**TERM 4 EVENTS & REMINDERS**

**OCTOBER**
Thursday 15th—5/6 girls basketball final—San Remo  
Saturday 17th—Working Bee—10am →  
Monday 19th—3/4 Kanga Cricket—Wonthaggi  
Friday 23rd—5/6 District Softball  
Friday 30th—STUDENT FREE DAY

All of October is ‘walk to school’ month at Bass Valley!

**NOVEMBER**
Monday 2nd—5/6 Excursion  
Tuesday 3rd—Melbourne Cup Public Holiday  
Thursday 5th—School Council Meeting—7.30pm  
Friday 6th—5/6 Kanga Cricket

**DUCKLOTTO/FETE**—5pm—8pm

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**EXCITING NEWS FOR BASS VALLEY P.S.**

It is with great excitement and pride I am able to announce that Bass Valley Primary School has been shortlisted in the Victorian Education Excellence Awards again this year. Last year we congratulated the Education Support team for being shortlisted in these state awards.

This year we have received two nominations which have both been shortlisted (that is top 3 for the state) in the categories of “Outstanding School Advancement Award” and “Primary Principal of the Year”. These are in recognition of exceptional school-based staff within the Victorian government education system who have demonstrated excellence in improving whole-school outcomes through strategic planning and improvement initiatives, and have made a significant contribution to developing effective partnerships with the broader community to drive the improvement of overall school performance.

There has been a very rigorous process to reach this stage with interviews, written response to question and analysis of the school’s data. The awards night in Melbourne later this month will be filled with excitement. Regardless of whether we win a category or not, the achievement of the school being recognised at this level are a celebration in themselves.

**WALK AT SCHOOL MONTH**

Our students have been participating in the ‘Walk to School’ month by walking at school every morning.

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**REGIONAL ATHLETICS**

Georgia Dakin, Maddy Palmer and Jessica Hall competed at the Regional athletics in Newborough on Tuesday. A great effort for the girls to reach this level and we know you gave it your best effort. Well done.

**WORKING BEE**

We will be having a working bee this Saturday 17th October. This will be a general garden tidy up and a fuel reduction clean up before summer. If anyone can come along and give a hand for an hour or two, it would be very much appreciated. We will be starting at 10am. BYO rakes and gloves if you have them.

**DUCKLOTTO UPDATE**

Only 5 weeks to go until our school fete. Some great items have been donated already including: pet supplies, beauty products and a truck load of gravel. The class grades are busy organizing their stalls for the evening so make sure you have put the date in your diaries because its going to be a fun filled night!! Stay tuned for more donated items as they come in.

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**EVERY PUPIL IS IMPORTANT**

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**EVERY STAFF MEMBER IS AN ASSET**

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**EVERY PARENT IS A PARTNER**

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GRADE 5/6 BIRD WATCHING
As part of National Bird Week on Wednesday Elizabeth Shaw from Birdlife Bass Coast spent time with Grade 5/6 students raising awareness of Native Australian birds and their place in our environment. Students had a wonderful time and found a number of local birds including; Swamp Hen, Red Wattlebird, Black Duck, Willy Wagtail, Grey Currawong, Grey Fantail and the Australian Raven.

National Bird Week
National Bird Week 2015 will take place between Monday 19 October and Sunday 25 October. The celebration of National Bird Week has its origins back in the early 1900s when 28 October was first designated by our predecessor, the Royal Australasian Ornithologists Union, as the first ‘Bird Day’. BirdLife Australia organises and promotes Bird Week with the goal of inspiring Australians to take action and get involved in bird conservation efforts.

Aussie Backyard Bird Count
www.aussiebirdcount.org.au

BirdLife Australia and the Birds in Backyards team have come together to bring you the Aussie Backyard Bird Count! Celebrate National Bird Week 2015 by taking part in the biggest citizen science project to hit Aussie shores! From 19-25 October, thousands of people from across the country are heading out into their backyards, local parks or favourite open spaces to take part in the first ever Aussie Backyard Bird Count!
To get involved all you need is 20 minutes, your ‘green patch’ of choice, and some keen eyesight (or binoculars!) And it doesn’t matter if you’re a novice or an expert—we’ll be there to help you out along the way! Simply record the birds you know and look up those you don’t on our ‘Aussie Bird Count’ app or our website. You’ll instantly see live statistics and information on how many people are taking part near you and the number of birds and species counted not just across your neighbourhood but the whole of Australia!
Not only will you get to know your feathered neighbours, but you’ll be contributing to a vital pool of information from across the nation that will help us see how Australian birds are faring. So get your friends and family together during National Bird Week, head into the great outdoors and start counting!

BIRTHDAYS AT BASS VALLEY
Students celebrating this week:

Michael Gatherum, Aleyah Fleming, Christian Ringer, Amelie Gully, Georgia Dakin and Caleb Logan

ENJOY YOUR SPECIAL DAY!!!

SWIMMING PROGRAM
Our swimming program for 4th term will commence in the first week of November. You will receive a timetable for the days that your child swims once it is finalised. We have posted out accounts to those families who still need to pay for 4th term swimming. Please make sure this is paid by the end of October so that your child does not miss out.

WONTHAGGI SECONDARY COLLEGE OPEN DAY
On Thursday 29th October, Wonthaggi Secondary College Dudley Campus, is having an Open Day from 9.15am for parents and students. Students will need to attend in uniform so that they can return to school afterwards. For further information please contact Leanne Pendlebury on 0439 693 072.

BOOK CLUB
The current edition of Book Club went home last week. Orders are due back at school by Monday 19th October.

5/6 FUNDRAISING
We will be selling Zooper Doopers each Tuesday lunch time during Term 4 for $1 each. Funds go towards our 2016 camps.

