Dear Parents,
Welcome back to Term 4! What an exciting Term we have coming up. Some of the highlights this term will include our excursion to Chesterfield Farm, St John’s Ambulance educational visit, Step Up sessions to visit Year 2, our swimming program at Bayside Aquatics and our whole school Christmas carols night.

Our subject focus for Term 4 is Health. Students will investigate what it means to have a healthy body, understanding the importance of healthy food and exercise. We are looking forward to a jam packed term of learning!

Thank you and kind regards,
Meg McSwain, Jacqui Wilson, Stephanie Volkov and Beth Wilson

In Mathematics we will be focusing on:
- Multiplication and Division:
  - Story situations and worded problems to develop the concept of grouping and sharing equally
  - Recognising and representing multiplication as repeated addition, groups and arrays
- Recognising and interpreting common uses of halves and quarters of shapes
- Revision of place value and addition and subtraction strategies.
- Learn more about the concept of capacity

In English we will be focusing on:
- Using the CAFÉ strategies (Comprehension, Accuracy, Fluency, Expanding Vocabulary). A particular focus will be on:
  - Summarising text including sequence of main events (Comprehension)
  - Skip the word and come back- what makes sense (Accuracy)
  - Adjust and apply different reading rates to match text (Fluency)
  - Use pictures, illustrations and diagrams (Expand Vocabulary)

Writing genres:
- Learn about and explore poetry through exposure to different types of poems
- Learn about and explore Reader’s Theatre – plays, performances and scripts
- Recounts, using personal experiences to explain something that has happened

Language conventions:
- Revision of grammar: full stops, capital letters, questions marks, exclamations marks and structured sentences, nouns, verbs, adjectives
- Compound sentences

Spelling:
- Weekly groups sessions based on student needs

**Timetable**
- 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 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**

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**Homework: Reading/**
- Reading should be an enjoyable experience for all family members. Make this a special time where you and your child are not distracted.
- It is expected students will read 4-5 times a week and the books be recorded in their reading log. Take home books are provided and children are also encouraged to borrow books from the school library. Please also make use of our local library.
writing at home

The ‘Reading Trek’ book, where books are logged, is to be returned every Monday for the teacher to check. Writing – please provide your child with writing materials, paper, glue and scissors to use at their leisure. Practise writing shopping lists, birthday cards or notes to friends. We encourage you to use Mathletics and Literacy Planet also as teacher set tasks to be completed.

Nude food lunches

All students are encouraged to bring ‘nude food’ lunches. A nude food lunch has no foil, gladwrap or any other packaging. A labelled drink bottle containing water is highly encouraged. Nude food lunch boxes are available to purchase from our school office and most supermarkets have a range of options also.

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. Students will need their hats this term.

Communication

- General information and upcoming events are published in 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.
- The Year 1 communication board is located next to the drinking fountain at near the entrance ramp to the Year 1 and 2 corridors. You will find the current learning intentions, statement of intent and other relevant information for Year 1.
- 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.
- **REMEMBER:** 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 8:45am.
- Our ‘UPDATED’ 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. Student absences can now be logged on Compass. 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. Phone: 03 9589 2619

Birthdays

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

Swimming Program

The swimming program will be commences on the 16th of November. It will run every day for two weeks.

Parent Helpers

We will be sending out a parent helper timetable in the first week of Term 4. Please return it as soon as possible. We welcome lots of help!!

Important dates for the diary!

- Monday 3rd October: Term 4 commences
- Thursday 6th October: Professor Bunsen
- Thursday 6th October: Friendship Lunch
- Tuesday 11th October: St John Ambulance Visit
- Monday 17th October: World Nude Food Day
- Wednesday 19th October: Step Up Session 1
- Tuesday 25th October: Chesterfield Farm Excursion
- Tuesday 8th October: Step Up Session 2
- Monday 14th November: Swimming Program commences
- Friday 25th November: Swimming Program concludes
- Thursday 1st December: Step Up Session 3
- Thursday 8th December: Health Day- Smoothie bikes and Gecko sports
- Wednesday 14th December: Final Step Up Session
- Monday 19th December: Whole school Carols night