

Belvoir Special School Newsletter



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HATS OFF TO WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

Teachers play an important role in our community and we thank them for their dedication to inspire children and young people. Despite the challenges of the last few years, teachers continue to bring their enthusiasm, passion and their best to work and continue to put their students first.

Today provides an opportunity to recognise our teachers, say thank you and celebrate the incredible contributions teachers make in our communities. The 2022 theme is "Hats off to teachers!" What do teachers and teaching mean to you? Share your "hats off" selfie and tell us in a post. Celebrate with us! <http://worldteachersday.edu.au>

Here are some reasons why Belvoir Students think their teachers are great:

They always listens and supports me, helps me learn, helps me and is fun, paints my nails and does my hair, walks with me, has a beautiful personality, is very nice, is nice, kind, fun and funny, is the nicest teacher, makes me feel happy, makes me laugh, makes learning fun, helpful, and funny.

Our teachers are helpful kind and funny just sometimes, always busy helping others, great teacher, nice and awesome because he lets us watch movies, nice, caring and fun, plays the ukulele for me, amazing, very kind and caring great teacher, really nice, kind and helpful, very enthusiastic, weird and funny, nice, caring and fun.

They play with me and makes me smile, dances funny, very enthusiastic, really kind and funny, full of energy and fun, good teacher, fun and great to be around, she makes me smile.

They make me laugh, feel respected, helpful and caring, help me feel safe, is really helpful, makes things fun, is a good teacher. I like his way of teaching. They is great at helping us, an awesome teacher, smart, good and a great teachers.



DATES TO REMEMBER 2022

Lah De Dah Day
November 1

Graduation
November 10

Orange Pod Camp
16-18 November

General Meeting
23 November @6pm

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

Final General Meeting
December 14 @6pm

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

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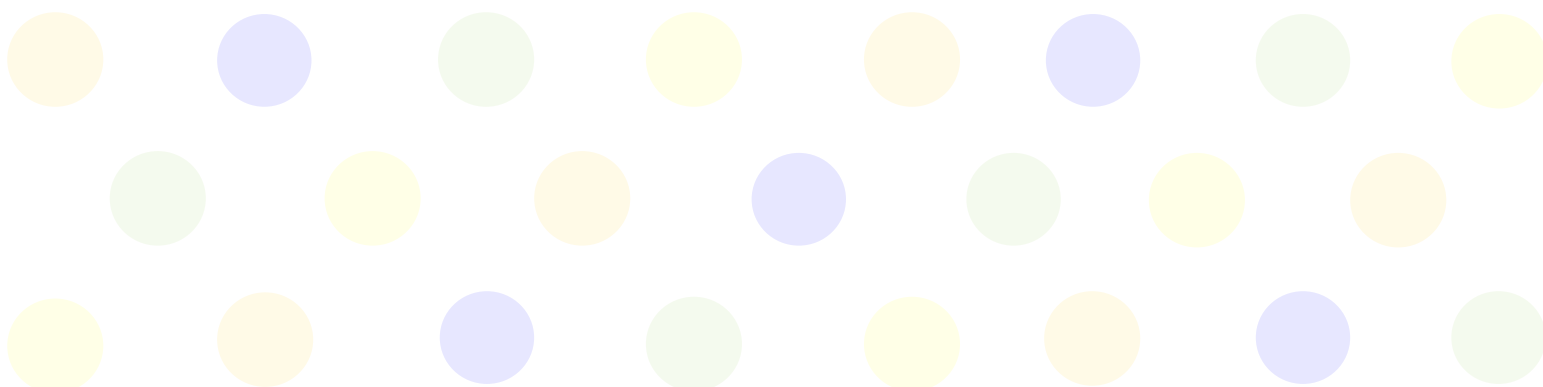
Our very own Jake Brown who this week has represented Victoria at the National Special Olympics in Launceston Tasmania.

Jake swam 1st place in all 3 heats, unfortunately this saw him elevated to a higher division for his finals where he placed 7th in 50m Backstroke in Division 1 and 8th in 50m Freestyle in Division 1. This in itself is an amazing achievement.

