



# Belgrave South Primary School Newsletter

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER – MONDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> JULY

## From the Principal...

Dear Parents and Carers,

At our most recent assembly, we presented the first of our values based achievement awards. The value in focus was 'Care and Compassion' which is best described as caring for yourself and caring for others. Our citizenship awards are a chance to recognise those students who demonstrate the values that underpin excellence in their learning, their actions and in their relationships each and every day without needing to be prompted or reminded that these key values are a crucial element of our school culture. Our school values provide the framework that encourages students to use their judgement, exercise responsibility in areas of morality, ethics and social justice, to make rational and informed decisions about their own lives and to accept responsibility for their own actions, as intended in the national position on values education in schools. Visiting classrooms, I see strong evidence of students caring for each other during learning time. Going the extra mile to make sure that their learning partners and classmates are recognised and supported when they face the challenge of learning new and difficult things. As a school community, we should be extremely proud of our children.

I congratulate all the students that were recognised at assembly and although I was required to attend a conference on Monday, I very much enjoyed reading the reason for each award while I was printing them last Sunday. The recipients of the awards will now be acknowledged in our fortnightly newsletter.

### Community Precinct

I thought it would be helpful to clarify some of the uncertainty that surrounds our kitchen garden project. The intent of the project has always been to create a space that would provide a venue for our school and students as well as local community groups. A venue that we could use to host programs that support learning and events that would help to strengthen our community.

With the support of the Victorian School Building Authority, we have been awarded a \$200,000 grant to help us create the final stage of this project. It means that we are also able to bring to life the many discussions that we have had over the previous twelve months with the former Manager of the Community House and the local Scout Leader about them making use of this space to bring new light and life to the community groups that they lead.

I would like to reassure our community that the local Scouting movement will most certainly have a new home and the venue is able to be used by the community group to host events and workshops.

The Executive Manager of Scouts Victoria, Mr Jon McGregor has shared with me a communication that the local scout leader, Mr Keith Atkin, has circulated amongst their many members and families which reads:

Scouts Victoria has met again recently with Stuart Boyle who is the Principal of Belgrave South Primary. Stuart is a former Venturer and fantastic advocate of Scouting. The Education Department also attended this meeting to discuss the future of our hall.

All parties are committed to building a brand new hall for our group. We have discussed the construction of a new 20x7x3m hall that will be available for Scouting across as many days as required. It will also include a 4x4m dedicated office space for leaders and all of our memorabilia. We have also been told that the new hall will have greater storage than our current situation and plenty of visible signage for the community.

Scouts Professional Facilities Support Team along with myself have been invited to attend planning meetings so that we can be involved in the important design phase of this new hall.

The Education Department has agreed to push out the demolition phase until the end of the year to give us time to think through the logistics of any transition arrangements.

Working closely with the School will bring benefits for all of us and the alignment of our programs with education is important for our future. We are grateful to the School for making space for us in their masterplan so there is a place for scouting in Belgrave South for decades to come.

From here, we are busily working on all the necessary planning required for the construction phase of the new space. We are incredibly excited that our students will be able to be involved in the planning and development of programs of learning for the local community. The opportunity for our students to be part of the process of enriching our community is a very powerful learning experience. I look forward to meeting with members of the community and former Board of Management of the Community House to forge a new chapter.

### **Harrison Scholarship**

I received a phone call last week from Michael Harrison whose grandchildren, Jade and Zane, currently attend Belgrave South. On behalf of his family, Michael has generously offered to establish a scholarship in memory of his parents Jack (John) and Margaret Harrison who lived in Belgrave Heights for over 60 years and were very involved in the community.

They had a long association with Belgrave South Primary School with their five children, six of their grandchildren and currently two of their great grandchildren attending the school.

Michael has told me that they were loving people that led reasonably simple lives with family being their main priority. Jack passed away in December 2016 aged 89 and Margaret passed away at the age of 93 in August 2017.

In honour of Jack and Margaret and on behalf of the Harrison family, Michael has offered to establish a scholarship that will assist a graduating Grade 6 student to pursue their secondary education.

