

# B.E.P.S



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## Balliang East Primary School Newsletter

20<sup>th</sup> February 2024

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### Check Your Child's Bag!!

#### Forms sent home this week:

Contact Detail Form – due Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb (still waiting on 10 families)

Pink Stumps attendance – Due Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Feb

Glasses For Kids Consent – Due Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March

### Pink Stumps Welcome BBQ:

Our annual Pink Stumps Welcome BBQ is **this Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February starting at 5:30pm**. So far, we have about 120 attending which is fantastic.

The cost of \$5:00 per person attending will entitle them to a sausage and drink.

Additional sausages and other food items can be purchased on the night. We also have Pink Stump caps and bandanas for sale. We will run a raffle to win a set of pink stumps. Tickets will be \$1:00 each. **Please bring cash for these purchases. We do not have EFTPOS.**

The \$5:00 per person payment is to be donated online to the Glenn McGrath Foundation, prior to the night via the link below. Please put your family name with the donation. We will have a check list at the gate to ensure payments have been made.

<https://www.pinkisthecolour.com.au/fundraisers/carynfox>

So far we have \$877:00 of donations and we are still waiting for a number of families to make their payment. Last year we raised over \$3000 for the foundation. Let's try to break our record and help those in need. This year's efforts will help support Mrs D as she continues to fight her battle.

### Prep Days Off:

The Prep children do not attend school on Wednesdays during February – see 'Important Dates' below.

### School Council:

Thank you to the parents who nominated for School Council.

Our next meeting will be on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March. Council members will receive a Zoom link prior to the meeting.

### Raising Kids In A Digital World:

**On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March, the local Bacchus Marsh schools including Balliang East, are teaming up with the Bacchus Marsh Police to present a Cyber Safety Information session. I strongly encourage all parents to put this date in your diaries as you will be astounded by what may be going on under your own rooves. All families have received a paper flyer with a QR code on it. Please register your attendance through this. Places are filling fast so please register ASAP to secure your place.**

### Prep Enrolments – 2025:

If you have a child starting school in 2025, please collect an Application Form from the office. These are due back by the end of Term 1. Successful applicants will be sent a letter of offer at the end of Term 2 which will contain the enrolment form and Be PREPared dates.

### School Photos:

All students will have individual and family photos taken on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March. They will be given a code on the day which you can go online to order the photos from when they become available. See flyer below.

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# Important Dates:

**Principal:**  
Mrs. Caryn Fox

**School Information:**  
School No: 3787  
Phone: 5369 5148 Fax: 5369 5226  
BEPS Mobile: 0418 316 148

**School Council President:**  
Joanne Darrington

Wednesday 21st February:	No Preps
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February:	<b>PINK STUMPS</b> Family Welcome BBQ – 5:30pm
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February:	No Preps
Friday 1st March:	School Photos Clean up Australia Day
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March:	Labour Day Holiday
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March:	Curriculum Day (No students)
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March:	Naplan Starts – Gr 3 & 5
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March:	Sports Day – P-6 – Bacchus Marsh.
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March:	School Council
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March:	Cyber Safety Info session for parents – time and venue TBC
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March:	Ride AT School
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March:	Easter Activities End Term 1 – 2:30pm
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April:	Term 2 starts

## Glasses For Kids Program:

Grade P-3 students need to return their consent forms by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March. The GFK program comes to our school every 4 years and all students who complete the consent will have their eyes tested and will receive new glasses. Older students who missed the program last time or students whose parents or teachers have concerns about are also eligible for free testing. Please ask Mrs Fox for a form if you have a Grade 4-6 students who you would like to have tested. The program will happen on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

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# Students of the Week Awards:



LOKI



ARIJANA

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK



ELSA



CHELSEA



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Joel



Rylan



Chelsea

PINK IS THE COLOUR  
OF ACTION ✓  
OF FUN 😊  
OF CARE 🏠  
OF LIFE 📶  
WE PLAY.



McGrath  
Foundation  
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# Pancake Day



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# CRICKET CLINIC



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# RAISING KIDS IN A DIGITAL WORLD

FOR PARENTS & CARERS

Social Media

Impacts of Screen Time

Online Gaming

Cyber Bullying

Child & Tween Online Trends

Managing Devices in the Home

Explicit/Adult Content

Strengthening Family Communication

Trusted eSafety Provider  
esafety.gov.au

Bacchus Marsh Grammar School  
(John Lever Gymnasium)  
37 Sth Maddingley Rd, Maddingley

Wed 20 March  
7.00 pm



Martin McGauran  
Primary School Teacher  
& Cyber Safety Educator

## INFORM & EMPOWER

- 90 minute presentation
- Parents/carers only
- Exclusive access to resources



Register to come along:  
[bit.ly/bacchus2024](https://bit.ly/bacchus2024)



Carley McGauran  
Psychologist & Mum to  
3 schoolaged kids



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# SCHOOL PHOTOS 2024 - Important Registration Information

*School Photographs will be taken at*

**Balliang East Primary School**

Friday 1st March 2024

**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 2024 image code**

*Follow these 3 simple steps -*

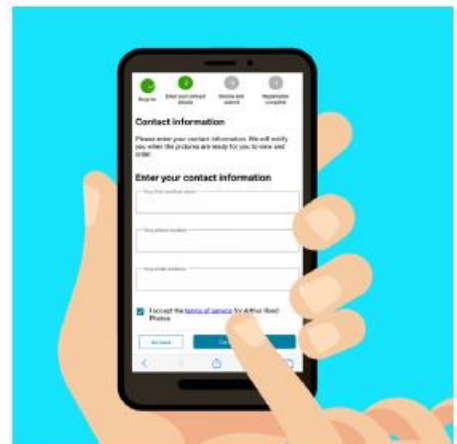
**1** Go to [order.arphotos.com.au](http://order.arphotos.com.au) and enter your child's 2024 image code



**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 2024 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 2024\*\***



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