

7th February 2019

DATES FOR THE DIARY

FEBRUARY

- 4th -14th 'Getting to Know You' Interviews
- 14th Welcome BBQ 5 – 7:30pm
- 15th First Aid in Schools P – 6
- 16th Classroom Volunteer and Reading Information Session 9 – 9:50am
- 25th District Swimming BSC 9 – 3pm
- 25th Grade 5/6 Depart Canberra Camp (All week)

MARCH

- 1st Grade 5/6 Students Return Canberra Camp
- 8th Curriculum Day – Staff Professional Learning
- 11th Labour Day – Public Holiday
- 15th National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence P – 6

- 20th Multicultural Day Incursion P – 6

APRIL

- 3rd BVPS Cross Country Carnival 9 – 11am (TBC)



- 5th Last Day Term One 2:30pm Finish
- 23rd (Tuesday) First day Term 2
- 25th ANZAC Day – Public Holiday

From the Principal's Desk...

Dear Families,

What a fabulous start to the school year we have had. I have loved being able to get around to all the classrooms this week and observe how quickly the students have settled and how well they have adapted to the classroom routines with their new teachers. Our Prep students have had a very successful transition into school – although they are exhausted at the end of each day. (Fortunately, their Wednesdays for the next few weeks are not only scheduled 'testing' days but a well-deserved rest day.) It has been wonderful to see how quickly they have adapted to the classroom environment as well as playing happily out in the playground.

It has also been pleasing the way the older students have welcomed our Prep students, and new students to the school, including them in their activities and making them feel welcome. Well done everybody!

Integrated Curriculum Units Term 1

I have valued being able to get around to classrooms this week and see our students engaged in a wide range of stimulating, challenging and engaging learning activities. Our teachers work collaboratively in their teams to provide Integrated Units of work based on the Victorian Curriculum.

The focus for our Integrated Units this term are as follows:

- Prep – *Me and My Family*
- Years 1 & 2 – *School Yard Safari*
- Years 3 & 4 – *Time Travel*
- Years 5 & 6 – *Extreme Environments*

Other exciting 'extra-curricular' activities our students will be participating in this term include: First Aid in School, run by St John Ambulance Victoria; National Day of Action (NDA) against Bullying and Violence activities; Multicultural Day Incursion activities (stay tuned for more details from Signorina Piacentini – this year she has something different up her sleeve!); whole school Cross Country event; and for our 5/6's not only will they begin interschool sports next week, but also have their camp to Canberra, in week five, to look forward to.

Staff Professional Learning

Our School Strategic Plan 2017 – 2020 provides us with clear direction for school improvement and staff professional development. During 2019 we will continue to focus on the implementation of the Victorian Curriculum and developing and implementing the Reading and Writing Instructional Models, which still includes the VCOP writing program. (Parents new to the school VCOP = Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers, Punctuation – you will see visual displays in classrooms across the school).

Teachers will also plan and implement activities promoting student

voice/agency and resilience through our Social and Emotional Learning Programs – which include the You Can Do It Program and Habits of the Mind including Growth Mindsets and a continued focus on Kindness.

Last Tuesday all teachers undertook professional learning with the teachers from Balwyn North, Greythorn and Deepdene Primary Schools. This learning focused on implementing the High Impact Teaching Strategies (HITS) in all classrooms with a particular focus on;

- Questioning strategies for gauging understanding and fostering classroom discussion
 - Techniques for helping students to internalise learning purposes and explore model answers. Introduction to fast, formative strategies for assessing prior knowledge and monitoring student performance.
 - Further exploration of feedback. Methods for encouraging students to take an active role in the assessment cycle and for ensuring they act on teacher feedback.
- An external consultant, Glen Pearsell, facilitated this professional learning and provided all schools the opportunity to continue to evolve as effective Communities of Practice.

