FROM THE PRINCIPAL AND ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Families

Prep enrolments for 2017
Enrolments for Prep 2017 are currently being taken. Thank you to the families who have already lodged an enrolment form. It would be most helpful if parents could return the enrolment form (download from our website or available from the office) prior to the end of Term 2.

Parent Teacher interviews: Book on Compass
Parent teacher interviews will take place in the week beginning 20th June. Compass will be open for bookings for one week from tomorrow, Friday 10th June at 4pm, and bookings will close at 4pm on June 17th. Parents are able to book an interview via Compass using the log in distributed to each family last week.

Free Dress Day for Will Murray: Thank you Beaumaris Community
We received the following thank you from the organiser of the Bayside Dress Up Day for Will Murray earlier this term. The generosity of Bayside schools has made a significant difference to Will and his family.

Dear Beaumaris Primary Community,
Thank you so much for taking part in the free dress day for Will Murray. Every school put in a huge effort and together we raised $10,043.55. This money will be used to help Will with his treatments.
Kind regards, Jack Clarkson

Professional Learning with Karen Starkiss
On Monday evening our teachers spent two hours with Karen Starkiss. Karen’s session focussed on classroom strategies to assist students with learning difficulties. Karen will return in Term 3 to facilitate another session focussed on online resources and practical ideas for teachers to use to further enrich their classroom program.

Head lice
Infestations appear from time to time—and right now is one of those times. When we are notified that head lice is present in a class, a notice is sent to all parents with instructions from the Department of Education on how to best treat the issue. Untreated the problem can spread rapidly. If you detect head lice in your child’s hair please contact the school immediately. If you require any further information regarding detection and treatment procedures then please refer to www.health.vic.gov.au/headlice.

Sheryl M. Skewes
Principal

Louise Neave
Assistant Principal
The Snack Shack

There has been a steady increase in Emergency Lunches and we ask that parents and students please ensure that if ordering on Qkr! the ordering process is completed fully – remember to click “Pay Now” and check that you receive a receipt. Monday Milk & Milo was such a big hit that we had to buy more milk half way through recess! Due to the public holiday next week, we will have only one Monday Milk & Milo day left, being Monday 20th June. Volunteers, please keep bringing your forms to the office please so that we can have a full roster ready for Term 3. Remember, Qkr! Sushi Monday is on Monday 20th June and on that day The Snack Shack will be open for counter sales only. Thank you.

Please Note—Parent Teacher interviews

Ms Lindy McManus and Mrs Caroline Rothberg will be on long service leave in the last week of Term 2, Parent teacher interviews with these two teachers only, will be available in the second week of term 3 (bookings still via Compass).

Prep parents will be invited to their child’s Japanese class in the first few weeks of term 3. The class visit will be in lieu of parent teacher interviews with Mrs Sue Dale, teacher of Prep Japanese. Next term, Mrs Dale will let Prep parents know the dates.

Our school uses Compass as our Parent Portal

To log into Compass you will require your unique family username and password, these details were provided to each family last week—via a letter which came home with your student.

You can use the Compass App on your phone, or access the Compass website via your tablet, iPad or home computer. The website address is: https://beaups.vic.jdlf.com.au. You can access this link from our school website—on our front page (right hand side) you will see the Compass logo—click here and you will be taken to the login page for Compass.

Upon first login, you will be required to change you password and confirm your email address and mobile phone number. These details me be used by the school for SMS and email communication throughout the year. At any stage, if you have lost your details or forgotten your password, you can recover your details by clicking the “Don’t know your username?/Forgot your password?” link on the front page.

We will be rolling different features of Compass over the next twelve months, starting with Parent/Teacher interview bookings from tomorrow. You can also now use the Attendance function to advise us of any absences; this function also enables you to view an attendance summary for your student/s. If you do not advise the school then absences will be recorded as “unapproved” or “unexplained” until you enter your approval via Compass. See below for instructions....
The calendar function is not fully operating at the moment, we will be using our school website calendar until the end of this term and then the Compass calendar will be your reference from the start of Term 3.

Remember you only have one week to book your parent/teacher interview. The Compass booking facility opens at 4pm tomorrow (Friday 10 June) and is open for one week until 4pm on Friday 17 June.

