



# BAVA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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# NEWSLETTER #3

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Term 1

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL - MS DARO

Welcome back everyone! The time has come again to share some news from the school. I hope you are able to read the contents of our newsletters because they contain the stories of what your children have been doing. We are sure you will find our news interesting but more importantly is for you to have an idea about the kind of learning experiences your children are exposed to. We encourage you as parents and guardians to take an active role and interest. This is an important area that I really wish us to develop and see grow between the school and home.

FINAL LETTER - Numerous matters of importance that need your personal attention. You are asked kindly to read the contents to become aware of them.

**1. END OF THIS TERM DATE:** APRIL 14TH GOOD FRIDAY – PUBLIC HOLIDAY. However, the school will close for term one break after the end of the term concert on Thursday 13th.

**2. END OF TERM ONE CONCERT:** APRIL 13 THURSDAY – SCHOOL CLOSE BY 1 PM. 1 week Break starts. Details of these are outlined in each sector's news. Some may need your help so please check with your children. Concert Venue - School premises. 9:45am for 10am start. Bring a plate of eats for a shared luncheon. Everyone goes home after.

**3. TERM ONE BREAK:** APRIL MONDAY 17 - FRIDAY 21. This will only be a week. Encourage your children to read during this holiday period.

**4. TERM ONE TEACHER IN-SERVICE:** APRIL TUESDAY 18 – FRIDAY 21. The school services the teachers and the staff every term holidays to update them in what is current with curriculum materials, programs and teacher

education. I believe in quality teachers who are themselves ready to learn new things and in turn pass them onto their classroom and outdoor students.

We shall also be discussing "What great teachers do differently as well as their Principals." The theme for Term Two will also be discussed amongst other interesting topics like the school and home partnership relationships and related tasks.



Playschool making use of their new colour wheel during lessons

**5. TERM TWO FEES:** TO BE PAID IN FULL BY APRIL MONDAY 24th. Take note that fees must be settled before hand. If you have any special arrangement with your employer, please advise the office in writing.

**6. TERM TWO STARTS:** APRIL - MONDAY 24th. (FULLY PAID STUDENTS ONLY) Refer notes above please. Thank you to all who comply.

**7. ELECTION DATES:** APRIL 20 - JULY 24th. Hope that you have been informed sufficiently.

**8. ANZAC DAY:** APRIL TUESDAY 25th - Will notify if this is public holiday.

**9. PORT MORESBY RACQUET CLUB PREMISES:** MONTHLY USE. This program has been postponed to Term Two due to the current unpredictable weather patterns. \*Make sure to bring in the form filled whether you allow your child/children to go or not.

I hope to see you next week Thursday at the concert. If one parent/guardian can be present to represent the family. Your child will be so happy to show you what she/he has learned this term. May be you will have a pleasant surprise!!

Let me take you inside their classrooms to tell you about themselves now.



Playschool during class time



Prep & Gr 1 having fun with sand play



Mixed groups in free play time

#### **10. PLAY-PRESCHOOL - MRS KUA & MISS HEAGI:**

Hello once again. It is our pleasure to welcome you all inside your children's world for another edition of our insights. Let us thank the heavenly father for his grace that is sufficient to us every day. Amen.

**Class management** - Classroom management is ok and well. Minor discipline issues with two to three children with behavioural patterns. This is a sensitive area and is handled with respect and care.

Assessments are written out in the home link books for any concerned parents. Otherwise the link is primarily used to communicate with you from Monday to Friday. \*Please nothing is personal. This is to help us all.

**Academic work** - Our academic work for this term was completed in week 7. Everyone had worked really hard this term. Thank you to those parents who engaged with us

from the start. Your efforts is not wasted and will be rewarded in the long run.

**Assessment** - Assessment is ongoing - we started on week 5. The measurement used for assessing was observation and checklist.

**Report Cards** - Complete. Highlights for the term are:

1. Elliott Elijah
2. Terry Paul
3. Nasya Amana

**Concert Practice** - We started since week 6 and working towards the Day. We have lots of surprises for you. Please do come and celebrate with us. You will enjoy.

Thank you.

*Mrs Kua and Miss Heagi*

**11. PREP-GRADE ONE:**

Hello everyone, another opportunity for us to share what we have been doing and learning so far for the past 9 weeks.

**Jolly Phonics** - we are now sounding, blending and reading group 1, 2 and 3 words using the jolly phonics volume 1, 2 and 3 sounds. Some of the children who are advancing in their reading are now reading sentence cards and reading books. I am happy with the comment I have received from their parents regarding their reading progress. Namely Evangeline, Leonidus, Sante, Leilani S, Leilani Y, Morgan, Karo Timothy and Jeremiah.

**Math** - we did cover the first term program on numeration. Therefore we have taken the step to move on to doing addition in pictorial and numeral.

**Science** - a very interesting topic we learned in class about our 'Bones'. Most children have shown a lot of interest and done well with the practical lessons. We will continue revising this topic.

**Social studies** - we covered all the topics and we will revise.

**Health** - children are putting into practice what they have learned about "healthy habits."

**Homework/home link book** - please a kind reminder to check with your child and assist him/her and write your comments. This is an important dialogue .

**Assessment/reports** - we did all our test and assessable task and will revise the learning areas that the children need to improve on. Report cards for this term are now complete.

**Concert preparation** - your child will be coming home with their concert scripts and costume notes please kindly assist your child.

THANK YOU!

