

Belvoir Special School Newsletter



38 Gayview Drive, WODONGA, 3690

Dear Parents/Carers/Friends,

We have finally arrived at end of term one and what an amazing term it has been. This week has been extremely busy. On Wednesday we had our Dance Party and dress up day with over \$800 being raised for the Cancer Council. Our Easter Raffle was also drawn on Wednesday with 28 prizes. All winners have been notified. Thank you to all our families for their support of these events.

On Thursday, our primary students had a hat parade. Students over the last two weeks have been designing and making hats. It was wonderful to see all the students coming together to share their designs and creativity. It was a fantastic celebration. There are photos on our Facebook page if you would like to catch some of the action.

Orange and Purple Pod have excursions on the first day of next term. I ask parents to please keep an eye on SeeSaw for more information. Staff apologies for the late notices.

This term our students have achieved great things and this morning I hosted a special morning tea for students who had earned a Golden Ticket this term. The ticket was awarded to students who had demonstrated safe behaviours throughout the term.

I would like to thank and acknowledge the flexibility and resilience of our staff and the hard work, professionalism and dedication they have shown to our students as they support them to learn and grow. I wish them all a safe and restful holiday.

To our families, thank you for all your hard work and support this term. Have a wonderful holiday and we look forward to seeing everyone back next term.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 1 Finish 6th April
@ 2.00pm

Term 2 Start 26th April

Dyson's Buses

PHONE NUMBERS

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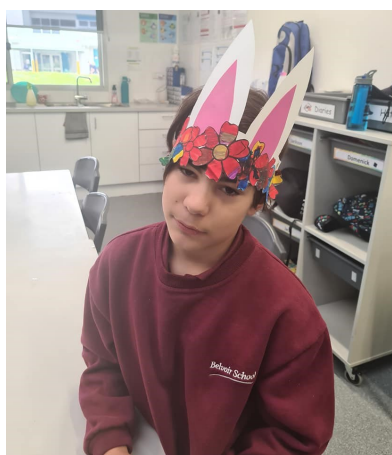
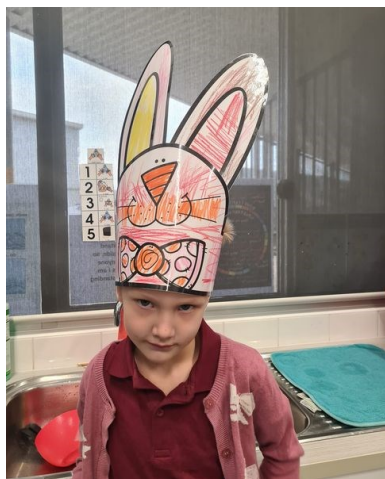
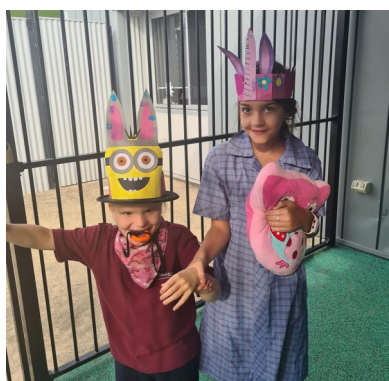
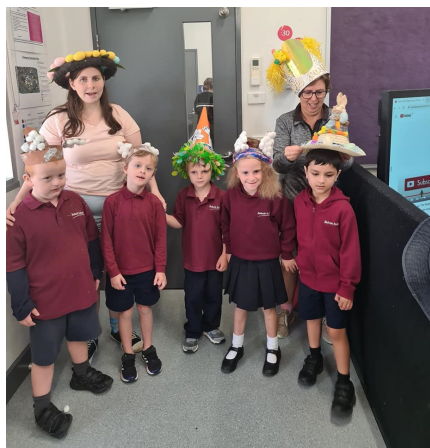
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BUS 3: 0460 896 490

BUS 4: 0460 869 012

Belvoir Bus: 0431 756 813

Easter hat parade



ROOM 8 NEWS

Kitty, Kyandra, Bridget and Heidi

This term has flown by so many wonderful events like swimming and athletics carnivals, outings, incursion- Junklandia and school activities. We are proud to say we have made it to the pointy end of the term and marked the end of the term by participating in Crazy hat parade. All the students proudly wore their hand made hats and carried their Easter baskets.

In Reading, we have focused on the parts of speech like Noun, Verb and Adjective. Students have particularly enjoyed doing Noun hunt activity around the school. In Numeracy, students have been looking at Data. They have also had the opportunity to collect data and choose an appropriate way to display this data using either bar graph or tally marks.

Room 8 have also enjoyed participating in weekly cooking activities on Wednesday afternoons and we have made cupcakes, pancakes, fruit salad, milk shake, pizza, French toast, scones, chocolate nest and cookie decoration. Students have thoroughly enjoyed their 3 outings and had a wonderful time playing on all the different park equipment.

