

## IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February  
Meet the teacher – after school

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March  
Labour Day Public Holiday

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March – Curriculum Day

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March  
Books in Homes Assembly

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March – School Photos

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March  
Harmony Day

23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> March – Swimming program

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Last day Term 1  
Students finish 2.30pm

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Term 2

Term 2 starts back Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April  
(Due to Easter break)

Welcome back to the 2020 school year. It has been wonderful to see students return with smiles on their faces and in full uniform. We welcome 43 new Foundation students to Broadmeadows and they have settled well into their new routine.

A reminder that **school begins at 8.35am**, teachers will 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 Ms Violetta Mladenova (12C) Miss Zara Araz (34A) Mr Callum Mackenzie(34B) & Mrs Camila Bravo-Alfavo (Spanish) to our staff. Staff also returning from family leave: Mrs Morley (Performing Arts) & Mrs Florez (Levelled Literacy)

Our swimming program this year will include students from Years 1 -6. It will be held from Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> 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

### **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February – Meet the teacher**

A 'Meet the Teacher' afternoon will be held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February from 2.00pm – 6.00pm. This is a chance to meet your child's Home Group teacher to discuss Learning Behaviour goals and share additional information. A notice will be sent out later this week.

Please see below for an update on the Coronavirus from the Department of Education.

### **CORONAVIRUS UPDATE**

The Commonwealth's Chief Medical Officer and Victoria's Chief Health Officer have recommended a stronger precautionary approach to managing coronavirus for travellers returned from mainland China (not including Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan) from 1st February 2020.

This recommendation is that parents/guardians/carers should ensure that any student returning from mainland China (not including Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan) who was in mainland China on or after **1 February 2020** is isolated at home and should not attend school until 14 days after they were last in mainland China.

This recommendation does not apply retrospectively. It applies only to students who were in mainland China on or after 1 February 2020.

The existing advice remains that parents/guardians/carers of students should ensure that any student is isolated at home and should not attend school for 14 days if they have been exposed to any confirmed novel coronavirus case or after leaving Hubei Province.

### **School times**

Outdoor Student/Staff activities	8.35am
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 before 8.35am**

**The playground is supervised after school from 3.00pm – 3.15pm**

### **Term dates for 2020**

Term 1: Wednesday 29th January – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March

Term 2: Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June

Term 3: Monday 13th July – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September

Term 4: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December

### **Foundation students**

Please note that all foundation students are not required to attend Wednesdays.

From Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March students will attend every day. The teachers will be conducting interviews and testing the students on a Wednesday. Please see the teacher for your appointment time.

### **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.

### **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.

Bpay – please contact the office for your families Bpay reference number.

### **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](http://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.

## **Book Club**

Bookclub Issue 1, the first issue for the year has been distributed in Week 1. Please ensure orders are given to your child's classroom teacher on, or before Friday the 14th of February.

## **Grade 6 jumpers**

Can students wanting to order jumper, please pay \$45 by this Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February. We can then complete our order for the jumpers for 2020.

## **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](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef).

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school in 2019, you do not need to complete an application form in 2020 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 2020 or you did not apply in 2019
- **Changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2020.

## **Chickens**

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

## **New In 2020**

This year at BPS we are introducing Performing Arts as a specialist class, and we already have some big plans in place. Each class will participate in a performance from different cultures which will link with the Harmony Day celebration. This will be an opportunity for students to learn about dances, music and celebrations from different cultures. We are looking for parent helpers to assist with a Middle Eastern dance that will be performed by the 3/4 students. If you are able to assist with this, please contact Mrs Rochester or Mrs Webb on ph. 9302 6060 asap as we will begin learning the dances in week three (02/03/2020). We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Mrs Rochester and Mrs Webb  
Performing Arts Teachers

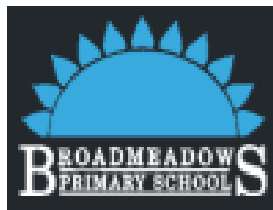
### Books in Homes

Books in Homes term 1 is happening on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March at 1:30pm.

Bring your teddies and wear your P.Js because the theme is bedtime reading!

Don't forget to enter the Role Model Competition and bring your entries to Miss King.

Happy reading!



Attendance during one school year	Equal Days Absent	Which is weeks absent	Number of lessons missed
95%	10	2	40 - 50
90%	20	4	80 - 100
85%	30	6	120 - 150
80%	40	8	160 - 200
75%	50	10	200 - 250

*If your child maintains 90% a year for his/her entire primary school life, they will end up missing between 560 – 700 lessons which is close to whole year of school missed.*

*Calculation based on a school year of 200 days and 4-5 lessons per day.*

## **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**

Med tub	\$4.00
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### **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	\$2.50
Nutella donuts	\$3.50
Hedgehog / caramel slice	\$3.50
Texas muffins	\$4.00
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

**PLEASE NOTE SAUCE IS  
30 CENTS EXTRA IN A  
CONTAINER**

## **MENU & PRICE LIST October 2019**

### **HALAL**

Donna kebabs	\$5.50
Beef lasagna	\$5.00
Large beef pasta	\$5.00
Small beef pasta	\$4.00
Beef pie	\$4.50
Large sausage roll	\$4.00
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	\$4.00
Chicken pizza	\$4.50
Vegetarian pizza	\$4.50
Schnitzel, lettuce & mayo roll	\$8.00

### **NON-HALAL**

Small sausage roll	\$3.00
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

### **CHIPS**

Delites	\$1.00
Assorted chips	\$3.00

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