



Broadford Primary School

Believe in Yourself

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Respect

Responsibility

Life long learning

Happiness

Community



Term 1, Week 8, Friday, 20th March 2020

Expectation for the month of March is:

Readiness

TERM 1

20th Mar—National Day of Action Against Bullying

25th Mar—School Council AGM

27th Mar—Grade 3-6 Camp Deposits due

27th Mar—End of term—School finishes at 2:30pm. No Assembly

Term 2

14th April—Term Two commences

23rd April—Interschool Grade 5/6 Summer Sports Tournament

Bus Students

All bus travellers are expected to travel on the bus each night. If your child is **NOT** travelling on the bus please notify the school.

This can be done either by a letter or a phone call to the office.

A Word from Mrs Cooney.....

Covid-19 Information Update

As everyone is well aware, the COVID-19 pandemic is creating challenging times for all communities. Routines and structure are great supports for our students in times of uncertainty. The current advice is that school is the best place for students to learn with the exception of where students are being kept out of school due to self-isolation requirements or based on medical advice.

As a school, we are following the advice of the Department of Education and implementing any new recommendations that are provided. Last night the Department announced the implementation of new cleaning procedures to include progressive cleaning throughout the day to ensure that risks of transmission are reduced. Social distancing will also be implemented where practical to limit direct contact. This includes non-contact greetings, some new seating arrangements in classrooms, lining up at the end of lunch and recess with increased space between students and cancelling our end of term assembly.

In addition to their normal planning, teachers are also currently preparing learning tasks for students in the event that we need to transition to remote learning in the future.

As a school we are committed to supporting our students and families in the current circumstances. Please do not hesitate to get in touch via the school email or phone if you would like to seek support or advice. To provide our community with clarity about how this challenge will be managed in schools, I will provide updates as they become available.

Information can also be obtained from <https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus>.

Jennene Cooney
Principal

CAMP DEPOSITS

At this stage all camps will be going ahead. Camp deposits are due by Friday 27th March 2020. If the camps are cancelled a full refund will be made for the deposit.

CANTEEN NEWS

Please be advised the following items are temporarily not available for purchase due to a supply issue:

Quench drinks

Popcorn

Apple Juice

Fried Rice

Dim Sims

Bottled Water

*****HOT DOG DAY HAS BEEN POSTPONED*****

School Banking

The Commonwealth Bank has advised that school banking will be suspended from 20/3/2020 until the start of term 2 due to the Coronavirus situation. All banking sent this term will be banked and we will confirm when school banking

SAME DAY NOTIFICATION OF UNEXPLAINED STUDENT ABSENCES

RESEARCH SHOWS THAT, HIGHER STUDENT ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL IS ASSOCIATED, ON AVERAGE, WITH HIGHER STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT.

Why is regular attendance at school important?

Regular school attendance will mean that your child gets a better chance at life. Your child will achieve better when they go to school all day, every school day:

- they learn better
- they make friends
- they are happier
- they have a brighter future.

Protecting the safety and well-being of children through the reporting and monitoring of absenteeism is the responsibility of both parents/carers and schools.

*Please remember to call the school on **03 57841221** or email at*

***broadford.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au** or log your child's absence using **Compass**.*

For further information on the processes and procedures our school uses to record, monitor and follow-up student attendance and absence please read our Attendance Policy



**Celebrating Every
Day Counts in Room
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