



BELLEVUE HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter Date
Term 1 Week 4

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Dear Parents/Caregivers and Families,
We are just nearing the end of week 4 and already have a lot to celebrate. Having our families back on our grounds has been a much-welcomed change from previous years. Our students have been highly engaged in their learning, eagerly strengthening new working relationships with their learning partners.

As we highly value the partnership and opportunity to work together with our families, we were delighted to see the large number of parents attend our acquaintance evening last Tuesday. Parents left well informed, and we were very appreciative of the positive comments and clarifying questions being asked. Now that you have met your child/ren's teacher, please continue to communicate regularly to ensure you are kept informed about your child's learning.

During our Acquaintance evening, we also held our Annual General Meeting and we elected our new Governing Council for 2023. A majority of our members are new, and we look forward to seeing how the future governance of our school will evolve. We will introduce our new members more formally next newsletter but our new Governing Council Members are: Eleanor Parker, Licia Rahman, Abid Naqvi, Bint Abass, Andrew Cassetti and Craig Paues.

Please remember that our elected Governing Council members are a conduit for your ideas, feedback and a valuable source of information. All our members will gladly take the time to talk with you. You are welcome to attend meetings should you wish and the times for these will be published in our newsletters. We will be canvassing for new members to rebuild our committees to what they

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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 1 2023

Wednesday March 8th

R-2 Wadjiny Performance

Monday March 13th

Adelaide Cup Holiday

Wed March 15th

NAPLAN starts Year 3 & 5

Monday March 20th

Governing Council

Friday March 31st

Whole School Assembly

Friday 7-Mon 10 April

Easter

Friday 14th April

Last day of Term 1

Pizza Day / Casual Day

Term 2 - Friday May 5th

Sports Day

Pupil Free Days

Monday May 1st

Tuesday June 13th

Monday July 24th

Monday November 6th

Student Free Day (Show Day)

Monday September 4th

Upcoming School Tours

Ring the Office to book

Friday 3rd March 9.15am

Tuesday 7th March 9.15am

were prior to the pandemic. Please contact the school if you would like to support your child/ren's learning by supporting the following committees: **Education, Parents and Friends, OSHC and Facilities**. Your support does not have to happen during school time. Previously we have been well supported by full time workers who have supported committees out of hours by creating posters, emailing contacts for donations, researching online etc.

Autism Inclusion Teacher:

Many of you may have heard about the initiative of providing an Autism Inclusion Teacher for every public primary school in South Australia. At Bellevue, Mrs Kirsty Whibley has been appointed as our Autism Inclusion Teacher. You may know Kirsty as an exceptional early year's teacher. She is currently teaching Reception / Year one in Room 5. Kirsty will work in this role 1 day per fortnight. Initially, Kirsty will build her own teaching expertise, knowledge and understanding of autism through engaging in formal learning offerings and participation in the Autism Inclusion Teacher networks. To improve knowledge and practice across the school, Autism Inclusion Teachers will then be encouraged to share their learnings and resources with their colleagues to utilise when teaching autistic children and young people in their own classes.

It is not Kirsty's role to work 1:1 with students with Autism. Students will continue to be supported through existing structures and processes. For more information about improving support for autistic children and students please visit the Department for Education website.

NAPLAN:

Next week some of our students will take part in the NAPLAN online practice test. The formal tests will take place in weeks 7 and 8. The practice test helps to ensure that the platform will work when large groups of students log on to the system. It does not affect the actual NAPLAN test results. I think it is important to remember that NAPLAN gives teachers, students and families important information about student performance, but it is only one way that schools collect data. We want to be mindful that there is so much more to students than their performance on a test. Courage, risk taking, creativity, cooperation, empathy, reasoning, kindness - none of these qualities can be measured by a test - and are things we want to encourage in our children.

Until next newsletter,

Kind regards, Marie-Louise.

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

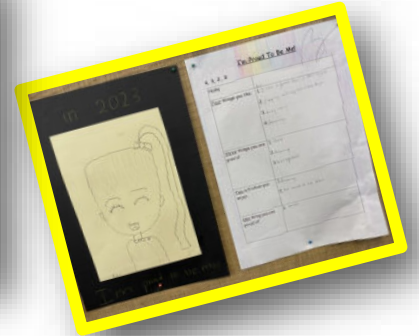
The following student has earned an Award for Excellence certificate:

Charley S, Thiya, Jessie, Kasey, Brook, Vignesh, Tilly, Jemima, Isabelle, Eliza, Dodo

Well done!

