



Belgrave South Primary School

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DATES TO REMEMBER

February

Thurs 2nd School Council Nominations Open

Mon 6th Grade 6 Camp leaves

Fri 10th Grade 6 Camp arrives home

Mon 13th Assembly 2.40pm

Thurs 16th School Council Nominations Close

Mon 20th Parent/Teacher Interviews

Tues 28th Pancake Tuesday St Martin's

March

Sat 25th STAXAFUN Fete

A special mention also to our Year 6 students who are completing their last year of primary school. It is hard to believe that they started as Preps back in 2011. Have a wonderful year and be awesome.

A big note of appreciation for the time and effort that our staff have put in to ensure everything was ready for the new school year. It was such a smooth transition and we are fortunate to have such a wonderful team.

During the first 2 weeks at school, all of our students will be involved in activities in Building a Learning Community. Building caring classroom relationships is the key to creating a successful learning community. We have developed this program to help students be more aware of their roles, responsibilities and rights as a learner in our learning community. When such classrooms emphasize the importance of cooperation, collaboration, kindness, and personal responsibility, students are more likely to treat one another with respect. As a result, they feel safer and more secure in school and are more willing to take risks to share their thinking. They are better able to stand up for what they believe and to be sensitive to others feelings and opinions. Students are more likely to be motivated to learn for the sake of learning, rather than for good grades or other extrinsic rewards. They can work out problems, and they are more likely to take responsibility for their behaviour and their learning.

Areas of the program include: Establishing Rules and expectations of Respect for Self, Others and the Environment. Learning how to work co-operatively in groups. Social/Relationship/Friendship Skills. Developing criteria for classroom tasks. Developing a team spirit.

Thank you to our fantastic office staff in Robyn Garrett, Shelley Elso and Jenny James for all their work to start the year so smoothly. Also thanks to our handyman Doug Taylor and the wonderful Lindy and Carla for all your hard work maintaining and enhancing the grounds through the break.

My door is always open (unless it is cold as I will have my heater on) and I look forward to working with you all this special birthday year.

Grade 6 Camp

Next week our Year 6 students will be on camp at Wilson's Promontory and their program also complements our school wide program as they learn the skills of getting along with each other. We wish them well and we hope they have a fantastic time at the Prom.

Anaphylaxis Training

It is now a requirement that all staff in Victorian schools complete an anaphylaxis training course.

On Monday Jenny James our Anaphylaxis Supervisor led the staff in a professional development session in anaphylaxis training for schools. The training course supports Victorian schools to improve schools capacity to provide safe learning environments for young people with severe allergies.



Please Remember: Hats must be worn in term 1



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

2nd February 2017

Welcome to 2017!

It was great to hear the playground and corridors filled with excitement and to see everyone's smiling faces on Wednesday. We are very excited to be back at school as we all missed our wonderful students. I hope everyone enjoyed the Christmas and New Year holidays and managed to catch up with family and friends.

I am very proud to be the Acting Principal of Belgrave South School as we celebrate 110 years of history. Yes, Belgrave South is 110 years old and I am delighted to be part of such a rich and wonderful educational history. Welcome to the many new parents and students and staff to the school. A very big welcome to our new Foundation students who commenced school life at Belgrave South.

I thank you all for choosing to be part of our school community and continue a long tradition of connection, contribution and involvement.



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Fire Safe & Ready

As you are aware we are in a high fire risk area and as part of our Emergency Management Plan we must ensure our student information is up to date. Therefore this week your child will bring home a very important form. ‘Authorised Student Release Form 2017’ Please complete the form and return to the school by next week.

Welcome to OSHClub

OSHClub will provide high quality Before and After School Care on our school premises. If you require Before and After School Care for your child please obtain a parent Handbook from the office or ring OSH Club on 8564 9000 for details.

Classes for 2017

Grades...

Specialists...

