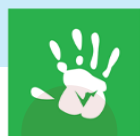


Belvoir Special School Newsletter



38 Gayview Drive, WODONGA, 3690

The Casual clothes day that was held last Friday raised \$145.60 for Food Share Albury/Wodonga. Thanks to everyone for your donations and support towards making this event possible. 😊

The swimming carnival was a great day. The students really enjoyed their swimming races, games in the pool and the waterslide. The sausage sizzle was a great opportunity for many of our Orange pod students to demonstrate their cooking and hospitality skills. It was wonderful to see so many families attend and cheer on the students. Unfortunately, we had to end the day early due to thunderstorm warnings but this meant we were able to leave the pool before the rain came. I would like to acknowledge the fantastic job Candace did organising the swimming day and the many staff who helped out organising the day, especially the staff who came in early Thursday morning to transport all the equipment to the pool and set everything up. All this behind the scenes work ensured an amazing event enjoyed by all.

On another note, we want to remind everyone in our School community that we have a responsibility to protect not only ourselves, but the whole community. Our core focus as a School throughout this Coronavirus pandemic is to maintain a safe learning environment for all our students, parents/carers and staff. Please keep modelling and reinforcing washing hands, keeping a safe physical distance, coughing and sneezing into a tissue or elbow pit, and staying home and getting tested if you are unwell.

DATES TO REMEMBER

School Council Meetings

General: March 17th @ 6.00pm

AGM: March 17th @ 6.30pm

All Abilities Netball

March 14th Sunday- 11:00am -12:00pm

Pupil Free day

May 25th

Dyson's Bus Numbers:

BUS 1: 0408691885

BUS 2: 0417041196

BUS 3: 0407563474

BUS 4: 0408698635

Belvoir Bus: 0431756813

This week we would like to get your feedback around the newsletter.

Could you please click on the link below and give us your feedback.

The survey should take less than 3 minutes

Newsletter Survey link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YGSDSMZ>

Pennie Moffat, Principal.

Room 5 News

Sara, Mel & Rachel.

In Room 5 we have been working on incorporating lots of sensory play into our learning activities.



During our guided reading sessions, we have a creative session of becoming the character. We all created our own hats to become Nickolas Ickle.



ROOM 5

We've been focusing on counting during our activities and adding our things together.



We've been using our location words 'up', 'down', 'in', 'out'

Room 11 News

Danae, Courtney, Kylie & Claire.

This week Room 11 had the Swimming carnival. We talked all week about how to be safe outside and around water. On the day, we made sure to 'slip, slap, slop, seek', as well as eat plenty of snacks and drink plenty of water.

We had a lot of fun running races, playing games and trying out the water slide! We were also very excited to win with a couple of ribbons.

After an active day in the pool, we then came back to our classroom for some relaxing activities and a chocolate treat for a job well done!



Tired and happy



**First try on the
waterslide**



**Playing the ping
pong game**



Swimming laps



Ready, steady, go!



Happy with his ribbon

ROOM 14

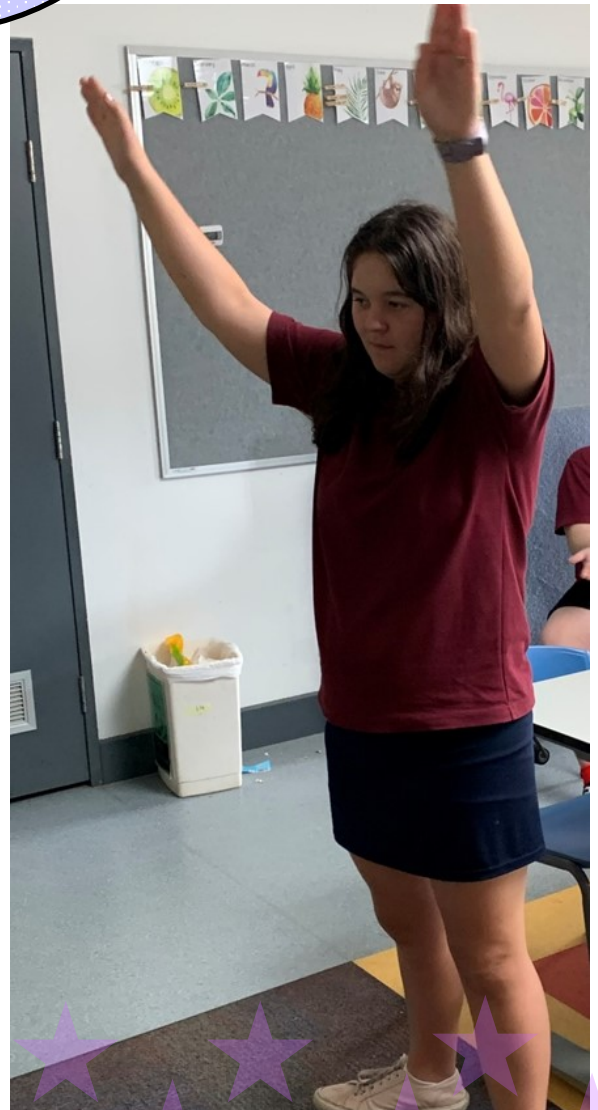
Elissa, Tracy, Cody & Majella.

