4th February 2016

From the Principal’s Desk...

Dear Families,

Welcome back and welcome to our new arrivals and Prep students. The start of a school year is a very exciting time – for teachers as well as students. Last Thursday morning our staff greeted many happy and excited students (and parents!). Whilst we all enjoy a holiday, (some probably would like to still be enjoying their holidays!), it was clear that everyone was enthusiastic about catching up with their friends and teachers after the break.

It has been a pleasure to visit classes and observe how quickly the children have settled and adapted to the classroom routines with their new teachers. Our Prep students have made a wonderful start to school, assisted by Clare Woodhouse and Priya Sangani, along with their caring (and very excited!) buddies. Wednesdays, for the month of February, are scheduled ‘rest’ days for the Prep children (although they will have an individual testing appointment). This is to help them ease into fulltime school life – I am sure their parents will attest to how exhausted they are at the end of the school day.

I also need to mention how pleasing it is to see the older children welcoming the little ones, as well as new students to our school, making them feel included and a part of the school community.

Well done everybody!

Open Rooms and Welcome BBQ
Our annual Open Evening and Welcome BBQ will be held on Wednesday February 10th. This year we have included an extra surprise – we will also be holding a Cyber Safety session for parents to attend with their children. Classroom presentations will commence at 5:00pm, Cyber Safety at 5:30pm and the Welcome BBQ from 6:30 p.m. Information was sent home, last Thursday on how to register for the night, but is also included in this newsletter, so please read on. We hope to see all our families in attendance.

Student Leaders
Our Grade 6 student leaders met with me last Thursday to discuss their roles, responsibilities and expectations. They are enthusiastic, articulate young people and will be fantastic ambassadors for our school and I look forward to seeing how they develop in their roles. We plan to present the school captain badges at tomorrow’s school assembly (Friday February 5th) at 2:15 p.m. So please join us.

Catch Up with Our Teachers
We are continuing the school’s after-school duty arrangements, with all teachers available to chat with parents in the playground from 3:15 pm each day. This initiative recognises the importance of home-school communication, so please take advantage of this arrangement. Children who have not been collected by 3:35pm, when supervision ceases, will attend the Out of School Hours Care program.
Sun Smart
The hot weather brings an important reminder about the need for children to have their school hats and drink bottles at school every day. Please ensure that these items are included with each day’s packing of the school bag. The school hat is compulsory in terms one and four of each school year. *No hat, No play!*. Each classroom has a supply of sunscreen – but it might also be prudent to ‘slap’ on some sunscreen before heading to school each day.

Staffing Profile
Our staffing profile for 2016 is:

Classroom Teachers
Prep W - Ms Clare Woodhouse
Prep S – Mrs Priya Sangani
1/2D – Ms Rachael DePrada
1/2P - Mrs Stacey Paterson
3/4W - Mr Carl Ward
3/4S – Ms Laura Soall
5/6G - Mr Bryce Griesheimer
5/6R - Ms Brigitte Raymond

Specialists:
LOTE (Italian) - Ms Andria Piacentini
PE – Mr Carney Kucharski
Art - Ms Leanne Anstee
Music - Mr Andrew Robinson

ESS Staff:
Mrs Deidre Timms, Mrs Loree Spong
Office Manager - Ms Annette Bruce
Gardener – Barry Beechey

Principal Class
Acting Principal: Ms Cathy Caminiti

I would like to welcome Andria Piacentini, who will be delivering our LOTE (Italian) program for this term. Welcome to Belle Vue Andria!

School Council Elections 2016
As the school is currently conducting the selection process to appoint a new Principal who will commence in the position at the beginning of term 2, the current school council needs to remain in place until the completion of the process.
The Principal position will be advertised on the 12th February, and applications close on 26th February. The panel will be making its recommendation to School Council on March 16th.
On completion of the Principal Selection process we will be able to call for nominations for positions on School Council for 2016 and we will then set a date for the AGM in term 2.

Hoax phone calls to Victorian schools
I would like to reassure you in light of the recent hoax threatening phone calls to Victorian schools in the last few days.
Our school has not received such a call but I wanted to inform you that, like all schools, we have an emergency management plan in place for situations like this, and we practise it throughout the year.
Those schools which did receive a threatening call enacted their emergency management plans and they worked well.
The safety and wellbeing of our students is always our top priority.
If you have any questions please contact me.

