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★ BWPS IS COMMITTED TO CHILD SAFETY ★

2022 TERM 4 Calendar	
11 October	Lion King Parent Performance (6pm - Alexander Theatre, Monash Uni, Clayton)
12 October	Lion King Student Performance (during school hours)
14 October	Lion King Understudy Performance (11.30am - School Hall)
18 October	School Council (6pm)
21 October	Active Schools - Car-free day — walk, ride or scoot to school (Go for Gold)
21 October	P&F Ladies Lunch
24 – 28 Oct	Prep Swimming program
27 – 28 Oct	Grade 2 Ripponlea Estate Excursion
31 October	Curriculum Day (no student attendance)
1 November	Public Holiday - Melbourne Cup Day
2 -3 November	Grade 5&6 Beach Program
9 – 11 November	Grade 3 Camp - Phillip Island
15 November	School Council (6pm)
17 November	Parent Webinar 'Tackling Tricky Conversations' (see flyer)
23 November	Colour Run
29 November	Grade 3-6 House Swimming Carnival
2 December	Community Night
7 December	Grade 4-6 Funfields Excursion
8 December	Grade 1 Scienceworks Excursion
13 December	Year 7 Transition Day
13 December	BWPS Step Up (10am)
13 December	School Council (6pm)
14 December	Grade 6 Graduation (6pm)
15 December	Grade 6 Big Day Out
16 December	Students Finish 2022 School Year
19 - 20 Dec	Curriculum Day (No Student Attendance) - End Term 4

## 2023 School Term Dates

TERM 1	30 JANUARY - 6 APRIL	TERM 3	10 JULY - 15 SEPTEMBER
TERM 2	24 APRIL - 23 JUNE	TERM 4	2 OCTOBER - 18 DECEMBER

## Principal News

### Welcome back

I hope everyone had a lovely break and enjoyed some of the spring weather. This week was a very smooth start to the term. Term 4 is always a very busy term with the concert next week, athletics, swimming carnival, camps, Prep swimming, transition, grade 4-6 trip to Funfields, the colour run and graduation to name just a few events this term.

### Assemblies

We are very happy to be able to run events without restrictions and this extends to assemblies so we can welcome parents to attend this going forward. The next assembly will be Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October as next Monday the hall is being used for rehearsals.

### Concert

It's showtime! The Lion King is looking truly fabulous and we can't wait for the whole school to see this on Wednesday. Please ensure to consent for your child to attend so they don't miss out.

There are still tickets available to purchase for Tuesday evenings performance, but not many so get in quickly! Miss Walker and the Grade 5 and 6 students have put endless hours of planning and preparation in to ensure this is a magnificent production.

### Go for Gold

Bentleigh West Primary School is participating in 'Go for Gold' this term.

Friday 21 October is a car-free day so we look forward to seeing you all walk, ride, or scoot to school. Please see further information in this newsletter

### Planning for 2023

We are in the final stages of planning for classes for 2023. Class requests be submitted by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October and the form is available at the office.

### Parent Requests

*Once upon a time, parent requests have historically been based on perception of teachers and friendship groups. Our teachers are very aware of friendship groups and how they work in the classroom environment. The knowledge of student and class dynamics is due to the close relationship our teachers and parents have at BWPS.*

*Students cannot be placed on each parents' perception of teacher or friendship groups. However, at times there are circumstances outside of the school's knowledge that may need to be considered when placing a child.*

*BWPS has developed a parent request form for these instances where it is felt the school needs to know about a situation when placing a child. This does not guarantee a placement but ensures that on the rare occasion our teachers are not aware of a situation it is considered.*

## Camps

The Grade 4 and 6 students had a wonderful time in Portsea camp. They pushed themselves to try new things out of their comfort zones.

The camp staff commended both year groups on their behaviour and manners of our students which is really pleasing to hear. The Grade 3s will head off in a November. It's so great that all camps have been able to go ahead this year.

## 2023 Enrolments

If you have a prep child commencing next year and you haven't enrolled as yet please do so by Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> of October as we are finalising our 2023 class structure.

Have a fabulous weekend

Sarah Asome

## Birthdays 7 September – 20 October



Vivienne B	1W	Moksh P	1F	Robert Z	4L
Malena B	1W	Alex C	6M	Sophie K	2C
Paige L	5Z	Darius K	PS	Sadie I	4A
Levi M	PC	Sam K	4A	Talia H	1W
Asvi P	1Y	Scarlett C	PB	Yousef K	1W
Sabrina DF	PS	Thomas B	3A	Anna C	4M
Cooper J	4H	Ari M	2S	Aarin S	1W
Ella M	3A	Amelia K	3A	Juliet K	1Y
Eddie C	3G	Alfie S	4H	Sophia R	6H
Austin A	6M				

## Active Schools – Go for Gold program in Term 4



**Bentleigh West Primary School is participating in 'Go for Gold' in Term 4!**

**Start of week 1:**

3-4 October

**Go for Gold 2022 — one lucky student will win a Fitbit Ace**

We have joined Glen Eira City Council's *Active Schools – Go for Gold* program for the month of October (3-28).

You will receive a Golden Ticket and each time you walk, ride or scoot to school, tick one of the boxes on your ticket.

