13th May, 2021 Issue 13 PHONE: 02 6059 8987 Belvoir Special School Newsletter



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This week has seen Orange Pod students run a successful Biggest Morning Tea across two days. Over 100 people enjoyed coffee and a variety of tasty morsels made by our students. Helen Haines MP donated a lovely hamper of local products for the event which we used as a lucky door prize. We congratulate Deb McGovan on winning the hamper.

Just a reminder that swimming will be running every Wednesday and Thursday afternoon until the end of term. Please ensure all clothing is labelled and students have a bag for wet clothing.

Last week Dennis had his last round on the Belvoir Bus. He enjoyed catching up with the students and their families. We wish him health and happiness in his retirement.

DATES TO REMEMBER

<u>Deb Ball Training</u> Monday's 3:15-4pm <u>Deb Ball</u> Saturday, 14th August, 2021 <u>Jack Maher Race Day</u> May 22nd <u>Pupil Free day</u> Friday, May 28th <u>Dyson's Bus Numbers:</u> BUS 1: 0408691885 BUS 2: 0417041196 BUS 3: 0407563474 BUS 4: 0408698635 Belvoir Bus: 0431756813

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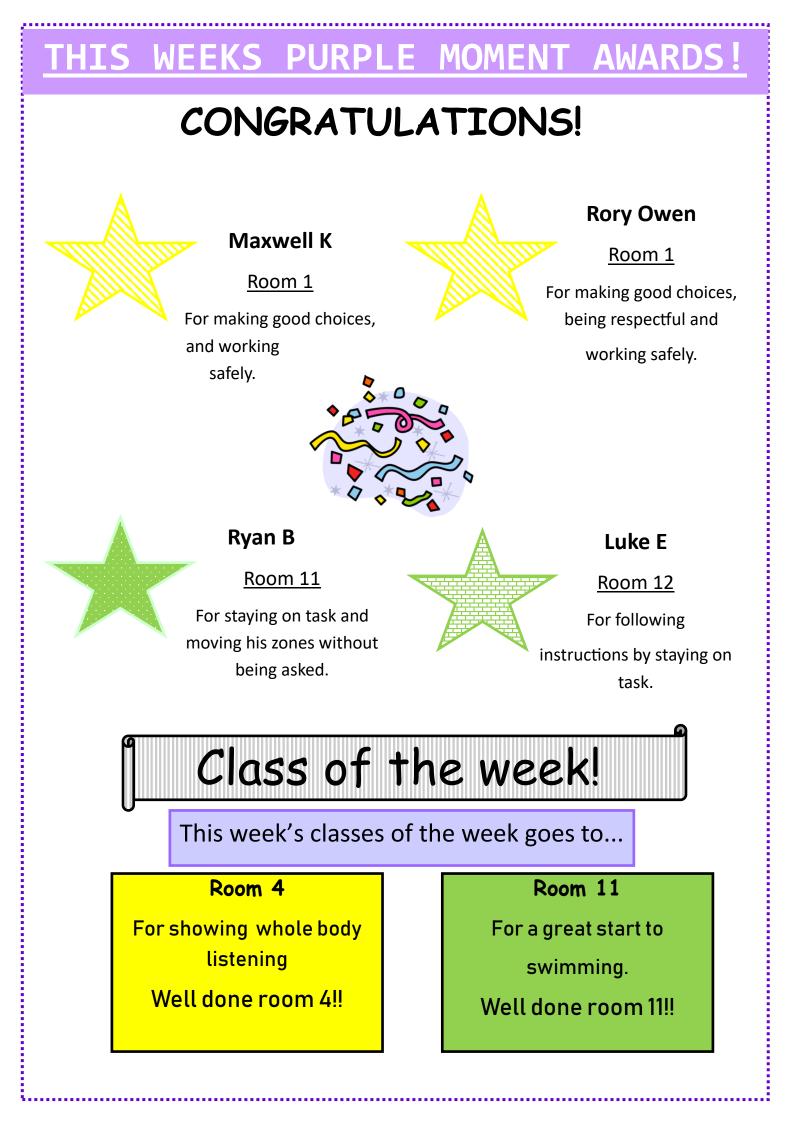


Please note we are closed on:

Monday 10th May Thursday 13th May Thursday 20th May

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Sorry for any inconvenience





WELL DONE WILL READE

For being a fantastic helper and wonderful class mate!!

