

Belvoir Special School Newsletter



38 Gayview Drive, WODONGA, 3690

Dear Parents/Carers/Friends,

Parent Opinion Survey

A huge Thank you to the 14 families that have completed the parent opinion survey so far.

A copy of the link will be sent home with every child on Monday in the hope that more families will take part in the survey before it closes on Friday 8th of September.

Unfortunately, we can't put the link in the newsletter as it goes to organisations and individuals who are not parents of the school.

I urge all families to try to complete the survey if possible.

Book Week

Next week is book week.

Belvoir will be celebrating book week and reading through a range of activities that will be held across the school during the week. There is a dress up day on Tuesday with a parade in the agora for all students.

Time 9:30 start followed by a 10am parent catch up.

We have invited Andy from Mousetail Espresso to come down and serve his delicious coffees to any parent who comes along. Please see our Facebook page for more information.



2023 DATES TO REMEMBER

22nd August Book week, remember to dress up as your favourite book character

31st August Fathers day breakfast 8:30am

Education Support Appreciation Week, all of Week 8

End of Term Date

Friday 15th of September 2pm Finish

School Council Finance 5th September Time: TBC

School Council General 6th September Time: 6pm

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BUS 2: 0460 875 492

BUS 3: 0460 896 490

BUS 4: 0460 869 012

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Book Week Activities

21st Aug – 25th Aug

Tuesday 22nd August:

Book Week Parade – 9.30am – 10.00am in the agora. Come as your favourite book character. Families welcome.

Andy (coffee man) will be providing free coffee for attending parents/carers.

There will be music so bring headphones if required.

Thursday 24th August:

Read with a Special Person Afternoon

Families/carers will be invited to attend Belvoir between 2-3pm to read with their child as a book week activity.





Dear Parent/Caregiver,

Your child has been offered an opportunity to attend this year's Special Children's Christmas Party. The party is for children only with Special Needs, where they can enjoy just being a 'kid' again, there will be lots of rides, face painting, activities, a 3-hour stage show, yummy food, presents and Santa of course! all provided completely free!

This year's party is being held at:

**The Wodonga Sport & Leisure Centre
Saturday 18th November 2023
10am – 1pm**

If you are interested in your child attending this year's Party, please send this form back to your school or organisation that informed you about the Party. Your School or Organisation will then get in touch with the organisers of the Christmas Party to register your interest and perhaps you might be lucky to receive an invitation!

If you have any further questions about the event, you may view our webpage at www.sccpau.com.au/faqparents There you will find a list of commonly asked questions.

Remember, this is only a request for an invitation, not a guarantee that you will receive one. Each year, we have over 3,000 requests for children to attend and it's not possible to accommodate that many children with Special Needs.

This form needs to be back to your school or organisation before 9th September 2023.

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Yes, I would like to register my interest for my child to attend.

Child's Name:

Age: (must be under 12 years)

Gender:

(Although most gifts are gender neutral, this will allow us to match up a gift with the gender identified).

Repair Café

Toss it? No way!



OUR NEXT SESSION IS: 2nd September 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 –
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10am to 1pm
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ROOM 13 NEWS

Josh, Michaeli and Phoebe



There has been lots achieved in Room 13 as we roll over the halfway mark of Term 3. The students have finished their most recent maths topic (time) and have enjoyed activities such as creating their own clocks. We are now starting location and have been looking at maps and their features.

Our writing lessons have seen us create a range of pieces including acrostic poems, limericks and haiku's. We have also been creating alphabet books and learning about the sounds that each letter makes.

During quiet time the class have been creating their very own string art pieces. They have all chosen their design and are putting nails in to weave string around. Everyone is very excited to see how they turn out!

Room 13 have been on some awesome outings this term! We've been to Frederick's Park, Murray Art Museum Albury (MAMA) and Belvoir Park. We love getting out into the community and utilising our wonderful parks and facilities.

'We love Monday's because we get to go on outings!'