Room 8 team congratulate all the students on their efforts. Have a safe and happy Holidays!



ROOM 9 NEWS

Erica, Lynsey, Judd and Sian

What a wonderful term it has been in room 9. Students have enjoyed a variety of special activities this term, including watching the Junklandia performance, outings, cooking, Disco dress up day, and the athletics and swimming carnival. During literacy our focus has been on Narratives where students have explored the features of narrative texts including character, settings, and the structure of a narrative. Students have then planned, written and published their own narratives.

During term topic students have been exploring growing older and wiser. Investigating how our bodies change as we grow older, personal hygiene, and keeping our bodies healthy and safe.

During math students have been learning about addition and subtraction, time (calendar) and data interpretation.

We hope you all have a happy and safe holiday period, and we will see you all in term 2.



ANZAC DAY 2023

Belvoir School is invited to participate in this year's ANZAC Day March. If you would like to participate, please meet at 10.15am in Reid Street, Wodonga.

Look for the Belvoir School banner, staff will be there to meet you. Parents/carers need to stay and supervise children as this is not a school event.

At the conclusion of the March, parents/carers are to meet us at The Cube to collect your child.

This is the first time Belvoir School has been able to participate in three years, so it would be fantastic if we can have a great turn out!



Repair Café

Toss it? No way!



OUR NEXT SESSION IS: 1st April 2023

What do you do with broken household items?

You can fix them at the Repair Café!

Our experienced repairers will help you repair them –
for free!

First Saturday of the month,
10am to 1pm
Senior Citizens Centre,
15 Havelock Street, Wodonga

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HalveWaste
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www.halvewaste.com.au

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

Coffee Catch Up

All parents & carers of our Belvoir Students are invited to join us for our coffee catch ups this term.

9am – 10am/10:30am Wednesday (fortnightly) in the Life Skills House on campus.

Come relax, have a cuppa, meet some new people in a safe, supported, inclusive environment.

Catch Up Dates for Term 1:

5th April

Looking forward to meeting you all!



Foodbank

Through Foodbank Victoria, Belvoir has the opportunity to provide free food hampers to ALL our families at ANY time. There is no limit as to how many of these hampers you can access over time. If you would like a food hamper (up to two per family per order), please request one via emailing Andrew Dear (Leading Teacher - Wellbeing and Inclusion) andrew.dear@education.vic.gov.au.

Please see the photo provided as to what is included in the hamper. Collection times will be communicated by phone and pick up will be from the front office.



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 organise 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)



Literacy at Home

Here are some ways you can create a literacy rich home environment where reading, writing, and talking/communicating are a natural part of everyday life.

Make reading with your children a daily priority. Choose your own special reading time, like bedtime, turn off the tv, snuggle up and enjoy spending quality time together. Your children will look forward to it and hopefully model this routine throughout their lives.

Your children will learn reading habits from you, so let your children see that you find reading an enjoyable and exciting activity. Show them that books make you laugh out loud, get totally absorbed, excited, serious, or better informed. Encourage them to get involved when you refer to dictionaries, cookbooks, atlases, manuals and catalogues and newspapers to find information you need. Read out things that might interest them, like the discoveries from the new James Webb telescope or a fact about a place you went on a family holiday.

Show that writing is something we create as well as consume by writing lists for groceries or Christmas shopping, writing birthday cards, reminder notes, labels on boxes, and names on schoolbooks. Talk about how writing serves a range of purposes like communicating our thoughts and feelings, reminding us of events, and organising and recording. Record your children's height on a wall with the date and watch the marks go up! A literacy rich environment home gives children the best opportunity for learning to read and to love books and reading. Modelling your own love of reading shows them that reading is important to you and helps make it important to them.

Is ABSTUDY for you?

ABSTUDY is a group of payments for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, trainees and apprentices that can help with many things.



travel between
your home and
study location



living
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rent



study and
course costs



books and
materials for
uni or TAFE

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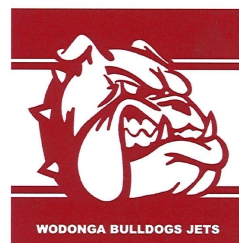


Players WANTED

WODONGA JETS



PLEASE CHECK THE WODONGA ALL ABILITIES
FACEBOOK PAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION &
FOR SIGN UP FORMS.



ALL ABILITIES FOOTY LEAGUE

Wodonga Bulldog Jets offer players of all abilities, genders and those that are aged 14+ the opportunity to play AFL Football.

Do you know someone who would benefit from getting involved?

TRAINING & GAMES

- Football Training is on Wednesday every week at Martin Park Wodonga at 5:30pm.
- Participate in Carnivals in North Albury, Wodonga, Wangaratta, Echuca and Shepparton.
- Training starts on Wednesday 15th of March and season starts in April.

