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Belvoir Special School Newsletter



38 Gayview Drive, WODONGA, 3690

Families,

Today we farewelled Barbara who has been a teacher at Belvoir for five years. I would like to acknowledge all the wonderful work and support Barbara has given our students, families and staff. We wish her well in her future endeavors.



Swimming Sports

Our annual school swimming sports will be held at the Albury Pool on Friday the 11th of March. Activities will begin at the pool at 10:30 and will finish by 1:30pm. Not all students will be able to last this long, and parents are welcome to join us at any time and take their child/ren home at the point where they have had enough.

We will be having a free sausage sizzle on the day and the canteen will be open. Unfortunately, we will not have the pool all to ourselves as members of the public will be able to enter so we ask for as many parents to come along and assist as possible. There are a number of jobs that you can assist with, and you will be more than welcome either in or out of the pool.

All students must return a note to ensure that they are able to come to the sports. The note also allows students to have a go on the waterslide if permission is given. There is no cost involved for the day; however, the notes MUST be returned.

Hopefully the weather will be as it has been over the past few days, and we will all have a fantastic day.

Thank you to those families who participated in the Student Support Group Meetings held over the last few weeks. The opportunity for teachers to meet with families so early in the school year is extremely worthwhile. It gives us a chance to learn more about individual students, their learning and well-being needs, as well as gain some initial feedback about how the school year has commenced. Please keep in touch throughout the year, we greatly value your feedback.

Pennie Moffat,

DATES TO REMEMBER

Swimming Carnival - March 11th

School Council Meetings

General - 16th March

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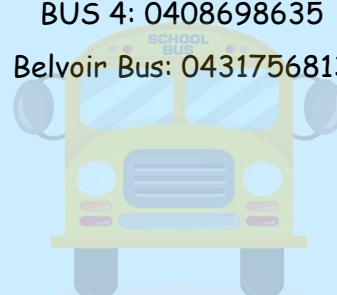
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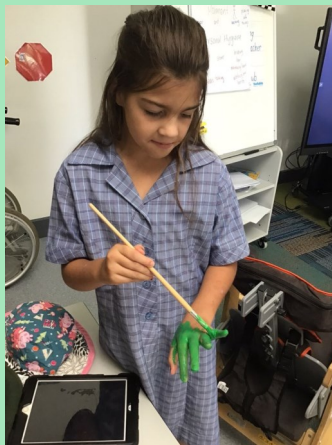
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ROOM 11

Amy, Kyandra, Bridget & Heidi

We have been having lots of fun in Room 11 now that we are back at school. It has been enjoyable watching all the friendships be made in and out of the classroom. We have been looking at procedural texts and sounds in literacy and exploring numbers and length in numeracy. The term topic of movement and personal hygiene has been lots of fun, particularly our hand washing and teeth brushing activities.



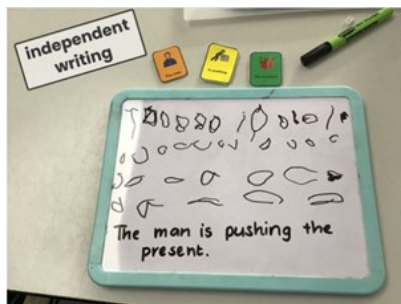
ROOM 17

Felicity, Sue & Jamie

We have had some changes in Room 17. We are learning to work with each other and focusing on our learning routines and procedures.

We have cooked pikelets and chocolate cake.

Here is some of our awesome work.



