

IMPORTANT DATES

- School Council Meeting Monday 18th February 3.15pm
- Curriculum Day Monday 4th March
- Labour Day Public Monday 11th March
- Swimming program Monday 25th-Friday 29th March



Welcome back to the 2019 school year. It has been wonderful to see students return with smiles on their faces and in full uniform. We welcome 40 new Foundation students to Broadmeadows and they have settled well into their new routine.

A reminder that **school begins at 8.35**, you will see a different start to the day this year as teachers meet students outside for games and activities in the yard until 8.50am. This time will allow teachers and students to join in games and exercise together before the day begins. Everyone will come inside at 8.50am so we are ready to begin learning by 9:00am.

We warmly welcome Mr Brendan Chapman to our staff and he will be working in the 1 / 2 team. Brendan has worked in Melbourne and overseas and we look forward to having him at Broadmeadows PS. The structure of classes has changed this year with all students being placed in home groups. Students will meet in home groups every morning when they come inside, but will often work with other teachers and students in the unit for different activities. Home groups will allow parents to have one contact person for parent teacher meetings and other communications.

Our swimming program this year will include students from Years 1, 2, 3 and 4. It will be held from Monday 25th March – Friday 29th March. Information will be sent home to parents in the coming weeks.

Our Learning Behaviour for February is Arrival at School.

Please remember that attendance at school is extremely important. Students who are absent from school can have difficulty catching up on work and this places unnecessary pressure on them. Continual absences can be harmful to the social, emotional and academic development of students so please develop daily routines to consistently arrive at school on time.

- Set your alarm
- Organise uniform, lunches and pack bags the night before
- Allow for busy traffic

METROPOLITAN CANTEENS

FRESH SALADS DAILY

Salad box	\$5.00
Salad box with meat or tuna	\$6.00
Salad Bowl with Schnitzel	\$10.00

FRUIT SALAD

Large tub	\$5.50
Small tub	\$4.00

ROLLS & SANDWICHES

Plain s/w or roll	\$1.00
Vegemite or peanut butter	\$2.50
Cheese & tomato	\$4.50
Egg & lettuce	\$4.50
Cheese & salad	\$5.50
Salad	\$5.00
Ham or corned beef & pickles	\$5.00
Ham or corned beef & salad	\$6.00
Tuna & lettuce	\$5.00
Tuna & salad	\$6.00
Chicken, lettuce & mayo (H)	\$5.00
Roast chicken & salad (H)	\$6.00

CAKES

Jam donuts	\$2.00
Nutella donuts	\$3.00
Hedgehog / caramel slice	\$3.00
Texas muffins	\$3.50
Vanilla cupcake	\$1.50
Double time / choc truffle	\$0.50

DRINKS

Water	\$2.50
Sports drinks	\$4.50
Pop top fruit juices	\$2.00
Medium fruit juices	\$3.00
Small flavoured milk	\$2.50
Large flavoured milk	\$4.50
Up & Go	\$2.50
Small hot chocolate	\$2.50
Medium hot chocolate	\$3.00

MENU & PRICE LIST JANUARY 2019

HALAL

Donna kebabs	\$5.50
Beef lasagna	\$5.00
Large beef pasta	\$5.00
Small beef pasta	\$4.00
Beef pie	\$4.00
Large sausage roll	\$3.50
Hash brown	\$1.00
Dim sim	\$1.00
Nachos	\$4.00
Fantastic noodles	\$3.50
Chicken burger & salad	\$5.00
Chicken nugget rolls	\$3.50
Cheeseburger & salad	\$5.00
Wedges	\$4.00
Chicken nugget	\$0.80
Margarita pizza	\$3.50
Chicken pizza	\$4.00
Vegetarian pizza	\$4.00
Schnitzel, lettuce & mayo roll	\$8.00

NON-HALAL

Small sausage roll	\$2.50
Potato pie	\$4.00
Egg & bacon roll	\$6.00

ICY POLES

Zooper dooper	\$1.00
Icy twist	\$1.50
Choc / rainbow paddlepop	\$2.00
Calippo	\$2.50
Thickshake	\$2.50
Strawberry frozen yoghurt	\$2.00