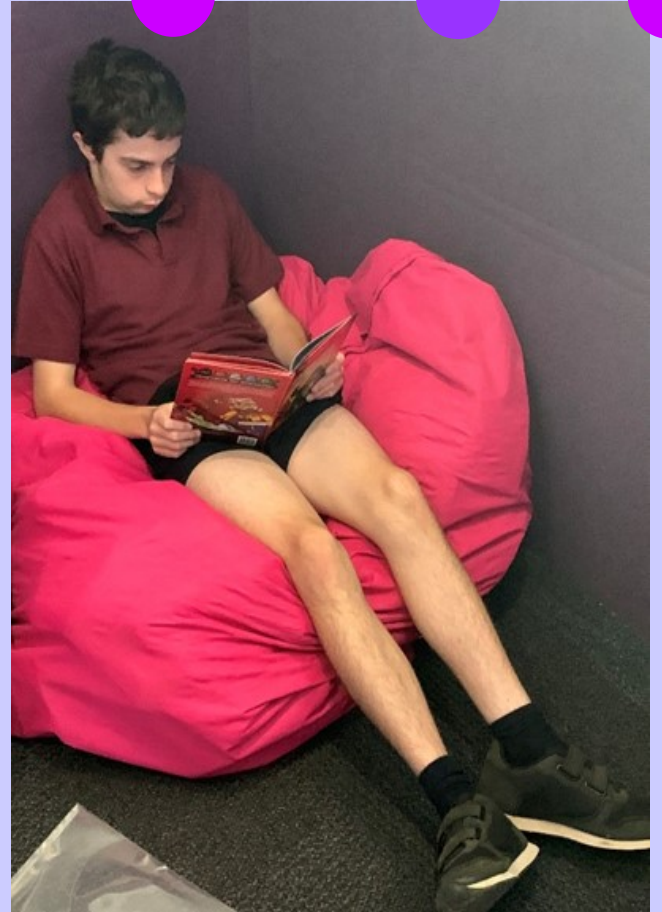
Room 14 have had a nice start to Term 1. We've enjoyed getting to know each other.

During Literacy we have been looking at lots of different types of Narratives. We have also been writing descriptions of characters and settings.

For our term topic 'Headspace', we have been exploring different ways to keep our minds healthy by working through the Sensory Diet checklist. This checklist helps us find ways to stay regulated. We've tried a few new things such as, Tai Chi, Yoga, Meditation and listening to different sounds.

We have enjoyed cooking recipes with weetbix, apple turnovers and sausage rolls.





Performing Arts News

Jane & Jess.

Our Performing Arts program is in full swing and musically alive!!

Students are experiencing, exploring and experimenting with a range of instruments and working towards reading notations to keep the beat and play a song in a group. They have been practicing each week and working towards performing to an audience by the end of term.

POD FOCUS IN TERM 1:

Yellow Pod: Community Songs - Boom Wakers, home made instruments

Green Pod: Groove your Classroom Part 1 – Musical Futures Program

Purple Pod: Groove your Classroom Part 2– Musical Futures Program

Orange Pod: Just Play Section 6– Musical Futures Program

Purple Pod would like to thank other pods for participating in students short concerts in week 6. The feedback was amazing and so encouraging for our groups. Other students across the school will be performing their practiced pieces in week 9. Check out some of our concerts and costume choices! Keep up the excellent work.





WODONGA FOOTBALL & SPORTS CLUB INC



Wodonga Bulldogs All Abilities Netball Team

Come and try day!

