



Bellevue Heights Primary School

Learning & Growing Together to Enrich the World

**Newsletter Week 2 Term 3
Wednesday 29 July 2020**

Events in Term Three!



SAPSASA knockout soccer (East Hackham PS) Friday July 31

SAPSASA knockout netball (Coromandel PS) Friday July 31

Eden Hills Kindy Talk Wednesday August 5: 7-8 pm

Governing Council Monday August 10 7pm in library

School Photos Thursday August 13

Pupil Free Day Friday September 11

Governing Council Monday September 7 7pm in library

SRC Carnival Thursday September 24

End of term three Friday September 25 2.30 pm finish



Dear parents and community members,

Welcome to our week two newsletter. In my last week's news I noted that with the secondment of Mary Arnold to Central Office, we would be looking to find a temporary replacement. This process is now complete and we are thrilled to announce that Margot Bradley will take on the acting position of Deputy Principal for terms three and four. Margot is an amazing educator with significant leadership skills. We look forward to the contributions she will make to the daily running of the school. This of course means that there will be some further shuffling of staff but once this process is complete we will inform you.

As you may have noticed we have not entered many events / activities for term three in our events calendar. Due to social distancing restrictions we are not able to have parents attend Monday school assemblies and when we conduct our general assemblies we can only invite the parents of the host class to attend. This is very sad for us all but we have to abide by the rules set for us.

Camps / Excursions 2021. It is similarly regrettable that we are not able to conduct school camps this term and following a general conversation with staff it was decided that for 2020 BHPS would not hold any

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Bell Times

8:40am	Students can arrive
9:00am	School starts
10:55am	Recess starts
11:25am	Recess ends
1:05pm	Eat lunch in class
1:15pm	Play time starts
1:50pm	Lunch ends
3:30pm	School ends



camps. We are so conscious of how everyone looks forward to these events but in light of the fact that our camps can be cancelled at any point in time we did not think it wise to commence the very intense planning of a camp only to have it cancelled at any moment. The situation in Victoria is something that we as a school are very mindful of and whilst we do not want to subscribe to pessimism, realistically we are aware that situations can quickly escalate. However staff are looking at incursions and potential one day excursions to ensure that our students are given a variety of learning experiences. As I noted last term we have been put on a waiting list for water safety lessons in term four but we do not know if we will be given a timeslot as these activities are booked up a year in advance.

The term however has commenced well. We wish our SAPSASA knockout soccer and netball players all the best for this Friday's competitions. Students are busy working on inquiry tasks and the robotics teams are preparing for the upcoming competition in term four.

Until next week

Marie-Louise

Governing Chair Report

Dear school community, over the last 6 months Governing Council has been meeting via Zoom. Committees such as Facilities and the Garden Patch have had to go on hold as social distancing rules meant sleeves couldn't be rolled up and plans actioned. Other committees have been able to continue on.

Our P & F kept an eye on any chance they could to support the school and local business. Bakery and pizza lunch orders were welcome reminders of normality. Day to day OSHC and Vac Care continued whilst navigating evolving guidelines and requirements in uncertain times. Our Education committee continued reviewing the uniform policy. Staff kept us up to date with what our kids were learning and the innovations that COVID-19 brought to us. We would like to thank our staff for all their work and communication during this very strange time.

In 2020 we were unable to fill one of the positions on Governing Council and we would really like all positions to be filled in 2021. If you are interested in finding out about Governing Council or committees please contact the office and I can answer any questions. We also say farewell to our IELC representative Irena Joschko who is returning to Germany.

Lastly a big thank you and farewell to Mary Arnold our Deputy Principal who has been a driving force at Bellevue Heights for many years. Her passion for the school, the students and the community has been an inspiration to us all and she will be very missed. Governing Council are in contact with Mary about a community celebration in the coming months. We wish her well with her next adventure in education.

Thank you to our community for following the guidelines regarding social distancing to create the safest possible environment for our families and school staff.

Natasha Grundy

SCHOOL AWARDS

The school award system recognises and rewards positive social and academic achievement.

There are three levels:

School Awards & Principal Awards

Awards for Excellence (10 School &/or Principal Awards)

School Medal (10 Awards for Excellence)



Awards for Excellence

Recipients

The following students have earned an Award for Excellence certificate : Sofina, Ines, Elicia

North-Wing Bake Sale!!

Hi,

As part of Year 6/7's leadership lessons, the Green-Team will be having a bake-sale. This will be to raise money to purchase some fresh new plants for the school grounds! When, you ask? Good question. It'll be held on Friday of Week 4 (August 14th) during both recess and lunch. We'll have plenty of different options for you and they'll range from 50c to \$2. We'll also have plenty of gluten-free options too! Oh, and none of the products will contain nuts either!!

Keep the date in your diaries and we look forward to seeing you!

Regards, Green-Team



Impacts of Learning from Home on Students.

