



Welcome to the 2017 school year. We hope you find the information below helpful. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

Timetable	<p>School starts at 9.00am Recess 10.40 – 11.10 Lunch - 12.50pm – 1.00pm (eating time). 1.00pm – 1.50pm Dismissal-3.30 Punctuality is extremely important and students who are late in the morning must present their teacher with a Late Pass which can be obtained from the office.</p>					
Out of Hours School Care -Camp Australia	<p>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.</p>					
Closing of school gates	<p>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.</p>					
Specialists		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	9:00					
	9:50					
	10:40	Recess	Recess	Recess	Recess	Recess
	11:10		4DG Library	4F Art 4M Performing Arts 4DG PE		4F & 4M Library
	12:00					4F Performing Arts 4M PE 4DG Japanese
	1:00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
	1:50 4F PE 4M Japanese 4DG Art					KITCHEN GARDEN/ WHOLE SCHOOL SUSTAINABILITY
	2:40 4F Japanese 4M Art 4DG Performing Arts					3:00pm Assembly
Homework	<p>Reading-20-30 minutes reading a night to be recorded – title, pages or time read, in diary and signed by parents weekly. A range of literature is available in classrooms and our library. Local library visits and reading of a variety of texts-e.g. newspapers and online reports is encouraged. Spelling- Students personalised spelling words will be recorded in diaries at the beginning of each week. Students are encouraged to practise their weekly words throughout the week. Mathletics and Reading Eggs-each student has a student log in number. Activities offer both challenge and reinforcement of concepts. Additional homework will be related to our classroom focus over a weekly or fortnightly timeframe. Diaries are to be submitted every Friday to the class teacher.</p>					
Nude food lunches	<p>Our school strongly encourages nude food lunches as part of our sustainability practice. Please leave any wrappings and rubbish out at home to help us significantly reduce the amount of rubbish which goes into landfill and also can end up scattered throughout our school. Supermarkets and variety stores have a wide range of suitable lunchboxes and containers.</p>					
School Uniform	<p>Our Beumaris PS school uniform should be worn correctly and be in good condition. Hats are to be worn at recess, lunch and in outdoor activities until the 1st of May and again from the 1st of September. We encourage students to apply sunscreen before leaving for school. Extra sunscreen is available in the classroom. Jewellery is not part of the Beumaris PS school uniform including coloured wrist and ankle bands. Small stud earrings only should be worn. Please ensure all items of clothing are named and check the lost property cupboard near the art room for any missing items. School uniform orders can be placed at the office. Students are required to change into school uniform upon returning from school sports activities. Families may be invoiced for any sports uniforms that are not returned promptly by their children.</p>					
Communication	<p>General information and upcoming events are published in Stop Press. A link for Stop Press is emailed out to parents every Thursday or can be accessed via the Beumaris Primary website. http://www.beaups.vic.edu.au/. This link provides important information in relation to school management, procedures and dates and highlights our exciting Learning and Teaching programs. Our new Konnective app and Facebook page will also update parents</p>					

	about daily events and reminders. 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 that will take more than a few minutes, please make an appointment with the class teacher. All teachers are required at staff meetings and professional development sessions every Monday and Wednesday from 3.45pm and briefings 8:40-50am so we would appreciate if appointments can be made at other times.
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
English	Through our English program this term we aim to further develop the students' literacy skills. Our weekly spelling program will encourage students to develop their understandings of word structure and meanings, by applying a variety of strategies. Our writing program will cover transactional and information report text types. We will continue to follow the BPS Writing Process, which involves drafting, editing, revising, and teacher conferencing with an emphasis on publishing various texts as well as The Seven Steps to Writing Success. A focus will be placed on enhancing writing through the correct use of punctuation and language conventions. Through reading we will conduct conferences, complete reading journals, and develop skills in the area of comprehension, accuracy, fluency and extending vocabulary. Students will be encouraged to read a range of texts daily, both at school and at home.
Mathematics 	Mathematics this term will involve detailed investigation of place value and mapping. Students will also be revising and committing to memory addition number facts to 10 then to 20, from which we will then focus on multiplication facts to 100 and beyond where appropriate. Students will be involved in various activities that will have them apply and extend their existing knowledge. Students will also be involved in a plethora of differentiated and engaging activities. These tasks will extend students and assist them in the development of problem solving skills and critical reasoning.
Personalised learning 	The Walker Learning Approach is an exciting pedagogy that places the child and their interests at the centre of the curriculum. It ensures authentic and exciting personalised learning and supports the explicit instruction of English and Mathematics. It promotes the active engagement of students while they work on their own investigations during two or three sessions a week with a specific subject focus. This term students will be assisted to relate their interests to our subject focus of Geography. Our Geography learning intentions for term 1 are to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a greater awareness of their local community • Understand how people affect the environment • Understand how environments have changed over time
Birthdays	Students may bring a treat to share for birthdays. No nuts please. Chocolate frogs, Chuppa chups etc. are a great option.
Mobile phones	Mobile phones are permitted at school if necessary. The school takes no responsibility for loss or damage. Students are to switch off their phones during school hours, keep them in their bags and adhere to our mobile phone policy and cyber guidelines.
ICT Buddies	Year 4 students will have the responsibility of a Foundation ICT 'buddy'.
Interschool Sport	This term Year 4, 5 and 6 students can electively participate in trials for the BPS swimming team (if they can confidently and competently swim 50 metres).
Important dates.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swimming trials Thursday 9th February • Meet the Joneses Sustainability Excursion Wednesday 15th & Thursday 16th February • Year 4 Parent Information Night Wednesday 15th February 6.00-7.00pm • Walking excursion to Rickett's Point Tuesday 21st February 11.15am-2pm • School Photos Monday 6th March • Seaside District Swimming Tuesday 7th March • Seaside District Tennis Tuesday 21st March • Year 4 Camp Wednesday 29th to Friday 31st March • Easter Celebrations (Assembly & Glee Club Performance outside Ginger Fox) Friday 31st March

Thank you for your support. We invite our families to visit our learning space at any time to see our exciting programs in action!

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