Jake placed 1st place in 100m Freestyle, earning a Gold Medal. He then was a member of the 4 x 50m Freestyle relay where he swam the final leg, bringing the team home with a Bronze medal for 3rd place.



We are very proud of Jake's achievements.





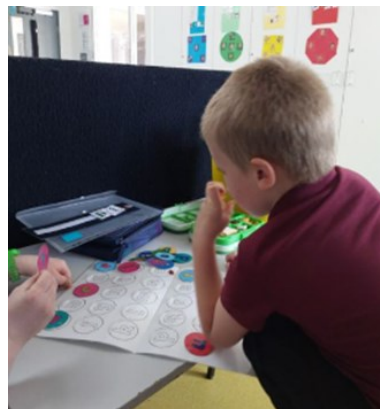
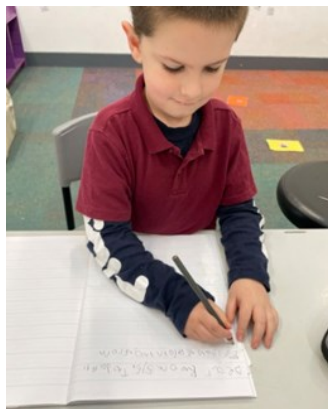
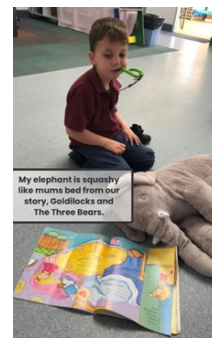
ROOM 5/6 NEWS

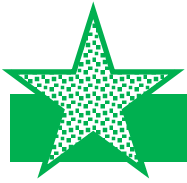


Michelle, Melissa, Nicole, Kitty & Marnie

Room 5 & 6 have been busy adjusting to changes within the class groupings in Yellow POD this term. We welcome Mel and Kim to the teaching group, and Harrison and Cooper to our student cohort.

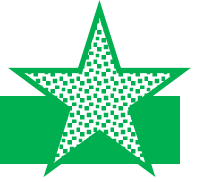
This term we have extended our knowledge of money in our Mathematic sessions. Some of us have been practicing sorting and matching coins, while others have been learning the value of coins. Our Term Topic is Fairy Tales and so we have been reading some Fairy Tales in our Literacy sessions. We loved The 3 Little Pigs, especially trying to build houses out of different materials. We continue to work on our independent work skills when we do our Tub Time rotation.





ROOM 9 NEWS

Erica, Katrina & Kylie



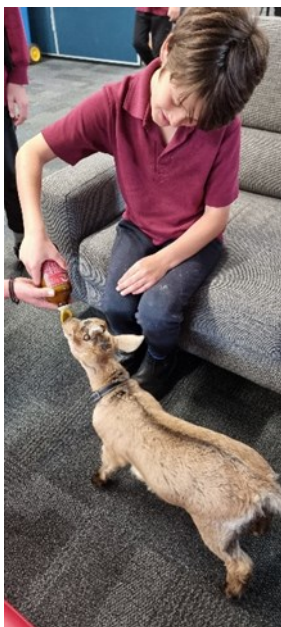
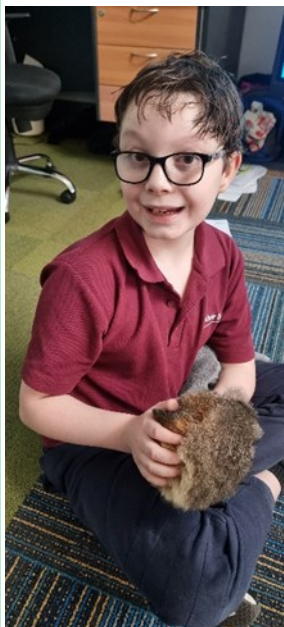
What a fantastic start to the term we have had in Room 9. We cannot believe we are nearly half way through the term!

So far this term students have been busy learning about Dreamtime stories in literacy and thoroughly enjoyed a visit from Rosie our Koorie Education Officer. During Rosie's visit students enjoyed learning about the traditional tools and materials that were used by Rosie's ancestors.

