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Last weekend was very busy with the Race Day on Saturday and The Federation Education Open Day on Sunday the 23rd. The Race Day was a great success. The day was bright and sunny and it was great to see staff, families and community members having a wonderful time. We raised a phenomenal \$14,176.00. Thank you must go to Viv, Simone and everyone else who helped make this day the success it was.

Federation Education Week Open Day saw the principals of all the Federation Schools coming together at the Cube and online to provide a snapshot of our schools and what Government Schools can offer students and their families. This was followed with school tours at the different sites. We offered school tour onsite for perspective parents. It was

wonderful to show people our facilities and resources and some of the wonderful work our students have done. Our next tour day will be Tuesday the 23rd of

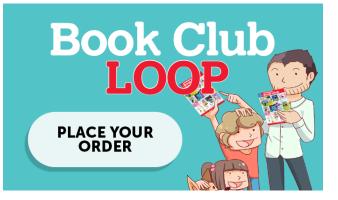
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June at 11:45am. Interested people need to book through the office.

All Victorian schools will move to a period of remote and flexible provision from Friday 28th May to Thursday 3rd June inclusive. We thank you all in advance for your flexibility, resilience and understanding during these challenging times. We hope to see you again on Friday, 4th of June.



DATES TO REMEMBER Deb Ball Training Monday's 3:15-4pm Deb Ball Saturday, 14th August, 2021 Saturday, 14th August, 2021 Main Pree day Friday, May 28th Dyson's Bus Numbers: BUS 1: 0408691885 BUS 2: 0417041196 BUS 3: 0407563474 BUS 4: 0408698635 Belvoir Bus: 0431756813



Book Club orders are due back by:

Thursday 3rd June

You can place your child's order online at scholastic.com.au/LOOP

or use the LOOP app.

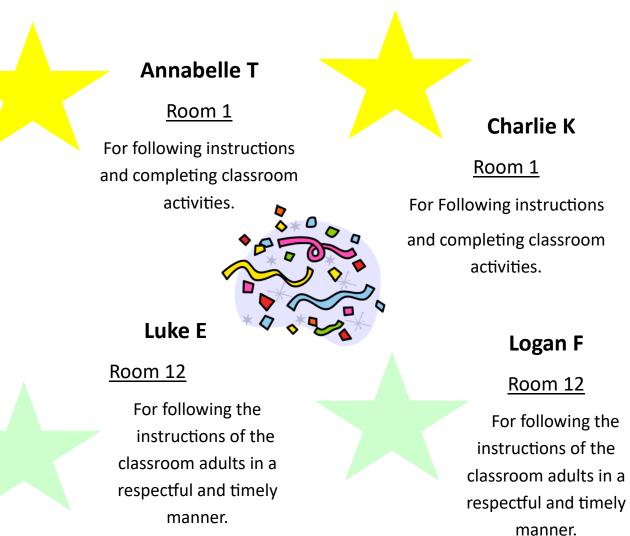
Or just bring in Book Club order form with money to the office.

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THIS WEEKS PURPLE MOMENT AWARDS!

CONGRATULATIONS!



Classes of the week!

Room 9 & Room 11

For great travelling to and from the Mansfield Zoo.



In Room 2 we created a beautiful collage from Autumn leaves from Beechworth. We looked at how they were all different

colours and sizes. We learned how in Autumn the leaves fall off the trees and fly in the wind.



Lisa, Maddi, Lynsey & Tammi

Room 10 News

Green Pod had wild adventures this week. On Tuesday we loaded up on our buses and made the two hour trek to Mansfield Zoo. After a quick snack we started to explore the zoo. We saw turtles, monkeys, dingoes and heaps of guinea pigs.

The zookeeper took us to visit the gorgeous white and tawny lions. We saw him feed them and were in awe of how big these creatures are. They made loud growly noises. We were able to ask questions and find out more about the lions and how they are endangered.

After the tour we got our little buckets of food and had a fun afternoon feeding the animals. This included camels, deer, ducks, kangaroos and emus. We are going to use the information we learnt and the photos we took to help us write and information report on an animal we like.



R3 News

Nicole & Kelly

Wow what a term we have had so far!

The Year 7 and 8 students have swapped electives this term, but the Year 9 electives run for 6 months. So Year 7 are using clay and making sculptures in Art and the Year 8 students are doing Fibre - they are learning how to sew using different fibres.

