On Monday night Michael Ymer, Mathematics expert and consultant who has worked with staff over the last 18 months, conducted a parent evening. Michael is first and foremost a teacher and his style is hands-on and interactive. Here is what those that attended thought about the evening.

A worthwhile and entertaining presentation, a logical and practical approach to teaching mathematics and numeracy both at home and at school.

Michael’s session was riveting, entertaining and reassuring to me that the new mathematics teaching for understanding is designed for the children to develop skills in numeracy and not just arithmetic. Having good number sense, understanding and fluency will promote the mathematical confidence they need transfer knowledge and solve problems.

Thanks so much for the invitation to attend the session with Michael Ymer last night. I was so pleased I made the effort!

Michael is a first class speaker and a passionate educator and I came away feeling excited about what & how the kids are learning at Brighton Primary School. It’s a relief to have a better understanding of the latest approaches to Mathematics and its empowering to have specific concepts and ideas which allow me to support my children in not only their mathematics, but thinking and learning in general.

Michael Ymer is a very engaging, informative and entertaining speaker.

Michael’s approach to the topic was bright, engaging and insightful. It was the perfect entree to an ongoing parent-school-consultant relationship.

We picked up some nifty maths, despite our age and experience, improved our ability to communicate about numeracy with our children, and felt as though we gained a renewed understanding of the challenges our kids, their peers and their teachers face.

Delving deeper:
The universal language of maths. Despite the benefits of using real-world, creative and engaging techniques to teach maths, I’d like to hear more about bringing it all back to the universal language of maths. The language is powerful, especially in an IB school, if we need to move from one IB school to another and most certainly when moving from Primary to High School.

It would now be good to see them take it further and provide more at each level if poss. Some of the strategies would be perfect for younger kids but it would be helpful for us to know how we can best support their learning at grade 3 and above.

Thank you for investing in our childrens' numeracy education and well done on including us on the journey.
MONDAY MORNING ASSEMBLY
25th April 2016

Parents are welcome to attend our Monday morning assemblies on the Junior Oval at 9.00am.

Congratulations to next Monday’s PYP Attitudes award recipients:

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Lost Property

Lost property is stored in the cupboard near the Uniform Shop.

Please check through it if anything goes missing.

Occupational Health and Safety

If you notice a potential OH&S issue around the school please report it to the office ASAP so that it can be addressed.

Bill Kolivas
Facilities Manager

School Banking

School banking is well under way!

Bank books need to be delivered to the Staff Room as close to 9am as possible.

PARENTS

Log on to Compass every week to ensure you are up to date with excursion notices!!

The cut-off for consent for an event is 2 days prior to the event or your child WILL miss out!!!

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**UNIFORM SHOP NEWS**

Trading hours
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday
3.00-4.00pm

Belinda Treseder
Uniform Shop Manager
uniformshop@brighton.vic.edu.au

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**YOGA AND MINDFULNESS CORNER**

*BPS NEWS: This week the entire year 2 cohort of students started a 6 week yoga program during PE. In the sessions, the students will be introduced to the benefits of yoga and strengthen their bodies, minds and intellect. Data collection is part of the program so that BPS has evidence of its impact. Watch this space!*

One part of the program is learning how parts of the body work including many organs and the use of breathing for regulation. The students will learn more about how the brain works which is a growing field in education in its own right. The field of educational neuroscience is informing how to improve the school day experience. This field is at the intersection of:

- Cognitive psychology
- Education
- Neuroscience

Educational neuroscience brings together these fields and has now been applied to classroom management techniques so that the students receive the most from their learning environment.

*FREE SPECIAL OFFER - BRING A FRIEND TO YOGA!*

**OFFER VALID THURS APR 28 & MAY 5**

**DON'T MISS OUT**

After-school yoga classes are offered in the Performance Hall Thursday 3.30-4.45 (all ages)

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**CANTEEN ROSTER**

*Times:* 9.30am - 11.30am (1) & 11.30am - 1.30pm (2)

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All parents are welcome to help us out and you can call us on 9539 7131 to sign up.

Look forward to seeing you.
Caly, Marie and Belinda

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**Remember**

**KEEP CALM CAUSE THERE'S NO SCHOOL**

PUPIL FREE DAY
Friday 29th April
Message from the Health Centre

Dear Parents and Guardians,

With winter just around the corner, so too is the season of coughs, colds and sniffles! Many absences are caused by viruses that are spread in classrooms where children are in close contact with one another. Good hygiene and tissue use can help protect your children from germs, preventing illness and therefore avoid missing valuable school time. It can also stop the spread of colds and flu to other members of the family.

You can help your child stay healthy and prevent the spread of germs by reminding them at home of this simple 1-2-3 message.

**CATCH IT** - Always use a tissue when you cough and sneeze

**BIN IT** - Throw the tissue away immediately after use

**KILL IT** - Wash your hands

Please remember, if your child is not well they should stay home until they are well enough to return to school. This allows them to recover, and reduces the risk of spread of infection to others. Let’s try to keep our school environment as healthy as possible.

Thank you.

Nurse Cecile.