During math students have been learning about the difference between 2D and 3D shapes. This week we have changed topics to money. We are looking forward to extending our knowledge of this topic and participating in a range of fun money activities.

This week we went on our first outing of the term to the Wodonga Library. During this outing we enjoyed exploring the library and art spaces.

We also enjoyed a special visit to the office to see Trixie the baby miniature goat. We had a lot of fun giving her a bottle of milk. We are looking forward to seeing what the remainder of the term will bring.



WMY NEWS

Nicole & Kelly

Wow what a big Term it has been for R3 students already. This term we are studying comedy, dance and technology as our major topics. We have been busy learning about what makes us laugh and what comedy is all about. We were lucky enough to go to Wodonga Senior Secondary College early this term and we got to have a go at performing improvisation comedy on stage. This was an amazing experience and most students jumped up and had a go. We visited Wodonga Library to learn more about comedy and soon we will visit the Fruit Fly Circus to see how they perform their comedy skits through their circus performances. We are also going to visit the Chiltern Star Theatre where we will sit in a very old theatre seats and watch a range of short comedy clips that will include some of Charlie Chaplin's famous performances. To support our comedy theme, we have made funny faced pancakes and created realistic looking hamburger cupcakes. They were fun to make and it was great to learn how to make the cupcakes look like a hamburger.

We are busy creating some short skits that will feature a story that each small group has created but it will be told through dance and we will use clapsticks to generate the music. To help us with our dance, some of our movement breaks have been practicing different dance moves. The Lawnmower, Harlem Shake and the Running Man are some of the dances we have tried.

As a part of Senior Secondary's PBS Volunteer Program, we have been lucky enough to have 2 of our past students return on Thursdays to help us in the classroom with our Numeracy lessons. They've been a great asset in the room and we look forward to them returning each week. They have certainly helped our Year 9 students feel more comfortable, telling them all the amazing things they have learned at WSSC. Also, each week, our Year 9 students have been going to WSSC to familiarise themselves with the campus in preparation for when they attend there next year. Gee it sure has been a big term and we are only halfway through.