JOIN NOW

wodonga@fida.org.au

School Athletics - House Groups

Students, Staff and Parents are put into groups according to their surnames. Each group has a name and color and it's requested that everyone wears clothing the color of the house they are allocated to:

<u>Surnames between</u>	<u>Colour</u>	<u>House Name</u>
A-D	= Red	Mitta
E-K	= Green	Murray
L-Q	= Blue	Kiewa
R-Z	= Yellow	Hume

Do you need help applying for the NDIS or Disability Support Pension for your child?

My name is Natalie Ennis and I'm a Support Coordinator at PE Support Services
(ABN - 38 865 726 149)

I am available to support students and families at Belvoir Special School in applying for the NDIS and the Disability Support Pension.

I have extensive knowledge in these areas as well as being a qualified Psychosocial Recovery Coach,
Case Manager & Capacity Building Support Worker

If you would like to contact me you can do so by sending an SMS to
0497 003 574 or email
natalieennis99@gmail.com.

I look forward to helping you out.

ALBURY BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

BASKETBALL SCHOOL PROGRAMS



WHAT IS SPORTING SCHOOLS?

- Sporting Schools is Australia's largest school-based sports participation program, designed to help foster a lifelong interest in sport.
- The program connects schools and local sports clubs to get more children active in their communities.
- Sporting Schools programs are provided free to children and their families, and allows schools to also purchase equipment and resources.

SPORTING SCHOOLS BASKETBALL PROGRAMS

- Utilise resources from the popular Aussie Hoops program.
- Use a nationally endorsed curriculum that develops fundamental movement skills and meets F-10 outcomes.
- Have strong links to community basketball clubs and associations.
- Feature affordable prices for sessions and equipment
- Provide a fun, inclusive and engaging basketball experience for all abilities and genders



HOW DOES MY SCHOOL REGISTER?

- Visit www.sportingschools.gov.au to register your school, and book a basketball program.



WANT TO KNOW MORE?

- For more information on Sporting Schools visit www.sportingschools.gov.au
- To find your local Aussie Hoops provider visit www.aussiehoops.com.au

Application Opening Dates:-

Term 2: 8am Monday 27 February 2023 - 5pm Friday 10 March 2023

Term 3: 8am Monday 22 May 2023 - 5pm Friday 2 June 2023

Term 4: 8am Monday 14 August 2023 - Friday 25 August 2023

Contact: Brodey Fruean

Phone: 0404 080 107

Email: development@alburybasketball.com.au

Download our school app for free!



- Instant news notifications
- Online absentee forms
- Events and reminders



Download instructions:

1. Go to the App Store and download "School Stream" to your phone.

2. Open the app and type the school's name into the search bar to load the school's profile.

3. Make sure you agree to Push Notifications when prompted.

ALL ABILITIES SOCCER WANGARATTA

HELLO ALL WE HAVE AN ALL ABILITIES TEAM HERE IN WANGARATTA BUT WE DO NEED MORE PLAYERS TO JOIN THE ABILITIES LEAGUE IN MELBOURNE THIS ISN'T TOWN VS TOWN IT'S ABOUT BRING ALL PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES TOGETHER TO FORM A REGIONAL VICTORIA TEAM

THAT CAN TAKE IT TO THE BEST METRO MELBOURNE TEAMS IV REACH OUT TO FRANKSTON WHO ARE THE CHAMPIONS AND THE LEAGUE WHO BOTH WANTS A TEAM FROM REGIONAL VICTORIA TO JOIN THERE ABILITIES LEAGUE IN VICTORIA

TRAINING IS EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT 5:30PM AT SOUTH WANGARATTA RESERVE TRAINING IS FUN AND ALL ABOUT HAVING A GOOD TIME AND GETTING AROUND GOOD PEOPLE

WE ARE LOOKING FOR ...

BOYS AND GIRLS

15 AND OLDER

COMPETITION IS

COMPETITIVE

FOR MORE

INFORMATION CALL

OR TEXT MICHAEL

0412799623



KINDRED SUPPORT – HOLIDAY PROGRAM

MONDAY 10/04 – NO SERVICE

**TUESDAY 11/04 – EASTER THEME
SCAVENGER HUNT**

WEDNESDAY 12/04 – THE MARIO MOVIE

**THURSDAY 13/04 – DANE THE GREAT
MAGICIAN**

FRIDAY 14/04 – WAGGA ZOO



**NDIS RATES APPLY. SOME OUT OF
POCKET COSTS MAY APPLY.**

**PLEASE EMAIL
KELLEY@KINDREDSUPPORT.COM.AU
FOR MORE INFORMATION**

KINDRED SUPPORT – HOLIDAY PROGRAM

MONDAY 17/04 – KELLYLAND GLENROWAN

**TUESDAY 18/04 – DRESS UP DAY
'SUPERHERO' THEME**

WEDNESDAY 19/04 – BOWLING 3D LANES

THURSDAY 20/04 – STA CAMP OUT

FRIDAY 21/04 – BOUNCE



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