The more active you are, the better our school's chance at becoming Glen Eira City Council's Active Schools Champion for 2022. Be active and help us win!

Also, pencil-in **Friday 21 October** for our car-free day. The whole school will walk together and travel actively to school, reducing traffic congestion and helping the environment.

For further information, please visit [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/active-schools](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/active-schools).

**Start of week 3:**

17-18 October

**Go for Gold 2022 – Car Free Day this Friday!**

Get your walking shoes ready to travel actively to school together on Friday 21 October!

Families, students and teachers are encouraged to ditch the car and start their day with some exercise by walking to school together. Not only is this a healthy way to get to school, it helps reduce traffic congestion as well as helps the environment.

**Start of week 5:**

31 Nov-1 Dec

**Go for Gold 2022 – remember to enter the Golden Ticket competition, entries close on Friday 4 November!**

Congratulations on participating in Glen Eira Council's Active Schools - Go for Gold program!

After having such an active October it's time to enter the competition to win a Fitbit Ace, as well as help our school in its attempt to become Glen Eira City Council's Active School's Champion for 2022.

Simply visit [www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/golden-ticket](http://www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/golden-ticket) between 28 October and 4 November to record your Golden Ticket activities and enter the competition.

Good luck!

## Parents & Friends Committee – what's on?

### Spring Ladies Lunch – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October (12-3pm)

Come & join us for the Spring Ladies Lunch. It will be held at **The Bentleigh Social on Friday the 21st of October** from 12-3pm. \$90 ticket includes 3 courses and drinks (beer, wine and soft drinks). <https://www.bwpsnf.com/ladieslunch>

Ticket purchases must close at midday on Friday the 14th of October.

\* Please note there is a maximum limit of 120 people. Tickets will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. Once the 120 people limit is reached, no further tickets will be available. So don't wait, purchase your ticket now!



## BWPS Wrist Bands For Sale

BWPS wrist bands are on sale now in the office for 50 cents each.



## COVID-19 and RAT testing

**Parents that need RAT tests are requested to collect them from the school office.**

Students who report a positive COVID-19 test result (RAT or PCR) must isolate for five days and not attend school during that period. After five days, *as long as they have no symptoms*, they may return to school. If symptomatic they should stay at home until symptoms subside.

Families must continue to notify the Department of Health and the school if their child returns a positive COVID-19 test result. Additionally, you should inform us if any of your children are household contacts of a positive case (that is, they have spent more than four hours with someone who has COVID-19 inside a house, accommodation, or care facility) and still attending school, so we can remind them to wear a mask indoors at school.

In the 28 days after your child has completed isolation, *as long as they don't have any COVID-19 symptoms*, they do not need to test or isolate again if they are re-exposed to the virus (such as a household contact). However, *if your child develops new symptoms*, they should get tested and follow the above procedure if they return a positive result.

Parents and carers who have COVID-19 can transport their non-COVID-19 children via private vehicle to and from their primary when an alternative person is not available to assist. The parent or carer must travel directly to and from the school only. They must remain in the vehicle, unless it is reasonably necessary to leave the vehicle to walk the child to and from the entrance of the school safely, and they must wear a face mask.

As influenza and colds are becoming more prevalent, even with a negative result, children should avoid school until their symptoms resolve and they are well again.

If your child does test positive (via a PCR or Rapid Antigen Test) please complete the Student COVID-19 details at [COVID Test Portal](#) and please then email Tanya Elliott at [Tanya.Elliott@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Tanya.Elliott@education.vic.gov.au) to notify the school.

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SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER  
9AM - 3PM

CARNIVAL RIDES & GAMES · REPTILE SHOW · FARM ANIMALS  
· LASER TAG · BUNGEE · PONY & HARLEY RIDES · SHOWBAGS · CRAFTS  
· CAKES · FOOD & DRINKS · DEVONSHIRE TEA · TRASH & TREASURE ·  
VISITS FROM PEPPA PIG, SPIDERMAN AND MINIONS \*

**122 JASPER ROAD, BENTLEIGH**

PLATINUM PARTNERS



SCAN TO BOOK YOUR  
EARLY BIRD FETE  
PASSES BEFORE  
15 OCTOBER AND  
SAVE \$5 PER PASS

\* All attractions are subject to weather and availability. Tickets for attractions are non-refundable.  
Early bird ticket sales close Monday 15 October 2022. Tickets can be collected from the fete on the day.  
Scan the QR code for full terms and conditions.



## PARENT WEBINAR

# REDUCING CHAOS & INCREASING CALM

Practical ideas and strategies for reducing the chaos and increasing the calm vibes for everyone in your household.

## TOPICS INCLUDE:

- Ideas to help set up the start of the day so it just feels better for everyone.
- How to make space for big feelings so your day can stay on track.
- Ways to help your day feel less rushed and 'crazy busy'.
- How to (and why you really need to) find a way to weave some mindfulness into each day.
- Strategies to help reduce conflict through healthy communication and connection .

Register to attend the webinar live  
&/or receive access to the replay:

[www.bit.ly/18aug2022](http://www.bit.ly/18aug2022)



THURSDAY  
18 AUGUST  
7.30PM  
(60 MINS)

**Carley McGauran**  
Psychologist and  
Mum to 3 primary  
and secondary  
aged kids



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