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# Belvoir Special School Newsletter



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## Athletics Carnival

Unfortunately, due to the weather forecast we have cancelled next week's Athletics Carnival. We hope to hold a modified Athletic Event onsite later this term when weather permits. Please check Seesaw for more information.

## International Teachers Day- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October

Friday 26 October celebrates World Teachers' Day in Australia. Interestingly it is celebrated on 5 October in the northern hemisphere, but as the dates always fall into school stand down period, we celebrate it on the last Friday of October each year. The day was established by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) in 1994 to recognise the role of teachers in society.

Teachers at Belvoir Special School make a positive difference in the lives of our students every day. Our professional and committed staff group strive to create learning environments to suit each of our individual students' needs. Programs are tailored to focus on student interests and strengths as well as addressing areas of concern. They create opportunities for their students, empowering minds of our young people and proudly teaching our students to be everything they can be. World Teachers' Day is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate and thank teachers for the important role they play inside the classroom creating engaging lessons, out on excursions and camps.

This day also provided the opportunity to thank all staff at Belvoir Special School, both teachers and educational Support (ES) staff including those in administration, finance, classroom assistants. Without their help each day our school could not function. Their role is integral – we are truly interdependent, and their expertise and dedication is part of our grand achievements.

## SunSmart

With the onset of some warmer weather a reminder to all parents that students need to have a broad brimmed or bucket hat on when they are in the yard. This is required by the school to satisfy our SunSmart accreditation and ensure that we are protecting all of the students from the harmful rays of the sun during 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> terms.

Sunscreen is provided by the school for all students to use; however, if your child has any allergies and requires a special brand of sunscreen parents are asked to please ensure that this is sent with their child to school.

### Parent Information Sessions

Belvoir's speech pathologists will be running parent information sessions on 'Supporting your child's communication.'

Thursday November 17th  
At Belvoir Special School  
2 sessions: 9-11am or 3-5 pm

Please RSVP by Thursday 3rd November with your child's name and session time preference.  
RSVP by phoning the front office, emailing the school or writing in your child's diary.

## DATES TO REMEMBER 2022

**World Teachers' Day**  
October 28

**Lah De Dah Day**  
November 1

**Graduation**  
November 10

**Orange Pod Camp**  
16-18 November

**Wodonga Cup Public Holiday**  
November 25

**Green Pod Camp**  
30 Nov -1 Dec

**End of Year Concert**  
December 7

**Purple Pod Camp**  
12-14 December

**Last Day for Students 2022**  
Friday 16th December  
3.00pm Finish

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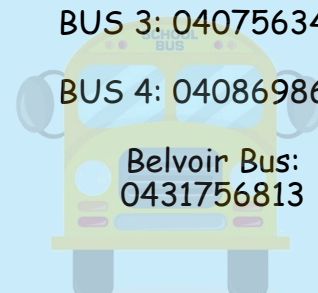
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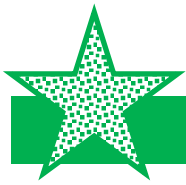
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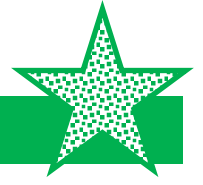
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# ROOM 8 NEWS

Lisa, Jo, Lynsey & Sam



Welcome to Term 4! We have had a fantastic start to the term. We welcomed a new student up from Yellow Pod to our class and have enjoyed showing him all the things we love to do in Green Pod.

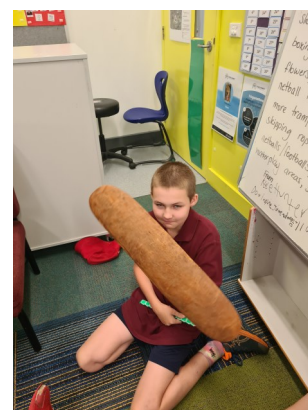
Room 8 were super excited last week to win a box of chocolates for our class meeting all expectations at the Whole School Assembly. We also celebrated Green Pod winning the school Wellbeing Challenge. It was a very exciting assembly.

As a class this week we discussed ideas for what we might like to see in the playground in the future. Our SRC representative then went to a meeting on Monday to present our ideas to some staff and other representatives from each class of the school.

Green Pod have been focusing on giving instructions and language. We enjoyed helping direct each other to build different lego shapes. We used different forms of communication including PODD books and a chat board. The more we practiced the better we got.

During math we have been exploring 2D and 3D shapes. We have been finding them in our environment and learning their features through games and quizzes.

This week we also had a visit from Rosie our Koorie Engagement and Support Officer. This has supported our Dreamtime stories as part of our Myths and Legends unit. Rosie spoke to each class about Dreamtime and told us a story about Mt. Pilot and the Tasmanian Tiger. We also got to look and explore different artefacts such as indigenous shields and an object designed to attract emus!