In Term Topic we are investigating mixtures in Chemical Science. This has been lots of fun and we have even been visiting Senior Secondary School to use their lab. We are going every second week for a visit because some of our Year 9 students will be attending there next year. Some of the fun things we have been making are sherbet, lava lamps and Mentos Coke Geiser. The sherbet we made at Senior Secondary. Making the Lava Lamps was lots of fun - especially when adding the alkazeltser. We tested how much was too much - it overflowed. It was fabulous to see the bubbles coming up through the oil. The Mentos Coke Geiser was very exciting to watch as the eruption occurred.

On our outings this term we are trying to give back to our community where we can. We were lucky enough to go out to Nishar's Farm and help her plant shrubs and mulch the fruit trees. This was lots of fun. We even got to take home a large box of lemons (that we picked) and some pumpkins. We have since made soup and lemonade with those. We are off to plant trees at Wonga Wetlands next week.



Room 23 News

Scott, Pat & Jess

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During Term 2, Orange pod have been catching the bus to the Leisure Centre for swimming with bus driver's Scott and Dylan.

We have learnt to be safe in and around the water and basic swimming techniques.

We have played lots of games and had fun together.

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By Ky Pottinger

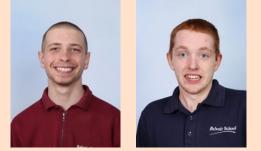


In Work Related Skills we have been learning about risks and hazards at home, school and other workplaces. We have learnt how to identify risks and how to deal with them. We have learnt how to be safe and make our environment safe.

By Zachary Lawlor



My name is Matthew and my best friend is Ky. Ky and I like to spend time together at snack and lunch time. We like to smile, laugh and dance together.



My name is Curtiss I have 3 best friends. Their names are Deegan, Angel and Cassy. Deegan and I like to hang out and play basketball. Angel and I like to chat on the phone. Cassy and I like to talk on the computer.









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

Student 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:

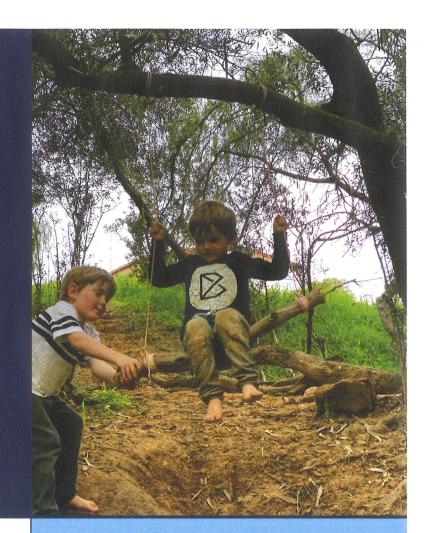
Yellow Pod: Community Songs - Boom Wakers, home made instruments Green Pod: Groove your Classroom Part 1 – Musical Futures Program Purple Pod: Groove your Classroom Part 2– Musical Futures Program Orange Pod: Just Play Section 6– Musical Futures Program

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



June/July School Holiday Program

Explore and learn!



Why join us:

- Therapeutic play-based programs
- Developmentally-appropriate activities
- A fun and structured program
- Take opportunities to develop social skills and independent living skills
- Making and keeping friends
- Strategies to help regulate emotions
- Tools to support healthy daily routines and habits

Registration is now open!

Option 1: Monday -Wednesday Option 2: Wednesday - Friday

With the choice of a 2 night, 3 day stay or days only.

Running over 2 weeks in the Victorian school holidays



To secure your spot, complete our **<u>registration form</u>**

Help Wonder turn BREAD BAGS into SCHOOL PLAY EQUIPMENT





Recycle them at school in Wonder's pink Collection Bin (There is a separate box for bread tags).

It's simple...



We'll earn reward points to redeem new sports equipment for every 5kg bin filled!



Our school is in the draw to WIN 1 of 5 exercise circuits made from recycled plastic we collect!

LET'S GET RECYCLING



Tag Wonder on social **#wonderrecycling** to share all your recycling champion stories!





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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

BELVOIR SPECIAL SCHOOL		5222	
School Name	School REF ID		
Parent/legal guardian details			
Surname			
First name			
Address		5	
Town/suburb	State	Postcode	
Contact number			
Centrelink pensioner concession OR Health care card	I number (CRN) OR		
Foster parent* OR Veterans affairs pension	er (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 / /





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.

PUPIL FREE DAY FRIDAY 28th of May