



Thursday February 20th 2020

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School Council Elections

Despite handing out many nomination forms we had only two nominations handed in for our five parent vacancies for school council. We currently still have three parent representative vacancies. I would like to thank Simon McKenzie for his successful renomination and Samantha Retelj, a new school councillor in the parent category for her successful nomination.

Parent Members:

- Simon McKenzie
- Samantha Retelj
- **Vacant**
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Congratulations to our successful candidates. I encourage any parent who was considering nominating to please give me a call or come and see me so that we can fill the positions on our 2020 school council.

School council meets eight times a year on a Wednesday evening from 7:00pm at the school and training is available for school council members.

I would like to give a huge thank you to our outgoing School Council members for their continued support and long term work to develop and improve Black Hill Primary School for the benefit of all children. We have appreciated their commitment and dedication and I know the school community and its environment has benefited from their work on School Council and their community spirit. Thank you to:

- Antoinette Kordell
- Padma Giri
- Penny Corser-Hatten
- Lynette Taylor (community member) Black Hill Kindergarten president
- Cameron Cowan

Easter Fair

Planning is well underway for our second biennial Easter Fair, which will be held from 5:00 – 9:00pm on Friday 20th March.

The Easter Fair is our major fundraising event for 2020, and we are looking forward to a fantastic evening.

Thank you so much to those parents who have already offered to volunteer the area coordinators will be contacting you over the next two weeks to confirm your time slot, availability and responsibilities.

We currently need more volunteers for:

Area	Coordinator	No. volunteers still needed
BBQ	Brianna Edgar	5
Burrow free activities for children	Jodie Cooper	6
Burrow Easter egg hunt	Jodie Cooper	6
Set up assistance before 5pm	Mads Jones	6
Running a school stall to sell donuts and popcorn, drinks	Melissa Nunn	8

Such an event takes a huge amount of planning and requires a large number of volunteers to run it successfully. If you are happy to offer your help before or on the night, please contact Madeleine Jones on madsjljones@gmail.com, with your name and contact details, or alternatively, contact the school office.

Curriculum Days

Thursday 5th March will be a student Free day at Black Hill Primary School. The teachers spend the day engaged in professional learning. Camp Australia will operate on this day for parents who require child care.

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Dates for the family diary...

Wednesday	26th February	Year 1-6 Athletic Sports—Llanberris
Monday	2nd March	Preps start full time
Tuesday	3rd March	Emergency Drill—Evacuation to Oval.
Thursday	5th March	Curriculum Day—Student Free.
Monday	9th March	Public Holiday—Labour Day
Wednesday	11th March	School Council Meeting—AGM

Green excursion notes to be returned:

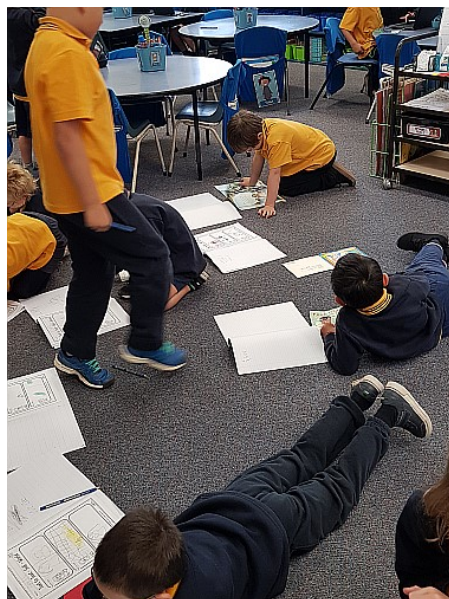
- Years 1-6 Athletic Sports
- Division Swimming (Selected students)

Team News

Prep/1/2 Team

The 1/2 classrooms are busy setting up routines for the year for our Reading, Writing and Mathematics programs. The students are really enjoying getting to know each other and their teachers and are producing some wonderful work inside the classroom.

Each student by now should have a diary that comes to school each day. These diaries have a mindfulness section that is completed in the classroom daily. It is encouraged that parents and caregivers talk to their children about their diary entries and ensure the diary is at school every day so that the students have a time each day to think about themselves and to be mindful.

