



Belgrave South Primary School

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DATES TO REMEMBER

AUGUST

- Mon 28th -
Fri 1st Sept **Prep—2 Swimming**
- Thurs 31st **Hooptime—Grade 3/4**

SEPTEMBER

- Fri 1st— **Fathers Day Stall**
- Fri 1st-
Fri 8th **Prep—2 Swimming**
- Mon 4th **Grade 6 Production Bump In**
- Tues 5th—
Wed 6th **Grade 6 Production**
- Mon 11th - **Footy Day**
- Wed 13th— **3/4 Excursion to Aquarium**
- Thurs 14th— **School Disco**
- Fri 15th— **Curriculum Day—no students**
- Mon 18th—
Wed 20th **3/4 Camp—all grades**
- Fri 22nd— **End of Term 3**

OCTOBER

- Mon 9th— **Start of Term 4**

NOVEMBER

- Fri 10th— **Remembrance Day Assembly**
- Tues 14th— **Prep Parent 2018 Info Night**

- Tues 18th— **Japanese Day**

DECEMBER

- Sun 3rd— **Community Market BBQ**
- Fri 7th— **Reach Rookys**
- Tues 12th— **Jump Up Day
2018 Preps Orientation Day**
- Thurs 15th— **Christmas Concert**
- Mon 18th— **Star Wars Night at Cameo**
- Thurs 21st— **Grade 6 Graduation**
- Fri 22nd— **End of Term 4**

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Friday 25th August 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

School Production

All the excitement of our school production has made me think back to my own school production when I was in Grade 6. Back then, it was a fairly rare thing to have a school production and I even recall that it was the first and last time (for a long while) that my own school had staged a production all thanks to the passion of our Grade 6 teacher, Ms Rosenblatt.

I remember the Grade 5 and 6 students being gathered together to be told about the play, Ghoul Rock. I was given the part of Herman the Headless. My costume required me to carry my head under my arm with a cardboard neck with a mesh window for my eyes over my face. Only my family would know that it was me. This did not bother me at all, I was just so excited to be part of the experience and to be on stage with my classmates, some of whom I still speak to now. We often remember this time in our lives and laugh as there was a lot of singing involved in our school production. For any of our students that have stood beside me at assembly during the National Anthem, you will know that singing is not a skill I possess. I gave it my best shot and that is what it is all about.

I wish all of our Grade 6 students the very best as production week approaches. It has been a most remarkable experience for them and one that will be fondly remembered for a long time to come.

New School Signage

Our new school signage was delivered on Monday morning. With great excitement I opened the timber cases to reveal our fabulous new street signage. These will take pride of place at the main entrance on Colby Drive and the main gate on Belgrave Hallam Road. The original school sign that sits beside the basketball courts will be removed, restored and relocated as a way of preserving the history and heritage of our school which I believe is so important. I hope our new signage proudly greets our visitors and passers by for a long time to come.



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Education Support Staff Week

We held a special morning tea to celebrate our wonderful team of Education Support staff. This amazing group of people work tirelessly to help us make each and every day an amazing experience for our students, teaching staff and parents. The many things that they do and the brilliant projects that they lead are invaluable to our school. I would like to again thank our Education Support team members and to sincerely thank them for the care and compassion that they show each day and for their dedication to making our school the very best.

Safety on the Crossing

Our crossing supervisors have asked me to include a reminder in the bulletin for all our students that make use of the pedestrian crossings. It is important that students wait until they are given the signal before beginning to cross the road and they are reminded to walk and not run. Elaine has mentioned that several students have tripped in their hurry to get across the road and we wish for them to make their crossing safely. The Colby Drive pedestrian crossing may sometimes be unmanned and we have conveyed our concerns about this directly to Yarra Ranges Council. It is important that we also remind the children how to use a marked pedestrian crossing safely especially the need to check for traffic and that any approaching traffic has stopped before stepping onto the crossing.

