### 5th November, 2020 Issue 34 PHONE: 02 6059 8987

# Belvoir Special School Newsletter









38 Gayview Drive, WODONGA, 3690

### La De Dah Day:

This week we celebrated Melbourne Cup with our own La De Dah Day. It was wonderful to see our staff and students all dressed up. There were some wonderful outfits and hats.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

School Photos:

November 12th!

Wodonga Cup;

27th November

Last day of school:

16th December 3.00pm finish

Finance Meeting:

November 10th

School Council General

Meeting:

Nov 18th 6:00pm

### Dyson's Bus Numbers:

BUS 1: 0408691885

BUS 2: 0417041196

BUS 3: 0407563474

BUS 4: 0408698635

Belvoir Bus: 0431756813

Uniform Shop Hours:

Mon-Fri 9:30-4:30

### Reminder to Keep Children Home if They Have Cold/Flu **Symptoms**

As per Department of Education expectations, children and staff experiencing cold/flu symptoms need to stay home. If your child displays any of the following symptoms whilst at school, they will be assessed by First Aid staff and they may be sent home: fever shortness of breath flu-like symptoms such as coughing, sore throat or runny nose.

Part of the assessment will involve checking your child's temperature with a digital thermometer - if you do not wish for your child's temperature to be checked, please contact the school.

If your child displays any of these symptoms as a result of an ongoing medical condition, please provide a letter from your doctor so we can take this into account

### Absences:

We would like to remind all parents/quardians to please let the office staff know when students will be absent. This can be done by calling or emailing the school or lodging it on the School Stream. App Parents will receive a text or email message if the reason for their child's absence is unknown to

### COVID-19 School Operations Update

Currently, parents/carers are still unable to enter the school grounds and outings are unable to be scheduled. Temperature checks are no longer required upon entry into the school. Thank you to everyone for your support in following these quidelines.

We hope you and your families enjoy the long weekend.

### ATTENTION ALL BUS 4 FAMILIES

Bus 4 will now be running 10 minutes earlier due to Lawrence Street road works! Please make sure all students will be ready. Dysons Bus 4 0408698635.

Pennie and Brendon

# This weeks Purple Moment Awards!

This weeks class of the week is Room 9! This class has been commended by Speech pathologist Tegan for creating their own communication lanyard to help and support their communication with Ruby and Dylan. They were also nominated by Country R12 for being supportive towards their friends. Well Done Room 9!

Jordan 5 —Room 20

Nominated for having great manners on the phone.

Daniel —Room 22

Nominated for following instructions by giving his best effort in the first aid lesson.

Angus—Room 16

Nominated for showing respect for themselves and others while at school.

Bella — Room 22 Nominated for her great costume for La-De-Dah day.

Rex —Room 9
Nominated for following instructions.

Jacob —Room 11

Nominated for following instructions, being respectful and safe with great listening with

Owen J —Room 3

Nominated for following instructions in the playground.

Christian W — Room 4

Nominated for following instructions by the playground teacher.

# La-De-Dah Day Winners

### Best Dressed Girl:

Maddy (1), Noelani (10), Shandy (17), Chelsea (20)

### Best Dressed Boy:

Jensen (5), Sam (11), Kowan (24), Marshall (20)

### **Best Hat:**

Oli O, Lachlan R, Jake B, Bronson M

### Best Dancer

Drayke W, Ryan B, Sean H, Bella H

### Best Classes in Pod:

Room 4 Eleanor, Room 7 Sue, Room 13 Felicity, Room 22 Barbara

### Teacher & ES Winners:

Ellissa & Ebony Fulford.

