

# Belvoir Special School Newsletter



38 Gayview Drive, WODONGA, 3690

## Secondary School Immunisation Program catch-ups

Secondary school immunisations are provided to students to reduce their risk of contracting preventable diseases and some cancers. Health advice regarding immunisations recommends students receive the following:

Year 7

- Diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (whooping cough) (one dose)

Human papillomavirus (HPV) (2 doses 6 months apart).

Year 10

Meningococcal A,C,W,Y (one dose).

Due to COVID-19 related interruptions to school-based learning, there are [a number of](#) students in years 7 to 12 who may have missed these important vaccines. This puts students at an increased risk of illness.

If your child missed out on their school-based vaccinations, please speak to your GP or local council immunisation service about how they can catch up.

To check if your child is due for any vaccines, refer to their [immunisation history statement](#) on the Australian Immunisation Register, using your MyGov account.

If your child is aged over 14, they may need to access their immunisation history statement themselves, through their own MyGov account or the Medicare mobile app.

### 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

**Graduation**  
November 10

**Wodonga Cup Public Holiday**  
November 25

**General Meeting**  
23 November @6pm

**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

### Dyson's Bus Numbers:

BUS 1: 0408691885

BUS 2: 0417041196

BUS 3: 0407563474

BUS 4: 0408698635





Dear Parents and Guardians,  
We are informing you of an upcoming pupil-free day to fall on  
**Friday the 18th of November.**

**Question:** Why the extra pupil-free day in Term Four?

**Answer:** The Victorian government has recently reached agreement with the teaching union to replace the current enterprise agreement which will see professional practice days continue for teachers. As such, we must provide each teachers a professional practice day each term this year. Due to shortages in our casual teacher pool and staff absences we have requested a shared professional practice day for Term 4. The department has supported the school request to hold their professional practice day for teachers on the same day. This decision was made due to the significant shortages we have experienced with Casual Relief Staff (CRT). Therefore to minimise the interruption to students learning we are having one day interrupted in Term 4.

Professional practice days are separate to the staff professional development days that occur every term.

Please contact the school if you have any questions.

Regards

Pennie Moffat



# ROOM 1 NEWS

Cas, Kim & Clare



This term we have been learning about fairy tales. A favourite has been Jack and the Beanstalk, we are creating a window display and we particularly love playing the different characters in the story when we act it out. We also loved when Kim brought a Castle to school for us to play with.



We also explored the Three Little Pigs through role play and loved acting out the story together. We are still making our own pigs with paper mache – this can be messy but its lots of fun! It has been a bit wet this term and we have had fun exploring indoor activities and play. Our garden is continuing to grow well and we have also planted some sunflower seeds.



We are looking forward to the sunshine that surely must be coming and lots of play outside. Stay tuned and keep watching for more photos of our activities on SeeSaw.





# ROOM 16 NEWS

Anthea, Christin & Matt

This term Purple Pod students have been continuing to work out things that assist them to calm.

This week Purple Pod visited Ashley Medicine Bear at Orana Yoga and Well-being Centre for a Sound Healing meditation. Students enjoyed listening to his different instruments, the sounds they emit and the vibrations they produced. Some students played some of the instruments and found it wasn't as easy as it looked.

Feedback from students was that they loved the rain stick and the tuning forks, with other students spoke about how much he relaxed and zoned out with this experience.

Thank you Ashley for spending so much time showing our students how things work.





**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.

## BELEZA WODONGA

94 High Street, 3690

### EXTENDED TRADING HOURS

Mon to Fri: 9:30am - 5:00pm

Sat: 10:00am - 1:00pm

**2022 VIP SALE**  
**20% OFF\***  
**AVAILABLE IN STORE ONLY\***



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Cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer, voucher or discount. Discount available on full priced Beleza branded items only.