

15th March 2018

DATES FOR THE DIARY

MARCH

- 21st Multicultural Day
- 21st School Council AGM
7pm
- 26th Prep – 2 Proud to be Me
Incursion
- 26th Clean Up Our
Community
- 29th Last Day Term One
2:30pm Finish
- 30th Good Friday
(Easter Weekend)

HAPPY EASTER!

TERM HOLIDAYS

(30th March – 15th April)

APRIL

- 16th Day One Term 2
- 19th BVPS Cross Country
Whole School Event
- 25th ANZAC Day
Public Holiday
- 27th First Aid in Schools
Prep – 6

MAY

- 2nd School Photos
- 15th – 17th Gr3 and Gr5 NAPLAN
Testing
- 18th District Cross Country
- 21st – 25th Education Week
- 21st STOMP Dance classes
begin!
- 22nd Education Week – Open
Morning 9 – 10:30am
- 22nd 2019 Prep Information
Evening 6:30 – 7:30pm

From the Principal's Desk...

Dear Families,

I hope all families had a relaxing and enjoyable 'extra' long weekend and managed to fit in some fun times with family and friends.

Cultural Diversity Week

Next week we celebrate cultural diversity week by hosting our very own Multicultural Day. Please remember that we start the day's festivities with a cultural parade – where all students, staff and parents are encouraged to come dressed in something that represents their cultural heritage. The day is a highlight in our calendar – with activities, an incursion and an Italian lunch of 'authentic' pizza and gelato – hopefully you all get your orders in tomorrow morning! (See page 5 for further details)

Digital Technologies

In line with the Victorian Curriculum, this year we have introduced as part of our core studies Digital technologies. Digital Technologies provides students with the opportunity to acquire and apply specific ways of thinking about problem-solving to create innovative, purpose-designed digital solutions.

Ric Zalewski began working with our 5/6 cohort in 2017 and this year we have him working with all year levels (from P – 6). The lessons can be as simple as students designing solutions to simple problems using a sequence of steps and decisions, through to building and programming their own games and coding web pages. Both staff and students are excited about this – as Ric brings another level of expertise and enthusiasm to these weekly lessons. Keep your eye on the school website (Class News) and newsletter for updates on what students are doing.

Frame Work for Improving Student Outcomes (FISO) – Communities of Practice (CoP)

This year as part of the FISO (Framework for Improving Student Outcomes) initiative, we have formed a Community of Practice with 3 other schools within our network – Balwyn North, Greythorn and Deepdene Primary Schools. The learning will focus on the importance and benefits of working in collaborative teaching teams, and implementing the High Impact Teaching Strategies (HITS) in all classrooms. An external consultant, Tracey Ezard, facilitated a combined professional learning day during one of the pupil free days at the commencement of the school year, which was followed up with work by Isobel McLennan – last Friday 9th March on our Curriculum Day. The Community of Practice schools have nominated FISO Leaders who will coordinate ongoing professional learning opportunities and school visits for all teachers. This collaborative approach also provides the opportunity for staff to network and see how things are done in other