On Wednesday morning the staff at Belle Vue participated in a Literacy Workshop, facilitated by Trish Fahy (Educational Improvement Leader- North East Victorian Region). The work focussed primarily on creating a Writing Instructional Model for Belle Vue Primary that aligns itself with the Reading Instructional Model created last year. These instructional models ensure consistency of teaching and learning across all year levels and focus on teacher practice. In the afternoon staff continued to review units of work, and literacy and numeracy planners to ensure consistency with aspects and expectations of the Victorian Curriculum. The remainder of the day focussed on team and curriculum planning and classroom preparation. As usual, our teachers are meticulous prepared!

Class Parent Representatives

It is at this time of the year that we look for assistance from our parents in volunteering to become class parent representatives. Class representatives play an important role in ensuring we have effective communication within the school community, assisting classroom teachers, and helping to coordinate activities with our Parents and Friends. If you are interested in volunteering or knowing more about this role please speak to your classroom teacher.

School Crossing – Highview Road Drop Off Area

We have been liaising with Boroondara Council to move the Highview Road school crossing closer to the pick-up/drop off area. This is for a number of reasons – but primarily to ensure that our children are safe not only when crossing the road, but also when being picked up and dropped off at school. Council have drafted a letter of notification – which was issued to local residents on the 1st February. They will allow sufficient time for the consultation/notification process to pass, usually three weeks, and then if all goes to plan, the crossing will be moved. This will also mean there will be changed traffic conditions directly outside the school (drop off area).

Until then please be mindful when dropping off and picking up your children. Please adhere to the two minute drop off zone; do not double park and let children out of the car, or encourage your children to run out and get in whilst double parked; and lastly, please avoid doing u turns, or three point turns on Highview Road, at any time of day, but particularly during the busiest times of the day. Follow the road around – always a much safer option. *Please see page 12 for the recommended traffic flow during drop off and pick up times. Again, thank you for your attention in this matter.

Parent Payments - Essential Items and Voluntary Contributions

Funding challenges for all schools continue to be at the forefront of budget planning, all school operations, program delivery and allocation of both teaching and physical resources. We are currently well resourced but are only able to provide the programs and facilities we offer because of the ongoing local contributions from school families. The government provides the funds for basic school operations but we rely on generous parent support to continue to provide the variety of programs, and the upkeep of facilities at Belle Vue.

Many thanks to those school families who have paid their essential levies. I add a special thank you to those parents who have given with great generosity to the Building Trust and the Library Trust Fund. Your support is very much appreciated. Thank you! For those families yet to pay their essential items forms can be collected and payment can be made at the office.

School Council

Next Thursday 14th February, we will be calling for nominations in the lead up to electing our School Council members for 2019. The nomination period will be open for one week (closing on Thursday 21st February). Council members meet twice a term to consider issues involving school policies, operations

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and accountability. It is another way in which parents can be involved in the school and have a meaningful input into the effectiveness and positive culture of our school. Please consider nominating as a Council member. If you would like any further information or details feel free to have a chat with myself or any of our current council members.

Staffing Profile for 2019

Prep W – Ms Clare Woodhouse

1/2A – Mr Andrew Robinson

1/2B – Ms Brigitte Raymond

1/2D – Ms Rachael De Prada

3/4G – Miss Gemma Grimmond

3/4D – Ms Tanya Donaldson

3/4W – Mr Carl Ward

5/6G – Mr Bryce Griesheimer (Mr G)

5/6B – Miss Sophia Bubner

Art – Ms Leanne Anstee

Phys Ed – Mr Carney Kucharski

LOTE (Italian) – Signorina Andria Piacentini

Music – Mrs Stacey Paterson

Reading/EAL Support – Mrs Helen Stafford

Computer (ICT) – Mr Ric Zalewski

Education Support Staff – Mrs Deidre Timms and Mrs Loree Spong

Groundsman – Mr Leo Cooper

Out of Hours School Care Coordinator – Jasnarinder Kaur (Camp Australia)

Business Manager – Ms Annette Bruce

Principal – Ms Cathy Caminiti

Student Leaders 2019

We look forward to working with, and building the capacity of, our student leaders for 2019. Congratulations once again to the following students:

School Captains – Ava and Jun

JSC President and Treasurer – George Ka and Jia Yue

Choir and Music Captains – Harriet and Joban

House Captains

Chisholm – Shlok and Alice

MacArthur – Will and Lachie

Monash – Abi and Dante

These students, along with the rest of the year 6 cohort, will participate in an ongoing Building Leadership Capacity program with Mr G.

