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NEWSLETTER Issue 6

No School Friday May 17th



Hi everyone,

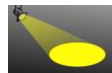
We hope you are all doing well and have had a chance to enjoy some of these beautiful days we have had recently.

Term two promises to be a very busy term. In the last week of term one our teaching teams completed their term assessments and also did lots of planning and preparation for term two learning.



We will be celebrating Education Week during the term May 13th -17th with a STEM focus (science, technology, engineering, maths)

Teacher in the spotlight



Our year 5/6 teacher Kate Harper is the recipient of 2 awards from Deakin University.



Kate will be attending the award ceremony this Friday evening at a venue at the Docklands.

Kate has been awarded the Academic Excellence Award as well as Outstanding Teaching Practice.

Congratulations Kate.



Open Morning for Education Week

When: Thursday May 16th

Time: 9:15- 10:15am

Theme: Spotlight on STEM

Dress up: Students can dress up as their favourite inventor or invention.

Our students will participate in a variety of multi-age fun activities that provoke curiosity and critical thinking.

Come along and join us if you have time. We would love to see you here.

Australian Early Development Census - A.E.D.C.

This Australia wide survey for Foundation students will be administered by our class teacher.

The survey captures information about all our children on the developmental milestones of each individual child.

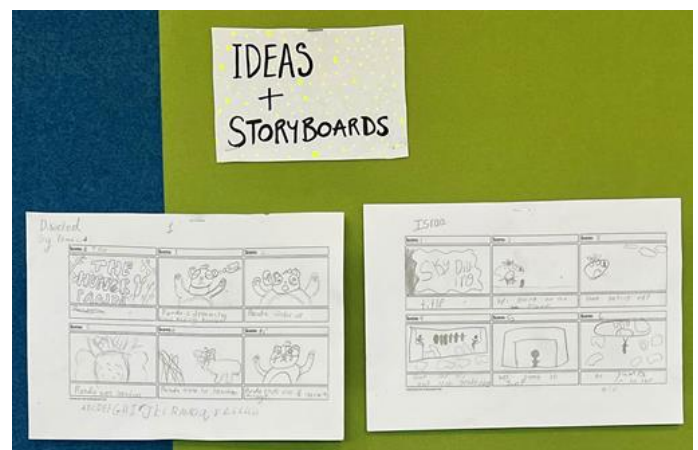


The A.E.D.C. can have a significant influence on how schools and communities work together to improve developmental outcomes of children within the community.

AEDC results help governments plan, develop and evaluate a wide range of initiatives for children and families. More information will be provided to families shortly. It would be great if you gave permission for your child to participate.

'Seem me, Hear me' Media

Our year 5/6 students from Kate's class are bringing their ideas together to produce some animations. Here is an example of some of their story boards.





Mummies at school

Year 3/4 and 4/5 classes have been studying aspects of ancient history, including Egypt and mummies. We have some of our own mummies but they aren't thousands of



years old 😊

Here are some comments from our students.... This term we are learning about ancient Egypt so this afternoon I got mummified by Adina. This activity was much fun and it was the best time at School - Reeha .

This afternoon we turned into mummies because we are learning about ancient Egypt. I was modified by Bella. It was great fun - Nida.

This term we are learning about Egypt. We picked a partner to mummify. I picked my friend Reeha. We both mummified each other and it was great fun wrapping my friend and she had fun being a mummy - Adina.

Mother's Day stall

Staff Professional Learning day - Friday May 17th

Our school is devoting time reviewing our classroom management strategies to ensure that all our teachers and staff use consistent, school-wide evidence-based processes and language for classroom management.

We will be reviewing our 'Respectful Classroom Behaviours' processes.

It is important that students understand that the process is consistent, and it doesn't matter what teacher they have or what class they are in - our expectations are always the same.

We had an initial staff PL after school on Tuesday April 23rd with Fiona Berry our Child Psychologist.

We have already gathered numerous evidence-based processes and the philosophies behind them for consideration. All these align with our school values. By revisiting our 'Respectful Classroom Behaviours' processes all students and staff will know exactly what the expectations are. We will post updates in our newsletter.

DIARY DATES

School assembly	Fridays 3:00pm in the courtyard
Breakfast Club	Tues/Wed/Thurs 8:30am.
Animation & Doco 'See me, Hear me'	Wednesdays -Yr 5/6 with Greta & Paul Baks
Bike Restoration strategy	Wednesday 11:30 - 1:20pm
Just Brass band	Thursday May 9 9:00am-1:00pm
Mother's Day	Sunday May 12
Education week	May 13-17
STEM open morning	Thursday May 16 9:15-10:15am
Teacher Professional Learning day	Friday May 17 NO SCHOOL TODAY
Read together morning	May 30 11:30am

'KidsZone' Inclusion and Wellbeing centre

The site preparation for our 'KidsZone' Wellbeing & Inclusion centre is now complete. The obsolete old oil tanks have been removed and the hole now has clean compacted fill.

