

Coffee Morning

Many thanks to all the parents who attended the last Coffee Morning Information Session about Homework in Prep School, led by Ms Packman and Ms Chen. Our next Coffee Morning will be specifically for K1 parents and will focus on social development and learning opportunities through K1 routines:

Date: Thursday 11th October

Time: 8:45-9:45am

Location: Bamboo Atrium

We look forward to seeing you there. K1 parents - please look out for the invitation sent home on Monday 8th October in your child's school bag.



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Happy Holidays

We wish you all a very happy National Week Holiday in the week ahead. Wherever you may be going and whatever you may be doing, be sure to treasure your moments with family and friends, take time to relax and reflect and be sure to stay safe. We look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 8th October.

CoCurricular Activity Programme

We are excited to launch our 2018-19 CCA Programme after the holiday, which will begin on Monday 8th October. Across the Pre and Prep Schools we have a wide range of enticing activities in the realms of Athletics, The Arts, STEM and Language. This year all CCAs will follow the same planning approaches with CCAs structured across three stages: 'Engage and Assess', 'Explore and Develop' and 'Refine and Present'. Teachers and coaches have identified assessment opportunities for each stage and each CCA will have an opportunity for parent engagement - usually structured in the final stage. CCA reviews and feedback will be offered by teachers and leaders across Pre and Prep School and we are excited by the high quality learning and experiences that your children will benefit from as a response to the systems and procedures in place this year.



Settling In Reports and PT Day Coming Soon

As your child has been moving through the first weeks of school, building Essential Agreements with teachers and peers, forming friendships, embedding routines and learning about how to stay safe and healthy at BMH and beyond, Teachers have been busy observing and assessing students' progress and skills to ensure they are settling in well to their new class environment. Information will be shared with parents on 25th October, as per the school calendar, in the form of a Settling In Report which will be sent home electronically in our ongoing commitment to be environmentally friendly.

The following day, Friday 26th October, will be our 2-Way Conference; this is a Parent Teacher Day in which a dialogue between Class Teachers and Parents takes place to reflect on the reports shared the day before.

More information will follow from teachers after the holiday about how to sign up for appointment times.

Swimming

It has been wonderful to see our Prep 3, 4 and 5 students engaging in their Swimming Unit in the first weeks of this term. This important life-skill not only teaches students one of the healthiest all round cardiovascular exercises there is, as well as the sporting attitudes of participation, engagement and competition, but also how to enjoy water safely. All students are expected to participate in swimming lessons on a weekly basis unless they are not well; in this case it is most likely that they are also not well enough to come to school. Where a child is in school but not able to swim for health reasons, a doctor's note is required to excuse the child from swimming. The Prep 1 and 2 Swimming Unit will fall at the end of the academic year.



Ice Skating Training

Many thanks to our K3 parents for assisting the weekly Ice Skating excursions to MH Mall in the afternoons with Ms Daisy Du, our on-staff hockey expert and coach. Thanks also to Mr Alex Marinescu for offering initial training to these parent helpers at the start of term. He and Ms Daisy will be offering follow up training to share evolutions to our school routines on Wednesday 10th October from 3:40pm on 4th floor Bamboo Building. More information will follow from your child's class teacher.