Faysal's Writing



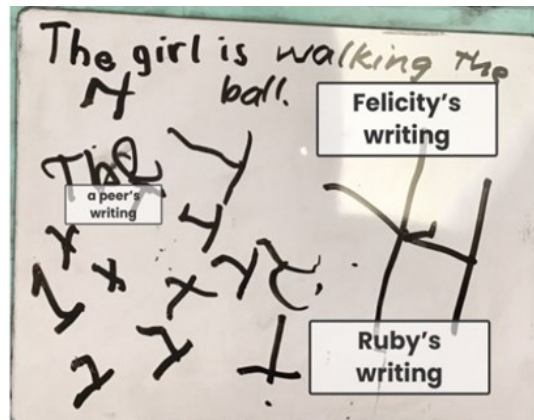
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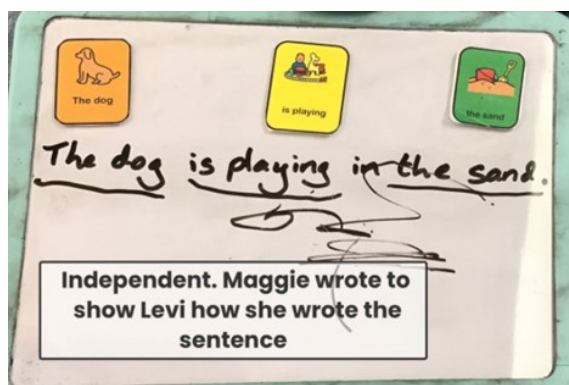
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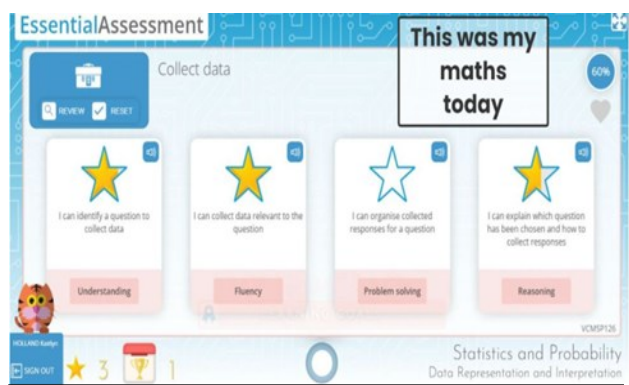


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Hannah's sounds write wordle



Levi's Writing



Kaitlyn's My Numeracy work

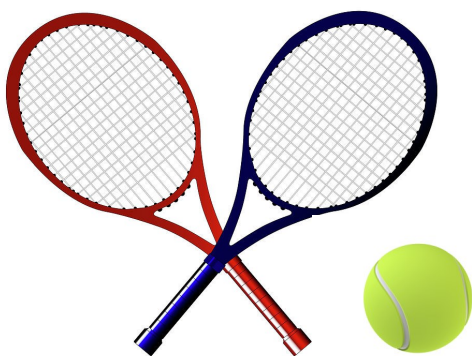
P.E NEWS

Todd

It has been a busy, yet very productive beginning to the year in Physical Education for all pods. With a particular focus on participation and demonstrating good sportsmanship, students are beginning to really embrace other positive aspects that different physical activities offer.

Yellow pod have been focusing on a Perceptual Motor Program (PMP) which sees students working through various stations that help students to build on their balance and coordination through climbing, throwing, stepping, rolling and running.

Meanwhile, Green, Purple and Orange Pod have all been working on the game of tennis. Learning the fundamental motor skill of striking, students have been working individually and together to build their hand eye coordination.



RAPID ANTIGEN TESTING REQUIREMENTS

All testing must be completed at home before school with parents/carers reporting any **POSITIVE** Test results to:

Belvoir Special School [\(02\) 6059 8987](tel:0260598987) with the following details:

- o Name of Student
- o Date of Test

- State Departments – depending on whether you live in Victoria or NSW:
 - o Victorian Department of Health:
 - [Report a Positive Rapid Antigen Tests](#) - Coronavirus Victoria website, or Coronavirus Hotline 1800 675 398 as soon as possible.
 - o Service NSW:
 - Register it on service.nsw.gov.au or the Service NSW app as soon as possible.

THE SCHOOL DOES NOT REQUIRE ANY NOTIFICATION OF NEGATIVE RAPID ANTIGEN TESTS.

For the latest information from a positive result after undertaking a Rapid Antigen Test:

- [Victoria Rapid Antigen Tests](#)
- [NSW COVID-19 Testing & Self-Isolating](#)

RECOVERED COVID CASES

Anyone who has recovered from COVID-19 is exempt from testing and quarantine requirements if they are reexposed to a case within 30 days of testing positive. This includes not completing rapid antigen tests as you may still test positive while shedding the virus but you are no longer contagious / infectious.