Classroom Volunteer Information Session

Friday 22ndth February

9:00am – 9:50am

Clare Woodhouse and Rachael De Prada will conduct an information session for all parents, especially those in the junior area, who would love to stay and help with classroom activities such as literacy rotations. This session will give you tips not only regarding how to best help your child with reading, but also give ideas and strategies for when you are helping out in the classroom.

This is also a timely refresher for some of our more 'seasoned families'.



Anaphylaxis and Asthma Management

Please read the flier which has been sent home in the pack and look for any messages from classroom teachers in their class newsletters regarding students with anaphylaxis. If your child has either of these conditions, please complete the forms at the front office and/or supply the school with an updated ASCIA Plan. School community support in the management of this is appreciated.

School Uniform = School Pride

The Belle Vue Primary School uniform, when worn correctly, gives a clear message of pride to our local community. Feel free to come in and check out the uniform display in the front office if you are unsure of what the correct uniform is. Don't forget that good shoes are also really important for the development of your child's feet. If your child wears runners rather than black school shoes – make sure they are appropriate for sport and support growing feet. Leave the 'flashy shoes', or converse high tops for free dress days.

Cathy Caminiti
Principal

2019 Dates

Term 1: 31st January – 5th April
Term 2: 23rd April – 28th June
Term 3: 15th July – 20th September
Term 4: 7th October – 20th December

**"KINDNESS IS BEING SOMEONE
WHO MAKES EVERYONE FEEL
LIKE A SOMEBODY."**

—RAKtivist

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Roll of Honour

The following students are being entered into the Roll of Honour and will be presented with their certificates at tomorrow's assembly:

8/2/19

PW	Ethan	For always cleaning up the classroom and helping others, like helping people pack their bags or when they don't know how to do something. (Student Nomination)
PW	Finn	For showing excellent listening skills, looking at the person who is talking (teachers and classmates) and making sure he doesn't talk at the same time. (Teacher Nomination)
12A	Chelsea	For being a positive role model by being ready to learn. (Student Nomination)
12A	Christina	For developing a positive attitude towards writing. (Teacher Nomination)
12B	Aryan	For showing great listening skills on the floor, and being focused on his work during learning time. Great start to the year Aryan! (Teacher Nomination)
12B	Sophie	For being quiet during learning time so that others are not distracted. Well done Sophie! (Student Nomination)
12D	Laycee	For being a positive role model to others and always helping out people in times of need. (Teacher Nomination)
12D	Sam	For always smiling and encouraging others. (Student Nomination)
34D	Mila	For starting the school year 'ready to learn' with a growth mindset (Student Nomination)
34D	Pari	For always showing pride and kindness (Teacher Nomination)
34G	Steven	For always demonstrating a positive attitude towards school. (Student Nomination)
34G	Noelle	For being a positive role model in our classroom by demonstrating excellent listening skills and always offering to help others. Well done Noelle! (Teacher Nomination)
34W	Bessie	For being kind to her classmates by helping others when they find something difficult. (Student Nomination)
34W	Marconi	For making a great start to his time at Belle Vue. (Teacher Nomination)
56B	JiaJia	For showing all school values in classroom and schoolyard, and for being a kind member of the Belle Vue Community. (Student Nomination)
56B	Whole Class	For an excellent start to the year! (Teacher Nomination)
56G	Lachie	For always contributing to class discussions and working well with others (Student Nomination)
56G	Chanel	For a confident and successful start to her time at Belle Vue (Teacher Nomination)

Congratulations!

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Prep W's 1st Week of School!

What a wonderful start Prep W has made to school! It's been a whirlwind of activity and everyone seems to be having a great time.

- We've started learning how to read books in the morning, by looking at pictures and pointing to the words
- We've practiced lots of counting and making numbers
- We've created pictures of ourselves and our families
- We've hung out with our buddies and done some building
- We've practiced our writing with pencils, with chalk and on whiteboards.