Traffic and Carpark Safety

On the subject of safety, with the cold and wet weather continuing we have noticed increased traffic congestion along the section of Colby Drive that many of our parents are using for student drop off and pick up. The last fortnight has seen some minor incidents between cars as they attempt to reverse out of the car parks across the road into the congested traffic. To assist, we would like to remind everyone that the five minute zone parking is best used for drop offs and we ask people to refrain from parking here first thing in the morning if they are planning on coming into the school with their children. I know that nobody plans to have an accident but I urge people to be exceptionally careful and consider parking a little further away and walking back to the school which I know will be much easier to contemplate as the weather begins to warm up again.

Vandalism

Coming to school to find that someone has damaged part of your school is perhaps the most frustrating part of being a Principal. We are working so hard to make Belgrave South the best school in every sense and I was deeply upset that some vandals had climbed onto the roof and tagged the walls with graffiti. We have had these sections cleaned and painted to remove the unsightly marks that these vandals had left. As you pass by the school afterhours and on weekends, please keep an eye out and report anything unusual. We will be upgrading security lighting and improving our security monitoring system to help protect our school.

Marine Project

I am incredibly proud of a team of Year 3/4 girls and their call to action following their inquiry learning project into Australia's marine environments. The girls have created a group *called Save Our Seas* whose mission is to promote awareness on the threats to our marine and coastal environments. The team have created an amazing website which they wanted to share with our whole community. The link for the website is www.seasforever.wixsite.com/saveourseas Our next generation of marine biologists have done an incredible job. Living up to the mantra 'be the change you wish to see in the world', our future is in very capable hands indeed.

Have a wonderful week ahead

Stuart Boyle,

Principal

Curriculum News
The Journey Begins.....



Research has shown it is the child's ability to cope with the process of starting school that has the greatest impact on their social and emotional wellbeing and learning success.

Belgrave South Primary School acknowledges the importance of transition for our children and their families. We have developed an intensive transition program that caters for our new preps and parents/caregivers. We provide many opportunities for children, families and staff to get to know each other before school starts.

The visits provide opportunities for the children to become familiar with school and help to develop skills and abilities that will support them when they start school.

Our school is committed to establishing close links between families, the local preschools and child-care centres and the broader community. Starting school is not just about the child but also a family/ community process. We want to send a clear message that the school cares and are ready work side by side together to support them and their child.



On Wednesday as part of our Preschool to Prep Transition our preschool children met with the specialist teachers Mrs Williams and Mr Anderson.



The parents/caregivers met in Sophie's with Dr Kay Margetts.

Dr Margetts was our guest speaker on School Readiness.

Kay is an Associate Professor at Melbourne University in Early Childhood and Primary Education. Kay focussed on School Readiness and the skills required for a smooth transition from Pre School to Prep. The feedback from the parents who were able to attend was very favourable and supportive.

Kay referred to an excellent website for parents and teachers. www.kidsmatter.edu.au

The next transition session is on Friday 8th September at 9.15am-10.45am. The preschool children will be involved in a Science and a Computer Session.

We look forward to getting to know our new preps and their families for 2018.

If you have any questions please contact our Transition Coordinator, Lynn Bok on 97542505

Carol Ould
 Acting Assistant Principal

Eastern Region Mixed Netball Team.



SBJFC GIRLS U/12 Grand Final



27 Aug 2017, 11.40am

SBJFC in the GRAND FINAL.

In 2017 SBJFC fielded 3 competitive teams of which U12 Girls have made it through to the Grand Final.

All club and community members and are encouraged to get along and support the girls – bring your Black, Red & White!!!

The final will be held at Koonung Reserve, Springfield Road (between Blackburn & Middleborough Roads) Blackburn North.



BELGRAVE SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL ON BEHALF OF THE DANDENONG RANGERS INVITES YOU TO A NIGHT

with CHRIS DAICOS

FOUNDATION TO YEAR 6

PARENT & TEACHER FORUM

MONDAY AUGUST 28th AT 6.30- 8.30pm

At Upper Ferntree Gully Primary School



Chris as a trained social worker has extensive experience in working directly with children and adolescents and supporting staff. Chris has facilitated many successful professional development sessions for teachers and parents within the private and public sectors on a range of topics from staff and student welfare to organisational health issues. Chris is also activity involved in the tertiary sector, teaching students in Master of Social Work, Master of Teaching and the Master of Education (Student Wellbeing) courses.