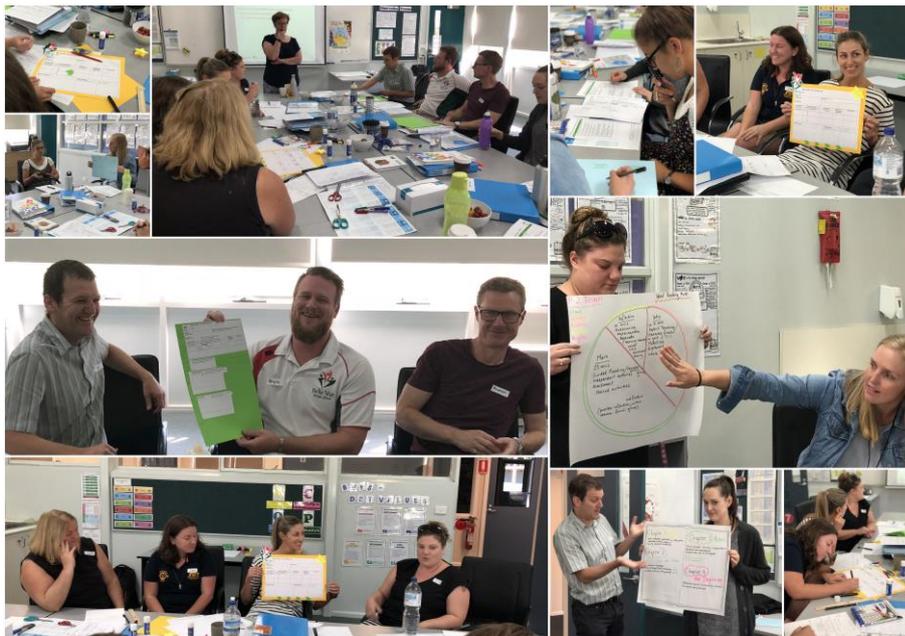
schools. On Wednesday 14th March the FISO coordinators from each of the schools met at Belle Vue to plan further learning opportunities for staff – these will include sharing of best practice and expertise, learning walks and informal information sessions for teachers across levels.

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Curriculum Day – Friday 9th March

While our families were enjoying an extra day over the long weekend – staff were able to engage in some high quality professional learning last Friday. Isobel McLennan (Inner East Education Improvement Leader) – facilitated our workshop with a focus on Reading - incorporating the High Impact Teaching Strategies (HITS). On the day we:

- Reviewed our shared understanding through a roundup of the HITS
- Explored the HITS as a way of working to solve problems of practice
- Began working on a Belle Vue PS approach and documentation to support our Professional Learning Team (PLT) work using the HITS to solve problems of practice



We have decided on this shift in focus (to Reading) as our data suggested that while we are performing like similar schools (we are doing okay!), we could be doing better. The work we completed last Friday and the work we will continue to do – both with Isobel and Clayton Sturzaker throughout the year will assist in showing an improvement in student learning outcomes.

Planning days

Next week, teachers will be involved in planning programs and undertaking professional development activities in preparation for Term 2 programs. The timetable during planning weeks each term enables teachers from each level to be released from their teaching duties for a full day to work collegially with other team members. This supports the implementation of the Teacher Professional Practice Days, which were introduced as part of the 2017 Victorian Schools Teaching Agreement.

Teachers meet as a level; for example; our Year 5 & 6 teaching team meet together to plan the content of the curriculum and share ideas as to how it may be delivered and assessed. Following this each team may reflect on their practice and consider successes and what activities perhaps didn't meet the expected outcomes. Teaching practices are regularly reflected upon, and reviewed during team planning meetings. This reflection is used to improve classroom-teaching practices and engage students. It is this strong sense of team; detailed and thorough program planning; and consistency across the school; that ensures high quality teaching and learning is occurring Prep - Year 6. As usual, our teachers will be meticulously prepared for Term 2!

School Council AGM

The Annual General Meeting of School Council will be held in the staffroom at 7.00pm on Wednesday, March 21st. This meeting will include presentation of the Annual School Report and election of office bearers for 2018.

Cathy Caminiti
Principal

2018 School Term Dates

Term 1: 31st January – 29th March
Term 2: 16th April – 29th June
Term 3: 16th July – 21st September
Term 4: 8th October – 21st December

Term 1
You Can Do It
Confidence

A reminder that in Term 1....