The scholarship will be known as the Jack and Margaret Harrison Scholarship and will provide \$500 to a deserving student each year. As Michael has said, his parents would be delighted to know that they are helping children with their education.

On behalf of our school community, I thank Michael and the Harrison family for their generosity and for supporting our school and students in the pursuit of lifelong learning.

### **Parent Opinion Survey**

Each year, the school conducts an opinion survey amongst a sample of the school community with the results used to inform and direct our future school planning and improvement.

If you receive a letter indicating that you are part of the sample, I ask you to please take the time to complete the survey as your opinions are important to us and will contribute to the future management and organisation of our school.

The survey is conducted online by ORIMA Research and should take around 15 minutes to complete.

The survey will be open from Friday 3 August to Sunday 26 August 2018.

The survey can be completed using any device connected to the internet (even a mobile phone).

Should you require access to a device to complete the survey, please let the office know.

Please be assured that your responses are completely confidential. The survey is conducted anonymously and it is important to us that you complete the survey as honestly as possible. Your comments in the final open-ended question will be provided back to the school.

### **Kallista Community Market BBQ**

We will be running the BBQ at the Kallista Community Market this Saturday 4th August to raise funds for the school production props and costumes. Keep your fingers crossed for some fine weather (after last months wash-out!). It would be great to see some familiar faces call by for a sausage or two.

Have a wonderful week ahead.

**Stuart Boyle**

**Principal**

# Curriculum News...

## WHAT IS SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING?

Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) is the process through which children and young people acquire the knowledge, attitudes and skills associated with the core areas of social and emotional competency.

Social and emotional learning (SEL) can help students learn the competencies and skills they need to build resilience and effectively manage their emotions, behavior and relationships with others. These are lifelong skills.

According to the Collaborative for Academic, Social and Emotional Learning (CASEL) quality teaching of SEL promotes student satisfaction, success and academic engagement, outcomes and achievement.

### CASEL identifies 5 Key Social and Emotional Competencies

Self-Awareness, Self-Management, Social Awareness Relationship Skills and Responsible Decision-making.

The Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth notes that schools who ensure that SEL is part of their teaching and learning can give students the opportunity to build the resilience to deal with change and unpredictability. This is an essential skill for positive mental health.

### SEL programs set out to explicitly teach a range of skills, including those necessary to:

- understand and manage emotions
- set and achieve positive goals
- feel and show empathy for others
- establish and maintain positive relationships
- make responsible decisions

These skills are dynamic and inter-related and underpin both personal resilience and healthy relationships.

Durlak et al. 2011. CASEL, 2013: Frydenberg, 2010. Hromek & Roffey 2009

At Belgrave South we explicitly teach SEL in all class rooms on a regular basis and have implemented classroom programs and Professional Development that focus on Social and Emotional competencies.

Our Curriculum Day on Friday (July 27<sup>th</sup>) was the continuation around the Berry Street Educational Model which builds staff capacity in teaching Social and Emotional competencies and Trauma Base practice.

This week our focus for our Achievement Awards is '**Care & Compassion**', which supports developing Social Awareness in our children.

## The Journey Begins.....



*Research has shown the more opportunities a child has to interact and visit their new school environment before they start school the more likely it is that the initial transition into school will be successful. Parents/caregivers will then feel more comfortable about their choice of school.*

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 Foundation students and their parents/caregivers.



As part of our Transition program, last Wednesday evening Dr Kay Margetts was our guest speaker on School Readiness.

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

Kay referred to an excellent website for parents and teachers. [www.kidsmatter.edu.au](http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au)

On Friday Afternoon as part of our Preschool to Foundation Transition our preschool children spent time in the Foundation classrooms and with the specialist music teacher. While the parents and caregivers had an opportunity to meet with Stuart, our principal and Carol, our assistant principal for afternoon tea.

The next transition session is on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August where the children will have a session with Mr Anderson for PE and a session with Mrs Williams in the Art room.

It is a privilege to welcome the children to their new school and we look forward to getting to know them and their families for 2019.

