ABOUT US

I am a highly experienced Special Education practitioner who has 6+ years of teaching experience in the UK and Australia.

I have a Masters of Teaching -VIT registration

Working with Children's Check

NDIS clearance

First Aid - Level 1

Located in Bacchus Marsh

## CONTACT US

Jaimie - 0492881042

[smilecentre@gmail.com](mailto:smilecentre@gmail.com)

# SCHOOL PHOTOS 2023 - Important Registration Information



*School Photographs will be taken at*

**Balliang East Primary School**

Friday 24th March 2023

**There is no need to return any forms or payment to school before photo day**

**Flyers with Unique Image Codes will be issued to all students on or after photo day**

**When you receive your child's 2023 image code**

*Follow these 3 simple steps -*

**1** Go to [order.arphotos.com.au](http://order.arphotos.com.au) and enter your child's **2023 image code**



**2** Tap on 'Add another child' to enter the image codes of any siblings



**3** Fill in your contact details & review before confirming your registration\*



\*This information will only be used for distribution of personal image codes and ordering details.

***That's it!***

**It's important to register each year to link your child's NEW images to your contact details  
When 2023 images are ready to view in our secure webshop you'll be notified by email and SMS**

- **Create photo packages with any layout & YOUR choice of images + Multiple Image Downloads**
- **Order on any mobile device**
- **Share the images with family & friends for FREE**

**\*\* Please wait to receive notifications that new images are online BEFORE ordering for 2023 \*\***



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# RAISING KIDS IN A DIGITAL WORLD 2023

## FOR PARENTS & CARERS

Social Media

Online Gaming

Managing Devices  
in the Home

Cyberbullying

Child & Tween  
Online Trends

Strengthening Family  
Communication

Impacts of  
Screen Time

Explicit/Adult  
Content

### Bacchus Marsh Public Hall

Wednesday 22 March | 7.30pm



**Martin McGauran**  
Primary School Teacher  
& Digital Safety Educator

- 90 minute presentation
- Parents/carers only
- FREE to attend

Register to come along:

[bit.ly/bacchusmarsh2023](https://bit.ly/bacchusmarsh2023)



**Carley McGauran**  
Psychologist & Mum to 3 primary  
and secondary aged kids



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## BALLARAT & GRAMPIANS COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICE



### Legal Matters for Parents/Carers

#### **Securing Your Future** An information session for Bacchus Marsh Carers

The Pinarc Parent Support Program is proud to host the Ballarat and Grampians Community Legal Service for this important information session.

As children with disabilities reach adulthood, legal issues around wills, power of attorney, financial and medical management can become more complex.

This FREE session is open to families and carers of people with disabilities of all ages.

The Pinarc Parent Support Program is supported by the Victorian Government.



**Date:**  
Monday 27th March

**Program Times:**  
7.00pm – 8.30pm

**Venue:**  
Darley Neighbourhood House  
33-35 Jonathan Dr, Darley

**How Much Does it Cost?**  
Free

**Location of Program:**  
Bacchus Marsh

**How do I register:**  
Contact Parent Support Coordinator,  
Rebecca Paton  
Phone: 53291361  
Email: [rpaton@pinarc.org.au](mailto:rpaton@pinarc.org.au)

P: 1800 PINARC (1800 746 272) | E: [admin@pinarc.org.au](mailto:admin@pinarc.org.au) | [www.pinarc.org.au](http://www.pinarc.org.au)