Soon our builders will do their set up, secure the area and move in their gear. Stay tuned for further updates.



Physical Education news from Stuart

Swimming program dates

Stuart has booked the school swimming program at Coburg Leisure Centre The dates are from the 19/08/2024 through to the 30/08/2024.



More information will be shared later in the term.

Sporting Schools Netball

Program

We have also finalised a netball program to run from week 5 to week 7 during our PE lessons as this is our focus for that time.

'Just Brass' and percussion

Our band master Mr. Stuart Lees will be back to continue our 'Just Brass' instrumental program and percussion. These sessions will be held each Thursday in the Library commencing on May 9th .

Soft drinks at school

Did you know that one 355 ml can of Coca-Cola contains 39 grams of sugar (**10 teaspoons**).



A 2-litre bottle of coke or other fizzy drink contains about 218g of sugar. That is **44 teaspoons**, or 66 cubes of sugar in the bottle.

Just a reminder to our families that soft drinks of any kind are not to be sent to school. They are full of sugar and hype children up. Water or a fruit juice is the best option. If your child brings a fizzy drink to school, it will be taken and they can take it home with them at the end of the day.

Also please try to include some fruit and a sandwich for your child. It is not OK to have packets of chips, biscuits, lollies etc. for recess and lunch breaks.

After School Hour Care Program



this week - breathing

If you would like to be a part of the TheirCare community, please make a booking.

To register an account, book, edit or cancel a booking for your child(ren) please click the "Register Now" button on the link:

<https://theircare.fullybookedccms.com.au/family/login>

For any queries on bookings and for further information about any of the programs or activities we offer, please do not hesitate to contact us on

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Scientists in Schools partnership

We are very excited to announce that our school is partnering with the CSIRO in the 'Scientists in Schools' program. We are matched with Ben who is an ITC systems expert. Ben will be working with Paul Baks in term 2. Pretty cool hey.



Road Safety On time to school

Road Safety is so important, and it starts with parents talking to their children about safety in the car and on the footpaths. Please ensure that you talk to your children about keeping themselves safe and how to be aware when they are near the footpath.

Drivers need to set an example and there are still one or two drivers who wear their seat belt but do not bother to ensure their passengers are safely in a seatbelt.

BELT THEM UP PLEASE

We have a new lolly-Pop crossing co-ordinator Carol who does a great job keeping our students safe, and slowing the traffic. Drop by and say 'hi' to Carol.



Riding/Scooting to School

It is the parent/carer that is responsible for ensuring their child wears a helmet when they are riding, or scooting to school. Please ensure you enforce the concept of

'No helmet - No ride'

Student Welfare

We are very fortunate to be able to continue our student welfare support with the services of RelateWell - Family Relationships Institute Inc. (Suite 102, 398 Sydney Road Coburg) www.relatewell.org.au These services will begin this term.



Staff from RelateWell deliver one-to-one counselling services for identified students. They can also offer support to parents and families. The sessions are free and are provided here at the school.

Please contact the office if you would like further information. These sessions are all confidential.

More information will be available soon.

Domestic Violence



If you or a member of your family requires confidential crisis support, information and accommodation please contact the 24/7 state-wide Family Violence response service [safe steps](http://www.safe.steps.org.au) on **1800 015 1881** or visit the website at <http://dvvic.org.au/on>. They will assist you.

If you feel unsafe or are concerned for someone's safety, please call 000. For confidential phone help and referral in Australia, please contact 1800RESPECT

Research shows that it is always best to leave when domestic abuse and violence is an issue. Children are safer and they recover from trauma faster.

Student Voice Box

We encourage our students to have a say in what goes on at their school.

We do this in many ways - School and House captains, various monitor roles and classroom responsibilities, Student Congress and also Student Advisory teams. You might have noticed in the front foyer we have a letter box for students to have a say. Our student leaders then consider these ideas and take it from there. Some of the ideas that our students have put forward through the Student Voice Box include Kids' Hangout and hobbies club, some different playground activities, P.E. games, more art activities and P.E. clinics. All great ideas 😊

Our School Captains and Vice Captains meet with Nat and I to read through these ideas and explore the

possibilities.

.Social media profile

(formally Twitter)



Our school now has a number of social media platforms to keep our community up to date with what's going on at school.

To follow our school's Tweets, go to the following:

BelleVueParkPS@BelleVueParkPS

Belle Vue Park Primary Website

Our school, kindergarten and Community Hub website address is located at:

<http://www.bellevueparkps.vic.edu.au/>

S.O.L.E. Australia website & Twitter



Have you checked out the Self Organising Learning Environments website yet? S.O.L.E. The address is:

soleaustralia.com

The website has been developed by our school and our partner school Aberfeldie Primary School.

PaulKenna@SOLEAust

Have a great week everyone.

Cheers,

Paul Kenna
Principal

Natalie Wise
Assistant Principal