ROOM 7 NEWS

Lisa G, Michelle, Tulashi and Cheryl



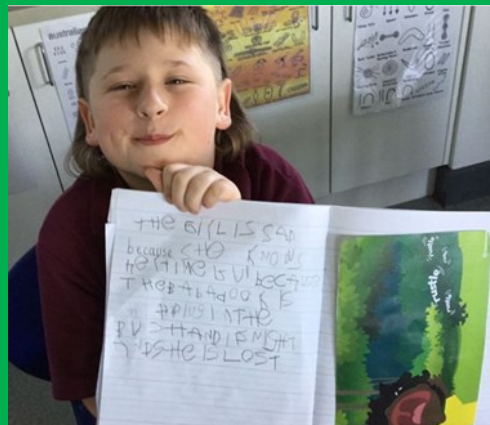
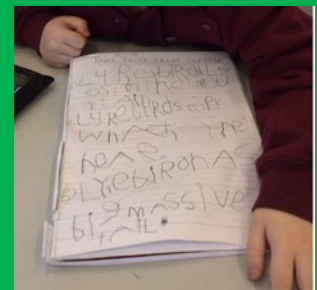
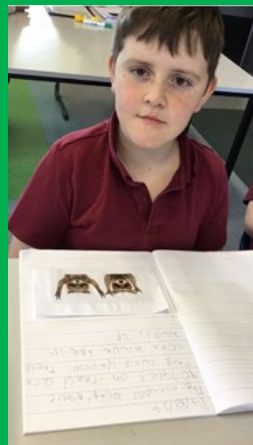
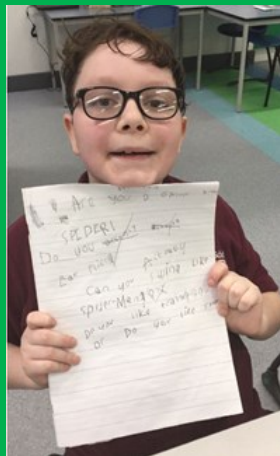
Room 7 Superstars have shown great enthusiasm and stamina thus far in Term 3.

One of our focus areas has been on being BRAVE. We are identifying, celebrating and reinforcing Moments of Bravery within Room 7.

We have already reached our first class goal of 20 moments of bravery, and are excited to celebrate as a class. We have a target of 100 tokens by the end of the year!

We are reminding ourselves that being brave can feel scary and we might be feeling anxious, but we are being brave when we have a go at new things, ask for help, speak to people we don't really know at school, try an activity again, or to take a break to regulate, is something we should feel proud about doing.

We've also had a focus on improving our writing skills. The boys have shown enormous progress and we are all very proud of their efforts.





Room 24 News

Anthea, Pat and Shaun



Term 2 saw the beginning of the IPPs students running a weekly Staff Café. Students came up with a menu, researched costs involved in making food items and created advertising to let staff know what they were going to be doing.

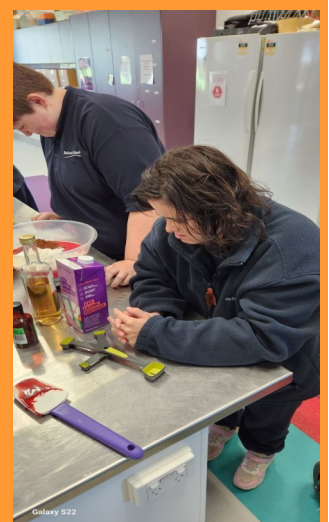
Each Monday morning students visit every classroom and office across the school to collect orders for the current week, hand out order forms for the following week and answer questions from staff. Students then tally the orders and label bags ready for Tuesday packaging.

The 3 IPPs classes are divided into 2 groups with each group making one of the food items.

We have kept staff interest by making 2 different food items each week. Pictured here are Chocolate Zucchini Cake and School Made Beetroot Dip and Tzatziki Dip with carrot, celery and biscuits.