# La-De-Dah Day Photos





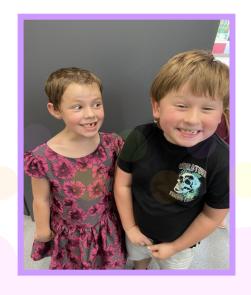
















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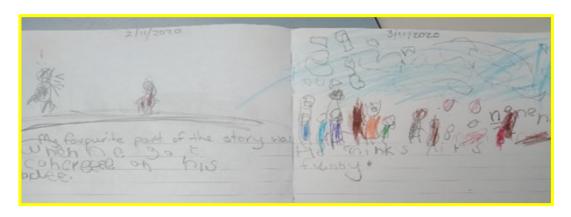




### Room 3

### Candace and Olivia

Room 3 have been working extremely hard on their reading and writing skills this term. They have been exploring reading and writing in different forms. We have particularly enjoyed engaging in shared reading and writing some wonderful responses to what we've read.



We thoroughly enjoyed La-De-Dah day this week! Here we are having a wonderful time dancing and parading around with the rest of Yellow Pod!











### Room 8

### Tanya

5th November 2020

Dear Belvoir community,

In Room 8 it has been a wonderful term. We have been learning about shapes, location and letter writing. We have also been learning about town planning.

A 2D shape is flat but a 3D shape has height, length and width. Some 2D shapes we know are rectangle, circle, square, oval, triangle, pentagon and an octagon. Shapes are named after the number of lines it takes to draw it.

Some 3D shapes we know are sphere, cube, pyramid, a rectangular prism, a cone and a cylinder.

In Town Planning we have learnt that every problem has a design solution. Blueprints are a paper plan of what to build. Buildings are designed by architects. Some buildings are made from bricks, wood and metal. Every town needs houses and shops. We also need roads, parks and schools. Every town needs ambulance, police and fire.

Thankyou for reading our letter,

From Room 8

Mariah, Reilly, Jayden, Levi, Hunter, Ryan, Noah, Kaiden, Scott.



### Room 18

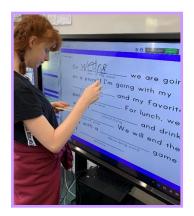
### Elissa

In Room 18 we have been busy designing and constructing things as part of our Term Topic of STEAM! So far we have created mazes for Bee Bots to go through, towers using match sticks and lollies and made lots of different things with Lego. Our favourite STEAM activity was the 'Eggcellent' Egg Drop Challenge. Luckily, all of our eggs survived a 2 metre drop in our Egg buggies that we designed! Then we designed a buggy as a class for all of our eggs and two of them survived then as well.

We have also been working as a team to create delicious meals. Our Tacos were a hit!

In Maths we have been having fun with 'sharing' and making sure each group or person gets an equal amount. It would be a shame if someone got more than the rest! We love using the interactive whiteboard to do our maths and for writing during literacy.

















# Orange Pod News

Jamay



Winners of the Orange Pod Art competition.
Cassy (Right) came first.

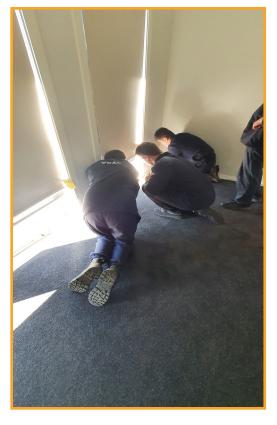
### Life Skills House

Students measuring the life skills house to create scale drawing. This will enable them to decide on what size furniture is needed.



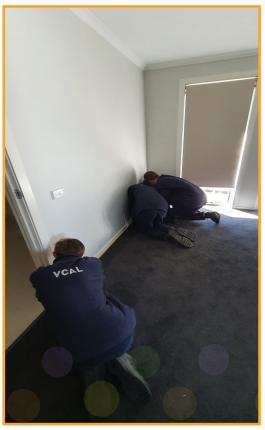
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Jamay









# Like to know more about the National Disability Insurance Scheme?

We can help. Call us today on 1800 242 696

### Latrobe Community Health Service is a partner with the NDIS.

We can explain the NDIS, and help you to navigate it. We connect people with disability, their families and carers, with the support they need.



