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# Newsletter

## Education Support Staff Appreciation Day

Today is Education Support appreciation day. At Belvoir Special School we have amazing Education Support staff work across our school, including office and administration staff, facilities, Wellbeing, Allied Health, bus driver, chaperone and classroom staff. We sincerely acknowledge and celebrate the remarkable achievements of our education support staff. Their steadfast dedication and meaningful contributions to both education and the well-being of our students are deeply appreciated. Through their daily efforts—often unseen but always impactful—they help create a supportive, inclusive, and effective learning environment. Their commitment uplifts not only the students they serve but the entire school community.

## ENROLMENTS 2026

We are now taking enrolments for 2026. If you know of a family who is looking to enrol a child at Belvoir Special School, please encourage them to ring the school to organize a Tour and enrolment meeting.

Interested parents and carers will need to contact our School on (02) 6059 8987.



*Pennie Moffat*  
Principal





# SCHOOL BULLETIN



School gates open at 8:45 AM,  
and pickup is at 3:00 PM; Due to  
bus pickup, for student's safety  
students should not be picked  
up between 2.45pm and 3pm.



## DYSON GROUP 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

If your child's bus schedule changes, please  
notify Dysons and email the school.

If your child's INTERCHANGE schedule  
changes, please email the school.

**EMAIL:**

**[belvoir.wodonga.sds@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:belvoir.wodonga.sds@education.vic.gov.au)**

A decorative header featuring various school supplies including pencils, pens, a magnifying glass, a pushpin, a paintbrush, a paperclip, and a spiral notebook.

## SCHOOL BULLETIN

A central graphic with a wooden desk background. It features the text 'PUPIL FREE DAY' in large, bold, black serif font. Surrounding the text are various school supplies: a glass of water, a pink notebook, a container of colored pencils, paper clips, a glue stick, a pencil sharpener, and a magnifying glass.

**PUPIL  
FREE  
DAY**

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May**

# ✦ physio Program ✦



Throughout 2025 Belvoir is continuing its partnership with Going Rural Health and the University of Melbourne to host students studying their Doctor of Physiotherapy for 3-week placement blocks.

At the start of this term we had Liam and Niki join us and they did lots of wonderful work with our students and staff, including:

- Supporting individual students to enhance their mobility and participation in classrooms, PE sessions and outside play.
- Creating an inclusive lunchtime program for the yellow pod students targeting their balance and coordination. The students love the obstacle course!
- Providing professional development for our ES staff on the importance of physio in improving function, socialisation and overall independence.



A **BIG THANK YOU** to Liam and Niki for all of their hard work and we wish them all the best in completing their studies, and in their future careers. We know they will both make wonderful physios!

And as always, a **VERY BIG THANK YOU** to Louise Humphrey (Senior Physiotherapist) for her supervision and oversight of the physio program!

We are looking forward to welcoming two new physio students, Jonathan and Tyler, for their placement in Weeks 6 to 8.

# ART ROOM

This term in the Art Room, we've been aligning our creative projects with the whole-school focus on science, particularly Earth & Space, Physical Science, and Critical and Creative Thinking. Students have engaged in a wide range of multi-sensory art activities that have sparked curiosity and encouraged imaginative expression.

**EACH POD HAS EXPLORED THESE THEMES IN THEIR OWN UNIQUE WAY:**



Yellow Pod created beautiful rainy day umbrella art, exploring weather through colour, shape, and texture.



Purple Pod produced striking fire-inspired artworks using sticks and watercolours, capturing the movement and energy of flames.



Green Pod ventured outdoors to collect natural materials and used them to design their own natural wall hangings.



Purple and Orange Pods have taken a journey into outer space, creating space-themed artworks inspired by planets, stars, and galaxies!

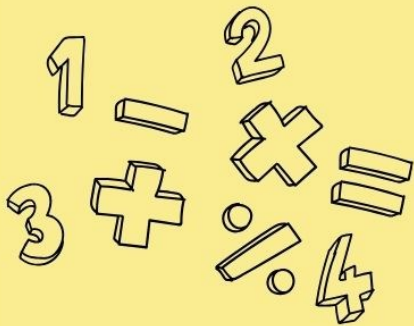


**From the art class teacher Tegan**

# ROOM 5



Room 5 is well into Term 2, and we are growing and learning every day- Literally, as we have started growing some class plants including Grass Heads and bean sprouts. Our Term Topic and Literacy sessions are intertwined as we learn about all things weather, seasons, plants, and farms. Some of the books we have looked at have been The Rainy Day, The Tiny Seed, and A Year on Our Farm.