2023 - I'm Proud to be me!

Bellevue Beginnings

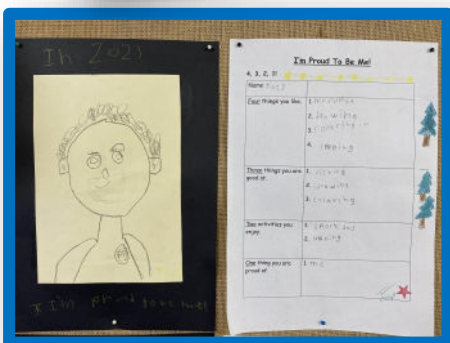


For Bellevue Beginnings, Room 19 did lots of interesting activities like self portraits. First of all, we did a draft of ourselves. Then we started to do our final copy and stuck it on some black card. Our lovely SSO, Teena, took photos of us holding our self portraits and we pinned them up to share on acquaintance night. We also played a running game called passports with Mrs. Julie and we got to learn a bit about each other. The class did an amazing job!



Another Bellevue Beginnings activity we did was complete a questionnaire about ourselves. This questionnaire asked 4 things you like, 3 things you are good at, 2 things you enjoy and one thing you are proud of. In our class we have an effort meter so we can judge how much effort we have put into our work. We are all aiming to get to the top of the effort meter where we put in 100% effort and finish all our work.

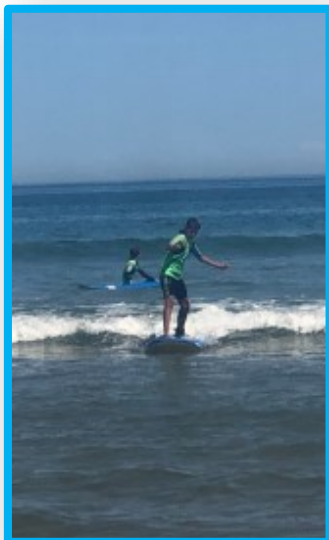
Written by Viola and Edith Room 19



Aquatics

Upper Primary Aquatics

On Thursday the 16th of February, the upper primary year 5/6s attended the Aquatics excursion at Port Noarlunga. The students participated in a range of fun activities whilst learning how to be safe in the water. The students participated in water safety activities as well as surfing, bodyboarding, snorkelling and kayaking.



Nature Play

"In nature play we go outside and into the garden. We have been building cubbies and villages. I liked building a house for snails with my friend".— Leif



"I love to use my imagination and building things using nature items"
- Aria



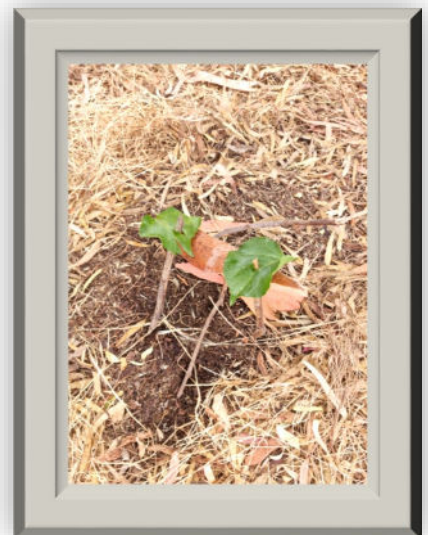
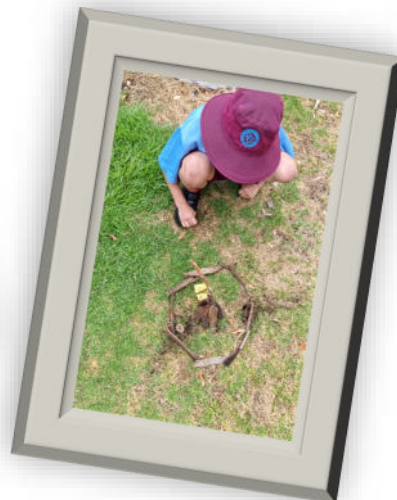
"I like building stuff with sticks and I can build towers, people and other things. We were making a tepee but it didn't work so we got a lot of sticks and blocks to improvise" - Indy

Nature Play

"We built an obstacle course with obstacles. There were slides and trampolines because the floor lava".—Hugo



"I built a house for people to live in and many people live in my house".—Kaden



"We built a tent out of sticks and rocks. I enjoyed it".—Basu

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OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE (OSHC)

Provides a safe, fun filled program here at the school with qualified, supportive and caring staff who cater for all ages, cultural diversity and special needs children.