### Student Reports

You can view a complete academic history for your child including Semester Reports and any Progress Reports created by the school about your student. You can download these at any time and print them if required.
Beaumaris Primary School community coffee morning  
Term 2 2016.

The staff of Beaumaris Primary school would like to thank all the parents who came along to the morning coffee catch up. It was great to see so many teachers and parent having the opportunity to have a social chat over a cup of coffee. It was a fantastic way for everyone to start a chilly winter’s morning. We look forward to doing this again in Term 3, so keep an eye in the newsletter for the next social catch up.

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**SUPER SOCCER**

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**WHEN:** Friday
**COMMENCING:** 15/7/16
**CONCLUDING:** 16/9/16
**TIME:** 3.35-4.35

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**VENUE:** Soccer: School Oval
Could try harder… always does her best… lacks concentration… easily distracted… a pleasure to teach… Do those comments, taken from a batch of student reports, sound familiar? Student reports bring mixed feelings for parents. Pleasure and pride if they are performing well but considerable angst when children are not progressing as you hoped.

Reports can mean anxious times for children too. Will my parents be disappointed or proud? This is the main concern of most children. Kids of all ages take their cues from their parents, so your reaction to their school report can affect the way they see themselves as learners and as people.

Before you rip open the sealed envelope containing the report do a little self-check to see if you are in the right frame of mind:

1. Are your expectations for your son or daughter realistic and in line with their ability?

Expectations are tricky. If they are too high then kids can be turned off learning. Too low and there is nothing to strive for. Pitch your expectations in line with your child’s abilities.

A quick check of your child’s last report cards may provide you with a good yardstick.

2. Do you believe that children learn at different rates?

There are slow bloomers, late developers and steady-s-you-go kids in every classroom, so avoid comparing your child to siblings, your friends’ children and even yourself when you were a child. Instead look for individual progress.

3. Are you willing to safeguard your child’s self-esteem rather than deflate it?

Self-confidence is a pre-requisite for learning, so be prepared to be as positive and encouraging as possible.

School reports come in different formats. Some are prescriptive while some use grading systems such as A, B, C, etc. with room for teacher comments. Regardless of the format school reports should provide you with an idea of your child's progress in all subject areas, their attitude and social development.

Here are some ideas to consider when you open your child’s report:

- **Focus on strengths.** Do you look for strengths or weaknesses first? The challenge is to focus on strengths even if they are not in the traditional 3Rs or core subjects.
- **Take into account your child’s effort and attitude to learning.** If the report indicates that effort is below standard, then you have something to work on. If your child is putting in the required effort, then you cannot ask any more than that, regardless of the grading.
- **Broaden your focus away from academic performance to form a picture of your child’s progress as a member of a social setting.** How your child gets along with his or her peers will influence his happiness and well-being, as well as give an indicator to his future. The skills of independence and co-operation are highly valued by employers so don’t dismiss these as unimportant.
- **Take note of student self-assessment.** Kids are generally very honest and will give a realistic assessment of their progress. They are generally very perceptive so take note of their opinions.
- **Discuss the report with your son or daughter.** Talking about strengths first before looking at areas that need improvement. Ask for their opinion about how they performed and discuss their concerns.

After reports are read and discussed celebrate your child’s efforts with a special activity or treat. In this way you will recognise progress and remind them that the holidays are just around the corner when they can forget about assessment, tests and reports for a while.

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**LEVEL LOW DOWN**

**Foundation**

This week in Prep we read a familiar picture story book called Clever Max. This is the second time we have read this book and many students remembered important parts from the story prior to starting our reading. At the very beginning of the year we had a try at writing something about the story and drawing a picture. On Tuesday we had another try at writing something about the story and drawing a picture.

The Prep teachers are so proud of how far the students have come in their writing. They are ‘having a go’ at writing and are using letter sounds, our learnt sight words and finger spaces. The students are also very happy with their achievements and are showing great pride in their work.

Please see below some examples of the student’s Clever Max writing. We look forward to sharing more of the children’s achievements during Parent Teacher Interviews in the final week of Term 2.

