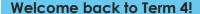
Base 1270 Newsletter

October 29th, 2020



The year has flown by so quickly but we have enjoyed every moment of it. We have completed our final vacation care program for the year. One of our most successful programs yet! Although it has been quite hard without venturing out on excursions and trying to keep the children entertained, we are happy to say that we have made it through.

We are super excited to see what the year has left for us!



We were thrilled to see how many we had attending to begin with and weren't expecting such a good number of children. It was awesome to see some familiar faces and some faces that we hadn't seen for some time. The children were such good sports throughout the whole week especially when the weather wasn't so kind to us. The most popular days included our Deep Sea Science Day and Our Space Day where we completed activities such as; Window Aquariums, Seashell Painting, Space Helmets and Alien Creations.

We will shortly begin planning for our summer holiday program. This year we will be open for three weeks from 11 - 29 January 2021 (closed for Australia Day on 26 Jan).

Keep an eye out for more details coming later this term.









<u>Important Dates</u>

November 3

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday (closed)

December 8

Early Finish- 1.00pm (Buninyong PS)

December 18

Early finish- 1.30pm End of Term 4

<u>Important</u> <u>Announcements</u>

We will be practicing a Lockdown procedure this week.

Portfolio Day will be Friday the 30thth of October.

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BSC/ASC Program Update

Casey and myself have been regularly meeting with Dave Young (Head of Teaching & Learning) to develop our program further incorporate a learning focus. We are continuing with weekly themes in our ASC program, which are created by picking outcomes from the MTOP (My Time, Our Place) Learning Framework.



BSC Update

We are so excited to see numbers gradually building and on some mornings are reaching similar numbers to those we had before COVID-19. We are always looking for feedback from the BSC children/families on what we can bring to help benefit the children before entering their normal school day. We have found that mostly the children are looking for a comfortable space to relax before beginning their school day.

We have also recently decided to open up the BSC program to other schools and already have a few take up the offer and others express interest. We look forward to watching our BSC program grow.

Friendly Reminder

We ask that families drop their children off before 8.15am, if children are intending on eating breakfast at the program as our kitchen needs to be cleaned up in order to get all children off to their classrooms and buses on time.

ASC Update

The past couple of weeks we have been tackling the area of Identity in children. We believe that children having a strong sense of who they are and how they are seen within the community is incredibly important. We are learning through our reflections at the end of the night that this is an area that needs more attention. Therefore it will be an area we will try and highlight throughout the rest of the Term.



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We looking forward to watching all our students develop and grow.

Friendly Reminder

All children who intend on playing outside during Term 4 **MUST** wear a hat. If you know your child's hat is kept in their classrooms during Term 4, we ask that you pack a spare wide brim hat when attending Base 1270.

Base 1270 have spare hats but these are limited, however we do have Base 1270 hats for sale at the office.



As the weather heats up children will also need to apply sunscreen before heading outside, if you know your child has sensitive skin or they react_easily to normal sunscreen we ask you pack sunscreen on the day they attend the program.

Lockdown Procedure Drill

This week we completed a lockdown procedure drill. All children were cooperative, quick and understood the importance of this drill. The children could identify that the purpose of practicing safety drills is so everyone is kept safe and are aware of what happens when a real safety procedure takes place. In reflecting upon the drill we have found that there is a few points that will need to be updated and rectified but overall the drill was a success.

Lost Property

We have a considerable pile of lost property that has been building since the Vacation Care program. Our lost property tub is located in the foyer entrance, if all families could attempt to go through and dig out any missing jumpers, lunchboxes or drink bottles that have been left behind, our team will be very appreciative.



Xplor Home

Thank-you to all families that have taken the time to figure out the new software. Our staff have been busily trying to catch up with all families to ensure that everyone is able to sign in/out. Here are some quick instructions to help families out with signing in and out.

- 1. Set up your profile using the login credentials sent via the OSHC email.
- 2. Download the App (Xplor Home).
- 3. Click Sign In/Out.
- 4. Accept permission to access your camera.
- 5. Scan QR barcode on Ipad in the foyer.
- 6. Green tick will show up when signed in/out correctly.
- 7. If you have more than one child you will need to click on each child before the green tick will appear.

Please note, both parents need to have their own profile. If there are parents who still need to set up their own profile please email Mel – <u>oshc@buninyongps.vic.edu.au</u>



