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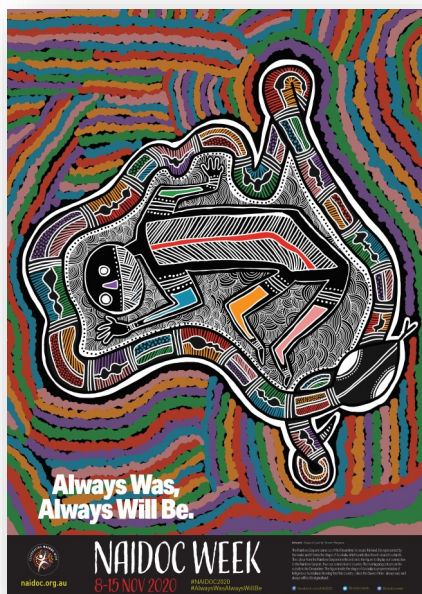
Newsletter Date
Week 5 Term 4

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Dear parents and community members,

Every week at Bellevue Primary seems to be punctuated by special events. Emphasis is placed on building and maintaining strong relationships between teachers and students by providing opportunities to learn and inspire. This week we have acknowledged and participated in a number of activities relating to NAIDOC week and Remembrance Day.

The theme for NAIDOC week in 2020 is *Always Was. Always Will Be.* Rescheduled due to COVID-19, NAIDOC Week events at Bellevue Heights included an assembly with special guests, Aunty Janice, Aunty Di and Aunty Lorna from the Southern Elders Weaving Group. Lilah and Lily interviewed the weavers and we learnt about their experiences. Some classes were taught traditional ways of weaving and other classes were



given the task to weave our PODS, bicycle rims and create a mural for the front fence. Dreaming stories have been shared across buddy classes and Ms Kenneally's class undertook a study on the role of Aboriginal soldiers in world war one. This information was shared at the Remembrance Day Ceremony

I cannot express how proud I was of our Reception and Year One students who led our Remembrance Day ceremony on Wednesday. They were supported by room 14 (Ms Bland/Rowan's 6/7class). Paper Poppies have been planted in our

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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

Students need to be collected by 3:50pm



IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 4

Friday November 20

Kindy Transition Visits
9-11:30

Yr 6 Sports Day at BHS

Monday November 23

Sports Awards Assembly

Friday November 27

Rolling School Showcase

Wednesday December 2

Class placements sent home

Friday December 4

Kindy Transition Visits
9-1pm

Morning Tea for Parents of
new Reception students.
Other parents welcome

9-11am 2021 Class transition

Monday December 7

Christmas Raffle Drawn

Tuesday December 8

MP EOY Excursions

Wednesday December 9

Year 7 Graduation

Friday December 11

UP EOY Excursion

Pizza Lunch

Last day of Term 4
2:30pm dismissal

Upcoming school closure

Week 8 Monday Nov 30
School Closure—**NO OSHC**

front garden and students across the school have read many stories about courage and how important it is for us to live together in harmony.



Bellevue Showcase

Due to COVID restrictions our *concert* this year will take a new format. In order to maximize parent attendance, classes are combining to present and showcase items.

Each session will include time to enter the gym, class performances, time to exit and enjoy an iceblock and short time together on the oval.

Friday Week 7 27th November 2020

Bellevue Showcase Times

9:30 - 10:30am	Rachel and Mrs Petrovic
10:45 - 11:45am	Miss Elle, Mrs Whibley and Miss May-Lee / Miss Alison (R/1)
12:00 - 1:00pm	Mrs Kenneally / Miss Alison (3/4), Mr Mallee, Miss Debbie / Jenni
1:15 - 2:15pm	Ms Bowman / Miss Dunning and Mrs Potter
2:30 - 3:30pm	Mr Goodes, Bec, Mrs Bland / Rowan



On the 23rd October, four teams of students from Bellevue Heights competed in a fierce on-stage robot dance battle for a chance to win the prestigious State Junior Robocup Championships. Our teams created a performance using EV3 Robots which required music selection and editing, prop design and building as well as robot coding. After two performances, three teams were advanced to the finals. Bellevue had The Star Wars and Pirate Teams reach finals, placing second and third. It was a very enlightening experience for all who participated. Although it was a lot of hard work, we learned a lot about robotics, and we have come away with ideas of what we can do next year to take home first prize.

Written by Clara

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Student Wellbeing

2020 certainly has been a very strange and unpredictable year for all. As 2021 approaches it will be met with optimism but also for some, nervousness.

The new year in a school sees many changes, new year level, new students, friendships and teachers to name a few. For our Year 7 students they will embark on their high school days. Some people embrace change, but for others it can be a very anxious time.

Attached is an article from Raising Kids Australia. It does focus on the transition from Primary to Secondary but many of these tips are relevant from year to year within Primary also. The best ways to support children is always to listen to questions or worries and reassure that all will be ok.

