



Balnarring Preschool & Infant Welfare Association



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July Committee Newsletter 2022

Welcome back to Term 3!

We hope everyone has had a settled return to kinder after the break. We would like to thank everyone who completed the Pre-School survey, attached you will find a summary of the survey.

There have been new outdoor blinds installed under the verandah to keep the cold weather out and warmth in, this is a fantastic addition to the area and the hard work by Nikki in organising this does not go unnoticed.

We would also like to extend a big thank you to one of our parents Demmi Noordennen for fixing the deck behind the cubby, as well as installing a new pinboard under the verandah so be sure to check out all the items the teachers will be putting up. A big thank you also goes to the parents who have supported with the chicken coop.

On Saturday 8th October is the Balnarring Community Twilight Sustainability Fair 3pm-7pm. Balnarring Kindergarten will be hosting a stall and we are looking for volunteers, if you are available and interested in volunteering please speak with Ann as she will be arranging a roster.

This is also a gentle reminder that the teachers work long and hard to provide an enriching environment for our children and we ask that if you have a non-urgent matter to discuss to reach out during usual business hours. Another reminder that the committee is made up of volunteers so please be mindful of suitable communication times.

Committee Position Vacant: Historian

This position of Historian has become available within our committee. The Historian is the link between the past and the current and is responsible for the historical record keeping, writing an article for the Balnarring Bridge every two months and distributing the annual community newsletter. If you are an interested parent and would like to become the new historian, please let us know by return email or speaking with one of the teachers.



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A message from the fees officer:

Hello families,

Please note if you haven't paid your Term 3 fees, they are now overdue. Please make payment by Friday 21st July or contact your student's teacher by this date to enter a payment plan. Just a reminder that fees are issued 4 weeks prior to term-end and the payment deadline is one week before term end. Please be aware that the kinder fees collected are a major source of kinder funding and timely payment is very important to pay our wonderful teachers, support new initiatives and upgrade kindergarten facilities for your children.

If you have misplaced your invoice or have any queries please make contact with Victoria Beirne on: Balnarring.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au please use – "Fees Query" in the heading or call on 59835803

Many Thanks, Victoria
Fees Officer

Dates for the Diary:

Upcoming Events for Djeembana

- Jaeden Williams from Bunjil Biik storytelling Tuesday 19th July
- Rain, Hayne & Shine Wednesday 3rd August

Upcoming Events for Weelam

- Working bee Sunday 24th July
- Jaeden Williams from Bunjil Biik storytelling Thursday 28th July
- Rain, Hayne & Shine Thursday 18th August

Upcoming Events for Manameet & Gareeal

- Jaeden Williams from Bunjil Biik storytelling Tuesday 19th July



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COVID-19 Update:

If we could please remind families that we are requesting for children to be RAT tested a minimum of 2x weekly for the four-year-old group and a minimum of 1x weekly for the three-year-old groups.

If you are rostered for stay and play you will also need to complete a RAT test before the session, and we strongly encourage you to wear a mask for the duration of the session

If there is a positive covid case at home than we request that all family members, please stay home for the isolation period

If you are showing any cold or flu symptoms, we also encourage you to please wear a mask

We have a large supply of RAT tests available so please help yourself.

Next Meeting:

We would also like to let all parents know that committee meetings are an open invitation, and you are always welcome to attend, the next committee meeting is on:

Tuesday 9th August at 7:00pm at the kinder.



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