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Newsletter Date Term 4 Week 9

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Dear parents/carers

As we come to the end of this year, it is with great pride that I can look back at the many achievements of our students, They have worked so hard and developed their unique character strengths. We are truly proud of them. The many values that have been on display throughout the year have particularly come to the fore as we end the term - respect, honesty, care and courage. These values combined strengthen your children's character and capacity to make the most of every aspect of school life.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff for their commitment to their classes this year. We have had many challenges as is the norm for any school and the staff at Bellevue Heights have embraced them with goodwill and determination. I would also like to thank all parents and carers for their support. A great deal of what we do in school cannot be achieved without you and your co-operation and backing. Many thanks and we look forward to being able to invite you into our school without the restrictions we have had to implement.

I would also like to wish all children who are leaving us at the end of this year all the very best on their journey. I know that they have all had a great start here at Bellevue and am confident that they will go on to achieve great things in the future.

Finally, I would like to wish you a safe and happy Christmas and a relaxing summer holiday. For those of you who travel on our roads take care. We look forward to working with you again in 2023. And for those of you who are not sure, school recommences on Monday, 30 January.

Kind regards,

Marie-Louise and Margot.

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 1 2023

Monday 30 Jan

Term 1 starts

Tuesday 14 Feb

Annual General Meeting and Acquaintance night

Thursday 16 Feb

Year 5/6 Aquatics Day

Monday 13 March

Adelaide Cup Holiday

7-10 April

Easter

Friday 14April

Term 1 ends

Pupil Free Dates for 2023

Monday 1 May

Tuesday 13 June

Monday 24 July

Monday 6 November

School Closure;

Monday 4 Sept

Upcoming School Tours

Ring the Office to book

Awards



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:

Hugo, Aria, Lily, Arius, Isaac H, Cash, Clementine, Edith, Ella M, Will A, Knox, Harry Softy, Charlie H,

This week:

Isaac M, Kiko, Mahalia, Dom, Mason, Sophia, Surya, Mani, Violia, Pippa, Charli P, Yvette, Erin, Charlie H, Charlie M, Liam A





Congratulations to our Senior Cricket team for term 4 2022.

And a big thank you to Rebecca and Tranh for coaching and training the team.

Don't forget to get your registration form in if you wish to play Cricket in 2023.

Team nominations are due beginning of February.

Concert



Room 19 Christmas Concert Review

The 2022 Christmas concert was so much fun. We loved seeing all the different ways each class performed their item.

Our class loved learning our two songs and dance with Mr Mallee's class.

It was really fun to work in a small group and make up our own dance for the middle part of 'Rockin around the Christmas Tree".

The best part of the night was having a picnic and play before the concert with our family and friends.

Of course the teachers dance was a fantastic to way to end the night!



Concert































Art Projects

This term there have been 2 art projects happening, a mural for the chicken shed and some stobie pole art. Sarah Ward, aka a very talented Art Teacher, worked with small groups with the two projects. The students were encouraged and supported through the creative process.

Some words from Sarah,

'The students involved all worked well together and were very respectful of the space, process and materials. All students were keen to participate as a group and















interacted positively together to share ideas and encourage each other as they worked. There was also shared excitement with those, although not directly involved with the painting, who enjoyed watching the painting evolve through its many stages.'

The stobie pole art is already up outside the school on Shepard's Hill Road, take a look when you are coming to school one day. The chicken shed mural will be hung in the following weeks and we know it will be a fabulous edition to the yard.

Well done to everyone who was involved in the process.

VOLUNTEER





Thursday only

Blackwood High School provide us with a school lunch service for students on THURSDAY ONLY.

We need the help of our lovey parents to pick up our lunches at 12.30pm each week and drop them off to us.

If you are available to help with this in 2023 can you please contact our office on 82787182.

Room 19 has been writing poetry in term 4

Students have been reading and writing poetry and learning about all kinds of poems. One of the types of poems we explore were shape poems. A Shape poem describes an object and is written in the shape of that particular object. Students used objects that inspired them and were very creative. They started by finding a list of words describing their objects, then found some ideas they could write about to describe what that particular object makes them feel or what it looks like. Here are some examples of their shape poems:

The Fire

I am a fire you can't tire because I flicker so bright

In the night I am still alight to keep this house warm

I am a fire you can't retire!

-Kiko

The Egg

Eggy, Eggy, scrambled or sunny

Good with bacon, maple syrup or chili

White and yellow eggy eggy

Please be yummy, eggy eggy

-Vivienne

Footy

Kick a football, kick kick, kick

Get an icy pole, lick, lick, lick

Look at your watch, tick, tick, tick

Kick a football, score a goal

Then dig a hole and see a mole

-Henry

Grief

Grief can come and grief can go

But it's normally from people dying, you know

It's hard to watch them leave

But they're still here, if you believe

Grief is sad but it's not bad as after it,

You can feel glad with your mum and dad

-Evie



What we've been learning in Room 1: Year 2/3

PLACE VALUE

In Room 1, we've been deepening our understandings of place value. Place value is the foundation of every maths concept and is essential for progressing with maths with confidence and complete mathematical understandings.