I am always happy to talk about wellbeing concerns with families and children.

<https://raisingchildren.net.au/pre-teens/school-education/school-choosing-starting-moving/starting-secondary-school>

Angela Thorburn
Student Wellbeing Leader

2020 SA REFUGEE WEEK POSTER AWARDS

Across the world, there are twenty-six million refugees, half of whom are children.

The SA Refugee Week Youth Poster Awards Exhibition provides students from primary, secondary and tertiary institutions the opportunity through art making to raise awareness about issues affecting refugees and the valuable contributions of refugees to Australia's social, cultural and economic development. The project also educates young people on themes such as multiculturalism, human rights and cultural diversity. An exhibition of the finalists' posters is showcased at the Kerry Packer Civic Gallery, with participating students and their schools receiving awards and certificates at the launch of the exhibition.

The upper primary IELP class entered thirteen posters into the competition and three of them were chosen to be in the exhibition. We congratulate Hayat, Jiayi and Sonadi who were our finalists. All of the posters entered were amazing.

The posters are on display in the Hawke Centre UniSA until November 25th or you can view them all online at www.amrc.org.au/news.

SCHOOL AWARDS

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

There are three levels:

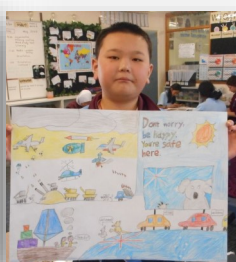
School Awards & Principal Awards

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:
Eliza, Mikx, Joe and Hoaran



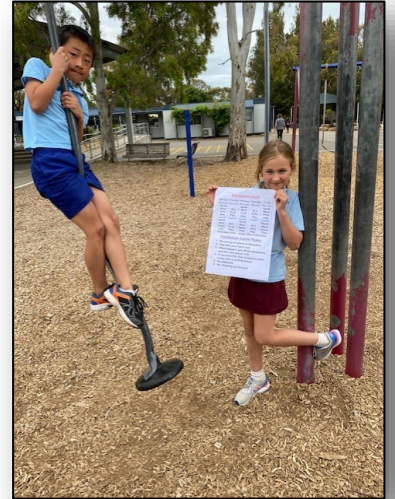
Week 3 Recipients

**Below: SAPSASA
2020 Team**



Student Voice - Our SRC

Each fortnight our SRC representatives hold a class meeting to raise student concerns or share ideas for whole school activities. Our SRC reps present these requests to the SRC committee for discussion. Recently the Room 6 students expressed concern to their class reps that they weren't able to get their turn on the pendulums in the yard because the "big kids" were always on them. Our reps, Udo and Scarlett, took this matter to the SRC committee meeting and the next day the Pendulum Roster was distributed and students across the school were reminded about sharing the equipment. Our younger children have been happy to play on the pendulums again and our older students have been so gracious in their acceptance of the play times. Building trust and respect across year levels is an important aspect of cultivating our school values. This has been a great example of the effectiveness of student voice in resolving issues and we acknowledge the terrific leadership being shown by our SRC executive.



Remembrance Day 11-11-2020

This is a special day of remembrance in many countries across the world. Remembrance Day started after World War One, but is now a day where we reflect on all wars past and on the loss of life that has been given for the protection of our country and our values.



Scholastic Book Fair

Each student who purchased a book from our book fair received a raffle ticket. The prize was \$30 worth of free books kindly donated from Scholastic Inc.

Our winners were Mischa and Selita.

Congratulations

Our Book Fair sales has provided our school with \$164.00 worth of free books and \$591.00 worth of book points for us to spend from the Scholastic website. Thank you to all the students who helped Mrs Groen choose the books for our library.

