26th November, 2020 Issue 37 Belvoir Special

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Students, families and carers,

Last week we had our Annual Art Show. Students explored the show on Friday. It was fantastic to see all the wonderful creations students have made during 2020. We have some amazing artists. Unfortunately, this year parents and families were unable to come onsite so Naomi has organised an have an amazing online virtual tour that you can access.

The link is: https://my.matterport.com/show/?m=FPN28KL7Upu

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wodonga Cup;

27th November

Public Holiday

Last day of school:

16th December 3.00pm finish

<u>Book Club:</u> Due 26th November (Today) This will be the last one for the year.

Dyson's Bus Numbers:

BUS 1: 0408691885 BUS 2: 0417041196 BUS 3: 0407563474 BUS 4: 0408698635 Belvoir Bus: 0431756813

<u>Uniform Shop Hours:</u> Mon-Fri 9:30-4:30 I would like to acknowledge all the time and hard work Naomi and her Art Show Team of Pat, Cody, Tegan, Hugh, Chris and Fiona put in setting up and cleaning up the hall.

Just a quick reminder that tomorrow is Wodonga Cup (Friday the 27th of November) and there is no school. I hope you all have a lovely long weekend!!

Finally, please ring the office to notify them of any student absence.

Regards

Pennie

Onsite Supervision

Belvoir Special School's grounds are supervised by school staff from 8:45 in the morning and until 3:05 in the afternoon. Outside of these hours, school staff will not be available to supervise students. Limited supervision is provided at the front entrance area in front of the office building in the morning from 8:30 and to 3:15 in the afternoon.

Parents and carers should not allow their children to attend Belvoir **Special** School outside of these hours.

COVIDSafe Plan.

The <u>Safety Management Plan for COVID-19 (COVIDSafe Plan)</u> applies to all schools and outlines the key health and safety risks and links to the latest Government School Operations Guide.

In conjunction with this Operations Guide, it sets out the approach for managing safety risks in schools in accordance with the minimum requirements for COVIDSafe Plans. Key elements of this plan include: Stay home when unwell

Practise good hygiene

Ensure physical distancing (1.5m)

Wear a face mask (students 12 years and older in secondary school, and staff. Staff are not required to wear face masks while teaching, but can if they wish to do so) Avoid interactions in enclosed spaces

Pennie and Brendon

This weeks Purple Moment Awards!

This weeks class of the week is Room 16 ! They have had two nominations this week for their amazing speech presentations and all their hard work out the front of the school. Well done Room 16!

Will—Room 20 Nominated for excellent self regulation.



Michael S —Room 20 Nominated for his excellent work of being a Terrific Helper!

Zachary Lawlor — Room 18 Nominated for being responsible and working independently. Angus M —Room 16 Nominated for showing respect and putting his hand up during class conversation.

Ryliegh F— Nominated for following instructions and great work during maths rotations.

Noah—Room 9 Nominated for being respectful and safe.

Seb—Room 6

Nominated for following instructions and completing classroom activities.

Owen—Room 3 Nominated for great sitting during work time.

Michelle, Lachlan, Clare and Kyandra

This term we have been learning about Toys through our Integrated Unit of work. We really enjoyed looking at different toys on the online catalogues. We chose a super cool Robot. It is blue and white. It can walk forwards and backwards. It can spit discs out of its mouth and we can record our voice on it. We then discussed how best to wrap it up to send it in the mail to our friends in Orange Pod. We wrapped it super safe and sent it to them by taking it to Neve in the office. We cannot wait to see what they do with our robot.













Room 5 Photos

Michelle, Lachlan, Clare and Kyandra





Cas, Katrina, Kim and Tash

Room 6 has had a lovely term so far, I have really enjoyed getting to know the students and learning about them.

We have really enjoyed using the Learn to Play program and have had lots of fun with the activities: 'Shopping with Baby', Having a 'Tea Party' as well as pretending to go to the 'Hairdresser" and "Driving the Train" have all been favourites.



We have enjoyed so many different activities this term, and this week we have loved having a high school girl come to play with us. Stacey said she had a great time with us and we hope she comes back again soon.



The students were very excited this week when they discovered that new sand had been delivered for our sandpit. They really enjoy digging and playing games with their friends at playtimes.

Lisa, Danae, Kylie and Prue

In Room 11 we have been extremely busy. We have been continuing to work on our punctuation and literacy skills and have been enjoying reading the class book together.

This term we have been programming Beebots during math to help with our concepts of multi-step direction and revisited our money topic to practice the skills we have learnt earlier in the term.

We virtually attended two very exciting events over the last few weeks. The first was for NAIDOC week where we used zoom to listen to a live indigenous storytelling then had a virtual tour of a zoo in Queensland. We were able to ask questions live to the presenter. Did you know that frogs can live over 40 years!!

Room 11 also enjoyed virtually watching Circus Quirkus this term. We watch some very funny and clever acts that made us laugh and appreciate how much the performers need to train to do some of their tricks.

Finally, on Friday we got to visit the Belvoir Art Show. It was wonderful to see all the art that we have done during the year displayed and to see what other classes have been doing.





Lisa, Danae, Kylie and Prue









Felicity, Lynsey, Bridget, Gabby and Cody

Wow! Room 13 has been busy, being engineers. We have been creating circuits and learning how to connect batteries, making egg.







Life Skills House

Rose the OT

Purple Pod Girls Group were super excited to use the brand new furniture in the living skills house last week. They were able to show Wodonga Secondary College students what the house looks like and engage in peer support activities. We can't wait to continue to learn and build our living skills this term.





NDIS Plan Review is a 90 minute online workshop for parents of children with disability.

Covid-19 has meant a lot of changes to the way families can access services for their children with disability. Your family may be accessing more services and doing things quite differently this year which can affect your child's NDIS plan. If your Plan Review is coming soon it's a good opportunity to talk to the NDIS Planner about the changes your child needs over the next 12 months.

The Association for Children with a Disability (ACD) is running a FREE, online workshop called NDIS Plan Review, starting in November.

It's a fantastic opportunity to tailor your child's plan to their changing needs and goals.

You'll learn about:

- >> Planning for your NDIS Plan Review during Covid-19
- >> Informing the Planner how Covid-19 will change your child's support needs
- >> Types of Plan Review
- >> Gathering supporting evidence
- >> Extending or rolling-over NDIS Plans
- >> Evidencing over and underspend

ACD facilitators have children with disability, so they understand how you're feeling and what to expect in your Plan Review.

Be sure to register ASAP to secure your place.

Bookings are essential.

https://vic.acd.org.au/events

Questions?

• For queries relating to this workshop, please email ACD: <u>educate@acd.org.au</u>

• You can also phone ACD's office during business hours on 03 9880 7000 or 1800 654 013 (regional callers)

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



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 <u>6059 8987</u> if you have any changes.

Margs Favourite Joke of the Week:

- From Emahlie—Room 10
 - What is the best thing about Switzerland?
- I don't know but its flag is a big plus!