Students learned about our base ten system by representing numbers in terms of their place value, parts, naming, and recording. A strong focus was on developing the language required to discuss and pose questions to solve place value problems, and to answer the question, What is place value?

Through various hands on learning experiences they deepened their understanding of '10 of these is 1 of those', and '1000 of these is one of those'.

'What's my number?'

"We played a fun game where we had to ask questions to try and work out what our number was. You could only answer people with yes or no."







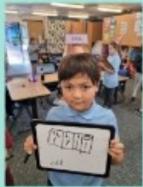


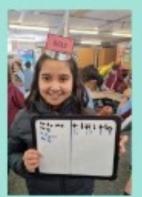






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Students had fun deepening their understandings through:

- bundling and stacking materials
- bundling pop sticks playing first to 100, and creating 4 & 5 digit numbers
- playing place value party, and posing number questions to solve 'What's my Number?'
- making equivalent numbers using MAB blocks and place value charts
- participating in daily number talks, and listening to stories
- · playing beat the teacher and cover up
- · counting forwards and backwards
- representing numbers in multiple ways (word ford, expanded, partition, and draw)



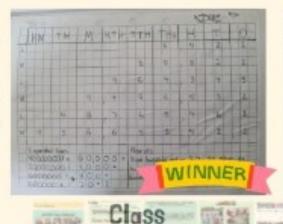






Beat the teacher

Our very confident Year 2/3's challenged themselves and wanted to play a few games including 6, 7, 8 and 9 digit numbers. They won the ultimate round through strategically placing their numbers.



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				6	8	7	5	1
			9	7	6	7	2	2
		1	8	(8)	1	3	3	1
	19	2	7	5	6	3	2	3
2	7					3		-

Mrs Potter

Nature Play Excursion to Colbrook

On Wednesday, December 7th, Rooms 1 and 19 went on a Nature Play excursion with Mr Nicholson. Accompanied by their teachers and several parent volunteers, the students left Bellevue Heights PS just after recess and walked up Shepherds Hill Road to Colebrook Reconciliation Park. Mr Nicholson gave a brief Acknowledgment of Country and provided some history about the site. Students were placed in small groups of 6 or 7 to participate in a number of Nature Play activities including a talking post trail to hear stories of Colebrook residents, learning how to play knucklebones, whittling walking sticks, making seed bombs, collecting small treasures from nature in a scavenger hunt and playing blindfold games. The students were already well practiced at most of the activities and groups were able to participate effectively in each rotation activity.

Following this, the students cleaned up and had their lunch at Colebrook. After a quick reminder of snake danger while bushwalking, the whole group gathered with whittled walking sticks in hand to undertake a bushwalk through Karinya Reserve. This allowed students the opportunity to get right amongst nature, at times not even able to see man-made structures. The students all did well to make it through the hike unscathed and we arrived at the Karinya playground for toilet and water breaks and a few minutes of free play. Afterward, Mr Nicholson cheekily took them back through the bush with everyone thinking it would take a long time to get back, but it was a 5-minute short cut and we were all back at Colebrook. The students were asked to get out their nature journals, were provided a pencil, and asked to draw or write about their experience. It was then time to return to school, so we headed back down Shepherds Hill Road and arrived with plenty of time to thank everyone involved for a successful excursion and have a few minutes back in the classroom. I'm sure everyone slept well that night, I know I did!

Mr Nicholson













Nature Play Excursion to Colbrook



















On Wednesday, in nature play I enjoyed going on a bush walk. I liked it because I could be out with nature and socialise with my friends. I also liked the time with my friends and doing the nature play activities.

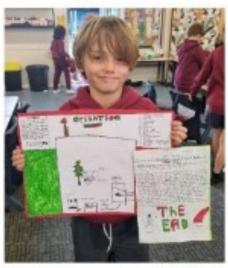
By Edith



Santa Trap

After singing, 'Santa's coming for us' at our wonderful Bellevue
Heights Christmas concert, Santa was certainly on our minds. This
sparked the inspiration for reading, The Santa Trap by Jonathan
Emmett, and designing our very own Santa traps. Students also
wrote stories and designed plans on, 'How to catch a Christmas Elf'.

Students illustrated and labelled their well thought out designs, named their inventions, listed the materials required to make them, wrote about their inspiration, and used their vibrant imaginations to explain their results. Many tales spoke of success, and others catching an innocent bystander (mum, dad and siblings).















Year 5 Chess Club

Year 5 Chess Tournament

During this semester the Year 5s have gathered together each week and developed their skills at playing chess. Students started off with differing levels of knowledge and experience around the game - some starting out with a lot, while others started with only a little. In class we began by looking at some of the basics of the game, such as the names of different pieces and where they can or cannot move. We then looked at game openings and after that progressed to game strategy. Once everyone had built up some confidence in the game, we started playing our own tournament. The girls and boys played separate tournaments which both ran for six rounds. Students were awarded 3 points for a win, 2 points for a draw, 1 point for a loss and 0 for any games not played.

















