### 1st May

**May**  
8th District Athletics  
12th House Cross Country  
19th School Picnic  
20th Grandparents Day  
21st Open Day / Night  
23rd District X Country

### TERM DATES FOR 2014

**TERM 2**  
22nd April -  
27th June  

**TERM 3**  
14th July -  
19th September  

**TERM 4**  
6th October -  
19th December

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## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

**READING STRATEGIES with JULIE SHEPHERD**  
Last Tuesday 21 parents attended this session with Julie Shepherd who always speaks with great passion about the importance of reading to our children for enjoyment even if it means reading the same books over and over. I know in our house favourite books sometimes became lost for a week enabling use to read other books which also became favourites.  
Julie provided parents with a bookmark of 5 strategies when reading with our children. These five strategies are -

**DURING READING TIME, THINK ABOUT THE FIVE “W’S”.**

- **Walk Through**  
  * Take a quick look at the text first (flipping through and talking about the pictures).

- **Wait**  
  * When your child is stuck on a word, wait for at least 20 seconds before prompting.

- **What makes sense?**  
  * Meaning is vital when reading. Ask your child to say a word that makes sense. Use other strategies too, to work out the word.

- **What is it about?**  
  * Talk about the text to check that your child has understood.

- **Words, words, words**  
  * Look for new and interesting vocabulary.

It was a great night and the overall message was to be patient and always make reading a fun stress free time together.

**ANZAC CEREMONY**  
Thankyou to Mr Ossie and his student helpers for once again organising our ANZAC Ceremony last Thursday! It is always important to stop and remember those young men and women who have sacrificed their lives so we can live the way we do today.
**PREP ENROLMENTS**

Interest in our school has been amazing with people ringing for the 1:1 tours which we prefer to conduct rather than group tours. Presently 2015 Prep enrolments are steady and are at the same level as last year. Could I ask parents who have not already collected and completed an enrolment form from the office for their 2015 Prep child to do so please! Receiving this information early assists with our 2015 planning.

**DANCE FAIR**

This Saturday 3rd May some of our grade 6 students are competing in the annual DANCEFAIR competition at Fairhills High School. This is a fantastic opportunity for our students to showcase their talent and love for dance. Tickets are available at the door. If you require further information please speak to Colin Hartley.

**SUN SMART**

As a Sun Smart school students are required to wear their hats from September to April when the sun’s UV output is at its highest. As of today hats are not required in the yard or during sport/PE to ensure the children are receiving a healthy dose of Vitamin D. Vitamin D is essential for energy production, bone strength and to ward off illness. Whilst the UV factor is not as harmful during the cooler months, it also means that it takes longer for Vitamin D to be absorbed by the skin. As the days get shorter and we find ourselves inside more often due to the inclement weather, it is important to find more time to be out in the sun.

**EDUCATION WEEK**

Education Week commences on Monday 19th May. Grandparents Day will be held on Tuesday 20th May from 9:30 - 11:30am. Grandparents are invited to spend time in their grandchildren’s classrooms from 9:30-10:30am sharing stories of how schools have changed. Two assemblies will be run concurrently from 10:30am to accommodate the increasing numbers of grandparents who come on this morning. Half the students and their grandparents will be split and attend assemblies in either the Grade 5/6 Building or the Multipurpose room. Tea and coffee will be served after the assemblies.

Our OPEN DAY & NIGHT is scheduled for Wednesday 21st May. Visitors can tour our school from 9-12 noon on this Wednesday and in the evening between 6:30 - 8:00pm. A special musical performance will commence in our multipurpose room at 7:30pm. We look forward to this week and the opportunity to showcase our great school.

**CAR PARKING**

Parents will have noticed that the new parking area off the internal driveway has been surfaced with eight truck loads of stone. We would ask that parents using this newly surfaced parking area to exit from a point closest to the prep buildings and drive around the tires. This surface will compact over time and hopefully no one becomes bogged!

**MOTHERS DAY STALL**

The PFA will be running a stall for the children to purchase Mother's Day gifts on Monday 5th May. The cost per gift is $4.00. Any fathers who would like to help please contact the office.