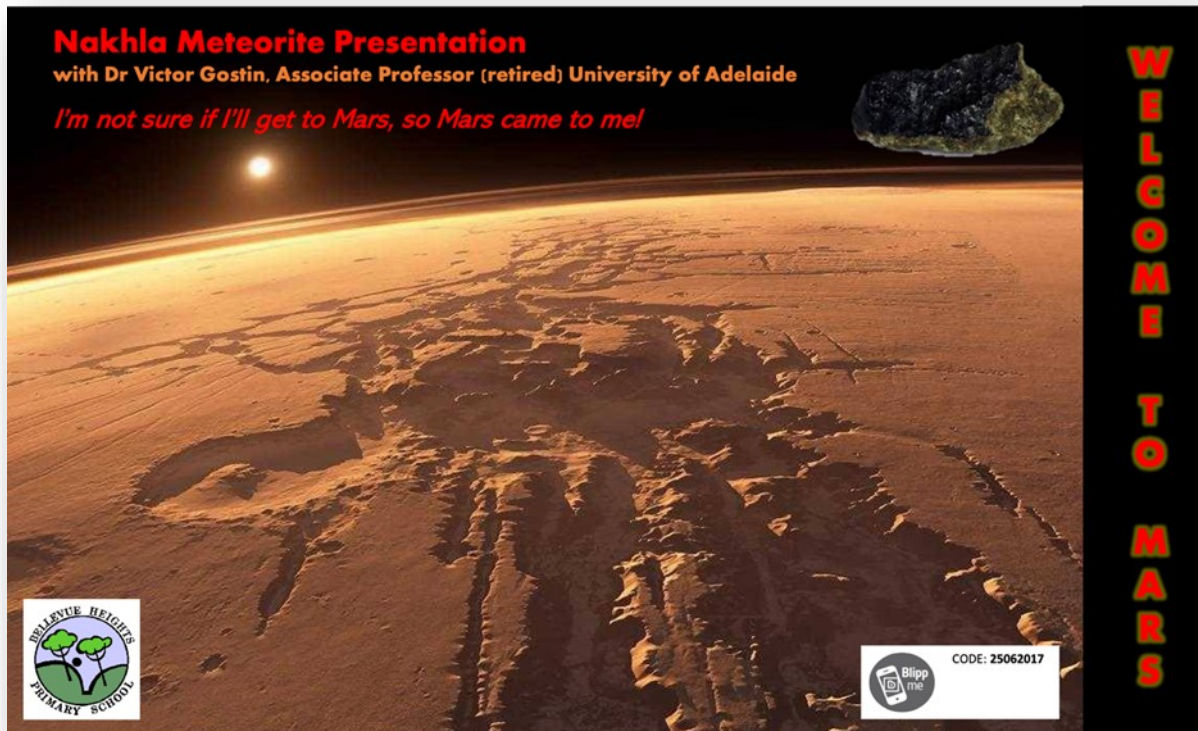


BOOKWEEK NEWS

We celebrated Bookweek in a number of ways last week with craft activities showcasing some of the Childrens Book Council of Australia Shortlisted Books every lunchtime, making Curious Creatures with Ms Debbie and Ms Jenni's class followed on by writing narratives, Underwater Curious creatures with Mr Mallees class and Ms Blands leadership students 'Wild Minds' display. Our Dressup parade was a HUGE hit with many students wearing their National Dress and some very creative 'Curious Creatures and Wild Minds'. The



WELCOME TO MARS



On 28th October, the school was visited by scientist Dr Victor Gostin, Associate Professor (retired), University of Adelaide. Victor is an established earth scientist who even has an asteroid (3640 GOSTIN) named after him. Victor gave a presentation to the Year 5-7 students, discussing the origins and evolution of the solar system and of life, meteorite impacts and the exciting potential for the existence of extra-terrestrial life. Victor then visited the Year 5-7 students with a series of meteorites that the students could hold and examine. The meteorites consisted of a fragment of the Nakhla meteorite (believed by scientists to be a piece of Mars), a meteorite from the Henbury impact crater in the Northern Territory, tektites formed from terrestrial debris ejected during meteorite impacts, meteorites discovered in Antarctica, space dust and other iron-nickel meteorites from the formation of the Solar System! The students were fascinated by the experience and photos can be seen in the Blipp linked to the image above (see instructions to the right).

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Mission to Mars

On Friday the 23rd of October, Room 16 and some of room 14 went on an excursion to the Hamilton College Space School. We were all very excited to be going on a Mission to Mars.

Firstly, we discussed what we would be doing for the day and heard all about the famous astronauts who had visited the school. We watched a cool video about the Solar System and looked at the NASA Eye website which shows you where all the planets are in real time. After our group chat, we got changed into spacesuits and then split into two groups. One group started as mission controllers and the other group were to be astronauts exploring the surface of Mars. We swapped roles after lunch so that all of us experienced both jobs. Lastly, we tested some of the soil and rock samples we collected from the surface of Mars and did some other problem solving.

Our Mission to Mars was a great experience because there was a lot of learning happening in a really fun way. It made me feel like I was an actual professional astronaut because we were able to wear real spacesuits and use other really expensive equipment. Even though the mission made me feel like a professional, I found it was really hard to breathe while being on Mars. The suits were hot and the helmets were heavy. I realized how hard it would be to wear a suit and do the job you were sent to do. I liked the way they taught us what type of rocks are on Mars, how cold and warm the rocks are and that there are so many different types. There were two types of space suits we wore; a dark blue and an orange one. I liked the orange suit the most because it looked more realistic. It was good that I liked the orange one the most because I was in team orange - the Vikings.

In conclusion, Mission to Mars was a fun excursion and I would definitely recommend it to other schools. It wasn't just fun but also a big learning experience.

Lynn Oving, Room 16 (IELP)



All year 6/7 students attended this excursion across three separate days.

The students rated it 10/10!