We cannot wait to learn even more at school and find out all the fun activities that are coming up next. What a journey it will be!



Qualifying - 2019 District Swimming Carnival



Continuing the new format there will be no Belle Vue swimming carnival in 2019 to determine which students have qualified for our district swimming team.

Instead, qualification for the team will be determined by a student's fastest 50m lap time in a selected event, as witnessed and verified by either a guardian or swim club instructor.

This is now common practice for many schools in our district, providing an effective way to streamline the selection process. After the returned forms have been collected the two fastest times in each age category for each event will qualify for a place in the Belle Vue swimming team which will then go on to compete at the District swimming level.

District swimming will be held at Boroondara Sports Complex on Monday 25th February, 2019 (week 5 of Term 1). The below slips must be completed and returned to classroom teachers by Friday 8th February if students wish to be considered. With the summer holidays ahead this gives students plenty of time to get some training sessions in at the local pool and record their personal best times. **We intend to send a big swim team to District in 2019 so make sure you get involved!**

Eligible age categories for selection are: **9/10yrs** **11yrs** **12/13yrs**
 (A student's age category is determined by their age as at 31st December 2019)

50m events for selection are: **50m Freestyle** **50m backstroke** **50m Breaststroke** **50m Butterfly**

The fastest qualifiers for each event/age will also be offered a place on the respective relay team.

While students may enter their personal best time for all 4 events, only the fastest two times in each event/age group will qualify for District.

Carney Kucharski
 Physical Education Coordinator

NAME.....
 50m EVENT.....
 AGE CATEGORY (please circle) 9/10 11 12/13
 PERSONAL BEST TIME RECORDED.....
 WITNESSED: Name..... Signed.....
 Date..... Parent/Guardian/Swim Instructor (please circle)

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Hi everyone,

I hope you have all had a great start to 2019. Welcome back to our existing families and a huge welcome to our new families. I am sure you will find our school community welcoming.

For those of you who are new to Belle Vue, we have a Parents and Friends group at our school. This is an informal and inclusive group where parents, carers, grandparents and friends can get involved with various activities within the school.

I recently read an article that in part said that 'parents and care givers are automatically a part of the P & F, it is just dependent upon how much you would like to contribute or get involved'. Whether it be it 45 minutes on a Friday to help with lunch orders or a larger commitment such as Mothers/Father's Day stalls or the major fundraiser, every little bit of help is very much appreciated. We have a number of events throughout the year, some class based, some including the children and others where it is child free.

We are looking for parents to assist in with the organisation of events at school, if you are interested in getting involved and are wondering how, please feel free to call me on 0422 062 309.

I will be holding an information morning tea in the staffroom in the coming weeks; I will confirm the date via Team App.

Lunch orders

Lunch orders are a great part of our school, the kids love it and frankly it is nice to have a day off from making lunch! They will commence next Friday, February 15 and we will be starting off with pizza. Forms will go home tomorrow, with money due by next Wednesday. We source quality food from local businesses and always include a vegetarian option.

This year, we would like to implement a roster type system for lunch orders. It would be great if we could have a core group of 8 to 12 people that are available once every four weeks on a rotating basis to help with packing and distributing lunch orders on a Friday. Why not come along and see how it works? It takes 45 minutes from 12.15 every Friday and the children's faces are priceless when they see a family member dropping off their lunch.

We are also looking for volunteers to assist with the counting of money on a Wednesday morning at 9am. If you are able to help or would like to see how it works, please contact Allison on 0438 195 615 or myself.

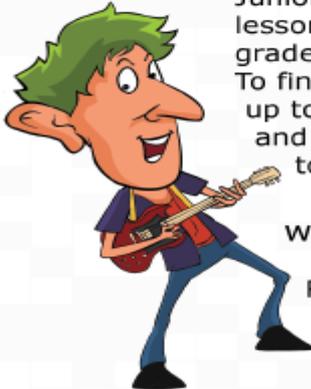
I think that is it from the 'P & F' but please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any fundraising/event ideas, I would love to hear from you and don't forget about Friday lunch order helping - you know you want to!