Graeme Russell
If you are paying the school fees by instalments, the third payment for plan A $45.00, plan B $ 70.00 and EMA $30.00 is due 28th April 2014.

April 29th
James Lock
Robe Smith
Grace Russell

30th
Codey Bryan

May 2nd
Ethan Bloomer

3rd
Tylah Chrystal

4th
Isabella Davison

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School Banking News
Welcome back bankers! We have a new and exciting competition for Term 2 and all bankers have a chance to win. All you need to do is make 3 deposits throughout the term and you will be entered into the competition.

For any questions or to set up a new school banking account please email me, Jacqui at thebpschoolbanking@gmail.com.

Good Luck!

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Keep saving to win a family underwater adventure holiday.

The apple man is back!!!
Friday 9th May is the first delivery.
$10.00 per bag for Royal Gala, Golden Delicious and $8.00 per bag for Granny Smith. Pink Lady apples will be available soon. If you wish to place an order please send your order and money to the office by 9.30 on the Friday morning.
## PUPIL OF THE WEEK
### WEEK 2 ENDING 2nd May, 2014

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<td>Ben Johnson</td>
<td>for bravely entering your new class &amp; making new friends.</td>
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<td>Zoe Houghton</td>
<td>for her wonderful diary writing - clever spelling Zoe!</td>
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<td>Hayden Montell</td>
<td>for being a good listener during our visit to the Life Ed Van. Well done Hayden!</td>
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<td>Jessie Ritchie</td>
<td>for working really hard to complete all class tasks. Wonderful work Jessie!</td>
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<td>Ivy Smith</td>
<td>for her detailed and interesting diary entry.</td>
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<td>Asher Hodge</td>
<td>putting in 100% effort to achieve great results in his school work.</td>
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<td>Tahlia Marshman</td>
<td>for a fabulous effort with her handwriting. Keep it up Tahlia!</td>
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<td>Jake Stephens</td>
<td>for a great start to term 2. Keep it up.</td>
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<td>Jacob Compton</td>
<td>for starting Term 2 with a great attitude and putting in a top effort in all tasks! Keep it up Jacob 😄</td>
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<td>Stephanie Osborne</td>
<td>For her excellent adjectives in our Wally The Water Buffalo story.</td>
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<td>3L</td>
<td>Angel Winsor</td>
<td>For making her narrative writing more interesting by developing some terrific sizzling starts. Awesome work Angel!</td>
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<td>Ashley Wittman</td>
<td>for the detail she is putting into her writing. Your writing is always a pleasure to read Ashley!</td>
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<td>Claire Dobson</td>
<td>For working really hard on understanding changing mixed numbers to improper fractions. Great effort Claire! You are a star</td>
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<td>Robbie Chettle</td>
<td>for his excellent results on his mathematics pre test.</td>
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<td>Corey Hardinge</td>
<td>for his fantastic goal setting and continuing to work hard at his reading.</td>
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<td>Caitlyn Palmer</td>
<td>for her creative story ideas during writing sessions this week.</td>
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<td>5/6R</td>
<td>Grace Keogh</td>
<td>for showing an excellent positive attitude towards her learning. Keep up the hard work Grace :)</td>
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The Basin Primary School

Bounce Back Award!

Prep:

Skye Price— for being respectful to others and always treating others the way she would like to be treated by using her manners and thinking of their feelings.

Grade 1:

Taylor Callaway—for always respecting her classmates and acknowledging the efforts of others.

Grade 2:

Indi-Lee Riley—for showing great courage when facing her fears. She always gives everything a go! Well done Indi!

Grade 3:

Cooper Mason— for sharing some terrific examples of when he has shown courage and been brave. Well done Cooper!

Grade 4:

Emily Turnbull—for having a go at new things with a smile on her face. Keep it up Emily!

Grade 5:

Willow Oakley—for moving on from different situation in a positive manner in the classroom.

Grade 6:

Josh Ciccone— for his respectful behaviour and encouraging and supportive attitude towards his peers.