We are excited to announce that Wodonga Bulldogs are starting up an All-Abilities Netball side this season. Open to both Male and Female aged 14+

When: *Sunday 14th March 11am- 12noon*

Where: *Wodonga Bulldogs netball court*

Martin Park, Vermont street

Wodonga

Sausage sizzle to follow

What to bring: *Sneakers, hat, drink bottle and a positive, fun attitude*

Any other enquiries can be directed to

Kellie Perry on 0427 703825



MyTime

*supporting parents of
children with disabilities*

My Time sessions allow you to meet other parents and family carers of children with disabilities. It is a time to socialise, to discuss, to get information, and to support and be supported by other carers.

MyTime groups are free to join, and being a part of MyTime does not affect your NDIS funding.

Groups have a trained facilitator, who helps group members get to know each other and learn more about local resources and support services.

For the first time we are offering My Time sessions virtually, via Zoom

On Fridays from 1-2pm, grab a cuppa and connect with others, all from home

Want to know more? Contact Michelle:

Michelle.C@hunterprelude.org.au

Ph: 0404 050132



CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

BELVOIR SPECIAL SCHOOL

School Name

5222

School REF ID

Parent/legal guardian details

Surname _____

First name _____

Address _____

Town/suburb _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Contact number _____

Centrelink pensioner concession **OR** Health care card number (CRN)

- - - **OR**

☐ Foster parent* **OR** ☐ Veterans affairs pensioner (Gold Card)**

*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

**Applicants must provide a copy of the Veteran Affairs Gold card

Student details

Child's surname	Child's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- DHS will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DHS and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
- Information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and /or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant _____

Date ____ / ____ / ____

CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
 - on the first day of Term two.
- a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
- b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
- c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see:

www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (27th January 2021) or term two (19th April 2021).

PAYMENT AMOUNTS

CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see:

www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.

HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

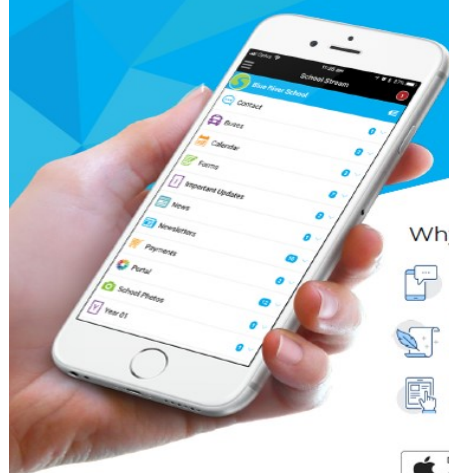
NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.
Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.
2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. The CSEF program for 2021 closes on 25th June 2021.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.

Download our school app for free!



Why download the app?

- Receive instant notifications for important news.
- Easily register absentees and excursions.
- Keep up to date with events and set reminders.



Download instructions:

1. Go to the App Store and download "School Stream" to your phone.
2. Open the app and type the school's name into the search bar to load the school's profile.
3. Make sure you agree to Push Notifications when prompted.



Book Club LOOP

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform.

It's easy to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order using your credit card. If your school is not yet in the **LOOP**, speak with your school's Book Club Organiser.

Head to **scholastic.com.au/LOOP**

or

Follow these easy steps!

1 Simply grab your child's Book Club catalogue and either **SIGN-IN** or **REGISTER** your account.

2 Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for), then select your **SCHOOL** and your **CHILD'S CLASS**.
Note: You can order for multiple children at once if they attend the same school.

Looking for **MORE** product information? Additional content such as videos and downloads are available for select titles. Select your issue and enter the item number to view information on titles and some great resources, such as videos and reviews.

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3 Click on **ORDER** and enter the item number from the Book Club catalogue.

4 All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child's classroom if you order by the close date.

That's it! There's no need to return paper order forms or payment receipt details to your school.

SCHOLASTIC



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 Hannah on 6059 8987 if you have any changes.

School Athletics - House Groups

Students, Staff and Parents are put into groups according to their surnames. Each group has a name and colour and its requested that everyone wears clothing the colour of the house they are allocated to.

<u>Surnames between</u>	<u>Colour</u>	<u>Name</u>
A-D =	Red	- Mitta
E-K =	Green	- Murray
L-Q =	Blue	- Kiewa
R-Z =	Yellow	- Hume