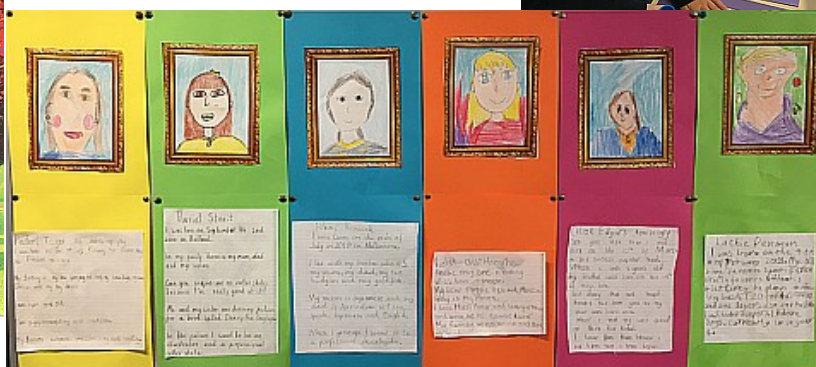
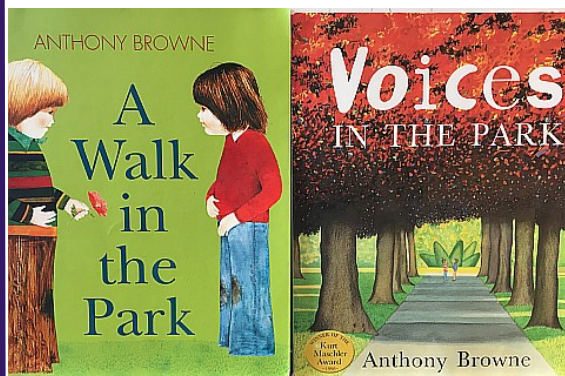


3/4 Team

In the Atrium this week our students have been learning how to identify the features of fiction and non-fiction texts. We have begun exploring ideas for writing in our Writer's Notebooks and we have been learning about the writing process.

3/4C discovered that Anthony Brown revised his published book *A Walk in the Park* twenty one years later. He named the book *Voices in the Park*.

Here we are working our way through the writing process.



Team News

5/6 Team

This week, 6C had a go at writing the endings to some proverbs. A proverb is a short saying usually stating a truth or giving a piece of advice. This is what we came up with:

- Strike while the ...**bowling ball is in your hand.**
- It's always darkest before...**you turn the lights on.**
- Never underestimate the power of...**children.**
- Don't bite the hand that...**tastes bad.**
- The pen is mightier than the...**pencil.**
- Where there's smoke there's...**Aussie bush fires.**
- Two's company, three's...**a number.**
- Two's company, three's...**a headache.**
- Better late than....**later.**

Now it's your turn...

All that glitters is not...

An apple a day keeps the...

Don't count your chickens before...

Visual Arts Monitors



Hi, my name is Lily Rysava. I'm one of your Arts Monitors for 2020. I love animals! That explains why I'm a vegetarian. I enjoy drawing and baking cupcakes. I have a small collection of plants in my room which all have names (eg: Agatha and Avocado). I love Art and am very excited to be an Arts Monitor for 2020.



I'm Sophia Cheesman and I'll be one of this year's Visual Arts Monitors. As a Visual Arts Monitor I will be helping out with stuff like Arts Week and more. I'm into Music and I play tenor horn in a few local brass bands. I love pugs (which I have 3 of) and I have red hair. I'm really excited for this year and hope it will be a good one, bye.



Hi my name is Willow and I am one of your Visual Arts Monitors in 2020. I am really happy about it. I have a lot to offer. I have 1 sister and 2 brothers and they are all really supportive.



Hi I'm Ruby and I'm one of your Visual Arts Monitors for 2020 and I'm really excited about it and hope we have a great year in Visual Art.

I've been at Black Hill for all my school years and love it here. I have a sister called Annabelle. I also have a pet bird called Sherbit. Before I got him I did a collage of a cockatiel.

