Welcome to Term 1. We have a fabulous term planned for the students. We hope you find the information below helpful. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact your child’s class teacher or class parent representative.

In Mathematics we will be learning to:

- touch, move and count to 10
- connect number names, numerals and quantities to 10
- recognise, describe and draw simple 2D shapes
- matching shapes to solve puzzles (e.g. tangrams)
- discuss yesterday, today and tomorrow and days of the week
- follow simple directions using a sequence of movements
- make and extend patterns
- subitising – “what do you see and how do you see it?”

In English we will be learning to:

- hold the pencil correctly
- recognise and write names in Vic Modern Cursive (school font)
- write from left to right, top to bottom
- have a go at writing (using the phrase “Have a go, you never know”)
- match sounds with letters using cued articulation
- contribute ideas to discussions
- ask simple questions in response to information
- sequence a small number of ideas when speaking
- understand and follow simple instructions
- recognise some high frequency words (e.g. I, can, see, like, am, me, the, is, this, at)
- predict and retell the main idea in a story
- point to each word as we read (one to one correspondence)

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**Timetable**

Students should arrive at school no later than 8.50am to meet and greet friends, discuss the day ahead, go to the toilet if needed and settle down after the morning rush.

School starts at 9.00am and finishes at 3.30pm

Recess 10.40am – 11.10am

Lunch 1.00pm – 1.50pm outside

Students are given time to eat their food, prior to going outside to play.

**Out of Hours School Care - Camp Australia**

Students must not be left alone in the school yard before 8.45 or after 3.45. If you have to leave your child before or after these times on any day you must book them into after care as there is no yard supervision outside these times. The out of hours school program is run through Camp Australia. Bookings need to be made through their website.

**After School Pick Up**

If you are going to be late to pick up your child, please ring the office (ph. 95892619) to inform them. In unforeseen circumstances, your child will be taken to the office at 3.45pm by a Prep teacher or yard duty staff. The office staff will phone you. If your child is going home with a friend or different family member, please remind your child and inform your class teacher.

**Closing of school gates**

To assist with student safety and wellbeing, all school gates will be closed at 9.15am until 3.00 pm. If you need to enter the school between these times please enter and exit through the office and sign in or out.

**Specialists**

N.B These days will change after labour day

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**Nude food lunches**

All students are encouraged to bring ‘nude food’ lunches. A nude food lunch has no foil, gladwrap or any other packaging. Please unwrap and throw any rubbish out at home to help us significantly reduce the amount of rubbish scattered throughout our school. Your child needs to be able to manage the opening and closing of lunch containers independently. A labelled drink bottle containing water is highly encouraged. Research shows that children learn best when they are hydrated with water.

**Reading and writing at home**

Reading - Reading should be an enjoyable experience for all family members. Make this a special time where you and your child are not distracted.

Writing – please provide your child with writing materials, paper, glue and scissors to use at their leisure.

**School Uniform**

Our Beaumaris PS school uniform should be worn correctly and be in good condition. Please ensure
all items of clothing are named and check the lost property cupboard near the art room for any missing items. Please ensure hair longer than shoulder length is tied up and hair accessories are school colours only. Jewellery is not part of the Beaumaris PS school uniform including coloured wrist and ankle bands. Students may only wear small stud earrings. School uniform is worn on excursions.

**Sun smart**

We encourage students to apply sunscreen before going to school. Extra sunscreen is available in the classroom. ‘Hats away, 1st of May, 1st of September, hats to remember’.

**Communication**

- General information and upcoming events are published in the Stop Press, our school newsletter. A link is emailed out to parents every Thursday and can be accessed via the Beaumaris Primary website. [http://www.beaups.vic.edu.au](http://www.beaups.vic.edu.au) Please ensure you read our Stop Press every week. Links to other notices are also provided online. This link provides important information relation to school management, procedures and dates and highlight our exciting Learning and Teaching programs.
- Please check your child’s seagull pocket of their schoolbag for any notices.
- Located at the end of our Prep Learning Centre (PLC) is our Prep Communication Board where you will find information about our Investigations, learning intentions, Prep specific information and upcoming events.
- Teachers will be outside their classrooms from 3.30pm-3.40pm each day so you can informally catch up with them. If you have a specific concern, please make an appointment with the class teacher.
- **Reminder:** All teachers are required at staff meetings and professional development sessions every Monday and Wednesday from 3.45pm so are unable to meet with you on these days. Teachers are also required at staff briefing every morning at 8:40am.
- Our ‘Konnective’ mobile app and Facebook page will also update parents to daily events and reminders.

**Absences**

If your child is absent, you can email the office on beaumaris.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au or the new link on our website and your class teacher will be alerted to their absence. If not sent through by email, we still require written verification of student absence (not in the student diary). In addition to this, any students leaving the school before 3:30 require an early leaver’s pass to be collected at the office and presented to the classroom teacher. Students must be collected by an adult if leaving the school.

Address: 79-99 Dalgetty Road. Beaumaris. 3193  
Phone: 03 9589 2619  
Fax: 03 9589 1957

**Personalised learning**

The Walker Learning Approach provides an authentic personalised learning model of teaching and learning that engages students in meaningful and relevant strategies that enhance academic skills alongside social and emotional development.

**Birthdays**

Children can bring a treat to share on their birthday – nut and egg free please!

**Important dates**

Eye Testing – Monday 17th Feb  
School Photos – Monday 3rd March  
Wednesday – no school due to testing until after Labour day  
Labour day – Monday 10th March – no school  
Full time – Tuesday 11th March  
Easter Bonnet Parade – Friday 4th April  
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – Friday 4th April. Early 2:30pm finish

Term 2 starts – Tuesday 22nd April