News from The Garden



Public School Review Report

Last month our school was reviewed by the Department of Education. Schools are reviewed every 3 -5 years, and this review process provides feedback to principals, their staff and the school community to help improve school performance. Our school, like all public schools, was assessed against a standard, and I am delighted to share with the community our Review Report. Please refer to the report attached. This report will be published on our website and Schools Online.

Staff, parents, students and members of the school community talked with the Reviewers Rod Lowther and Trudy Burke in small groups throughout the day. Prior to this, my staff and I had submitted comprehensive evidence to describe our achievements and our journey over the last five years.

I would like to acknowledge the work of our Planning Committee in 2016 who worked alongside me to establish such a positive and firm foundation upon which to build our school. I would also like to thank our Board members who have supported my leadership and overseen the governance of our school with such integrity and focus.

Our Review Report reflects their work, and the work and commitment of every staff member, parent, student and community representative who has contributed to our school over the last five years. I would particularly like to acknowledge the work of my two Foundation Deputy Principals Mel Stewart and David Batt. Mel and David have worked collaboratively with me over the last five years and they have proven to be very strong, professional and respectful leaders who have had a very positive and profound impact on our school. It is a joy and privilege to work with them, and I thank them sincerely for their commitment to our school.

Swimming Carnival

Our faction swimming carnival was a big success. The weather was beautiful and our students participated with enthusiasm and great sportsmanship. They all tried so hard and should be commended for their efforts. Thank you to our parents who came to watch and to the parents who assisted us on the day. The parents relay team was a winner!! Swimming is such an important skill that provides opportunities for both exercise and for leisure. Living in Australia, all children need to know how to swim, so may I encourage all parents to provide regular opportunities for your children to learn to swim. We have swimming lessons in Term 3 and I trust all our students will take up this opportunity to learn to swim.



Congratulations to Green faction who won our carnival and to the following students who were our year level champions.

	Winner	Runner Up
Year 4 Girls	Olivia Adams	Tiahna Wormall
Year 4 Boys	Lucas Glenn	Tariq Gooda-Marou
Year 5 Girls	Chloe Schiller	Ameerah Alhabshee
		Abby Bindoff
Year 5 Boys	David Glenn	Izac Smylie
Year 6 Girls	Dasha Tetlow	Emily Schiller
Year 6 Boys	Zealand Gavin	Eoin Casey

I would like to acknowledge our Physical Education teacher Abby Barnden. Abby did a super job of organising our carnival. Well done Miss Barnden. We love having Miss Barnden in our school.



Harmony Day Celebration

Our next assembly will be our Harmony Day celebration. We look forward to your children wearing their cultural dress or something orange. Harmony Week is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background, united by a set of core Australian values. Your child will be involved in classroom activities in this week and our Harmony Day Assembly will allow us to come together as a whole school to celebrate our school's cultural diversity.





P & C

On Saturday we were lucky enough to hold the famous democracy sausage sizzle. We also had a cake stall and a raffle going using the prizes donated to us for the community picnic. A big thank you to our volunteers for helping on the day whether it was at the event or donating yummy food! The event ran so smoothly and everyone worked in a team we should be very proud. We are just finalizing numbers and should have our profits by the end of the week.

A big thank you to the following for the donations to our raffle! Jaffelato RJs Butchers Nourish Timezone Baldivis Bunnings Impression Catering Moment for you Massage Body Shop by Jen Glow Skin and Spa

A big thank you to Woolworths for their discount to our sausages and bread. Spudshed for the donation of onions and a massive thank you to Shaun Varndell from Gilbert's Fresh for his donation of 250 sausages we appreciate your donations so much!

This week your child would have come home with the Bendigo Bank raffle books. This is a Rockingham Community event and proudly sponsored by Bendigo Bank. This is not compulsory but you do have a good chance to win \$15,000 and our school gets 100% profit. Please return your books and money to the P&C box in the office by May 12th.

Every Thursday for the remainder of the term we will be having cheesy toasties. Available from the canteen during recess for .5oc! Kindy and PP can let their teacher know if they wish to order.

We have two more notices coming out in the next week which we think you will love! Our amazing fundraising team are working hard and listening to our survey results and taking on everyone's feedback. Thank you to those who participated. We do need a couple more volunteers for the disco next term. Please jump onto our Facebook page and see if there is a time you can help. The disco may sound easy enough but we will not be able to host the disco without parents and volunteers support. We appreciate everyone's support already.

Thank you Michaela P & C President

ANZAC Day Service

Our ANZAC Day service will be held in Week 1 Term 2 on Thursday morning 22nd April. We will be asking parents to contribute a small bunch of flowers for our wreaths. More information to come closer to the date.

Boost Workshop Postponed

Thank you to those parents who had registered for the wonderful BOOST program which was to be held this week. Unfortunately, due to a lack of numbers, we have had to postpone the workshops until Tuesday the 15th and 22nd of June. There are 20 places available and registrations will close to our school on the 28th of May, and open to other Baldivis schools. If you would like to secure a spot for the workshop in June, then please phone or email the front office.

Melinda Stewart Deputy Principal

A Parent Workshop Not to Miss

Our **Protective Behaviours Parenting information sessions** will be commencing next Tuesday. We still have places available. The sessions will be delivered across two sessions of 90 minutes each. Tuesday 23rd and Tuesday 30th March.

Session 1: Understanding the role of society in keeping children safe. Understanding what Protective Behaviours is. Recognising grooming behaviours, definition of abuse. The Language of Safety (this alone is a strong protective factor and used correctly will change your relationships for the better). Unwritten rules (how society determines how we behave and the effect this has on safety and emotions).

Session 2: Unpacking the principles of Protective Behaviours including; the safety Continuum, understanding feeling safe vs feeling unsafe, rights vs responsibilities, risking on purpose for confidence, assertiveness skills (teaching children the 5

different ways to say NO), problem solving skills, secrets vs surprises, public vs private, personal space, and more.

The internationally recognises Protective Behaviours Program is an important part of every parent's tool kit for helping their children develop Resilience, Problem Solving, Assertiveness, listening to their gut, and is a strong protective factor against bullying and abuse.

To book, please call us on 9439 1838 to register your place. These sessions are held at our school and are open to anyone who is interested. You do not need to be a parent at our school.

I have attached the Term 2, 3 and 4 Planners to this newsletter. Please remember some event dates may need to change due to unforeseen circumstances.

I trust your week has been a happy and positive one.

Kind regards

Jayne Jayne Ebsworthy Principal