ASSEMBLY

Assembly is held at 2:40pm each Friday. This week, students will take part in "Neighbourhood Gatherings" in their Houses. We look forward to welcoming parents and families to assembly again next week.

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Term One

Thursday 5th March: - Cultural Understanding and Safety Training (CUSP) / student Voice and Agency

Term Two

Wednesday 20th May: – Peter Sullivan – designing challenging mathematics tasks

Friday 5th June: English writing moderation.

Athletic Sports

On Wednesday 26th February our Year 1-6 Students will participate in the annual Athletic Sports at Llanberris Reserve. This is a fun day for all concerned and always a colourful spectacle with children dressed in their team colours. We welcome parents and family members to watch the sports on the day. If you would like to volunteer to help on the day, please see Chloe.

School Colour Explosion

On the last day of Term 1, our students will take part in the School Colour Explosion! This event will be held at Russell Square.

The School Colour Explosion is a traditional run with a fun and colourful twist! It's all about participation, raising money for our school which ends with students being drenched in coloured powder by the time they reach the finish line! The colour powder used is non toxic, biodegradable, environmentally friendly and skin safe. Look out for more information in the coming weeks about this exciting event.



Three Way Conferences

Students, teachers and parents will take part in Three Way Conferences on Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th March.

Students will be dismissed at 1:30pm on Tuesday 24th March, to accommodate the Conferences. Camp Australia will run from 1:30pm on this day for those who require it. Please contact them to book your child/ren in.

Three Way Conferences are part of Black Hill's reporting cycle and are held at the end of Term 1 and Term 3. They are designed to complement the formal semester reports at the end of Term 2 and 4. Your child will be able to discuss their learning goals and achievements with you during these conferences. Booking will be via the Compass Parent portal, and you will be advised when bookings are open.

Donna Bishop, Principal

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BLACK HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL EASTER FAIR BOOK STALL REQUEST FOR DONATIONS

The Fundraising Committee is planning to run a pre-loved Book Stall at the Easter Fair, to raise funds to support our students at Black Hill Primary School.

To make this a successful event, we are asking for donations of:

- 📖 Pre-loved books;
- 📖 CDs and Vinyl Records; and
- 📖 DVDs.



This is a great opportunity to declutter your bookshelf, and make room to purchase some 'new to you' books from the fair.

Please deliver your donations to the school office. Your donations will be gratefully accepted up until Thursday 12th March.

Essential Assessment

You may have heard your Year 1-6 children talking about completing 'Essential Assessment' tasks in the classroom over the last couple of weeks. These assessments are based on our Victorian Curriculum and cover Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry and Statistics and Probability.

Students in Years 1-2 complete the Number and Algebra area and students in Years 3-6 complete all three areas. Our aim is for students to produce results between 30%-70% as these assessments are completed again mid year and end of year and so we need their starting results to allow for growth throughout the year. If a student falls outside these percentages, we have them sit a new assessment at a different level to ensure that we have adequate data to inform our planning and teaching of Mathematics.

After these assessments are completed, they provide students with Maths goals for their learning, teachers use these to inform their explicit teaching focus groups, tasks and explanations are provided for students to work on online and there are available paper resources to complement student learning needs.

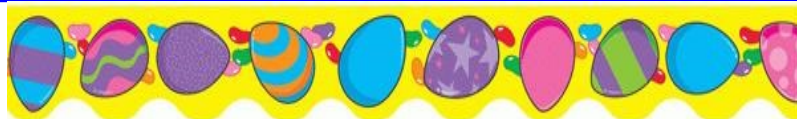
Essential Assessment is a valuable tool for our classrooms which is differentiated to ensure we are meeting the needs of all our students.

Essential Assessment

Looking for second hand school uniforms?

St. Johns Op Shop, 607 Lydiard St. Nth, Ballarat has a range of second hand Black Hill school uniforms.

They are open from 10am—2pm Wednesdays to Fridays.



Donations and volunteers needed!

Friday 20th March is our biennial Easter Fair, which is our major fundraising event for the year. We will be holding a huge Easter raffle to be drawn on the night, and we would welcome your donations of Easter related items for the raffle prizes. This can include: Easter eggs, wine, Easter games or toys, or donations of vouchers, either from families' own businesses or Myers/ Coles etc.