We are tackling addition and subtraction in Maths and are close to moving on to exploring the concepts of more and less.

Our favourites on a Thursday are still cooking and interoception, and we have enjoyed PE and music too. We have also just started the Sunshine Circles program with CASEA.



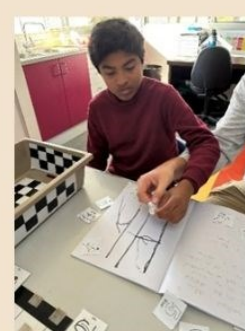
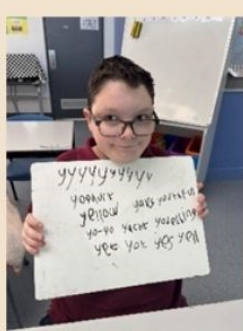
# ROOM 17



We have started the term off running with many exciting events already, including the Mother's Day breakfast and market. We also had some students attend the Soccer Gala Day in Wangaratta which was great to see everyone build on their soccer skills, work as a team and demonstrate good sportsmanship. This week, students from Purple Pod have commenced their swimming program at the Sports and Leisure Centre, which they are enjoying and look forward to continuing in the coming few weeks.



Our class have been working hard in the areas of literacy, with their phonics, word wall words, guided reading comprehension, and a range of writing tasks. In Maths, we have been looking at the topic of 'Place value, Addition and Subtraction'. Students have practised using a range of strategies, tools and concrete materials in counting and in working out addition and subtraction problems. We will be moving onto our money topic next, so we look forward to lots of practical activities.



This term's topic is 'National Weather- Land, Air and Water' and students have been learning about what weather looks like around the world, how we can prepare for different types of weather and how it can be measured. Students are enjoying making some DIY weather stations. Our class have also been displaying great interest in utilising the PMP room and engine room during scheduled times, which has been successful for regulation and building on positive peer interactions.

We look forward to continuing working hard and enjoying the term as it progresses

From the room team 17- Jo F, Chris, Chloe



# ROOM 9

Room 9 have just started swimming lessons and are having a great time.



We have been working on writing our daily calendar, reading, word wall words and adding in math.



We're enjoying playing basketball during outside play.



From the Room team 9- Wenone, Christin, Dylan

# WELLBEING

## Recognising and celebrating IDAHOBIT Day



The Department of Education is committed to ensuring all Victorian government schools are respectful, safe and inclusive places of learning and work for all students, staff and members of our school communities.

As part of this commitment, the department supports schools to join the many other schools and workplaces across the country to recognise International Day Against LGBTIQ+ Discrimination (IDAHOBIT) which falls on 17 May annually.

This is to support lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and gender diverse, intersex, queer, questioning and asexual (LGBTIQ+) people in our schools and the community, in accordance with obligations in the Child Safe Standards to uphold diversity and equity for everyone regardless of their background, characteristics or beliefs.

If you would like more information regarding ways to recognise IDAHOBIT day refer to [www.idahobit.org.au](http://www.idahobit.org.au) or [www.minus18.org.au](http://www.minus18.org.au).

If you have any queries, you can contact the department by email:  
[enquiries@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:enquiries@education.vic.gov.au)



# BELVOIR SPECIAL SCHOOL POST-SCHOOL EXPO



**INVITATION**

## An Exhibition for Post School

Belvoir families are invited to attend our Post-School Expo on Wednesday, May 28th. This event provides families with valuable information and resources regarding the various support services and options available to their children through their senior school years. It will also allow you to explore the different options available for your child once they have completed year 12.

The aim of the expo is to provide disability organisations and support services the opportunity to showcase what they offer and to give parents/carers the chance to speak to a representative face-to-face.

We hope to see you there!

**Date: Wednesday May 28th, 2025 (week 6)**

**Time: 3:00PM - 5:30 PM**

**Venue: Belvoir School Gymnasium**



**Albury**



**Wodonga**



**Our next session is:  
Saturday, 7th June 2025**

**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  
Wodonga Senior Citizens Centre  
(Near The Cube and Library)**

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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.