Cathy Caminiti
Acting Principal

You Can Do It focus for term 1
‘Organisation’

2016 School Term Dates
Term 1: 28 January to 24 March
Term 2: 11 April to 24 June
Term 3: 11 July to 16 September
Term 4: 3 October to 20 December
Our first days in Prep...

We have enjoyed meeting up with our buddies and getting to know them a little better. Last week our buddies read to us and we also had some time for games and puzzles.
We all love learning through play and in Maths, we tried to make the numbers from 1-10 using play dough! It was lots of fun 😊
Australian National Anthem and Belle Vue School Song Lyrics

Each Monday morning at 9 am we have a whole school assembly out by the flag pole.
A short assembly to sing the National Anthem, celebrate birthdays, reminders for the week
and finish with the school song. Here are the lyrics for the National Anthem and School Song.
Please practise/learn the lyrics with your child(ren).
I will continue to invite parents to sing the national anthem with us. 😊

Australian National Anthem

Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are young and free;
We’ve golden soil and wealth for toil,
Our home is girt by sea;
Our land abounds in Nature’s gifts
Of beauty rich and rare;
In history’s page, let every stage
Advance Australia fair!
In joyful strains then let us sing,
“Advance Australia fair!”

Beneath our radiant Southern Cross,
We’ll toil with hearts and hands:
To make this Commonwealth of ours
Renowned of all the lands:
For those who’ve come across the seas
We’ve boundless plains to share;
With courage let us all combine
To advance Australia fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing
“Advance Australia fair!”

Belle Vue School Song

It’s a wonderful week day morning.
And I’d really like to say,
That I’m proud of the school I’m
taught in,
(clap, clap - or click fingers twice)
Belle Vue’s looking ok.

There’s friends and work and games
to play.
And life here makes a great day.
We always help each other
(clap, clap - or click fingers twice)
Belle Vue’s looking ok!
A Special Event..........

Volunteering in the Classroom and Reading with Children
Parent Information Session

Dear Parents,

On Friday February 12th we will be holding an information session about helping in the classroom at school and strategies when assisting children with their reading skills. We will be sharing techniques for reading with your child at home, and also for helping out in the classroom. We will also discuss the importance of privacy and confidentiality when assisting in the classroom.

An effective partnership between teachers and parents is paramount in supporting your child to achieve their best. We will cover ways in which you can work together with the classroom teacher to ensure your child feels supported and sees continuity between learning at home and at school.

The information session will be held in the large open space of the new building from 9:15am – 10am and all are welcome.

We look forward to seeing you there.

The Staff at Belle Vue Primary School
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Dear Families,

We would like to invite you to our Open Classrooms, Cyber Safety Workshop and Welcome BBQ. Each level will open their rooms for 15 minutes to discuss classroom expectations, routines, learning outcomes and how you can help with your child’s learning. You are then invited to attend a Cyber Safety Workshop, with your child, facilitated by Classroom Connections (formerly KidProof), and learn how to be safe online. At the end of this workshop please stay and enjoy a sausage whilst socializing with other families from the school.

The program for the evening is as follows:

**Presentations for parents/carers and children**

5:00 – 5:15pm  Clare Woodhouse and Priya Sangani (in Prep W Room)
Carl Ward and Laura Soall (in Grade 3/4 W Room)

5:15pm – 5:30pm Rachael DePrada and Stacey Paterson (in 1/2P Room)
Bryce Griesheimer and Brigitte Raymond (in 5/6B Room)

*Please note that students are expected to stay with their parents/carers as they need to be part of setting the classroom culture.*

**5:30pm ICT Workshop**

Prep – 2 Parents and Students – in 1/2P Classroom (new building)
Grade 3 – 6 Parents and Students – in Grade 5/6B Classroom

Catherine Gerhardt and her team from Classroom Connections will run a parent/student/teacher workshop on how to be safe online. At the conclusion of the workshop parents and students will be given the ‘Acceptable User Agreement’ contract to sign in order for students to use ICT at school.

