

Belvoir Special School Newsletter



38 Gayview Drive, WODONGA, 3690

Dear Parents/Carers/Friends,

We are nearing the end of a big semester, one which was full of learning, sporting activities and so many wow moments for our students and staff. This time is significant for our teachers and support staff as we finalise reports for our students. These reports provide parents/carers with key information on our students' progress, their strengths, and areas for growth in order to support their future learning and development.

As we approach the end of Term 2, many of our students and staff are beginning to feel weary, tired, worn out and perhaps even zapped of energy, based on what occurred this term it is no wonder we are feeling a little tired!

While we have one more week of Term 2 to go, I wish all our students and staff a well-earned break over the holidays and hope they can enjoy the time to rejuvenate and recharge ready for Term 3.

MID YEAR REPORTS

Reports for Semester 1 are currently being finalised and will be available to families late next week. Reports are an important way of communicating student progress to families, and one into which all our staff put great effort and time. I would like to thank the staff for their efforts throughout the assessment and reporting procedure.

At the start of next term families will receive a letter to organise a student support group meeting to discuss goals and learning focus for semester two. These meetings should occur between the 29th of July and 2nd of August.

ESAFETY: SUPPORT FOR PARENTS / CARERS

The eSafety Commissioner has a range of resources to support our Belvoir parents/carers in helping children and young people stay safer online.

The eSafety Commissioner educates Australians about online safety risks and help available to remove harmful content such as cyberbullying of children and young people, adult cyber abuse, image-based abuse and illegal and restricted content. Learn more about how eSafety helps Australians be safer online at [eSafety.gov.au](https://www.esafety.gov.au).

At eSafety, our parents/carers can find:

- Guidance on parental controls for your family. Learn how to block, filter, monitor and limit your child's online activity;
- Advice on keeping kids and young people safe online;
- Free webinars for expert tips on supporting your family's online safety;
- Assistance in investigating reports of serious online harm and removal of this content.

[Online safety | eSafety Commissioner](#)
[Parents | eSafety Commissioner](#)

Notify the school of your child's absence.

Protecting the safety and well-being of children through the reporting and monitoring of absenteeism is the responsibility of both parents/carers and schools.

Please remember to contact the classroom teacher or call the school on 6056 8987 early in the morning if your child is going to be away or late for school so your child's absence can be recorded correctly.

For further information on the processes and procedures our school uses to record, monitor and follow-up student attendance, please refer to our Policies page on the school website.

Pennie Moffat, Principal

2024 DATES TO REMEMBER

Last Day Term 2
Friday 28th June
2.00pm Finish

First Day Term 3
Monday 15th July

Wk 1 Naidoc Week
Whole school assembly
Friday 19th July @ 2.10

BUS 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

ROOM 13 NEWS

Josh, Lynsey, Drew, Prajma

Room 13 has had a productive Term 2. We have enjoyed a range of learning, with the class creating procedures around their own interests such as 'how to do a tomahawk in hockey', 'how to wash a truck' and 'how to play Fortnite'. We have also been exploring a range of writing tools that we can use to support our independence when writing including using our AAC devices to communicate messages and features such as speech-to-text on the iPads.



We have also enjoyed our class outings to the Wodonga Library and Beechworth Honey Bee School. At the Bee School the students learned about the importance of bees and even got to sample a range of honey that they have available. The students used a microscope to get a close-up view of bees and watched how they make bees wax candles by heating and rolling the sheets of wax.





Room 22 News

Jonathon, Bron & Shaun

With the winter chill quickly setting in, Room 22 has been exploring ways to make the most of the colder weather, including building upon their reading and writing skills, whilst also reflecting upon their understanding of the weather and how it affects our daily routines.

During writing, students have sought to increase their understanding of how to correctly sequence the events of a story from the beginning, middle and end as well as learning how to follow a procedure, including making their own class recipe.

Whilst in Math, students have continued to build upon their knowledge of reading and measuring time, through making their own analogue clocks.

With the end of the semester fast approaching, Room 22 has been reflecting upon all of their achievements and are thoroughly looking forward with great enthusiasm what the new term will bring.



Room 5 News #4

Elle, Jo & Maddi

We can't believe it's almost the end of Term 2, what a Semester we have had! We are coming towards the end of our Chemical Science topic, so we have explored lots of recipes including Fake Snow, Volcanoes, Sherbert and Playdough. Next Term we will be looking at Farms for Term Topic!