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MOTHER’S DAY STALL
Thursday 5th May
All gifts $10
but retail for around $20

Children will visit the stall in class groups on this day, so please
don’t forget to send them with their money.

If we do not sell out on Thursday the stall will be open lunchtime
on Friday for anyone who was away or forgot money.

As always a huge thanks to the suppliers for providing products
at cost (and allowing us to sell at cost) so the kids can really treat
their mums this Mothers day

Husk * Hamish and Grace
Pash Flowers and Homewares
Duck and Hyde * We Love Sundays
Hello everyone & welcome to Term 2!

Here is a quick overview of what’s happening this term, hopefully most of which you’ve seen on Compass already.

**Lapathon - Thursday April 28th - NEXT THURSDAY**
The oval for laps is the Junior Oval & each group of classes get 10 or 15 minutes. Donations can be made overall or as an amount per lap. I believe younger classes run around 6-8 laps & the speedy seniors may get a few more. All details & forms are on Compass.

**Mother’s Day Stall - Thursday May 5th**
The much loved Brighton Primary School Mother's Day Stall will be held on Thursday May 5. This year we have some gorgeous gifts from local stores Husk, Hamish and Grace, Pash Flowers and Homewares and Duck and Hyde. It is amazing how much the kids love this opportunity to select a gift to spoil their much loved mum.

**Entertainment Guide – Fundraiser Launched – books go home Thursday 12th May**
This year we are sending books home in school bags (one per family). There is no obligation to buy it, but it would be great to encourage all families to try & sell one, either buying themselves or to family, friends, neighbours. The books are being delivered to the school on Thursday 12th & will go home asap after that. For any unsold, they will be due for return a week later. Notices have gone home to order now, or opt out from receiving a book. For those ordering now, digital is an instant download, or you will get your book when they go home in school bags (select option, pick up from school). I’ll get a note with all the details on Compass shortly. Brighton P.S. link is: [www.entbook.com.au/180q076](http://www.entbook.com.au/180q076)

**Trivia Night – FRIDAY JUNE 17th – PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE**
Some of the details are arranged, hopefully advertising boards & Qkr booking will be up soon. We will be feeding back Lunch table Qkr challenges to the Trivia Night team prior to opening Qkr, to make sure we have this covered. Trivia Master is confirmed to be RocKwiz host Brian Nankervis & the event will be held in the school gym. Save the date - further details coming soon!

**Election Market - TBC**
Saturday July 2nd has been announced as the Federal Election date & I believe we will be a polling booth again. Frustratingly for us this is in school holidays - but we want to make the most of all the community voters coming into the school - if you would be willing to help out with getting a team in place & ready to go - even if you are away on the day, it would be great to have a team in the lead up. At a minimum we will do sausage sizzle & bake sale but hopefully we will build out a big enough team to pull together a little more than that.

**FoB Communication Lead - any volunteers?**
Natalie has withdrawn from the role of FoB Communication Lead this year – if anyone is interested/ or knows someone who might be can you please let us know. I’m hoping to put a sub-committee together to get ideas on all FoB Communications & how we can improve (where relevant I’ll take the ideas to the School PR&C Committee). If you have relevant skills or background it would be most appreciated if you could let me know if you would be available to come along, even for one meeting. TIA!

Any questions or suggestions, please forward to FoB on [fob@brighton.vic.edu.au](mailto:fob@brighton.vic.edu.au)

Jo Gillard
2016 FoB President
Great fun

- Outdoor games and sports
- Arts & Crafts
- Playing with friends
- Great Educators
- Food and Cooking
- Indoor Activities

Brighton OSHC (BPOSH) 21st of April 2016

Hi parents and children,

In the past week we have been doing all things ANZAC! We have been learning about the importance of red poppies, why they ate ANZAC biscuits and other interesting fact about the important day in Australia history.

We are now in the process of looking towards mother’s day and have some exciting activities planned so the children can make some beautiful gifts for their mothers. So if you would like your child to be a part of these exciting few weeks make sure you book them in!

PUPIL FREE DAY

Parents just a reminder we are open on the 29th of April for the pupil free day, if you would like to book your child in, please head to our website to do so before the 25th of April. We need at least 18 children booked in on the day to be able to run it so please book in ASAP!

MEDICAL MANAGEMENT & ACTION PLANS

Over the last few weeks we have noticed that children have been coming in with different allergies/medical needs that they once didn’t have. We MUST know about this medical information as it is against Camp Australia Policy to allow your child to attend the service without the appropriate medication and action plan prior to coming, so please let a BPOSH staff member know to avoid this situation.

APPROVED PICK UP LIST

Please ensure the people who are picking up your child from OSHC have been given consent to do so. Otherwise we will be calling you and won’t release your child from OSHC until we have written consent from a guardian to do so.

BOOKING INTO OSHC

We have noticed that we have had a few children who are not booked into the service arriving each day. If you have any trouble with enrolling/booking your child just head to www.campaustralia.com.au. You can permanently book your children into sessions as a permanent booking which is cheaper than a casual on the day booking. By booking your child into a session we can make sure we have enough staff to maintain ratios as well and also know exactly who is booked in to attend our service.

Have a great week, Kelly and the BPOSH leaders.