Mrs Mea



Prep & Grade 1 class in the main hall



Grades planting Moringa



The sprouted Moringa being watered

**12. MULTI GRADES - MR B.M. MEA:**

Hello everyone - welcome again to our class insights for this term. A lot has already happened particularly in our daily lessons and activities. See below are several to mention the many!

**MY REAL AND IMAGINARY IDENTITIES** - We had great fun in this topic learning about our own identities. We then used this knowledge to creatively produce imaginary identities using pictures we cut out from magazines and newspapers. These activities enabled us to share and learn more about ourselves.

**A BOOK REVIEW** - a book review assignment was undertaken by the Grades 3 & 4 as part of their English Language Program. There were some minor issues. However, most students did fairly well. Another book review shall be done next term. I believe our students will do even better. Congratulations to those parents and guardians who have shown interest and assisted. Well done and thank you.

**MORINGA SEEDLINGS PROJECT** - This year we have decided to plant MORINGA in two groups. Almost all students in our class have planted their seedlings.

We are keeping a close watch daily. Much to our surprise, the first group of shoots appeared in exactly 7 days after we planted them. Can you imagine how we all reacted to see them? We are still very excited and eager to watch daily over them as they grow. A daily Diary is being kept in their progress. \*\*Meanwhile the second group cannot wait to see their own sprout!

**HOMELINESS** – I want to commend our parents for continuously linking with me by signing their home link books. This is very important as it allows us to communicate weekly regarding your child's progress I wish to ask all parents to please help us in this area.

**PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS** – Few parents will receive a note from for this special Conference over the holidays. From Tuesday 18 - Friday 21 April.

THANK YOU.

*Mr Mea - Class Teacher*

### 13. LIBRARY NEWS - MS KARONA:

Hello and it is time to highlight some news since we draw closer to end first term.

The theme for this term is "The Real Me" must have sparked some enthusiasm with some children. That has led to improvement in their reading and interest in borrowing of books from the library.

Just to name some of them: Theresa Aru, Corban Laeka, Chloe Kwaudi, Philemon Deilala, Jade Guina, Jayden Ramaltap and not forgetting the Preps – Evangeline Ramaltap, Morgan Verave, Sante Jubilee, Leilani Salaiau, Leonidus Fitcher and Karo Timothy Nobetau who are now making progress to blend and read certain words.

I would like to thank all those parents who have been assisting their children at home.



Swimming time is always fun!



Hands on learning in the Playschool class



Prep and Grade 1 classroom

### Library Reminders

- If your child does not have a library bag, please do check with Mrs Tione.
- Please do fill in the Home Reading Diaries after every reading session with your children.
- This way I am able to update his/her reading progress report to help.

Thank you.

*Librarian - Ms Karona*

**14. THE FRONT DESK - MRS TIONE:** Hi everyone, how nice to share with you all once again in this edition. As we draw closer to the end of this term, we are all looking

forward to our end of Term 1 concert when old and new parents come together to witness this special day.

With our old parents who always have surprises every term and now we want to invite all our new parents and guardians to come along and be part of our family on this day as well. You will all have a lovely time by watching your dear little ones putting on their shows from their hard work.

Few reminders!! Please take note!

1. **Term 1 Fees:** MUST be settled now, failure to do so your child will not be allowed back in term 2.
2. **Term 2 Fees:** MUST be paid before the Term 2 classes begin. Default fees may apply. If you have not

- received your invoice please see Mrs Tione.
- 3. Late pick up after school, a K20.00 fee is charged from 3:30pm onwards. Please pay.
- 4. Uniforms: New order will be arriving soon, details to follow.
- 5. Meals: Place your order at the school counter daily K20. Or prepaid term K850.00.
- 6. Coca Cola machine is on and selling juice and water for K3.00

- 7. Tennis Consent Form: Please return the form if you are still holding onto one. Failure to return means your child/children will not attend the Fridays outing at the Tennis Club once a month.
  - 8. DVD - Still available @ K60/copy. For 2015 - 2016 highlights. Very nice and educational too.
- Thank you and have a lovely Easter celebrations.

*Mrs Tione - Registrar*



Reading time indoors



Ms Daniels preparing the childrens' lunch



Playtime outdoors



Harmain, Formacy and sister at hometime



Jaden with his Mum and brother

## SCHOOL TIMES

### Gate Opens For Drop Off

7:30 - 8:00 AM ONLY  
(This is a "Free Play Period" an important time for all children to intermingle).

### Assembly/Sharing Time

8:00 - 8:30 AM

### Morning Tea Break

10:00 - 10:20 AM

### Lunch Break

11:50 - 12:30 PM

### Rest Time For Play/Preschool

12:30 - 1:45 PM

### Home Time/Pick Up

2:30 - 3:00 PM  
(After 3pm, late fees apply)

### Gates and School Close

4:00 PM

### \* FRIDAYS (Half Day)

Students to be picked up by 1PM  
(After 1pm, late fees apply)

Wow, that was a lot of news from us at Bava! I hope you do and can find the time to read it through. I sincerely ask you to please read the contents because this is important to your children and your family as well as the school community. This co-operation between home and school speak volumes.

Let us work and support each other to the same common end in caring and educating your children under our care and management to the best of our ability. I do hope and I believe we have delivered the services we assured you of upon enrolment of your children at Bava International School this term! We appreciate and thank you all for your trust and continuing support. Thank you all.

**Ms Boio Bess Daro, OBE.**  
**School Principal**