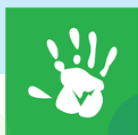


Belvoir Special School Newsletter



38 Gayview Drive, WODONGA, 3690



It was fantastic to see all of the returning students on Monday as school resumed for another year. Belvoir welcomed 12 new Foundation students to the school and a further 7 new students across the rest of the school.

Most of these students have had transition time at the school and this has certainly assisted with the start of the year. The influx of students has brought our total number of students enrolled at the school to 186 which is a decrease from the last year. There are still a number of students expected to arrive at some stage during the year and this may allow us to return up to 190.

Belvoir also welcomed 6 new teachers to the school this year and 1 returning teacher. Kitty in Green Pod and Luke from Green Pod have moved from ES positions in 2022 to teachers in 2023. Lisa will be joining Kim in room 4, in Yellow Pod. Kitty and Jo are new teachers working in Green POD, Lucy is working with Danae who has returned and working in purple POD. We also welcome back Luke in Orange POD and Olivia Martin will be working in the Art room each Thursday and Friday. Finally I would like to welcome Michelle Heintze-Moller who will be based at Belvoir and will be the Ovens and Murray Inclusion Outreach Coach. We welcome 9 Education Support staff to our Team. Prajna and Racquel in Yellow Pod, Sian and Gail to Green Pod, Jordan to Purple and Jess, Mick and Shaun to Orange Pod. We welcome to our Allied Health team Cassie our new OT who will be working Monday, Thursday and Friday. It is great to have all of the new staff and students at the school and we are certainly looking forward to a productive and enjoyable year for everyone.

2023 Classroom Groupings

Although it is still early in the year most of the class groups have settled extremely well. Students are starting to work on their individual programs and classes have begun to teach formal literacy and numeracy work as well as the life skills that so many of our students need.

Pennie Moffat
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 1 Finish 6th April
@ 2.30pm

Term 2 Start 26th April

Dyson's Buses

PHONE NUMBERS

BUS 1: 0460 935 609

BUS 2: 0460 875 492

BUS 3: 0460 896 490

BUS 4: 0460 869 012

Belvoir Bus: 0431 756 813

BIRTHDAY PARTY INVITATION

Hi everyone,

My son Lukas is turning 9 next Saturday (11th February).

I put a post on Facebook to see if we could get a few sports cars to swing past our house for him and the post went viral. It has been liked and shared over 1000 times and thanks to this, Lukas is now having his very own car show for his birthday next Saturday. I would love to extend the invitation to every student at Belvoir school. I have attached a link to his birthday car show in this invite.

We hope to see you there.

Mel Fleming

<https://facebook.com/events/s/lukas-birthday-show/1409626929442195/>

Parental Concerns or Issues

Belvoir Special School welcomes feedback, both positive and negative, and is committed to continuous improvement. We value open communication with our families and are committed to understanding complaints and addressing them appropriately. We recognise that the complaints process provides an important opportunity for reflection and learning.

We encourage and value open positive relationships with our school community and understand that it is in the best interests of students for there to be a trusting relationship between families and our school.

Parents are able to contact the school through the student diaries which are sent home with students each day, or they can ring the school to speak with classroom staff before or after school most days.

If the matter is urgent parents are able to email belvoir.wodonga.sds@education.vic.gov.au or call the school on 0260 598 987 and speak with or organize a time to discuss the issue with either Emma, myself or relevant staff.

Our full complaints and other policies can be found at:

[Policies and Forms - Belvoir Special Development School \(belvoirss.vic.edu.au\)](http://belvoirss.vic.edu.au)