Prep B	Lynn Bok	Visual Arts	Marcia Williams (Mon-Wed)
Prep D	Sherrin Dwyer	Physical Education	Chris Anderson
Year 1K	Elaine Kos		
Year 1B	Michele Imfeld	Science	Chris Anderson
Year 2G	Emelia Gaulke		
Year 3/4C	Christine Bernhardt	LOTE—Japanese	Toshio
Year 3/4J	Jessica Chamberlain		
Year 3/4M	Meagan Street		
Year 3/4S	Suzanne Boatto		
Year 5/6M	Mark Stanton		
Year 5/6P	Julie Price		
Year 5/6S	Ronan Stafford		

School Council Elections

The Belgrave South School Council consists of the School Principal, 8 elected parents, 4 elected employees of the Education Department and up to 2 co-opted members.

According to regulations and the current status of councillors for 2017/2018 we now need to elect 4 parent representatives (2 years) and 2 Education Department employee representatives (2 years). Nominations are now called for in relation to these positions.

The guidelines for nominations are as follows:

- * Persons nominated must be either parents/guardians of student (s) at the school or employees of the Education Department.
- * Persons making and seconding nominations must be either parents/guardians of students at the school or employees of the Education Department.
- * Nomination forms are available at the school office (will be sent home upon request).
- * The nomination and election process, if required, will follow the time line as set out below.
- * Where the number of nominations equals, or is less than, the number of vacancies in each specific category then no election will be necessary.

If further information is required regarding this process, responsibilities and expectations of councillors or any other aspect of School Council functioning please contact myself, Carol Ould at the school.

If you are interested in specific information regarding the work of School Council and School Councillors please ask for guidelines from the Office.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Notice of Meeting and Call for Nominations: **Thursday February 2nd 2017**

Nominations close: **Thursday February 16th at 4:00 pm**

Nominations listed outside Office, and election form, (if required) sent to parents via email **Thursday 23rd February**.

Election process (if required) to be completed by **4:00pm Wednesday 1st March**. Results announced via Tiqbiz on **Friday, March 3rd**

It is a wonderful privilege to be a School Council member. I encourage you to give serious consideration to taking an active role in nominating a worthy candidate or standing for a position yourself.

Thank-you,

Carol Ould

Interchange

What is it?

For the last Semester every few weeks a small group of grade 6 students have been working with Interchange to help people with special needs to work on their social skills physical skills and manners.

We worked through scenarios such as what to do in an emergency or if someone is being disrespectful /rude to them or someone else, how to behave in a restaurant etc

What we got out of the program.

We have all learned that we are all the same just some with more needs than others. We are able to go up to anyone and ask them if they need any assistance and we are now able to stand up for anyone who is being bullied or just help anyone if they are feeling down.

Our lunch

We are having a lunch with all of the participants of Interchange and all the students who have helped out with the program this year.

Anyone can do anything as long as they believe in themselves

Everyone is equal in their own way

Life doesn't get easier you just get stronger

Everyone has a heart
Everyone has emotions
Everyone is unique and
Everyone is beautiful

Before & After School Care at Belgrave South PS



NEW!

From Term 1, 2017, there will be a new Before & After School Care Program at Belgrave South PS run by OSHClub. OSHClub is one of Australia's leading providers of Before and After School Care programs and Holiday programs.

We form strong, collaborative ties with each School and design and develop each of our programs specifically to meet the needs of each unique community.

What happens at OSHClub?

We believe in the power of choice for each child, so each session comprises a wide range of experiences for them to choose from. No-one is forced to do anything except have fun. The children are encouraged to join in with our planned activities but it is their choice as to whether to participate or make the most of the wide range of toys and games available for free play. We provide:

- > Loads of toys
- > Dress ups
- > Science
- > Art/Craft
- > Board games
- > Games
- > Drama
- > Sports
- > Art and craft materials
- > Cooking
- > Gardening
- > Homework time (if required)

We encourage lots of outside and sporting activities, making the most of the great school grounds and facilities.

We welcome input and involvement from parents and especially the children – their ideas of what they would like to do are sometimes even better than ours!

Holiday Program

The Holiday Program will consist of Themed, centre-based days, Incursions and Excursions. Our programs are open to any children, so if you need care during the Holidays when we are not open, please go to our Website to find which other programs your children could attend.

Who is looking after your children?

Our programs are run by wonderful, warm, welcoming, experienced and trained people. The staff we employ will give you peace of mind that you are leaving your children in very safe hands while they enjoy the program's activities.