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**Year One**

What a hectic week! The Year Ones charged around the oval at Beaumaris Reserve and roared encouragement to their friends and siblings too. Whew! Then we had an authentic learning opportunity at Como House where we experienced ‘History in Action’. It was impossible to decide whether we liked playing old fashioned games such as croquet, competing in the Mystery Trail or exploring the mansion the most. We definitely know we wouldn’t like to be a servant who emptied out chamber pots. Many students thought using the old clothes washing equipment was heaps of fun. So parents, if you need help with your laundry...you know what to do!
**Year Two**

In mathematics the Year 2 students are currently learning about subtraction. We have been focusing on vertical subtraction making sure the ones, tens and hundreds column are aligned. We have also been using strategies such as halving and friends of 10 to solve subtraction equations mentally.

In writing we have been focusing on procedural texts making sure they include a title, goal, needs and steps. Procedural texts we have written so far include how to brush your teeth, investigations and many, many more.

**Year Three**

History ERPs (Educational Research Projects) are well underway. Students are working hard to ensure that they have made a meaningful link to a learning intention, that they are managing their time carefully and that they are locating research and writing it in their own words. Below are some examples of student work to date:

Come along to our expo on **Thursday 16th June (2:40 – 3:40)** to hear about everything the students have learned about History!

**Year Four**

The Year 4 students are now busy working to complete their Educational Research Project in preparation for their Expo next Thursday 16th June at 8:30am -9:30am. We look forward to seeing you there. The students are now quite involved in planning, editing and writing of their historical narratives as part of their ERP with the help and assistance from teachers. Each student in Year 4 will also have the opportunity to complete a self-assessment on their ERP and the ERP process. Congratulations to all Year 4 students on their tremendous efforts.

**Year Six**

Last week, Spencer in Year 6 represented Beaumaris Primary School in the divisional running on Wednesday. This week we interviewed Spencer to find out how he went.

Spencer- ‘I came 15th out of 74 other boys in my age group, 10 people went through to Regionals’. Well done Spencer, it was a great achievement to get there!

This week is the last week of Beauty and the Beast auditions, the auditions are Cogsworth and the Silly girls. On Wednesday the cast for the performance was announced. All the Year 6 students were very excited about their roles and now look forward to starting rehearsals.

There is a bye for interschool sports on Friday this week so don’t come to school early. The Media Captains
From Our Parent Club......

Thank you very much to the teachers for initiating the Coffee Morning - what a great turn out for a Winters morning! It was lovely to have a chat to the Staff and other parents. Thank you to all the Parents who supported this event.

Scholastic Book Club
Term 2 update. Issue 3 books have all been distributed and we raised $230.50. Issue 4 books have all been ordered and should arrive in the next few days. Children will receive them from their teacher. This issue raised $222.50. Some new History resources and books for the library have been purchased with some of our rewards.

Hawaiian Luau Social Night
One of the games at our Hawaiian Luau social night will be wine grab. **We are asking for donations of wine, beer or spirits** to make this game a success. If you could contribute even one bottle it would be greatly appreciated. Parents please take any donations to the school office (children are not allowed to transport alcohol). Alternatively if you are able to donate a voucher, goods or a service I'd love to hear from you or it can be left at the office at any time.

Many thanks  Ness Newell  lochnessmonst71@hotmail.com

Year Five

This week the Year 5 students have been working hard on their ERPs. They are using their interest as a way to drive their learning of the subject focus – Geography. Most students are now at the stage of publishing their artifacts ready for the expo next Thursday (16th of June). The Year 5s have also been using their atlases to explore the map of Australia and the oceans surrounding it.

In maths the students have been deepening their understanding of the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages.

Just a reminder that there is no interschool sport this week so students do not need to be at school early. Have a lovely long weekend!
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<td>Sports &amp; Relays Extravaganza - Ready, Set and Go! The ultimate sports and racing activity day is here. From fun relays to activity challenges.</td>
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<td>Make a Dance Mat- Are you ready to get moving and grooving on your own light up dance mat?</td>
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<td>Our imaginations will be running wild with theatre sports challenges galore!</td>
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<td>Today we'll celebrate amazing flags from around the world. Speak to the onsite Coordinator to find out what exciting fun awaits, in a specially designed program.</td>
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<td>Make a Talking Coin Bank - What better way is there to store gold and silver?</td>
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Daily Requirements: Children must bring their own lunch and refreshments (no nut products please), wet weather gear, art smock, and suitable clothing for active and sunny warm days. An afternoon snack will be provided.