SPORTING SCHOOLS PROGRAM
Our Sporting Schools Program will commence next week. Notes have been sent home to those students who will be doing these activities. Zumba will be held on a Tuesday and tee-ball will be on a Monday after school.

HATS ARE COMPULSORY—TERM 4
Please note that hats are compulsory for outside play during Term 4. If students do not have a hat at school they will be required to stay in the shaded areas during play time. We do not lend out hats. We do have hats for sale at the office for $12 each. We are out of stock of bucket hats at present but we do have slouch hats available. Caps are not acceptable.
Wonthaggi Primary School is holding the **2015 Kidz Mini Mudda** event once again, and it is looking pretty exciting – to be held on **Saturday 31st October** at school 10.00am-1.00pm (Melbourne Cup weekend).

Our School Websites, left hand side, link called Register for Kidz Mini Mudda 2015

Register Now:-

Facebook event link:-
https://www.facebook.com/events/1682973028600060/

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**SCHOOL FETE AND DUCK LOTTO**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH**

5pm – 8pm

Bass Valley Primary School Fete and Duck Lotto are fast approaching. Information will be sent home over the coming weeks to let everyone know what great prizes and activities will be available.

For new families to our school, this event is the schools major fundraiser for the year and includes grade stalls, spinning wheel, silent auction, rides **AND 500 Numbered, Rubber Ducks**, which will be released into the school pool. Four lucky winning ducks will be plucked out of the water.

1st Prize = $300 cash  
2nd Prize = $100 cash  
3rd & 4th Prizes = $50 cash

Any families interested in donating cash, vouchers or products/services for this fantastic event please contact the school ASAP.

Duck Lotto tickets will be available to purchase from the start of Term 4. If you would like to purchase individual tickets please fill out the form below and return to the school with the enclosed money, or if you are able to sell a book of 10 tickets please send a note to school with your child or pick up the tickets from the school office.

An event like this can only be successful with the support of our local families and friends as well as the wider community.

This year all funds raised will be going towards upgrading the gymnasium floor and creating a new outdoor learning area for the Grade 3 and 4 students.

Thanks for your support.

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It is one of the most spectacular rides in Victoria and on Saturday 14th November 2015, cyclists and their friends and families from all over the state will flock to Inverloch for a smorgasbord of events in the 2015 Bass Coast Cycle Challenge + Family Festival.

With rides, runs, kids skateboarding and BMX comps, music and food stalls, there is something for the whole family:

RIDES:
- 121km
- 85km
- 53km
- 40km
- 5km kids ride

RUNS:
- 10km
- 5km
- 1.8km

COMPS:
- BMX
- Skateboarding

“With the Lions Family Festival and the Bass Coast Cycle Challenge working together we should have a fantastic day,” said Event Director Gavin Slavin.

Through local support of this event, over 1000 students from South Gippsland have participated in the RYDA program, a one day course delivering practical road safety information targeting attitude and awareness of young drivers and their passengers.

Early bird entries go in the running to win one of five free ride entries. For more information or how to enter, see our website: www.basscoastcyclechallenge.com

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Expressions of Interest
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Germans are very well known for their love of beer. They believe that life is not complete without a good glass of beer. The following is a list of some of the most popular German beers:

1. *Brauhof Berlin* is one of the largest breweries in Berlin. They specialize in lagers and weissbiers.
2. *Paulaner* is a Munich-based brewery that produces a wide range of lagers and weissbiers.
3. *Pilsner Urquell* is a brewery based in the Czech Republic that produces a popular Pilsner beer.
4. *Brauerei Augsburg* is a brewery based in Augsburg that specializes in lagers.
5. *Paulaner* is a Munich-based brewery that produces a wide range of lagers and weissbiers.

These are just a few examples of the many great German beers available. Whether you prefer a light lager or a rich weissbier, there is sure to be a German beer that will suit your taste.

**Additional Information:**

- **Beer Styles:**
  - *Lager*: A light, crisp beer that is characterized by its low bitterness and high carbonation.
  - *Weissbier*: A wheat beer that is characterized by its cloudy appearance and fruity flavor.
  - *Pilsner*: A light, crisp beer that is characterized by its low bitterness and high carbonation.
- **Brewing Methods:**
  - **Malting:** Malt is the primary ingredient in beer and is responsible for the production of sugars that are used to ferment the beer.
  - **Boiling:** Boiling the wort helps to sanitize the beer and removes any impurities.
  - **Fermentation:** Fermentation is the process by which yeast metabolizes the sugars in the wort to produce alcohol and carbon dioxide.
  - ** Conditioning:** Conditioning is the process by which the beer is aged to improve its flavor and aroma.

These are just a few of the many methods used to brew beer. Each method plays a role in the final product and is an essential part of the beer-making process.

**FAQ:**

1. **Q:** What is the difference between lagers and weissbiers?
   **A:** Lagers are typically pale, crisp beers that are made with a variety of grains, including malt and barley. Weissbiers, on the other hand, are typically made with wheat and have a cloudy appearance.

2. **Q:** What is the difference between Pilsners and lagers?
   **A:** Pilsners are a type of lager that are characterized by their light, crisp flavor and high carbonation. They are typically made with a variety of grains, including malt and barley.

3. **Q:** How is beer aged?
   **A:** Beer is aged by placing it in large wooden barrels or stainless steel tanks. This allows the beer to develop its flavor and aroma over time.

These are just a few of the many questions that people may have about beer brewing. If you have any other questions, feel free to ask!

**References:**

- Beer Institute
- Brewers Association
- German Beer Museum

These are just a few of the many resources available for those interested in learning more about beer brewing. Whether you are a beer enthusiast or a professional brewer, these resources can help you learn more about this fascinating process.

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**If you found this information helpful, please consider sharing it with others who may be interested in learning more about beer brewing.**