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Roll of Honour

The following students were entered into the Roll of Honour:

2/3/2018

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| PG | Derek | For being such a friendly and kind class mate. You are always trying to help others out and make them feel happy, it's lovely to see. Fantastic work Derek! |
| PG | Asuka | For always having a fantastic attitude towards trying new tasks. You are always willing to 'have a go' and do your best. Well done Asuka! |
| PW | Olivia | For putting her best effort into all tasks and confidently 'having a go' at new things in class. Well done Olivia! |
| PW | Vivaan | For working hard on all set tasks. You complete your work to a wonderful standard and take pride in your work. Great job! |
| 12A | James | For demonstrating his ability to focus on a task when completing his 'My Community' poster. |
| 12A | Chelsea | For her willingness to learn, always participating in classroom discussions and completing extra work when finishing early. |
| 12B | Leilani | For having a positive start to her time at Belle Vue and trying her best in her work |
| 12B | Harry | For working hard to do his best in learning time. |
| 12D | Rhyder | For being committed to his learning, working hard to improve his hand writing and completing three pages of work. |
| 12D | Ally | For encouraging others to do their best work and finding kind things to say about others. |
| 34D | Tom | For always being persistent with his tasks and trying his very best. |
| 34D | Lucia | For persisting in maths tasks and using her confidence to challenge herself |
| 34W | Isaiah | For his responsible attitude in the classroom such as helping clean up the bag space area. Well done! |
| 34W | Alex E | For his amazing attitude to his work, especially his maths. Keep on challenging yourself! |
| 56G | Emma | For her fantastic attitude towards her work, always persisting and trying her best. |
| 56G | Lachie | For showing great dedication to his work, applying learnt concepts and being proud to share his efforts. |
| 56J | Harriet | For demonstrating persistence, determination and a growth mindset in maths. Well done Harriet! |
| 56J | Niran | For being a kind and compassionate friend, and for your dedication to your learning. Fantastic work Niran! |

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Monday Fun-Day!



Monday afternoons are always fun in grade 1 & 2! We refer to it as Monday Fun-Day because the children participate in music, sport and an art based integrated activity rotation run by each grade 1/2 classroom teacher.

This week in 1/2 D students learnt about different communities and worked together to create a three grade collage of different communities. Grade 1/2D started them, then they were added on to by 1/2 B and finished by 1/2 A.



This page shows some photos of the children working hard to get the art works completed and the final products. They are displayed on the board outside 1/2 A so feel free to come and check them out! 😊



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MULTICULTURAL DAY

On **Wednesday 21 March, 2018** we will be celebrating 'Harmony Day' with our annual 'Multicultural Day Celebrations'. This is an opportunity for the school community to celebrate the wonderfully diverse country we live in. This year we are very lucky to have 'Two Friends Productions' who will be running their 'Around the World and Back Again' show. The story follows the journey of a Captain and his sailor assistant who travel the world making amazing discoveries. The show is a fun, comedic and educational presentation that explores various continents, countries and their cultures.



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who travel the world making amazing discoveries. The show is a fun, comedic and educational presentation that explores various continents, countries and their cultures.

In addition to this, first thing in the morning children will also participate in our annual 'gare d'elle culture' (Multicultural Parade). This is a fabulous opportunity for our students (teachers and parents!) to showcase their cultural heritage/background. This a particular highlight of our Multicultural Day celebration - with each and every child taking great pride in celebrating their background. Costumes can be as simple as dressing in the country's national colours or as elaborate as traditional dress.



Students will then participate in a range of Multicultural Day activities within their year levels, as well as have the opportunity to enjoy a pizza party lunch within their classrooms (don't forget to put your lunch order in by tomorrow morning!)

Pizza will be followed by a gelato

from the 'Something Sweet' gelato cart.

Signorina Piacentini



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Division Swimming Carnival

A big **congratulations** to Jemima who on Wednesday 6th March went to represent our school at the Division Swimming day held by School Sport Victoria. Division swimming is two levels of competition above our school level qualification and those attending hold the honour of being the best swimmers in the North Balwyn District.

Jemima displayed the qualities that make great sportspeople great- drive, self-confidence, commitment and always giving your absolute best. The whole school community is very proud of your achievement and were right behind you on the day wishing you the very best!

