

BALLARAT STEINER SCHOOL

Kindergarten & Playgroup

IMPORTANT DATES & PARENTS and FRIENDS NEWS

Term 2 Week 6

Wednesday 1st June

Saturday 4th June: *Sustainability Group Meeting and Working Bee: 10.00am*

Tuesday 7th June: *Pre Loved Store (in Multipurpose Room) 2.30pm*

Wednesday 8th June: *Eurythmy Performance (children) for parents 2.00pm in Multipurpose Room*

Friday 10th June: *Craft Circle (in Playgroup room) 1.30pm*

Monday 13th June: *Queens Birthday (Public Holiday)*

Monday 20th June: *Parent Teacher Interviews (class 1-6) 1.00pm*

Thursday the 23rd of June: *Parents and Friends AGM (in Kitchen) 7:30pm*

Saturday 25th June: *Boite Choir Introductory Rehearsal 2.00pm - 4.00pm
(212 Armstrong St 5th Ballarat Ebenezer Hall)*

Wednesday 29th June: *Official Opening of School Buildings 2.00pm*

Saturday 27th August: *Polishing Rehearsal (Ebenezer Hall) 2.00pm- 4.00pm*

Sunday 28th August: *Final Dress Rehearsal and Performance (Wendouree Centre for Performing Arts) 10.30am-3.30pm*



WINTER FESTIVALS

Tuesday 28th June: *Early Childhood Festival (Playgroup, Ring a Rosie, Prep)*

Friday 1st July: *School Festival 6.30pm*

Dates for your Diary

Term Two ends: *Friday 1st July*

Term Three begins: *Tuesday 26th July*



PARENTS AND FRIENDS

Parents & Friends AGM After a busy and productive 12 months of being president of Ballarat Steiner Parents & Friends, my time in this role is coming to an end. Due to work commitments I will not be continuing as president. I would like to thank the whole community for your support, enthusiasm and input into events, particularly this year's Autumn Fair which just seems to get better and better each year.

Ballarat Steiner School Parents & Friends will be holding the AGM on **Thursday the 23rd of June 2011 at 7:30pm** in the kitchen. One of the main aims will be to review the past 12 months and the roles of the core committee. All Parents and Friends are most welcome and encouraged to attend and we would like to have some new people join the core group, it's not scary...honest!! If you are interested in taking on a **small** role, please talk to Sylvia, Naomi, Johanna or myself.

Thanks again, Alison J

Pre Loved Store Open for Business! **Next Tuesday 7th June from 2:30pm in the Multi-purpose Room. Come along and grab a bargain!!**

Volunteers are needed to help with the Store on Tuesday afternoons. It is not yet decided if the Store will open weekly, biweekly or monthly-depends how many helping hands are available. See Naomi or Sylvia or email Alison on bahills@bigpond.com if you would like to be involved. Being involved does mean that you get the first look at all the bargains!

TriNature Product Feature:- Ultra Cream Cleanser This is a beautifully scented cream cleanser that gently cleans and de-stains, requiring little hard scrubbing! Enriched with essential oils of Thyme and Spearmint to provide a sanitising and long-lasting fresh natural mint fragrance. Contains soft mineral micro-spheres to prevent scratching of surfaces.

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Honey - there will be more honey next week, please make sure that you pay for any debts,

Weleda - any wanting to order products has to do so by Fri 10th June by ringing me on 0458 223048, Johanna

Garlic - BD garlic can be ordered for \$1.50 a head, please leave your order and payment in the office by Fri 10th June, the garlic is grown in Buninyong by our long-time supporter Keith McCallum.

Mercurius - these lovely products can be bought anytime. The range includes face pencils, crayons, modelling wax, pencils, water colours etc., to find out more call Johanna on 0458 223048

BD Field day - if you always wanted to know what it's all about, there is your chance to do a BD compost workshop to be held at the school on Sat 17th Sept., for further info call Johanna on 0458 223048

Sonnet - to order any of these products call Silke on 53418452



Nits are a problem for all children in all schools from all walks of life. We here at Ballarat Steiner are no exemption. They are annoying little pests that are difficult to get rid of once they have made home. In order to prevent cross contamination, the schools policy is that all hair should be neat and tidy and tied back if applicable. Nits cannot jump so if hair is braided or tied back the loose threads of hair that the nits travel on are not available and it makes cross contamination all the more difficult for these pesty things.

There are lots of natural products on the market that are effective with due diligence. We ask that for the comfort of the children and the convenience of other community members that you remain on top of your child's hair and any nit problems.

Boite Schools Chorus – Freedom Road

The Ballarat Steiner School Choir (children in classes 3 to 6) are to be involved in an exciting performance alongside other schools from around the region as part of the Boite Schools Chorus. The Boite Schools Chorus is an annual, un-auditioned chorus event presented by world music organisation, The Boite. Since 2004 The Boite Schools Chorus has performed in 12 major concerts across Victoria. 40 schools and 800 upper primary and lower secondary students explore music and cultures of the world in school programs with their teachers and then combine with singers from across the state in an exhilarating concert for peers, family and friends.

The concert for 2011 is *Freedom Road*, inspired by the black American slave songs. In 2011 The Boite Schools Chorus will discover the rich song traditions of early blues, work hollers, and a cappella with acclaimed teachers, singers and performers, Stella Savy and Dani Fry.

The Ballarat concert will take place at the Wendouree Performing Arts Centre on Sunday August 28 and there will be two rehearsals outside of school time with the whole chorus (dates below).

Please note the following dates in your calendars:

Introductory Rehearsal	Saturday 25th June 2pm - 4pm Ebenezer Church Hall 212 Armstrong St Sth Ballarat
Polishing Rehearsal	Saturday 27th August 2pm- 4pm Ebenezer Church Hall 212 Armstrong St Sth Ballarat
Final Dress Rehearsal and Performance	Sunday 28th August Wendouree Centre for Performing Arts 10:30am: Arrival and t-shirt collection 11am - 1pm: Choir rehearsal 1pm: lunch break (please bring a packed lunch) 1:45: return to stage 2 - 3:30pm concert 3:30 - Students return to school groups and dismissed on collection by a parent/guardian

More information can be found at www.boite.com.au

Sarah Hirst

Sustainability Meeting

Saturday 4th June 10:00 am – 11:30pm

As a follow up to our initial meetings we will be looking at the next stage of our environmental journey and to reflect on what we have achieved so far.

Everyone more than welcome to come and share their ideas. For those who have extra time (up to 1:00pm) a Working Bee will follow to continue on the great work that has been done to date.

This is a most exciting time for the development of our grounds.

A reminder to parents that Anna would love any help during her Earth Lessons on Thursdays. Class 5/6 11:30 – 12:30
Class 3/4 1:30 – 2:30 and Class 1/2 2:30 – 3:30

Coles sports for schools

Thank you to all those who contributed to this program. The school was lucky enough to receive 9 light weight balls which have so far been used extensively by the children. Fantastic Effort

Hi everyone....just thought I would let you know of a wonderful site called MamaMoontime. It has loads of great ideas for creativity, craft, parenting inspiration and eco-green living.....

Just click on to www.mamamoontime.com and enjoy!!!!