Caroline Downey
P & F Rep

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Apply for Music Lessons Now!



Junior Rockers run high quality instrumental music lessons right here at school available to all students from grade 1 to grade 6 (sorry prep students!). To find out which instruments are available, get up to date prices, and learn about scheduling and the Junior Rockers curriculum, head to our website at:

www.juniorrockers.com

Rather chat in person?

We'd love to speak to you.
Call us on 1300 GO ROCK
(1300 46 7625)



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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 is 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

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

HOW TO APPLY

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

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2018, you do not need to complete an application form in 2019 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments:** your child has started or changed schools in 2019 or you did not apply in 2018.
- **changed family circumstances:** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2019.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



The **Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC)** is reviewing the electoral structure of Boroondara City Council and wants your input.

The review, known as an electoral representation review, will examine the electoral structure of the local council to ensure it provides fair and equitable representation for all voters. The review will look at:

- whether the local council has the appropriate number of councillors
- whether the local council should be unsubdivided, with councillors elected from the whole local council, or subdivided into wards and
- if subdivided, the number of wards, ward boundaries, and the number of councillors per ward.

Public input is a vital part of the review process, providing valuable local perspectives and knowledge. The VEC has prepared a submission guide to help in preparing submissions.

The VEC will also host a public information session for anyone interested in finding out more about the review. The session will be held at:

- 7.00 pm on Thursday 14 February in the Zelman Room at the Hawthorn Arts Centre, 360 Burwood Road, Hawthorn.

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Adults Lessons
Performance Squads
Membership &
Racquet Specials

If you cant make the 10th we can arrange an alternate time and day that suits. Bookings are essential

Please contact Blake on 0402 442 414 or info@vidatennis.com.au
<https://www.vidatennis.com.au/veneto-club-bulleen/>

Koonung Heights Netball club

Community based netball club, delivering quality training and competition.

Training on Tuesdays at Balwyn High Sports Centre.

Years 4-6 4-5pm
Years 7-9 5-6pm
Years 10-Open 6-7pm

Games are on Saturday's for year 5+ as part of 'Booroondara Netball Association' winter competition.
Grade 4's play on Friday evenings.

We welcome girls and boys Grade 4 through to Open age to play with us.

Umpiring and coaching opportunities also available.

If you wish to register this season please contact registrar@khnc.org.au to get started!

Please check out our website for more information.
www.khnc.org.au

Like us on Facebook for real time updates.
'Koonung Heights Netball Club'

Define your own LEARNING OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

Some memorable moments-
'My bag exploding at camp!'
'Falling off the stretcher!'
'Forgetting the warm jacket!'
'Spilling everything in cooking!'
'Wrong way our billy cart went!'
'Just lost count of splitting in water skiing!'
'Wearing a white shirt in mud!'

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Venturers 15-17y WED 7.30-9.30pm
Rovers 18-25y MON 7.30pm-late

Interested kids and parents please email gl.templestowlower1st@gmail.com or text Peter at 0434 474 928 or David at 0419 391 712
Ted Ajani Centre, 284 Thompsons Road, Lower Templestowe
www.1LTscouts.com.au

Parents welcome to join as Leaders or Committee

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Australian National Anthem and Belle Vue School Song Lyrics

Each Monday at 3pm we have a whole school assembly out by the flag pole.

This is a short assembly to sing the National Anthem, celebrate birthdays, reminders for the week and finish with the school song. With the change in time from morning to afternoon – we need to change the first line of the school song. The students have voted on the new lyrics and will be learning the new line in preparation for Monday afternoon's assembly.

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 Nation 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!"