Super effort Jemima ☺

Mr Kucharski

Congratulations to our JSC Reps for 2018



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So what is going on at Belle Vue?

Hot Cross Bun Drive

The Bakers Delight hot cross bun drive has been a great success, with many orders already received, thank you to those who have participated in this fundraiser; every little bit helps our school. Please note the date for returning orders is now next **WEDNESDAY 21 MARCH**.

Lunch orders

Next Wednesday is Multicultural Day, you should have received your pizza order form by now, please ensure they are returned by tomorrow, unfortunately orders after tomorrow cannot be guaranteed. Via Condotti are supplying the pizzas for this special day.

Lunch order helpers are a little light on so unfortunately next Wednesday could be the last lunch order day for the children for the year. This is a shame as the kids really enjoy 'lunch order Fridays'. We really need a consistent group of helpers to help once a month on a rotating basis to help with money counting on a Wednesday (around half an hour) or delivery on a Friday (around 45 minutes). If you can help please contact Allison (0438 195 615) or myself (0422 062 309).

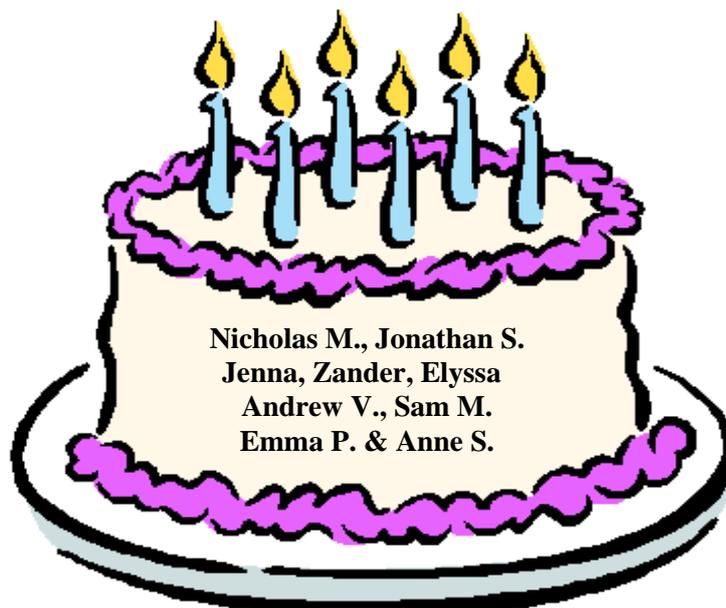
Mother's Day Event and Stall

Early next term I will be asking for helpers for the Mother's Day stall and the Mother's Day function. The stall will be on Thursday May 10, the Mother's Day function date is yet to be decided. I would be more than happy to hear any suggestions from people on a possible venue.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any fundraising/event ideas.

Caroline Downey
P & F Rep

**HIP, HIP HOORAY! IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY!
WE HOPE YOU HAD A GREAT DAY
FROM ALL OF YOUR FRIENDS AT BELLE VUE!**



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Congratulations to all of our Belle Vue Geckos basketball players for a stellar start to the 2018 season.

All of the coaches are very impressed by the player's attitude, commitment, skills, how much they have learned in a few short weeks and how well they are playing as a team.

We now have four full teams and plenty of interest for season two.

Thank you to all the coaches, managers, parents, players and those who have come along to cheer our basketballers on! All of you have made my job as Primary School Delegate run smoothly.

I anticipate a wonderful season ahead.