CHIPS

Delites	\$1.00
Assorted chips	\$3.00

****PLEASE WRITE NAME, GRADE, ORDER
& AMOUNT ON A LARGE BROWN BAG
TO AVOID 20c CHARGE****

School times

Outdoor Student/Staff activities	8.35am
School starts/Students go into class	8.50am
Home group time	8.50am – 9.00am
Instruction	9.00am – 10.20am
Recess(eating)	10.20am – 10.30am
Recess(break)	10.30am – 10.45am
Instruction	10.45am – 12.35pm
Lunch (eating)	12.35pm-12.45pm
Lunch (break)	12.45pm-1.25pm
Instruction	1.25pm-3.00pm
School dismisses	3.00pm

Late arrivals - any students arriving after 8.50am must go to the office to be signed in as late

Please note – The playground is not supervised in the morning. The playground is supervised after school from 3.00pm – 3.15pm

Term dates for 2019

Term 1: Wednesday 30th January – Friday 5th April

Term 2: Tuesday 23rd April – Friday 28th June

Term 3: Monday 15th July – Friday 20th September

Term 4: Monday 7th October – Friday 20th December

Prep/foundation students

Please note that all foundation students are not required to attend Wednesdays until Wednesday 6th March. The teachers will be conducting interviews and testing the students on a Wednesday. Please see the teacher to make an appointment.

School uniform and school hats

All students need to wear either a bucket, wide brimmed or legionnaires hat (that covers the ears) outside during Term 1 & Term 4. All uniform and hats are available at Lowes in Broadmeadows Shopping Centre. Please mark/label your child's hat and all uniform items so they can be promptly returned to them.

Canteen

Lunch orders are available for all students. Arrangements have been made with the Secondary College to provide our lunches. Each child must have his/her own bag (brown paper bag) which is to be placed in the class lunch order basket before 9.15am. Please ensure the bag is big enough to hold the items ordered and clearly marked with your child's name and grade so lunch orders are delivered to the right classes. A current lunch order price list is attached. Please note some items have increased in price – please check before you complete your order.

Book packs

Payments are now due for your child/children's school book packs. The cost is \$40 per student. Payment can be made as cash to the office or direct deposit to the school bank account.

BSB 063229 Account Number 0090 2014 & please use your child's name as a reference.

School council elections

Our School Council elections are open to all parents and anyone interested is encouraged to nominate an interested parent or themselves. The role of council members is to oversee the smooth running of the school, assist in policy reviews and contribute to future planning. We meet twice a term and meetings last 1 ½ hours. I strongly encourage any interested parents to come and speak with me (Mrs Lewis) if you have any questions. Currently there are 5 places vacant on School Council. Details regarding nomination forms and the election process will be forwarded to all parents within the next few weeks.

Contact phone numbers/addresses

If any of your family and any emergency contacts numbers and/or addresses have changed, please contact the office as soon as possible so we can update your details.

Newsletter

If you would like your newsletter emailed please advise the office or you can also access our newsletter via the school app. Please go to www.flexibuzz.com.au for any enquiries please contact the office. We will continue to have hard copies available in the office and posted around the noticeboards throughout the school.

Tissues

A reminder to families that students are required to bring in 2 boxes of tissues each. Thank you to the students who have already brought them into school.

Early collection of students

Anyone collecting a child early must come to the office first to sign out their child. Please note if you have an appointment and need to collect a child during recess or lunchtime, please advise in the morning so we can arrange for them to be ready waiting in the office.

Absence

If your child is going to be absent (away/sick) from school, please phone the school or notify us by our flexibuzz app. If you are planning to go on any extended holidays, please contact the office to complete an extended absence form. We can then notify your child's teacher.

CSEF

Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is \$125 for primary students.

Please come into the office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school in 2018, you do not need to complete an application form in 2019 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following have occurred;

- **New student enrolment;** your child has started school or changed schools in 2019 or you did not apply in 2018
- **Changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2019.

Chickens

Thank you to all the families that volunteered over the holidays to ensure our chickens were looked after.