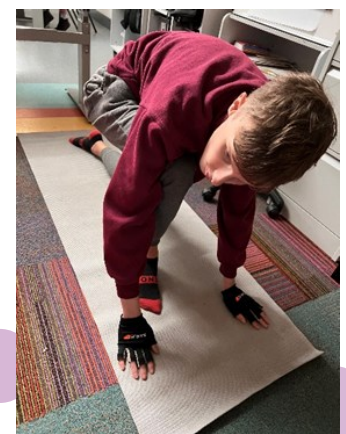
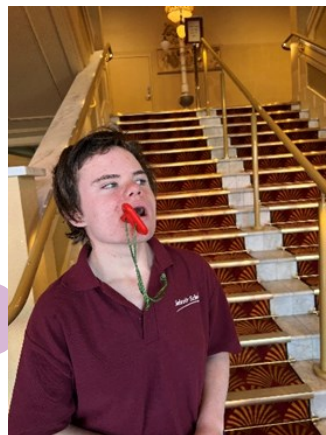


# ROOM 14 NEWS

Ellissa & Sheree

Term 4 has been very busy so far and it's only going to get busier! In Room 14 we have enjoyed working with Money during maths. Our favourite activity is working out the correct change after buying something. We have also been trying some new strategies to help us regulate our emotions including yoga and new breathing techniques. Nara has been joining our classroom for one session a week which has been lots of fun!

This week we went on an outing with the rest of Purple Pod to the Albury Cinema. We took a little tour of all the rooms at the cinema including upstairs to the room where the projectors and the computer that controls all 9 of the screens! There were lots of different kinds of seats. We were allowed to go into places that were staff only and Gold Class! Then we watched Paws of Fury which was hilarious.





As part of our Wellbeing Program, we were fortunate to be able to take a number of students from purple, green and orange pod to see the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra perform at the Albury Entertainment Centre. The performance was developed for children to explore Beethoven's 5<sup>th</sup> Symphony in an interactive way.

It was a great privilege to witness all of our students who attended engage in the performance in such an enthusiastic way. They all represented our school fantastically!

Thankyou to families and staff for supporting this activity.





**DRAWN ON  
7TH  
DEC 2022**

# **Belvoir Christmas Raffle**

Belvoir Special School would like to ask for your help in organising and contributing items to be used as prizes for our 2022 Christmas Raffle. Contributions of vouchers or products will be much appreciated.

Please contact Belvoir School if you have any ideas, connections or leads that may help our school to gather items for our famous Christmas Raffle.

Book Club Issue 7 is accepting late orders, these are due back Monday October 24th. Brochures can be found in the front office.

For our new parents to the school wanting to order books, there is 2 options...

1: Student order form from brochure to be handed into school with money.

2: Online ordering with the LOOP App, credit card/debit card.



**Book Club LOOP**  
The **EASIEST** way for parents to order and pay for Book Club!

**Parents: Are you registered for LOOP?**  
**LOOP** is the easiest way for you to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order, if you wish to pay by credit card.

Parents who are registered for **LOOP** receive exclusive sneak peeks, downloads and offers throughout the school year—don't miss out!

**BONUS!**

Head to [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) and register today!

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The advertisement features a blue header with the 'Book Club LOOP' logo and a red circular seal that says 'More Kids Reading More Reading More'. Below the header, the text explains that LOOP is the easiest way to order and pay for Book Club orders online, especially for credit card payments. It highlights that registered parents receive exclusive sneak peeks, downloads, and offers throughout the school year. A 'BONUS!' graphic with a starburst effect is placed next to this text. At the bottom, it directs parents to visit [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) to register. The Scholastic logo is at the bottom right, and an illustration of two children reading books is at the bottom left.

## **Did you go to the Come and Try day at Wodonga TAFE?**

## **Interested in Access Education TAFE courses for 2023?**

Access Education at Wodonga TAFE provides tailored work readiness courses for students with intellectual disability or cognitive impairment. The courses provide essential life skills coaching and introduce students to career training opportunities.

**Contact Jenni Myers in November to book an interview on**

**02 6055 6680 or [jmyers@wodongatafe.edu.au](mailto:jmyers@wodongatafe.edu.au)**



**WODONGATAFE**





# The World Festival of Magic



It's finally back with a live show at the Albury Entertainment Centre, on Monday 21st November, 2022 with 2 shows at 10.30am and 4.30pm



Hosted by The Immune Deficiency Foundation Australia  
Proudly sponsored by your local businesses.

Yes, the tickets are free. Please fill out the attached ticketing sheet and return to me ASAP

Also a free streamed show on demand for the whole month of December will also be available so no-one misses out. Please indicate which show or both, you would like on the ticketing form attached. The streamed code will be emailed out in mid-late November.

**THERE ARE LIMITED TICKETS WHICH ARE GOING FAST.**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Please

NUMBER OF TICKETS & PREFERRED TIME:

10.30AM ☐

4.30PM ☐

Yes I would like the streamed code:

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