Congratulations to all these players who received an honourable mention from their coach for rounds 1 & 2:

Round 1:

5/6 Green Geckos lost 10-16 to St.Gregs

Honourable Mention: Will for great teamwork and shooting

3/4 White Geckos lost 22-4 to Templestowe Heights

Honourable Mention: David H for teamwork, passing and positive encouragement

1/2 Boys Geckos drew 6-6 with Templestowe Park

Honourable Mention: Aidan F for teamwork, great Shooting and awesome defence

1/2 Girls Geckos won 12-2 beating St. Charles

Honourable Mention: Alex PT for Super Shooting scoring 10 points

Round 2:

5/6 Green Geckos won 37-0 beating St.Gregs

Honourable Mention: Esteban for learning new skills

3/4 White Geckos won 9-6 beating Templestowe Heights

Honourable Mention: Lachlan S for hustling and persistence

1/2 Boys Geckos Won 16-19 Beating St. Peter & Paul's

Honourable Mention: Nick for great passing and scoring lots of baskets

1/2 Girls Geckos lost 17-10 to St. Clements

Honourable Mention: Liv for Consistent Persistence

Keep up the great work you have done yourselves, your families and our school proud!

Katrina Tuscano



we make kids smile

GREAT FUN

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



Welcome to Belle Vue Primary School OSHC!

Tips for easing kids into Outside School Hours Care

Attending Outside School Hours Care for the first time can be an overwhelming experience for children, particularly if they are also settling into the new school year.

To help your child feel comfortable in the program, we thought we'd share a few tips to help make the transition as seamless as possible.

1. We welcome you to drop by and visit us in the program. You'll meet the team and find out what kinds of activities your child can look forward to in session.
2. If your child is nervous about attending the program for the first time, let the Camp Australia Team know. We want to help ensure your child feels as comfortable as possible.
3. If there is something in particular your child would like to see, play, or do in Outside School Hours Care, we welcome you or your child to let us know.

Next Week 19/03/2018 – 23/03/2018

AFTER SCHOOL CARE	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	CRICKET MATCH	ART & CRAFT Bertie bunny, Flying superheroes, Animal colouring sheets, origami	BOARD GAMES Monopoly, Memory, 4-in-line, Twister, Chess, Guess who	OUTSIDE GAMES Capture the flag, Cricket, Soccer, Fish out of water, Footy	Construction games, Exploring imagination Cooking activity

Program Details

Coordinator: Jasnarinder Kaur

Contact Phone Number: 0401 006 48

To find out more about our program, view fees, and to register visit www.campastralia.com.au

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students.

HOW TO APPLY

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

MORE INFORMATION

For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef



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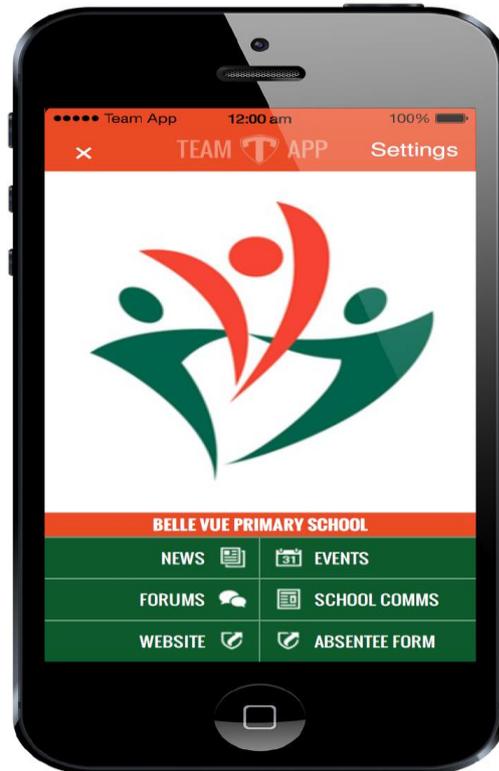
Install the Belle Vue Primary School App on your smartphone or tablet now!

Follow these steps:

1. Download Team App from the Apple or Google Play app store.



2. Sign up to Team App. You will be sent an email to confirm your registration.
3. Log into the App and search for "Belle Vue Primary School".
4. Choose your applicable access group(s).
5. If you don't have a smartphone go to bellevueprimaryschool.teamapp.com to sign up and view this App online.



Need help?

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