ORANGE POD

Biggest morning tea

The VCAL Orange Pod students and staff would like to say a big "Thank you" to everyone who supported the Belvoir Morning Tea over the past two days. Over the past few days students have been busy cooking sausage rolls, cupcakes and other yummy treats for their guests. Guest were also served tea, coffee and hot chocolates which were prepared by the students.

This year the students have decided that the money that has been raised from the morning tea will go to the Royal Children's Hospital.



Great work Orange Pod!!



Room 6 News

Naomi, Clare & Tulashi.

Last week we has a busy week making mother's day craft for that special person in our lives. We explored how that person was special to us and wrote sentences about them.



In Maths, we been working hard on a number skills



This week we have been reading the story Grandpa and Thomas, the students enjoyed role playing the story and using our sandpit as the beach. Our favourite part was sitting outside under the umbrellas having a picnic.







Room 7 News

David, Jo & Fiona.

In Room 7, we have been recalling information, researching and creating our own fact sheets about our favourite topics. We have been performing science experiments and have loved mixing things and seeing what happens. We mixed vinegar and bicarb soda to see if we could make gummy worms dance and we added dish soap to milk and food colouring to watch the reaction.



Charlie researching about the Siberian Husky



The Magic Milk Experiment

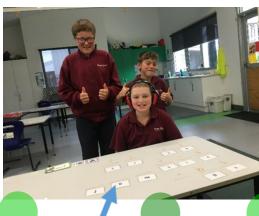


Fergus rolling dice and adding them together.

The Dancing Worms Experiment



Rex rolling and counting dices.



David, Rex and Fergus worked together in sounding out their words.

Room 16 News

Kim, Brodee & Shannon.

We have had a magnificent start to term 2. We have had a big change in our schedule with our topics being integrated in every session. We have been working hard on increasing our vocabulary and together we discussed and created a word wall. We have been deciding words that we need to understand and finding out their meanings and the context that we can use them in.









This term we are looking at chemical science. We have been looking at ingredients before they are mixed, while they are being mixed and after they have been mixed together to record our observations.







Last week room 16 enjoyed our first swimming session. We had a lot of fun practicing feel safe and comfortable around the water. We worked hard to give our best efforts and practiced our time management so that our bus travellers could still catch the bus at the end of

day.









Room 21 News

Olivia, Courtney, Bron & Dylan.

It has been a busy start to term 2 with our VCAL students completing their VET assessments for Work Health and Safety and also continuing their learning around financial literacy and communication. The PINICLE students have also been working along the VCAL students and have been looking at different careers in our community and learning about using



Our SPEC students have been busy helping to write invites to their special people for the morning tea as well as making wonderful 'Welcome' poster! They have also been looking at the change of season.



Room 20 News

Barbara, Sheree, Audrey & Bridget.

Arigon:

I love music and food. I love the outdoors and being around people. My favourite activity at school is

being part of group sessions and watch others play during outside play.

Connor:

Since I am a fairly quiet person you might be surprised to learn that I play darts with a team "The Blue Baggers". I play every Monday evening. I also have 2 pets, Zoryaya is my dog and Rocky is my fish.

Matty:

My name is Matthew, some call me Matty. There is so much more to me than meets the eye. I have hair of fire and adorable freckles. When I smile, the world smiles too.

I use proloquo2go to communicate with others. My best friend is Ky.

Curtiss:

There are some things about me that might surprise people. I have my learner's permit and I attend driving lessons. I am saving up to buy a car. I ride my bike to school every day from Albury. This year I am the Murray House captain.

Sometimes I cook dinner for my family and I also help out with other jobs at home. I like watching movies and listening to music. I also like watching AFL, cricket, soccer and NBA.

In the future I would like to own my own lawn business.

Lisa:

I'm a VCAL student in the Orange pod at

Belvoir special school.