We have been working on our independence with writing sentences and using pictures to help tell a story. In math we have been exploring money, including in our class shop. In Performing Arts, we rehearsed and performed a song for Elle, and we have explored so many new sweet and savoury recipes in Cooking! We've been incorporating lots of art and crafts into our classroom routine are even growing our own little carrot plants. A highlight of our morning is checking for new sprouts!





14/06/2024

Dear School Community,

Temporary Changes to Trading Hours for School Holidays

With the end of Term 2 quickly approaching, we'd like to advise you that there are changes to the trading hours of all Beleza retail stores during the holiday break. Your local Beleza store will be closed during the first week of holidays.

We'd recommend families check their local store's Google listing to confirm opening hours before visiting a store. As we have multiple Beleza locations across Victoria, we suggest searching "**Beleza + Your Suburb Name**" to ensure you're getting the most relevant information.

Please note that **all stores will close at 2pm on Friday 28th of June and be closed until Monday 8th of July**. We'll return to our usual trading days and hours across all stores **from Monday 8th of July**, however as our trading days differ from store to store, please check your local store's trading hours.

We'd like to apologise for any inconvenience that these changes may cause, and thank you for your understanding. We hope you all have a safe and enjoyable holiday break!

Kind regards,

Beleza School Uniforms



This is Dini. Dini likes to wear a Belvoir Beanie.
Be like Dini and get yourself a Belvoir Beanie.
Available from the office for \$15.00 in sizes small and large



Reminder: Belvoir Breakfast Club
Runs Monday-Friday
(8:40-9.00am)
Industrial Kitchen
* Open to all students



ALBURY GANG SHOW



Albury Entertainment Centre

A two and a half hour show put on by the Scouts and Guides from the Albury / Wodonga region.

Filled with singing, dancing and comedy skits.

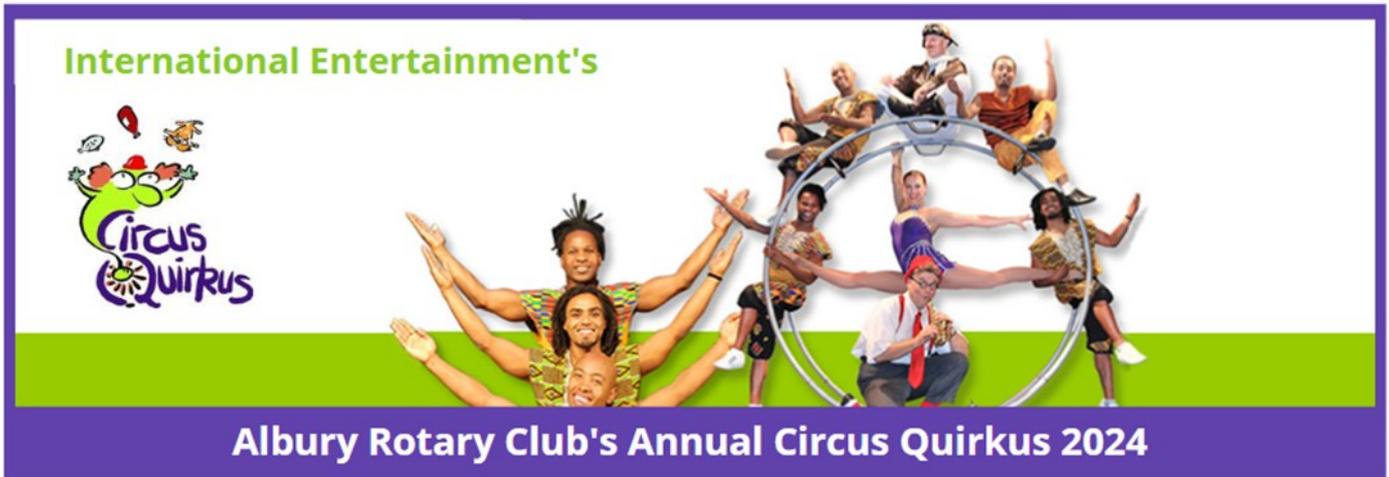
Friday 14th June – 7:30pm

Saturday 15th June – 1.30pm & 7:30pm

Tickets \$25 each; Group 10+ \$22pp

For bookings contact

<https://alburyentertainmentcentre.com.au/whatson/albury-gang-show>



CIRCUS QUIRKUS 2024

WE ARE HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE OUR ANNUAL CIRCUS IS BACK!