Delivering the NDIS in your community

## **NAIDOC WEEK**

### Always was, always will be.

NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia annually to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. The week is a great opportunity to participate in a range of activities and to support your local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

This year, Chisholm is celebrating NAIDOC week with a series of digital workshops delivered by members of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

### NAIDOC Week

# Welcome Acknowledge to Country followed by Yidaki Healing Session

Monday 9 November, 11am – 12pm.

NAIDOC week will open with an Acknowledgement to Country by Chisholm CEO Stephen Varty and our Koorie Liaison Officer Kirsty Bell.

Living Culture will then present a tailored workshop showcasing a form of therapy and healing through the music and vibrations of the didgeridoo, along with a variety of locally made artefacts, explaining their cultural and spiritual significance.

### Indigenous Cultural Bush Foods and Healing Activity

Thursday 12 November, 1pm - 2pm.

Cassie from 'Wild Blak Arts' will explain the meaning of NAIDOC Week and how we use this week as a form or reflection and celebration of Indigenous and Torres Strait Islander Culture in Australia. Cassie will reflect on her own experiences and draw on culturally significant bush foods and healing items to explain the significance of culture and meaning behind NAIDOC.

### Traditional Story-time followed by a Virtual Native Animal Zoo tour

Friday 13 November, 1pm - 2.30pm.

Staff and students will have the opportunity to join in to a Yimba Yumba traditional Indigenous storytelling session. This will be followed by a one hour live virtual tour of the Wild Action Zoo, home of the endangered animals in a beautiful green bush setting. Here we will be able to see and learn about over 30 different beautiful, exotic and endangered animals such as: Cassowary's, Penguins and Tassie Devils.





Dear School Community,

From Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> of May, 2020, we will be returning to our usual opening days, while continuing to operate under reduced hours. Please note that your local store will now be open at the following times:

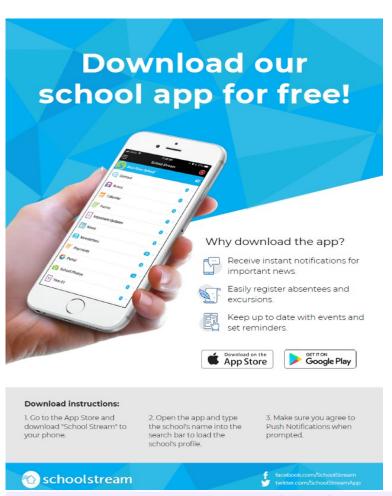
### Beleza Wodonga

Monday – Friday: 12pm-5pm

To maintain a safe environment for both customers and staff, we will continue to follow procedures to ensure social distancing guidelines are met in store. We would like to thank you for your patience in response to the changes that have been made in recent weeks, and hope that you are all staying safe in these unpredictable times.

All the best,

Beleza School Uniforms





### School's Web Page!

As many of you may already know, Belvoir has created a Web page. You can access the page by going on to

https://www.belvoirss.vic.edu.au/

This page is used to promote events, share information and showcase achievements of classes and individual students. We would love for you to share this page with your friends and family so that everyone can see the great things happening in our school.

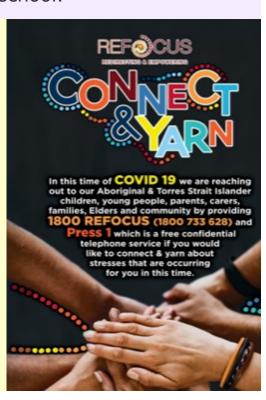
### CONTACT DETAILS

Could all families please make sure that they inform the school office whenever they have any changes to any of their contact details e.g.. home/mobile phone numbers, change of address etc.

It's extremely important that we have up to date

information in case of emergencies.

Please contact Andrea or Neve on 6059 8987 if you have any changes.



# 2020 Parent Opinion Survey WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst all parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning.

Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All parents will be sent an invitation by email to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year, the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 12**<sup>th</sup> **October** to **Friday 13**<sup>th</sup> **November.** 

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali, Turkish, Punjabi and Greek.

The Survey results will be communicated to parents through our annual reporting.

Please contact the office if you would like more information.