**OUR NEXT SESSION IS:
SATURDAY, 5th MARCH 2022**

What do you do with broken household items?
You can fix them at the Repair Café!

Our experienced repairers will help repair them – free!

FURNITURE/WOODWORK JEWELLERY

CLOTHING/TEXTILES TOOL SHARPENING

BATTERY-OPERATED APPLIANCES WITH DEVICES

First Saturday of the month, 10.00am to 1.00pm
Senior Citizens Centre, 15 Havelock Street, Wodonga

For more information visit our Facebook page or ecoportal.net.au

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North Albury (All Abilities) Auskick Centre

Season information

NAB AFL Auskick - Community, 2022

30 Apr 2022 - 20 Aug 2022

Ages

5 - 12 Years Old

Registrations are now open for the 2022 Auskick season.

This Auskick Centre's total price is \$100

Registration Link:

[Register | PlayHQ](#)

Active Kids Voucher Link:

[Active Kids voucher | Service NSW](#)

Additional information

North Albury Auskick All Abilities Centre will run on: SATURDAY MORNING / 09:30 - 10:30 at ALEXANDER PARK, EAST ALBURY

The Season is 30th April to 20th August consisting of 15 sessions (above and beyond the minimum 8 sessions you pay for as part of Auskick).

For more information, please contact Judd Waters on 0432 921 061

Or email: northalburyauskick@gmail.com

TWILIGHT MARKET

Friday 11th March

5.30pm to 8pm

Pancakes

BBQ

Plants

Cakes

Variety stalls

Op shop

Bikes and

Furniture



*Proceeds go to
the Mission of
the church*



**ST. STEPHEN'S
UNITING CHURCH**

177 Beechworth Road, Wodonga

Belvoir Special School Swimming Carnival

4th February, 2022

RE: Permission letter

Dear Parent/Carer,

Belvoir's annual swimming carnival will be held on Friday 11th of March 2022 at the Albury Swim Centre. On the day students will need to wear swimmers, sun smart hat and sunscreen. Students will be bussed to and from the carnival, leaving the school at approximately 9:30am and returning 2:30pm.

Please note: To ensure the safety of all students, parents /carers of students in prep classes **must** attend on the day to assist with your child's supervision.

A free sausage sizzle will be provided for students at lunch and the pool canteen will be open throughout the day to purchase snacks. The pool will also open their slide to students throughout the day and again with your written permission your child can use this facility.

Please complete the following permission slip and return to the **office** no later than **Friday 28th February 2022**.

Regards,

Todd Richardson

PE Specialist & Sports Coordinator

I _____ give permission for my child/children _____ to participate in the annual swimming carnival at the Albury Swim Centre on the 11th of March 2022. I also give permission for my child/children to be bussed to and from the venue.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

I also give permission for my child/children to use the slide on the day of the carnival.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



CSEF ELIGIBILITY

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

Criteria 1 – General eligibility

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

- on the first day of Term one
 - on the first day of Term two
- a) be a holder of one or more of the eligible financially-means tested cards **OR** be a temporary foster parent, and;
- b) submit an application to the school by the due date.

For the list of eligible financially-means tested cards refer to the CSEF Policy:
<https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund/policy>

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 the above.

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

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Special Consideration

A special consideration category exists for

- Families on a bridging visa, temporary protection visa, in community detention or are asylum seeker families
- Students in temporary out of home care arrangements, including statutory kinship care

For more information, see <https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund/guidance/eligibility>

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/carer concession card being validated successfully with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (31 January 2022) or term two (26 April 2022).

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/carers 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/CARER 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 temporary 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.

If you are seeking special consideration, mark this in the form and provide a copy of the relevant documentation.

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 2022 closes on the 24 June 2022.

CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

School Name

School REF ID

Parent/carer details

Surname _____

First name _____

Address _____

Town/suburb _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Contact number _____

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

- - - **OR**

☐ Foster parent under a temporary care order* **OR** ☐ Veterans affairs pensioner (Gold Card)**

*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH).

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

Is this an application for special consideration (no CRN needed)? Yes ☐ No ☐

Student details

Student's surname	Student'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 Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- DFFH 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 DFFH 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 DFFH 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 ____ / ____ / ____