Bounce Back!
HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY EVENT
Monday 12th May 2014
9.10a.m.-1.00p.m

Dear Parents,

Please note the changes in date and times for our House Cross country Event. These changes are due to the postponement of the District Athletics and we apologise for any inconvenience. This event will now take place on Monday 12th May around our school grounds.

All students will have the opportunity to participate and every competitor will be awarded a ribbon after the race. The children earn points for their house group depending on where they finish. If your child has a shirt in the colour of their house group, we would like them to wear it to help the spectators identify competitors (Miller-Red, Chandler-Yellow, Doongalla-Blue, Ferndale-Green). I have some coloured bibs and colour bands for any children who need them. The children from Prep to Grade 3 will compete in grade levels, while the Grade 4/5/6 children will compete in age groups (determined by the age turned in 2014). The reason for this is that we use this event to select our school team for the District Cross Country (Which is to be held on Friday 23rd May at Knox Park). The program of events is set out below. We hope to see you there.

Dale Goldsmith
Phys-Ed and Sport

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

9.10a.m. 11 years Boys (3 laps)
9.25a.m. 11 years Girls (3 laps)
9.40a.m. 12 years Boys (3 laps)
9.55a.m. 12 years Girls (3 laps)
10.10a.m. Grade 3 Boys (2 laps)
10.20a.m. Grade 3 Girls (2 laps)
10.30a.m. Grade 2 Boys (1 lap)
10.40a.m. Grade 2 Girls (1 lap)
11.00a.m. Recess
11.35a.m. Grade 1 Boys (1 lap)
11.45a.m. Grade 1 Girls (1 lap)
11.55a.m. 10 years Boys (2 laps)
12.05p.m. 10 years Girls (2 laps)
12.15p.m. Prep Boys (1 shortened lap)
12.25p.m. Prep Girls (1 shortened lap)
12.40p.m. Presentation
TRIVIA NIGHT
Date: Saturday 17th May
Time: 7:30pm start

TABLES
6-8 people per table

LOCATION
The Basin Primary School
Multipurpose Room

PRICE
$15 per head

Tea and Coffee and supper will be provided.

BYO
Drinks and nibbles.

BOOKING
Bookings and payment can be made through the school office

LOADS OF FUN GAMES AND ACTIVITIES
GOLD COIN PARTICIPATION

ONLY 18 TABLES AVAILABLE
Early Morning Start

Early morning start is a chance for the junior classes to come to school early and participate in some games. There is basic skill work and exercise involved and usually lots of laughs and giggles. Miss Richardson, Mrs Leach and Mrs Hillier will be running EMS for grades Prep, 1 and 2 on Friday mornings beginning this week. We will be in the BER on rainy days and outside on the junior side on clear days. Always try the junior side first. So come along and join in the fun. Unfortunately we can not accept more children into our activities after 8.45am, so come early and join in the fun!

THE BASIN PRIMARY SCHOOL CHESS CLUB

The Chess Club will once again be running classes on Fridays in the Library this term. The cost is $40 for 8 weeks and it begins this week. If there is anyone from grades 2 – 6 who is still interested then please join in on the fun on Friday. Classes are for an hour beginning at 1.30pm at Lunch eating time.

There is also the opportunity to participate in the Victorian Schools Chess Tournamnet which last year had students from our school gaining excellent results and terrific experience. Unfortunately this years tournament is on Tuesday 20th May which coincides with our school Grandparents / Special Persons Day.

We are looking forward to seeing all new and continuing Chess Club members this Friday!

Amy Hillier
**OSHClub News**  
**Before School / After School Care Program**

### Program Update

**Thank You**

Thank you to Miranda for the donation of craft items from her workplace. The children are already enjoying the use of some of the items. The children made dream catchers using the beads and some of the ribbons. Some of the wooden shapes will be used for the Imagination Dioramas next week. The flowers, ribbons and some of the other things will be used on Mother’s Day Cards and gifts.

![Image of children engaged in activities]

### Next Week’s Activities: The lands of the Faraway Tree

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<td>Craft: Peg Dolls Science: Bouncing Balls, Game: Circle Run</td>
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<td>All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at <a href="http://www.oshclub.com.au">www.oshclub.com.au</a> all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.</td>
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