In addition we are seeking a number of volunteers to help on the night of the Easter Fair.

If you are happy to offer your help before or on the night, please contact Madeleine Jones on madsljones@gmail.com, with your name and contact details, or alternatively, contact the school office.

Great news! All people volunteering for any school events or causes throughout this year will go into the draw for a prize pack at the end of the year! The more you volunteer, the more chances you will get to win!



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Black Hill PS School Instruction times:

Session 1	8:50 am	-	11:00 am
Fruit break	10:00am		
Recess	11:00 am	-	11:20 am
Session 2	11:20 am	-	1:20 pm
Fruit break	12:20pm		
Lunch eating break (in rooms)	1:20pm	-	1:30pm
Lunch time	1:30 pm	-	2:30 pm
Session 3	2:30 pm	-	3:30 pm

Instrumental Music 2020

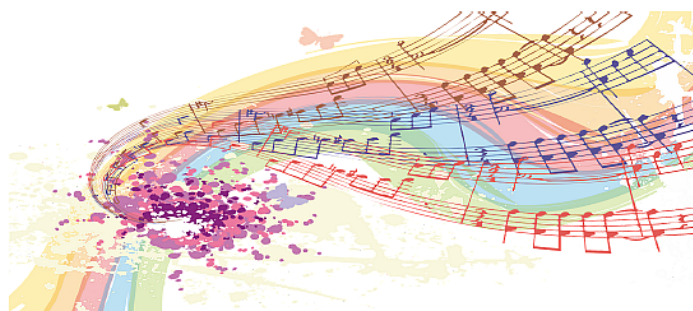
Expression of Interest

Ukulele - Groups up to 5 - Gr 1 - 4
Drums - Groups up to 4 - Gr 2 - 6

\$11 per student per 30 minute Lesson

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5320 5720

The City of Ballarat respectfully acknowledges the Wadawurrung and Dja Dja Wurrung people - traditional custodians of the land on which we live and work.



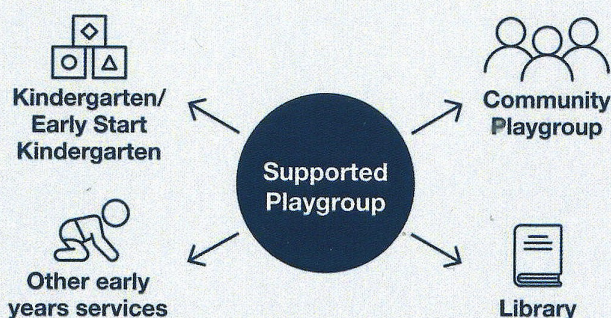
Smalltalk is a free supported playgroup—it may be for you!*

City of Ballarat Supported Playgroups are run by a professional facilitator who implements a fun and engaging weekly two-hour playgroup session during school term.

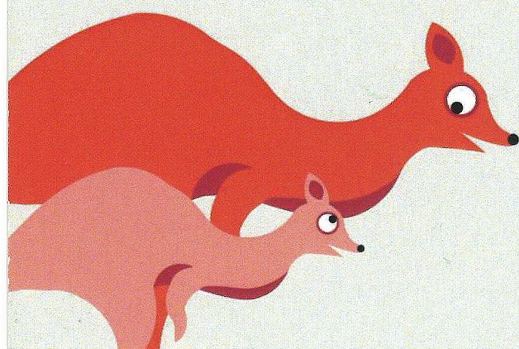
You can learn about play and children's development and meet other families.

In-home support is also available for eligible families.

*Subject to eligibility



Are you looking to join your local community playgroup?



Ballarat is home to a range of wonderful groups that run weekly activities and get-togethers. Or, you can always start a playgroup of your own!

A community playgroup is parent-led. Parents and carers who attend the playgroup manage and organise it.

Contact your local Playgroup Development Consultants for assistance: southwest@playgroup.org.au



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COST \$85.00

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CONTACT Michaela Cook

MOBILE 0437 035 812

EMAIL mcook@hockeyvictoria.org.au

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