COMMERCIAL CLUB - ALBURY

Monday 29th July – 11am, 4.30pm & 6.30pm (Running time: 80 mins)

FREE TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES FROM YOUR ORGANISATION/SCHOOL

CIRCUS QUIRKUS 2024

NAME.....

NUMBER OF TICKETS:

**(REMEMBER THAT EVERY PERSON REQUIRES A TICKET FOR ENTRY)
TO AVOID MISSING OUT ON TICKETS PLEASE RETURN THIS
FORM TO SCHOOL BY FRIDAY 19TH JULY, 2024.**



FoodShare's Community Pantry service supports members of the community experiencing financial hardship by providing:

- fresh fruit and vegetables
- protein and dairy products
- pantry staples/ household items/ frozen

How to access the supermarket:

If you or your family are struggling to put food on the table but you have funds available to cover the cost of a voucher, the agencies listed below are facilitating access to FoodShare vouchers. 1. You will need to buy a \$25 or a \$15 voucher from one of the below locations 2. Take the voucher to redeem it for food and supplies at 81 Wigg Street—FoodShare supermarket.

Vouchers are available from:

- The Personnel Group- 02 6041 1577
- Hyphen - Wodonga Library Gallery
- Vincent de Paul - Wodonga- 02 6024 3493 and leave a message for a call back
- VACCA— 03 5756 9000



The Department of Transport & Planning [Travel Pass program](#) provides free 30-day Travel Passes to Victorian students who are experiencing crisis to ensure they can continue to attend school by using public transport.

The program was recently expanded to include caregivers of eligible students, ensuring that they can accompany a student on their journey. Students' eligibility is determined on a case-by-case basis by the school and the passes can be used across Victoria's public transport network.

Travel Passes

Primary, secondary and specialist schools can receive 30-day Travel Passes free of charge to give to students in crisis.

Travel Passes can be used on:

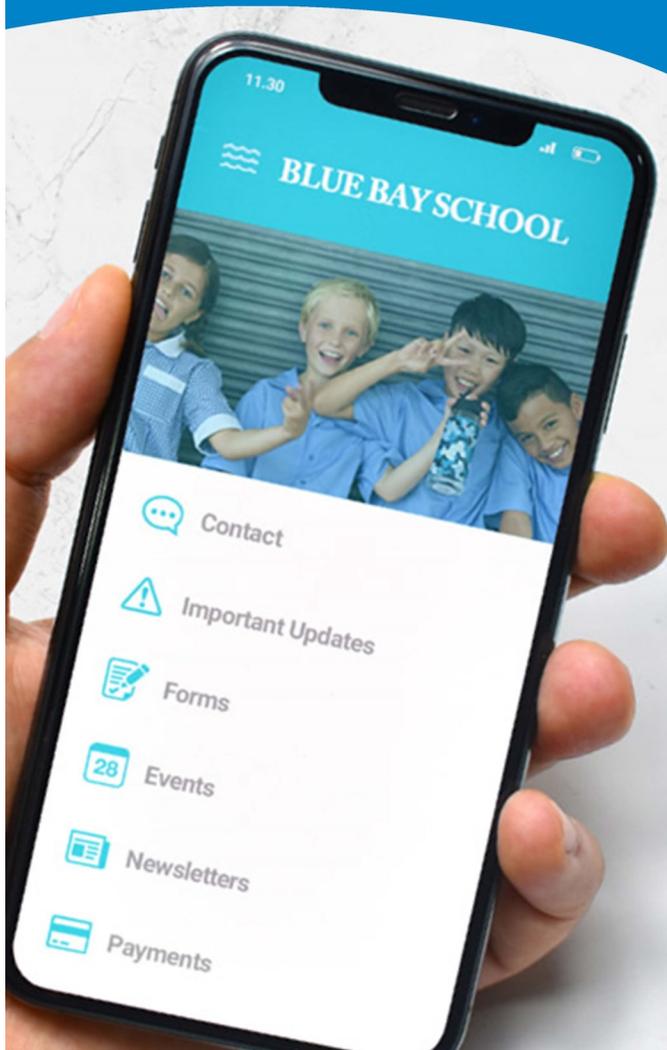
- bus, train and tram trips in metropolitan Melbourne (Zone 1 and 2)
- all regional town buses
- PTV inter-town buses
- V/Line coaches
- V/Line trains.

How to apply

Students can apply directly to their school.

Government schools can apply on behalf of students via their State Schools' Relief online portal.

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.