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

### Healthy Relationships

This is a great article on being a parent your child really wants to talk with - it also talks about the difference between empathy and sympathy. You might find it interesting and helpful. The link is below:

[https://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/how-to-be-a-parent-your-child-wants-to-talk-to\\_us\\_5b081517e4b021e3a19fbcbf](https://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/how-to-be-a-parent-your-child-wants-to-talk-to_us_5b081517e4b021e3a19fbcbf)

**Carol Ould – Assistant Principal**



## **FORTNIGHTLY STUDENT AWARDS!!!**



### **Care and Compassion**

<b><u>Grade</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Reason</u></b>
FD	Carley H	Carley, you are a very caring and considerate member of our classroom, aware of other's needs, and always ready to lend a hand.
FB	Jamieson C	Jamieson consistently shows care and compassion to her peers. She is always quick to take care of her friends when they are hurt and upset and offers a kind word to help them feel better.
1B	Mia G	Mia is a very caring student. She is always thoughtful, considerate and kind to her peers.
1K	Sailor O	Sailor always shows care and compassion to others. She is always considerate of her peers feelings, making sure she is kind at all times.
2G	Hugo F	Hugo is a caring and considerate friend to classmates. He is always thinking about others and their feelings. This was evident in our introductory lesson of persuasive writing. Hugo made sure to consider the feelings of others as he listened and shared opinions.
2P	Ashton J	For showing care and compassion to others by speaking kindly to them when they are hurt or upset.
3C	Olivia C	Olivia always shows care and compassion to her peers. She encourages others to try their best and kindly includes those needing a friend
3S	Aurora W	Rory demonstrates care and compassion for her classmates. She is always a compassionate "first responder" and is keen to offer kind words.
4H	Lily D	Lilly is a kind and considerate friend who always has time for others. She is sought out for her cheering up ways.
4S	Allana R	Allana is always considerate and kind to peers. Her calm and gentle demeanor makes her a great cheering up buddy!
5B	Ruby C	Ruby always shows care and compassion to her peers. She is gentle, kind and caring and considers the feeling of others.
6B	Fliss S	Fliss always shows care and compassion to others by being the first to see if somebody is OK and support them if they are sad.
6P	Kailyn V	Kailyn is a caring and compassion member of our class. She is insightful and can recognise when someone needs an extra bit of TLC. She is a much loved member of our class.



# Important Dates...

## July

Tues 31<sup>st</sup>                      Grade 3 & 4 Hooptime

## August

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup>                      Prep Excursion to Zoo

Fri 3<sup>rd</sup>                        Grade 2 Como House Excursion

Mon 27<sup>th</sup>                      Grade 1 & 2 Hooptime

Mon 27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>              Prep Swimming Program

Tues 28<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>              Grade 1 & 2 Swimming Program

## September

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>                Prep, Grade 1 & Grade 2 Swimming Program

Mon 10<sup>th</sup>                      Grade 6 Production – BUMP IN DAY!

Tues 11<sup>th</sup> – Wed 12<sup>th</sup>      Grade 6 Production – Burrinja Theatre

Wed 12<sup>th</sup>                      Grade 1 Chesterfield Farm Excursion

17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>                      Grade 3 & 4 Camp

21<sup>st</sup>                              LAST DAY TERM 3 – 2:30PM DISMISSAL

## October

Mon 8<sup>th</sup>                        Term 4 Starts

## November

Tues 6<sup>th</sup>                        Melbourne Cup Day – Public Holiday

Fri 9<sup>th</sup>                        Prep – 2 – Coach Approach

# HELP OUR SCHOOL WIN A COMMUNITY GARDEN!



Our school is competing in the **Colgate Community Garden Challenge!**  
By recycling oral care waste, we're in the running to win  
a recycled community garden set!

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Call Keith on 0401 714 777 to register your interest



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- Kinder which is subsidised by the government runs 3 days of 5 hours (15 hours per week).

Enrolment forms are available for pick up from the kinder or you can email the  
Enrolments officer Yvonne Pleydell for more information:

[yvonne.v@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:yvonne.v@edumail.vic.gov.au)

Tours are welcome, just call the kinder to organise a time.

Ph: (03) 9754 59 65

Email: [len.jeffrey.memorial.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au](mailto:len.jeffrey.memorial.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au)

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