ROOM 19 NEWS

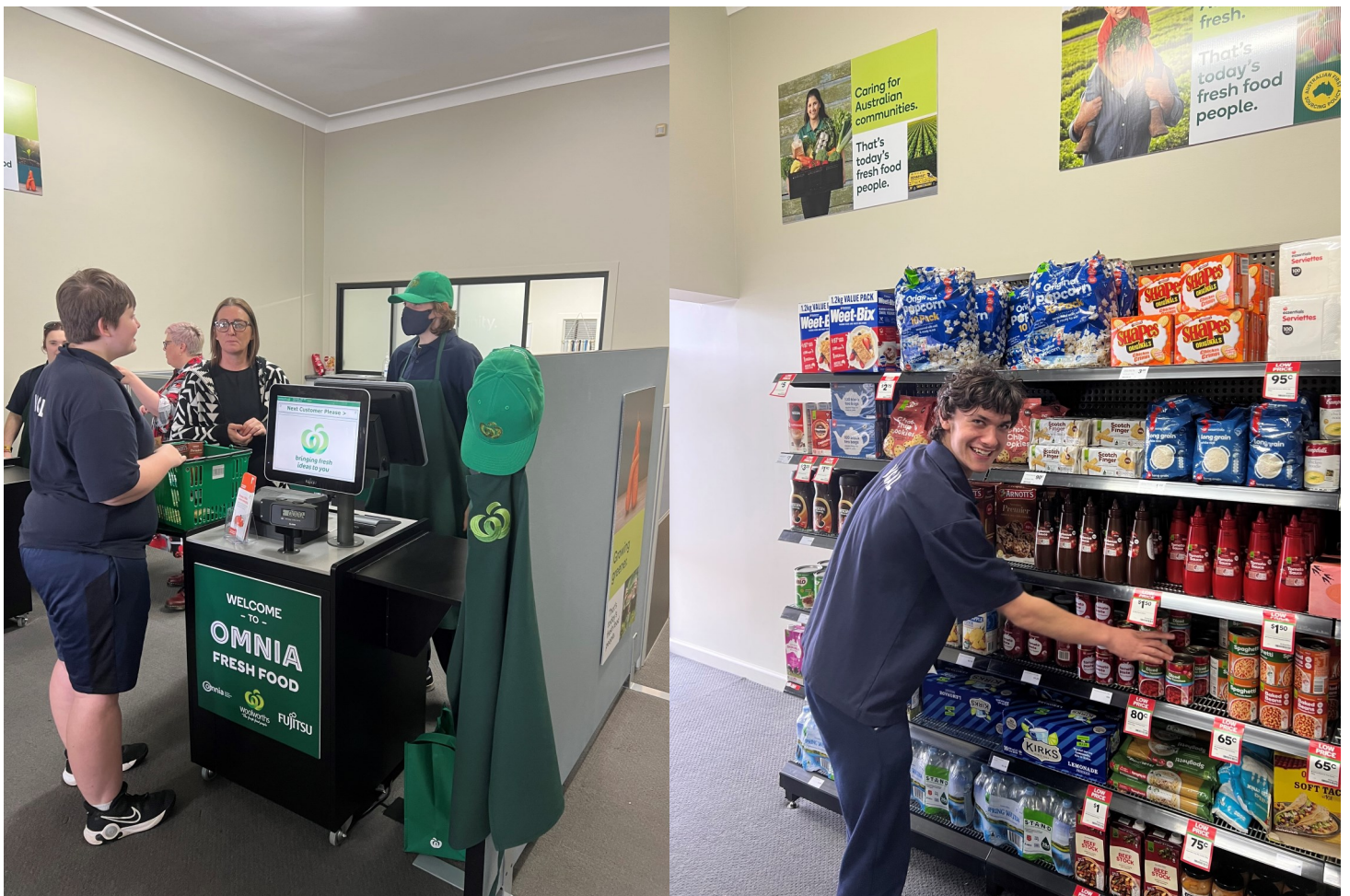
Brad, Amber, Pam & Brenda

This week students from Orange Pod participated in an excursion to Omnia Inclusive in Lavington. Omnia has set up their business to be a replica Woolies including shelving and check outs.

Students had the opportunity to budget and buy groceries, as well as the opportunity to see what it would be like to work behind the register.

Students then also explored what skills would make them more employable and how they can work well as part of a team.

A second excursion for the remainder of our Orange Pod students who are attending will run next Monday (31st Oct).



Christmas Party for Special Children 2022

SANTA IS ON HIS WAY!!

After 2 years of online parties, we are back on
Saturday 26th November
for the largest, FREE,
Christmas Party for Special Children.
The Party will run from 10am until 1pm in the
Wodonga Sports & Leisure Centre.

A 3 hour stage show featuring many artists will keep the children entertained. There will be activities such as merry go-rounds, jumping castles, face painting and much more. With all this fun to be had, they will need all the food, drinks, and ice creams, which we will provide for free. Of course no Christmas party is complete without Santa and after his arrival the toy room will be open each child will receive two beautiful presents.

This party is for Special Needs Children who are physically or intellectually disabled, facing the challenge of a life threatening disease, in foster-care or child protection or children from underprivileged circumstances.

Eligible Children must be between the ages of 0 to 13years.

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR CHILD/REN TO ATTEND THE
CHRISTMAS PARTY,
YOU MUST RETURN THE ATTACHED FORM TO SCHOOL
... NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 28th OCTOBER, 2022. ...**