Judo



Earlier in December some of our students competed in Judo competitions both here and interstate.

Seb, Dom and Charlie Howard and Liev Tingey competed in Melbourne while Danny Campbell competed in a different competition in Adelaide.

All students competed well, learnt so much and had a great time.

Danny competed in a local Kodokan Judo competition and won silver in his division. He did well after he had to pull out of his first match because he was hurt. He then went on to win all of his remaining matches, and won silver.

In the first Melbourne Competition, Seb won bronze, Dom won silver and Charlie won bronze. In the second Melbourne comp, a Judo Victoria summer competition, Seb and Dom won bronze each in their divisions and Charlie won silver in his







Liev won gold in the Junior boy and Girls division at the Melbourne Competition. He won the last match in the last 20 seconds of











Mikayla from 'Bloom Journey' is sponsoring Graduation and doing some amazing flowers and lending us a backdrop. She is located in Blackwood, please support local business.

Holiday Activities



Helen Rice Club Professional Coach Tennis Australia

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'AUS OPEN' Grand Slam Tennis Clinics



Come and join the fun these school holidays at one (or more!) of our Aus Open Grand Slam Tennis Clinics!

These clinics are a great way to fast track your tennis development, and/or get started with tennis. These school holidays we are running groups for all levels at Denman and Bellevue Heights TC @

BOOK ONLINE OR EMAIL YOUR REGO AND PAY VIA EFT

VENUE: Denman Tennis Club

Clinic 1: Monday December 19th, Tuesday 20th, Thursday 22th, Friday 23th Clinic 2: Tuesday January 10th, Wednesday 11th, Thursday 12th Friday 13th Clinic 3: Monday January 16th, Tuesday 17th, Thursday 19th, Friday 20th Clinic 4: Monday January 23th, Tuesday 24th, Wednesday 25th

VENUE: Bellevue Heights Tennis Club

Clinic 1: Monday January 23rd, Tuesday 24th

Level/Time/Cost	1 Day	2	3	4
peeWee/Red Ball Hot Shots (3-8 years) 9:00-11:00am (2 hours)	\$60	\$107	\$144	\$153
Orange Ball Hot Shots (8-11 years) 9:00am-12:00noon (3 hours)	\$75	\$138	\$186	\$196
Green Ball Hot Shots (9-12 years) 9:00am-12:00noon (3 hours)	\$75	\$138	\$186	\$196
Yellow Ball/Competition (11-17 years) 9:00am-12:00noon (3 hours)	\$75	\$138	\$186	\$196

FEATURES:

- Small student/coach ratio
- Stroke analysis and correction/iPad
- Drills, fun games & AO round robin matches
- Free gift for all

AUS OPEN Special for private lessons 4 lessons for the price of 3 During December/January school holidays Dec 19" – Jan 29" (closed 24" Dec – 10" Jan)

THAVE PAID VIA: EFT / CASH / ON LINE

WHAT TO BRING: Racquet, Hat, Drink, Snack, Sunscreen

FULL PAYMENT MUST BE MADE PRIOR TO THE CLINIC

Note: 1. Still come along if it is wet, lots of relevant and great activities

2. Sending this form with full payment confirms your booking. Just come along on the day

3. Helen Rice Tennis School will not be liable for any injury/damage to property or loss of property during the clinic

Name		Home Phone	
Date of birth		Mobile	
Address		Postcode	School
Parent's Name/Sign		How did you find out	?
Email		Medical condition	
Are you currently play	ing tennis, if so what level?		
PLEASE CIRCLE: (Indicate which clinic, days and level)	Clinic 4 (Mon, Tues, Wed) 1, 2, 3 or 4 days	Bellevuer	Thurs, Fri) Clinic 3 (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri) Clinic 1 (Mon, Tues)
	Level: Red/peewee Orange	e/Green ball Yellow ball	

Holiday Activities







BOOK NOW 0433 358 978

MORE INFO: FACEBOOK.COM/ GRIFFINAIKIDO

Check out Google reviews







Mountain Biking Programs - School Holidays

Head for the Hills has a range of Mountain Bike programs coming up in the school holidays for students aged 10-14.

School Holiday programs include their popular Holiday Geocache Adventure, Holiday Skills Clinics, and Holiday Skills for Girls. These programs focus on the key skills of mountain biking and will develop the students:

- · Bike handling and balance
- · Control and trail reading
- Technique (discipline independent)

Students will also learn about the non-practical aspects of mountain biking, including:

- Trail etiquette for shared-use networks
- · Risk assessment and management skills
- Knowledge of participation opportunities

For more information, visit <u>headforthehills.net.au/juniors/school-holiday-programs/</u>

Holiday Activities



Where Golf and Community Meet

2023 JUNIOR GOLF CLINICS

ALL AGES WELCOME

-NOVICE--INTERMEDIATE--ADVANCED-



TERM 1 CLINICS (6 weeks)

WHEN: Every Wednesday 8th February – 15th March

TIME: 4pm – 5pm

COST: \$65

To book or find out more visit: www.fhgc.com.au/golf/junior-golf