- ◆ We offer permanent or casual care.
- ◆ Before School Care is available from 7am - 9am and breakfast is provided.
- ◆ After School Care is available from 3:30pm - 6pm with afternoon snack provided.
- ◆ On Student Free Days we run a program 7.30am - 6pm
- ◆ Vacation Care 7:30am - 6pm

Casual care is ideal for parents considering returning to the work force as a way for your child/children to familiarise themselves with OSHC. Intensive English Learning Program families may want more interaction for their child/children in a recreational atmosphere.

Child Care Subsidy (CCS) is available for most families.

Enrolment packages are available from the school.

Enquiries and bookings can be made through

STUDENT ABSENCES

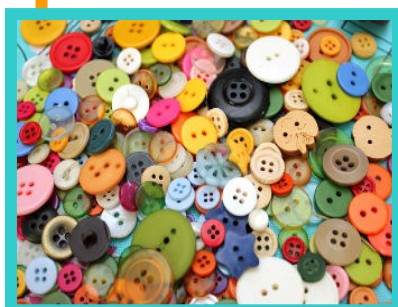
When your child is away from school for any reason, or if they are going to be late, you must contact the school to let us know the reason for their absence - not just on the first day but every day they are away.

You can use the following methods to contact us:

- ◆ School phone number: 8278 7182
- ◆ SMS number: 0427 016 460
- ◆ Schoolstar app: Select to contact school
- ◆ email:
absences.bhps470@schools.sa.edu.au

Calling All Crafters!

Have you got a lunchtime free to volunteer your craft skills? We are looking for some volunteers to lead weekly craft sessions in the library. Knitting, Handsewing, Crocheting— indeed any form of arts to support a small group of students. If you are interested, please contact the front office. We will help arrange volunteer clearances if needed.



Oliphant Science Awards



The Oliphant Science Awards are a wonderful opportunity for school students to develop their interests in science through a range of categories to suit a wide variety of abilities and interests.

Students must enter in the appropriate year level but may enter any category (or in multiple categories) as many times as they wish. (But focus on quality over quantity!)

Year levels: R-2, 3-4, 5-6

Categories:

- Citizen Science - new for 2023
- Crystal Investigation
- Games
- Models & Inventions (sponsored by the Australian Institute of Energy)
- Multimedia
- Photography (sponsored by SA Museum)
- Posters
- Programming, Apps & Robotics (sponsored by Defence Science and Technology Group)
- Scientific Inquiry (sponsored by the University of South Australia)
- Science Writing (sponsored by Flinders University)

Students can enter as an Individual or in a group. Only individual students can enter Posters or Science Writing.

Students may enter all other categories as individuals or in groups of 2 or 3 students (maximum).

Class / school groups may enter the new Citizen Science category.

Registration:

By registering, all entrants agree to the conditions of entry. Students must register their entries through their school's SASTA Oliphant Science Awards Coordinator (Eric Nicholson). All registrations are due by close of business Friday 19 May.

There is plenty of time to think of an idea and get started. More information will be sent out as we get closer to the close of registrations. Please note that this is something students complete in their own time, but please feel free to contact Eric for clarification about the process.

For further information, please refer to this [booklet](#).

Due dates: Projects are due in either July or August - Please refer to the booklet.

If your child is interested in participating in the Oliphant Science Awards, please email me at: eric.nicholson591@schools.sa.edu.au.



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2024 APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

In Zone and Out Of Zone

SPECIAL INTEREST DANCE

Auditions will be held in Week 10.

For more information and to apply please call
8377 8000 or visit www.seaviewhs.sa.edu.au



"Move over Harry, Winni's here"

Lisa Gatenby
presents

Winni Wizard

in
A Wonderfully Wacky Wizard

Directed by Sara Grenfell

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2:00PM 11 - 13 MAR & 18 - 19 MAR
5:00PM 14 - 16 MAR (Ages 5+)

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