Students are expected to assist in the clean up each week with students washing and drying dishes, wiping down benches and putting items away after use.

Students are supported where needed to complete a task and encouraged to be as independent as possible to follow the kitchen procedures.





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Students work together to read the packaging to see what menu item is ordered and to place the menu item into packaging.

Once items are packaged students sort into delivery locations and deliver the food across the school.

During Term 2 students took over 400 orders in 8 weeks. The beginning of this term has continued to prove popular with staff. Students are telling us that they are noticing their confidence growing in answering staff questions, following recipes, and preparing the packaging each week. The students are extremely proud of the high quality food they are providing staff each week (and tasting themselves).

We are assisting our students to improve on and gain skills that will be meaningful and useful in life after school. The money collected each week is being put back directly into the program. We use it to buy ingredients, have bought various shapes and sizes of cake tins and trays, a food processor and an electric beater. Feedback from staff each week is positive with this often being a conversation starter between our IPPs students and staff that they would not normally interact with.





ROOM 6 NEWS

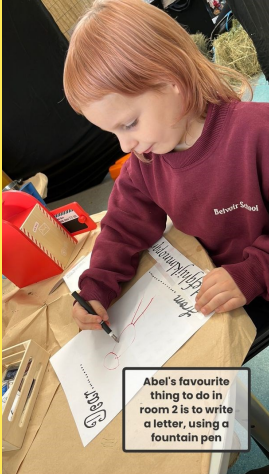
Chloe C and Kellie P



We have been very busy in room 6 this term. We have had two birthdays in the last two weeks. Happy 6th birthday to Abel and William.

We have been practising our crocodile grip and learning to control our pencils in writing. We have been practicing writing and drawing many shapes and letters. Our letter that we have been focusing on this week is the letter O. We have learnt that there are lots of people at school who have the letter 'o' in their name.

We have also enjoyed weekly visits to room 2, where we get to interact with things from the past. One of our favourite things to do in room two has been to dress up in old clothes and use the typewriter.



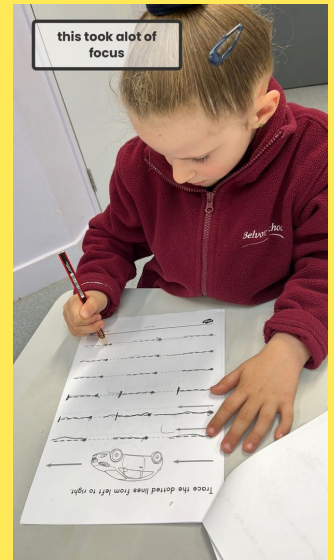
Abel's favourite thing to do in room 2 is to write a letter, using a fountain pen



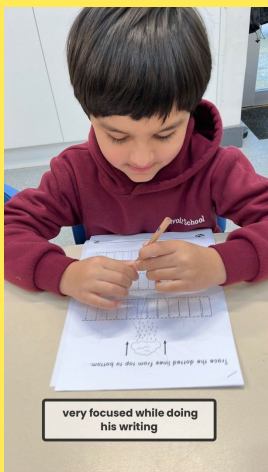
more room 2 fun, at the stables



decorating cupcakes



this took alot of focus



very focused while doing his writing



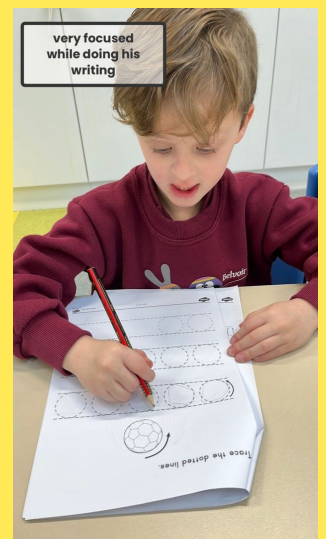
exploring room 2, with our term topic 'then and now'



decorating cupcakes for abels birthday



Fun in room 2



very focused while doing his writing

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