Hungry tummies

We provide healthy, tasty and nutritious food for breakfast and afternoon tea. Breakfast includes low sugar cereals, wholemeal toast, water and fresh milk/soy milk, then a special item that changes daily - for example English Muffins, fruit smoothies, blueberry pancakes or fruit toast.

Afternoon tea includes masses of fresh fruit and vegetables, fresh milk/soy milk, then a special item that changes daily – for example toasted sandwiches, soup, pasta, vegetable wraps, mini pizzas or vegetarian tacos.

Our menus cater for any special dietary requirements including those with allergies or cultural needs, and take into consideration each child's preferences. We ask them what they like! The menu changes each week.



How do you enrol and book sessions?

Enrolments and bookings are made online through our secure system available from our website. Last minute bookings and cancellations can be made simply by calling our Accounts Team at Head Office. We don't charge an initial or annual registration fee. Why not enrol anyway and then if you need care in an emergency, we already have your details and your children can join in the fun without any problems. We will always welcome children to the program, but if they are enrolled with us beforehand the process becomes much smoother.

For parents with no access to the internet, all bookings can be made through either the Coordinator or our Accounts Team at our Head office.

What does it cost?

Permanent and Casual bookings are both the same cost. There is a small extra charge of \$3.30 for any last minute bookings made within 24 hours of a session.

Before & After School Care bookings can be cancelled up to 24 hours before a session without incurring any out of pocket costs.

If your child is sick – or you are sick yourself – you will not incur any out of pocket costs.

The program will be registered with Centrelink, so you will be able to claim Child Care Benefit (CCB) and the 50% Child Care Rebate (CCR) on your fees. The CCR is not means tested which means just about all working or studying parents are eligible to receive it. Call 13 61 50 to register.

	Fee (both Permanent & Casual Bookings)	Opening Hours
Before School Care	\$5.13 to \$9.00 (full fee \$18.00)	7:00am – 9:00am
After School Care	\$5.66 to \$10.50 (full fee \$21.00)	3:30pm – 6:00pm

Fees are subject to change.

A late booking fee of \$3.30 applies to all BSC/ASC bookings made within 24 hours of the session.

The actual out of pocket cost will vary between these amounts depending on individual families' circumstances.

How do I pay?

Payments are made by Direct Debit to either your nominated Bank Account or to a Credit Card on a fortnightly basis in arrears. If you nominate that your CCB and CCR entitlements are to be automatically paid to your provider (OSHClub) you won't have to pay up front and worry about claiming these amounts back.

Need more information?

If you have any queries or concerns about enrolling or booking sessions, or how to apply for CCB/CCR, please contact your designated Parent Accounts Manager:

Belinda Ramfol

belinda.r@oshclub.com.au

03 8564 9024

We look forward to welcoming you to our Program.



SCHOOL TERM DATES

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



Tiqbiz is now our main way to communicate.

Please join the groups you are in to reflect
2017 grades,

Whole School and any others of interest.

This is the best way to know what is
happening at BSPS

2017 DATES

Grade 6 Camp: 6th-10th February

Grade 5 Camp: 19th-23rd June

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

BULLETIN CONTRIBUTIONS

Please email items for the Bulletin by Wednesdays 9am. For advertising prices please contact the office via phone or email.

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

Subject: Bulletin Contribution

UNIFORM SHOP—CLOSED TUESDAY FEBRUARY 7TH

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

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

CREATIVE
The Girls Project

*Social Wellbeing Program
for girls aged 9-12*

*focusing on building resilience,
self esteem and confidence,
managing worries and creating connections,
within an art & craft
context.*

*A Program aimed at
preparing girls with
the tools to Navigate
preteen hood!*

Day: Mondays
Time: 3.45-5.30
Start: Feb 13th
Duration: 6 weeks
Fee: \$90

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
For More information
please contact
Naomi at BSCH



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2017 COMMUNITY CALENDARS AVAILABLE NOW



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

2017

All photography by The Castles Portraits

To order, place your money in an envelope with your name and your child's class and return to the office by Friday 2nd December

Community News

Kerry Fellowes



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