Governing Council Staff Report

Students were asked several questions about their experiences with the changes to schooling caused by Covid19. Student voice is vital for teachers and parents to understand as we keep their well-being in mind through this time. Although we did not have a long lockdown like other states, this is still important to know. Here is a summary of their responses.

1. How did you feel, manage, cope with having to stay at home to do your schooling during the last few months?

Responses ranged here from fun, calm, safe, to tricky, lonely and sad. The positives included quiet working and setting own goals. The negatives included missing friends and teachers as well as missing PE and playing games.

I was happy working at home. I was excited coming back to school – Cameron

I enjoyed it, it was easy to finish lessons and that gave me more time for other stuff. - Katherine

I did not do home learning. I felt scared when Covid 19 started, but at school I felt more calm about it. - Anon

It felt very awful because I couldn't see friends or have sleepovers. I coped by eating...a lot! – Yesandi

I liked learning at home because I like doing all my learning on the computer – Ethan

2. What were your impressions, thoughts, feelings about learning online / at home?

The following sums up everyone's responses well.

Learning at home is better because:

There are no distractions – Surya

We like learning on our devices – Ines and Avery

Amelie, Skye, Sherri and Scarlett say that learning at school is better because:

We get a break from our brothers and sisters

We have all the right equipment and furniture at school

We have different teachers

We can have lunch orders

Hunter, Sammy, Caley, Udo and Leonie say that you can see your friends and your lessons are explained properly.

3. How has your learning been going through this whole time? What has encouraged you? What has been hard?

This had a 50/50 response – half found it easier, half found it harder. Some reasons included parents working and being too busy to help and sibling distractions. Some overseas students found that they stopped speaking English so much.

4. What has changed/ what is missing/ what are we now doing at school since you have all come back? How do you feel about this?

I was disappointed – I begged my parents for months to go to camp. They finally said yes and then BOOM... it's gone. – Yarah

Felt more involved whilst being on campus compared to when learning at home. Rhiannon.

5. What would you like to do / how did you help in the Covid19 situation?

Most students expressed how they had become very good at hygiene practices. Also:

I want to build more hospitals – Maria

I tried to help my parents (to limit stress) i.e. cook dinner (I tried) and look after siblings. - Zain

*Schooling is so important to our children. We can learn a lot from their contributions.
With these thoughts in mind we can be better prepared for the future. – Margot Bradley*



Parents & Friends Information

Issue 5 of Scholastic Book Club has arrived! The library has the brochures for interested students to collect.

Orders are to be made/paid for by 3rd August.

There is only **ONE** brochure for all Year levels.

For credit card orders there is 'LOOP' (Linked Online Ordering Payment) way of ordering. Please come and see Marie Groen for any queries.



P&F ONGOING EVENTS

SCHOOL SHOE REWARD

Need a new pair of school shoes?

Athletes Foot at Marion will donate \$5 to the school for every pair of school shoes purchased. Just mention you come from Bellevue Heights Primary.



STUCK ON YOU

PERSONALISED LABELS

Are you sick and tired of losing lunch boxes and school jumpers?

[https://](https://www.stuckonyou.com.au/affiliate/fundraiser/BELLEVUEHEIGHTSPRIMARY)

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Don't forget to place your orders on the school fundraising page via the link above so proceeds come to the school.

This will be an ongoing fundraiser for the school so you can order at any time of the year and we will continue to benefit.



BELLEVUE HEIGHTS PS OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Harper and Scarlett Kay have organized with the help of OSHC educator, Vicki, to support –

"BREAD TAGS FOR WHEELCHAIRS"

- by collecting bread tags. If you would like to help – save your bread tags and bring them to OSHC or school front office.



More information is available at OSHC

DRAKE / FOODLAND

COMMUNITY DOLLARS

Do you or a member of your family shop at Drake Blackwood?



The school is part of the Drake Foodland's 'Community Dollars Scheme'.

Just collect a 'tag' from the school office for yourself or friends & neighbours.

Each time you make a purchase, swipe your tag and for every two dollars spent, one cent will be credited to our school account.

Community News & Special Events

FOR ALL EVENTS LISTED, FURTHER INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Groups advertising in community news are not necessarily endorsed by the school.

Families need to use their own discretion whether to seek more information about them.

BELLEVUE HEIGHTS JUNIOR FIELD NATURALISTS' CLUB

This club is only one of two in Adelaide and is a nature club for children 5 yrs upwards and is affiliated with the Field Naturalists' Society of SA. The meetings are usually held on the last Thursday of each month (except December & January). Check newsletter calendar for next date. Venue: Bellevue Heights Primary School Activity Room. Time: 7:00—8:15 p.m. Fee: \$35.00 per family per year. A guest speaker attends each meeting and a wide variety of topics are covered. Occasional field trips are held during the year. Parents are more than welcome to attend with their children if they wish. Contact is Rona Sakko 0419827723 ronadel@dodo.com.au