*Please note that if you have more than one child enrolled at the school, who are in different ‘levels’ and only one parent/carer can attend the evening, it would be more beneficial for you (the parent/carer) to attend the Grade 3 – 6 Workshop with the older child (the younger child will attend the P – 2 workshop and classroom teachers will look after them).*

*Toddlers!* 5:00 – 6:30pm Please drop your toddlers off (and pick them up! 😊) from the Music Room, where Leanne Anstee and Carney Kucharski will supervise them. This allows you to focus on your child’s learning.

**6:30 – 8pm BBQ**

Once the workshops are over, please make your way out to the front of the school and enjoy a sausage whilst socializing with other families from the school.

We hope to see as many families on the night as possible so don’t forget to RSVP so we know how many people to cater for!

**Cathy Caminiti**

RSVP Monday 8th February 2016

…………………………. (Family name) will be attending the Open Classrooms, Cyber Safety Workshop and Welcome BBQ.

There will be ...... (number of people) attending on the night.

Payment options for the Cyber Safety Workshop: *($12 per family)*

Direct debit details: Commonwealth Bank, Belle Vue Primary School Official account. BSB: 063155 Account Number: 10042733

*Please tick the method of payment used and return this note.*

Cash  Cheque  Direct Debit

PRIDE  RESPONSIBILITY  RESPECT  INTEGRITY  COMMITMENT
SCHOOL BANKING AT BELLE VUE PS
Starting this Friday

School banking day – every Friday starting 5th February

If your child has a CBA Youthsaver account already, please bring your completed deposit book and money to school every Friday and put it in the grey envelope in your classroom. For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item (refer below for 2016 items) in recognition of their regular savings habits. Remember: there is no minimum amount to bank.

Join School Banking on an outback adventure!

Every year the School Banking program launches a new savings theme and 8 new exclusive School Banking reward items. This year’s program is themed the Outback Savers and School Banking is taking students on a wild adventure through the Canyon of Savings, where they’ll learn to master smart savings habits. A display will be put up in the office of these items in coming weeks.

There are 8 new reward items for 2016 from the Outback Savers range:

- Flying Snake Tail
- Wildlife Writer Set
- Mud Splat Handball
- Outback Pat Bag Tag
- Backtrack Eraser Pen
- Jump and Skip Rope

In addition to teaching your children about the benefit of regular savings, every time you bank through the school banking program, you are also helping to raise money for the school. The School receives commission as follows.

- $5 for every student that starts banking through the School Banking program at school.
- 5% of every deposit made at school (up to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit) ongoing

Win a wildlife family adventure holiday to Australia Zoo!

This year School Banking is giving students the chance to win a family trip for up to two adults and three children to explore Australia Zoo and meet Bindi and Robert Irwin.

Students who make 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2016 will be automatically entered into the draw. This is another great way to motivate students to save regularly and reach their savings goals.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2016 School Banking program information pack from the school office. For any questions please contact our school banking co-ordinator Kim (James & Zach’s mum) on 0416 295 520.
BELLE VUE PFA 2016

Belle Vue PFA (Parents & Friends Association) welcomes all new & returning families to the new school year. The PFA supports our school community by organising a number of social & fundraising activities & events throughout the year. Becoming involved with the PFA, either by assisting with organisation or simply attending events is a great way to support your child’s school. We are always looking for new faces to join in any PFA activities as helpers or co-ordinators. Following is an Event Calendar outlining all PFA events proposed for 2016. This information can also be found in the Event Calendar on the school website, in the bi-weekly newsletter and on the Team App events. Please let your class reps or Lisa P, Emma P or Kim M know if you are interested in helping with any events otherwise look out in the newsletters — we always need help! Please consider how you can contribute by either becoming a member of the PFA or simply putting ALL dates on your Calendar and attending events.