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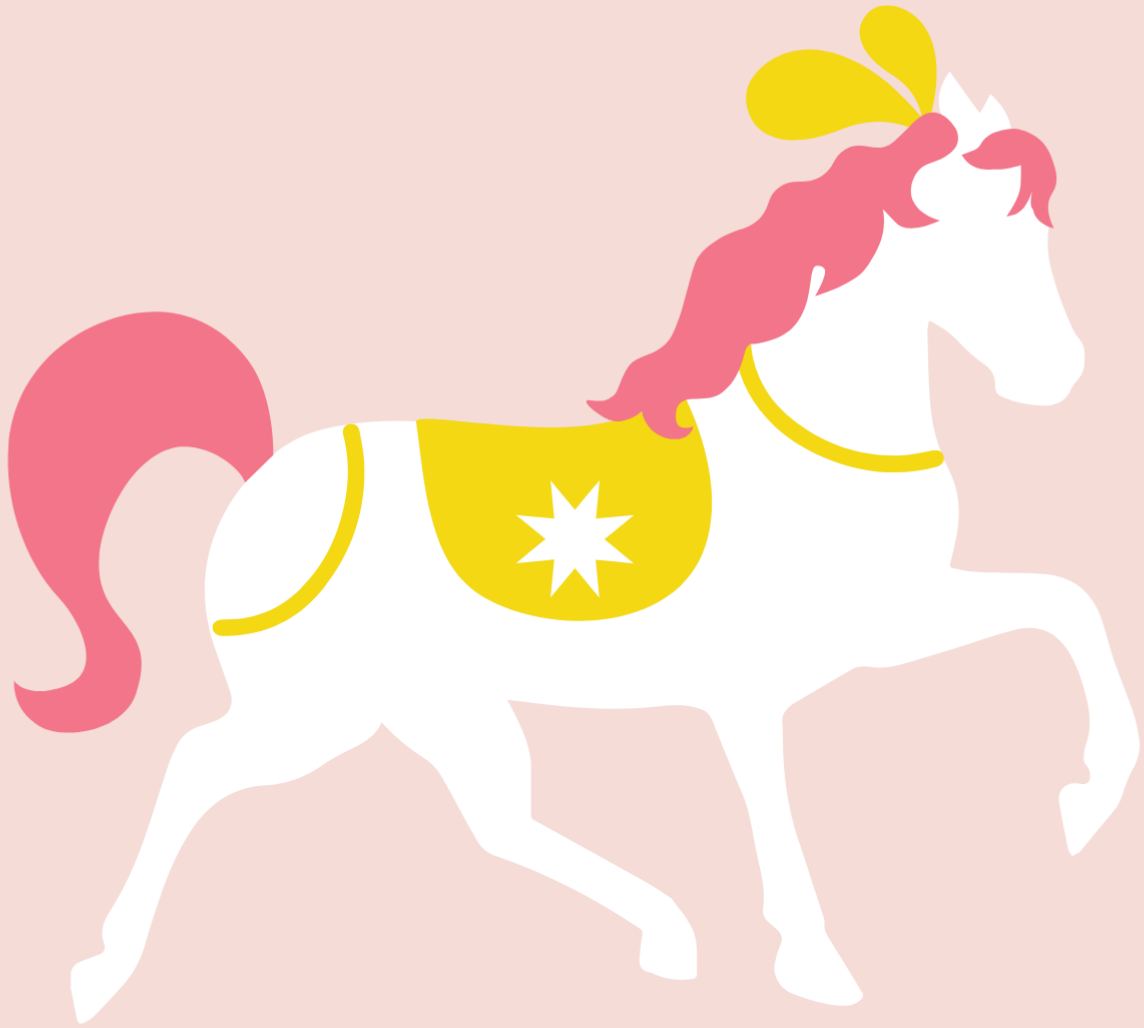
Child/rens Name:

Age/s:..... M/F.....

Adults Name/s:.....



Fancy Dress



La-De-Dah Day

*Dress up in your best race gear for our annual parade,
prizes to be won!*

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 1ST



**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.

Belvoir Coffee & Connections Morning

Wednesday November 2nd at 9:15 in the Life Skills House at Belvoir.

Come & enjoy a nice cuppa in the sun (hopefully) with other members of the Belvoir community.

This is a great opportunity to make social connections for families new to the area or just looking for some support or grown up chat time. Open to all parents & carers of Belvoir students in any pod.

Please email: leah.sisley@education.vic.gov.au if you are interested in joining us or have any questions.

Really looking forward to meeting some more of the Belvoir community.