You might be surprised to learn that even though I am quiet, I am not afraid to dance in front of a crowd. My favourite song to dance to is Fly Away, by Tones and I. I used to take dance classes. I started dancing when I was seven. We danced to musical theatre songs. I no longer do dancing classes but I still dance for fun.

When I'm eighteen and when I leave school, I want to be a dance teacher because I want to encourage students to try their best. I like to watch movies. My favourite movie is yes day.









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TABLES OF 8-10INCLUDES:
Entry into Raceday,
Entertainment, Auctions,
2 Course Meal, Beer, Wine
& Soft Drink for 4 hours.

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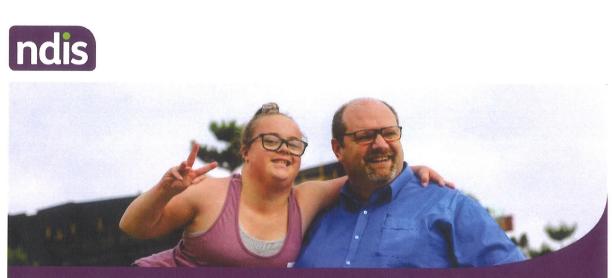
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Vic - Pathways to Post School Life

A session for young people in Years 10-12 and their families

The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) and the Department of Education and Training (DET), Victoria would like parents/carers of young Victorians with a disability in Years 10-12 to attend a virtual information session.

This is a session for parents/carers of young people with a disability on building skills and paving a pathway to post school life. The DET and the NDIA will discuss a range of career planning and pathways tools, NDIS-funded supports and other assistance to help young people to build skills to prepare for their transition, and support them in achieving education, training, employment and other goals, post-school.

Sessions are offered over multiple dates to allow flexibility for attendees, and will be delivered via video-conference using Microsoft Teams. Registrations will close three business days before the event. If you would like to attend, please register via Eventbrite. Two business days prior to the event, login details (including the MS Teams link to join the session) will be sent from <u>events@ndis.gov.au</u> to the email address you provide at registration.

For any enquiries regarding this session, please contact <u>events@ndis.gov.au</u>. Please include the session name in the subject line.

Where: Virtual Information Sessions via Microsoft Teams

Dates & Times:

Tuesday 11 May 2021	7.00pm – 8.30pm (AEST)
Wednesday 12 May 2021	10.30am – 12.00pm (AEST)
Tuesday 18 May 2021	10.30am – 12.00pm (AEST)
Thursday 20 May 2021	7.00pm – 8.30pm (AEST)

RSVP: Please register via Eventbrite at <u>https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/vic-pathways-to-post-</u> school-life-a-session-for-students-in-years-10-12-tickets-147913698855

Additional information: Accessibility is important to us. If you have any accessibility requirements please let us know when you register for your chosen session. Please note - we need a minimum of five (5) business days' notice to book Auslan interpreters and live captioning services.



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CSEF ELIGIBILITY

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

Criteria 1 - Eligibility

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To be eligible* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or nongovernment 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.



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CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

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School REF ID			
State	Postcode		
number (CRN) OR r (Gold Card)**	· ·		
	School REF ID State		

*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 / /



Bowling Fun – for under 31's

A social bowling group for young people who sometimes need support

(due to disability, shyness or lack of opportunity)

2 Sundays each month (2nd and 4th Sundays)

At Wodonga Ten Pin Bowl Sanyo Drive (new management)

Auto gutter guards available

Arrive from 1.45pm Bowling starts at 2pm \$12 for 2 games

The aim of this group is to meet other young people, have some fun and get better at ten pin bowling

Please bring your own support person if required This is a privately organised group – no formal supports provided

> Our very first date is Sunday 14th February Hope to see you there!!

Sunday 14th February Sunday 28th February Sunday 14th March Sunday 28th March Sunday 11th April Sunday 25th April Sunday 25th May Sunday 23rd May Sunday 13th June Sunday 27th June

 Sunday 11th July Sunday 25th July Sunday 8th August Sunday 22nd August Sunday 12th September Sunday 26th September Sunday 10th October Sunday 24th October Sunday 24th November Sunday 28th November

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Please call the Centre on <u>60247022</u> or message Judith on <u>0402043730</u> to book in with name and age of bowler (no-one over 30 please)







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



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