As parents or teachers can we be vigilant with our children at ALL times to ensure that they are safe, aren't victims of bullies, become depressed or fail academically? The research into the area of 'resilience' claims that we can influence our children's ability to deal with problems in a constructive way.

Early researchers found that: "..... most of the children – in their study – who grew up with the odds against them successfully overcame adversity. These children had or developed the resources to bounce back..... It is in these and other studies that the terms: 'resilient children', 'stress resistant children', 'ego hardy children' and 'vulnerable but invincible children' begin to appear." (From: 'Risk To Resilience'. Tim Burn).

However simply knowing about resilience is in itself not enough, what we as parents and educators want and need to know is what can we do to help foster and build these skills in our children. Those working in the field of child psychology have established that we can do much in our homes and schools to help put in place the protective factors that will assist in our children becoming 'resilient children'. (April 12, 2015 by Chris Daicos)

This interactive workshop will encourage and support teachers and parents to build their children's resilience and help their children/students develop skills in social competence, problem solving, independence and optimism. If you would like to attend please fill in the form below and return to school or ring Carol Ould 97542505.

BUILDING RESILIENCE IN CHILDREN- RETURN SLIP

Yes, I would like to attend the 'Building Resilience in Children' Information Forum.

Please note this session is not suitable for children.

Name:.....

No of adults attending.....

OSHClub News

Program Update



Dear Parents of Belgrave South OSH Club,
 Hope everyone's been doing well and keeping warm !

Term 3 is fast progressing and we are delighted that we have a whole new collection of board games and sport's equipment from our recent trip to KMART. We've tried to incorporate children's suggestions and hopefully we're going to have a long run with our new toys!

In other news,

The following are a few service updates for you...

We have a new service email address for any queries, bookings or cancellations –

belgravesouth@oshclub.com.au

- Our service number is **0437388256** and head office can now be contacted on **1300 395 735** for bookings and CCB related queries.

We welcome all the new kids that have enrolled with OSHClub. We want your kids to be safe here at OSHClub, hence this is a gentle reminder to parents, we need to verify ID during pick ups during the first few days or on the rare occasion that we might have new support staff. Your cooperation in this regard will be much appreciated! Any change in plan with usual pick ups need to be notified to us via email or as a text message to the service number confirming the full name of the person authorised by you to pick up the child and should be made aware of carrying relevant ID for verification

Some of Next Fortnight's Activities

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Before Care Activities | Hungry Dino | Four square | Walkie Talkie | Scrabble | White board art work |
| After Care Activities | Limbo | Cookie Décor | Calming Music | Fairy Lights Disco | Talent Show |

Parent Information

OSHC program phone: 0437 388 256
 Coordinator: Swella
 Assistants: Amanda, Linda
 OSHClub Head Office: 1300 395 735

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.

SCHOOL TERM DATES

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| Term 1, 2017 | 30th Jan (Staff) 1st Feb (students) -31st March |
| Term 2, 2017 | 18th April-30th June |
| Term 3, 2017 | 17th July-22nd September |
| Term 4, 2017 | 9rd October– 22nd Dec |

2017 Working Bees

To be confirmed...

2017 DATES

Grade 5 Camp: 19th-23rd June

Grade 3/4 Camp: 18th-20th September

BULLETIN CONTRIBUTIONS

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Email: belgrave.south.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

Subject: Bulletin Contribution

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The Uniform Shop is open **MONDAYS** from 3.00pm-4.00pm.

And **TUESDAYS** from 2:30—3:30pm

If you are unable to come to the shop during these hours, there are order forms available from the Office which can be completed and left with payment at the Office (Cash or Cheque only) , your order will then be left at the Office for your collection.

Community News

Kerry Fellowes



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Community News

Belgrave South Cub Scouts 7yr and over



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Keith - 0401 714 777

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