PFA CLASS REPS 2016

Below are the PFA Class Reps for this year:

PS – Fiona (Archie’s mum)  
PW – Bec (Ella’s mum)  
1/2D – Ashleigh (Harrison’s mum)  
1/2P – Catherine (David’s mum)  
3/4W – Deb (Jonathan’s mum)  
3/4S – Caroline (Lachlan’s mum)  
5/6G – Loretta (Adam’s mum)  
5/6R – Emma (James’ P’s mum)

Class rep roles:

- Organise parent get togethers for class so parents can meet
- Distribution of class contact lists
- Pass on PFA reminders regarding upcoming events
- Organise informal introduction/welcome for new families to Belle Vue during the year
- Any other matters as agreed with class room teacher from time to time
- Feel free to contact them if you are unsure about any upcoming events

PROPOSED EVENT CALENDAR 2016

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Family Open Air Movie Night
Featuring:

FRIDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2016 on Belle Vue School Oval
Gates open 6pm - Movie commences at 7.45pm (or when dark)

Tickets on sale from Fri 5th Feb via TryBooking (reference 181138) keyword “Belle Vue” or the following link:

http://www.trybooking.com/181138

Ticket prices:
- Family (2 adults & up to 3 children) $50
- Adults $20
- Children $10 (Pre-school aged children free)

* NOTE – Tickets will not be able to be purchased via the school office but only via TryBooking before the event. Any ticket sales (and prices) at the gate on the night will be advised closer to the event so book early to save disappointment and save $$$

ALL WELCOME (family, friends & neighbours)

BYO Chairs, rugs, bean bags etc.

Wood fired oven pizzas, popcorn, fairy floss and soft drinks also being sold

PRIDE RESPONSIBILITY RESPECT INTEGRITY COMMITMENT
Friday Lunch Orders Term 1, 2016

The PFA provides the opportunity for the school community to purchase lunch orders on Fridays during the school term (except for the first and last week of each term).

Lunch order forms are available in the newsletter, at the office, as a hard copy sent home or online.

Please hand in your form and monies to the class teacher or place in the PFA box at the office BEFORE 9am each Wednesday.

Please supply separate orders for each child. However, multiple orders can be provided in one envelope for ease of payment.

PLEASE REMEMBER CHILD’S NAME & CLASS & NO LATE ORDERS.

We welcome assistance on Wednesday mornings (after reading) for collating and counting, and on Fridays from 12:15pm-1pm for food preparation and distribution. Please contact Lisa Perry on 0414 298 883 or Emma Pringle on 0419 518 780 if you are able to assist.

This term we will be offering the following lunch orders:

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Welcome to Belle Vue Primary School OSHC!

Next week’s theme is: It’s All About Me

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Welcome back!

This week we welcomed new children to the service from foundation. Welcome to William, Anita, Mitchell and Oliver. Here is Zach reading to his buddy William.

This was a great example watching an older child supporting a new member in our service by assisting whilst reading. We have great kids who enter our service and I will like to encourage that all children to join in the fun.

Our centre is child friendly and we as a camp Australia always aim to support and cater for the children’s needs.

And by all means if you would like to come into the centre to say Hi and ask any questions I am always willing to benefit our already great service.
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Guitar, Piano, Bass and Drum Lessons in 2016

Guitar, Bass and Drum lessons have been very popular at Belle Vue and I am now taking enrolments for 2016. I offer private lessons and shared lessons and each lesson is half an hour once a week.

1. Private lesson: $32.00
2. Shared lesson: $22.00 per student (two students only)

Invoices are sent out once a term and payments can be made in cash, cheque or via Internet banking. If students are unable to attend a lesson a catch up lesson can be arranged provided 24 hours’ notice of absence is given.

If you would like to enrol your child in guitar, bass or drum lessons please fill out the form below. Once I receive this information I will contact you to organize a day and time.

If you would like any more information please feel free to contact me on 0402 889 251.

Andrew Robinson
Email: ajrobbo67@gmail.com

PIANO LESSONS IN 2016

There are still a few places left for piano lessons at school this year. If you child is interested in learning piano please contact Janet Reynolds
9853 6900 or 0401 996 635

Netball registrations close on 9th February

Registrations to join Koonung Netball Club for the 2016 Winter season will close on Tuesday 9th February. If you have not registered yet and want to play in a Koonung team register now.

Send any questions about registration or the club to the club registrar.
The Committee
Koonung Heights Netball Club
Acrobatic Circus Academy

ALL ages welcome

Kinder gym

Jacek and Daniel, former Cirque du Soleil acrobats and European Champions, are operating an Acrobatic-Circus Academy in Belle Vue Primary School’s hall.

email: acrobatic-circus@outlook.com