Welcome back to a new and exciting term full of engaging student activity. This term we have a Science and Geography focus, ‘How will it react? ‘What’s it made from?’ Students will be involved in many inquiry activities adding to their existing knowledge to explore many scientific concepts. This unit of work will culminate in a whole school excursion to Science Works. Science Works offers an exciting range of experiences for students and teachers, with interactive exhibitions, the Melbourne Planetarium, Lightning Room and Science shows. Education excursion packages, programs and learning resources are provided for all age groups. It never ceases to amaze me that it doesn’t matter how many times you visit Science Works there is always something new to learn! This term is the beginning of interschool winter sports program including the senior cross country. NAPLAN testing for years 3, 5, 7 & 9 are also planned for May of this term.

The new school council has been established for 2015-2016 and we welcome Melissa Taggart as our council president. The council consists of both parent and teacher representatives and meetings are open to all interested parties. Parent members of the council are: Melissa Taggart, Jane Piotrowski, Sue Mills, Brooke Monck, Melissa Mur, Minka Lehmann, Narelle Treloar, and Kristie-Lee McCosker. Teacher reps are: Suellen Lukas, Kate Bacon, Sophie Grant, Rebecca Mioduszewski & myself. The meeting dates are advertised in the newsletter.

Please Note: If you have any concerns about the traffic and building going on next to the school please direct your issues through to the shire of Mornington.

Our Preps are definitely stars and will be presented with their ‘star’ t-shirts at Friday’s assembly. They loveBittern Primary School and have given us 24 good reasons why. (see next page)

**CLUBS**

We have had an over whelming response to our first few days of lunchtime clubs!! Miss Grant’s running club and boot camp activities were a huge success. It’s great to have some outdoor structured activities while the weather is in our favour.

- Miss Grant’s running club (Monday)
- Brenda: Gardening (Monday) Cooking (Thursday)
- Mr E: Bat tennis (Tuesday)
- Mrs Christie: Lego (Wednesday)
- Mr R: Games (Thursday)
- Miss Bacon: Computer (Friday)

**IRON ON LOGOS SPECIAL**

**PRICE**

$1.00 EACH!!!

**WINNERS OF OUR EASTER RAFFLE**

1ST Prize  G. McNamara
2nd Prize  K. McCosker
3rd Prize  E. Batty
4th Prize  M. Mur
5th Prize  K. Schneider
What makes Bittern Primary School a great school!

You can play with lots of friends including your prep buddy. – Michael

We get to read books in the Library. – Jade

It’s fun to play and make things. – Ruebén

Our kinder friends have come along and they learn and play with us. – Emily

It’s a ‘Hands off’ school and there is no fighting. – Jackson

We have rules like ‘Hands off’ and we speak nicely to each other. Sometimes we get to visit Mrs Fyfe. – Sam

We can have lots of fun. – Phe

We get to play in the playground. – Harmony

We are nice to our friends. – Jayden

We get to play and learn safely. – Ryan

We get to learn. – Jasmine

We have lots of friends. – Ryder

The teachers are really good and we learn a lot. – Zachary

You get to have groups and try new things like painting and peg boards. – Cayden

We can share with each other. – Janaya

I can play with my friends and we are good at sharing. – Jake

We can share books and play in the playground. – Linc

I am learning to read books. – Imogen

I get to play outside. – Asher

I feel safe. – Georgia

We get to play. – Lenny

We play with our Prep buddies who keep us safe. – Mia

I feel part of a group. – Tira

You get to play with lots of old friends and make new ones too. – Lincoln

2015 FEES
Please be advised that all Essential Items and school contribution payments are now OVERDUE, these fees were due by end of term one. If you are unsure of the amount owing, please contact the school office. Reminders have been sent home, payment as soon as possible would be appreciated.
DON’T FORGET HOT DOGS THIS FRIDAY

HOT DOGS!!
Hot dogs will be available this Friday, at a cost of $2.50.
If you would like your child/ren to purchase a hot dog, please complete the order form and return it to school this Friday, together with the correct money.

PLEASE NOTE – THE CANTEEN IS NOT OPEN ON HOT DOG DAY

HOT DOG ORDER FORM
I would like to order _____ hot dogs @$2.50
NAME: _______________  GRADE: ____
Please find enclosed $_________________

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Kiddy Bootcamp
Ages: 4-6 years  7-10 years
10am – 10.30am  1045am-11.30am
Kiddy Bootcamp is held at Bittern Stadium, Saturday and Sunday mornings.
Our aim is to help fight childhood obesity, get your children out of the house, away from their computer games and in the fresh air, having fun.
Our 4-6 years play games, while developing their hand/eye coordination, concentration, patience and learning to take turns and share, which is why we have incorporated Child Care workers to work with your children.
For our 7-10 years, we have developed “bootcamp” activities to teach them how to focus their energy in a constructive way while boosting their strength and fitness skills.
Bring your children and join in the fun.
For bookings or information call James Whitehead on 0432 862 062.

ST JOHN AMBULANCE
St John Ambulance visited our school on Monday 23rd March to deliver free First Aid in Schools training to our students. Through the First Aid in Schools program, trained St John presenters led students from Prep to grade 6 through tailored sessions on the importance of First Aid and what to do in the event of an emergency. Our junior students learnt about how to identify when there is an emergency, keeping themselves safe, and how to call for an ambulance. Senior students learnt about delivering CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) and the things they can do to assist in an emergency.
Students have been given a special piece of homework for parents to complete. We encourage you to “do your homework” and go online with St John to see how much you know about First Aid. Are you First Aid READY?

More information about the St John First Aid in Schools program can be found at: www.stjohnvic.com.au/schools