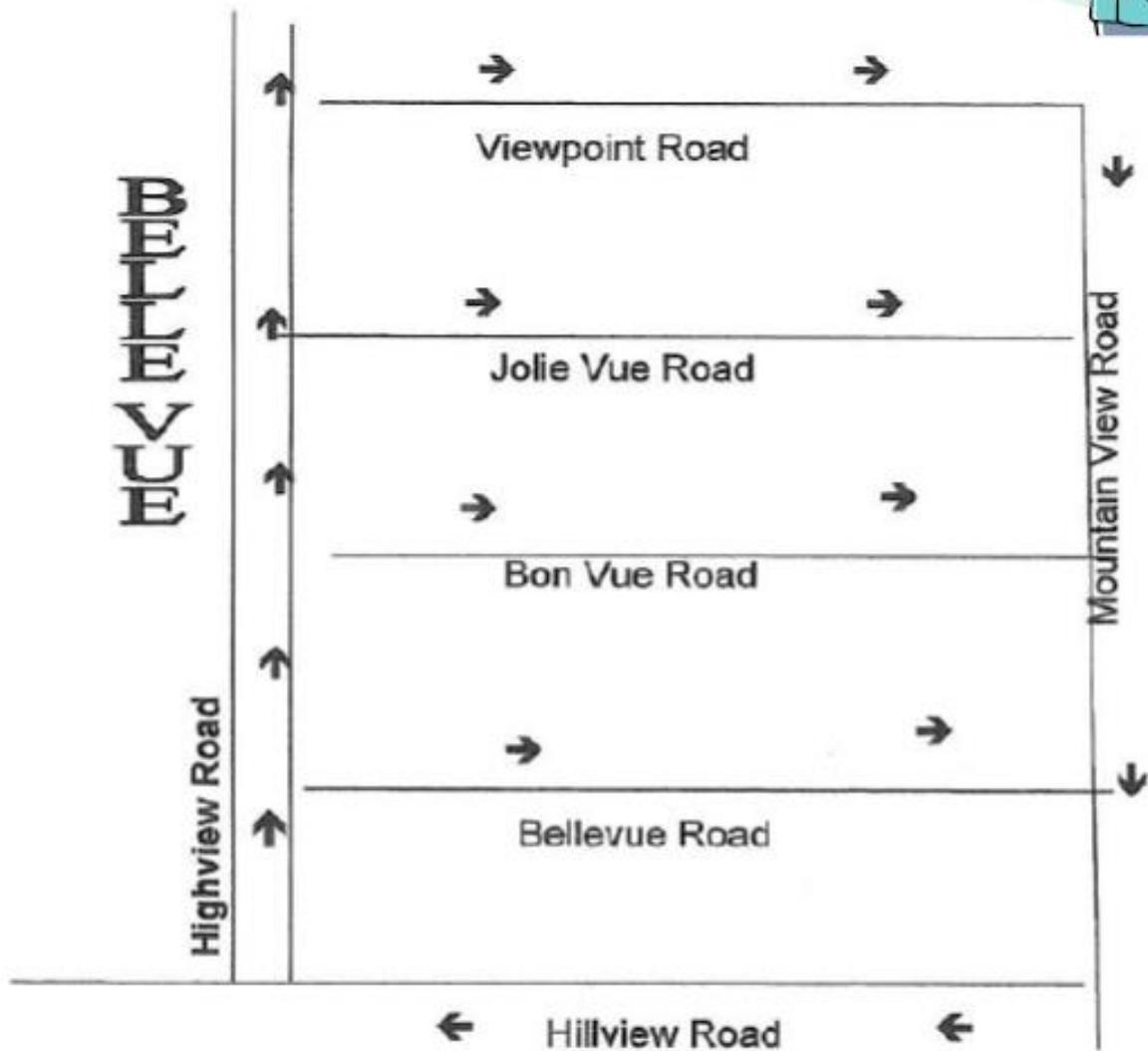
Beneath our radiant Southern Cross,
We'll toil with hearts and hands;
To make this Commonwealth of ours
Renowned of all the lands;
For those who've come across the seas
We've boundless plains to share;
With courage let us all combine
To advance Australia fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing
"Advance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



Belle Vue School Song

It's a wonderful week for learning,
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!

Belle Vue Traffic



The Belle Vue School Council recommends the above car route for all student drop-offs and pick-ups.

Please do not “U” turn in Highview Road

Thankyou for helping keep our school environment safe

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