



# BELLEVUE HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter Date: Term 4 Week 1

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Dear Families,

Doesn't time fly! It is now term 4 and the first week has passed. Teachers have already chosen their Christmas songs for the concert and we start practicing our secret staff item next week! We have a camp, several excursions and incursions planned along with teachers preparing final reports, this term will be over before we know it!

We have a very busy term ahead and have already started out of the blocks with the SRC Carnival yesterday. I had a lot of fun visiting the creative stalls developed by the children. When set the challenge to not have lollies as prizes, they were a little sad, but once they got to thinking, their ideas were amazing. We had balloon dogs, stuffed toys, pokemon cards, bragging rights and the most accurate sponge thrower got to tip an entire bucket of water on one of the stall managers at the end of the carnival - we missed the photo opportunity for that one! Students created mini golf courses, Marvellous mazes, tower stacking races, tunnels and obstacle courses, Hungry Human Hippos, food and drinks to name just a few of the wonderful activities. SRC provided a playlist of fun music and a number of parents came and joined the fun. The SRC will meet next week and finalise the amount raised, then distribute it to 3 charities of the children's choice: one local, one national and one international charity. We will let you know how much was raised soon.

**Students early to school** Warmer mornings often result in children getting to school earlier and earlier. Supervision starts at 8:40am so children here before then are unsupervised. Ideally **OSHC** is the best answer if you need to get your children to school early. If your child is at school before 8:40am they will be directed to the school office area. We cannot guarantee supervision before 8.40 am.

**Governing Council 2024** Please think about joining our Governing Council next

## 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 2023

#### Awards Assembly

Monday October 23

#### JP Excursion

Friday Oct 27th

#### Year 3 and 4 camp - Willow Creek

Tues Oct 31 - Wed Nov 1

#### Day for Daniel - Wear Red (new date)

Friday Nov 3rd

#### Pupil Free Day

Monday November 6th

#### Whole School Assembly

Friday November 10th

#### Reception 1st Transition

Fri Nov 10th 9-11am

#### Nature Play Excursion Yr 2/3

Friday Nov 17th

#### Reception transition 2 & 3

Nov 17 and 24

#### Year 3-6 Science Incursions

Wed/Thurs Nov 22/23

#### End of year Concert

Friday December 8th

#### Year 6 Graduation

Wednesday December 13th

#### Last day of Term 4

December 15th

### Upcoming School Tours

Ring the Office to book

Wednesday Nov 1st 9.15

Friday Nov 17th 9.15

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# Planning for 2024

year. We have a number of positions available including Chairperson. We meet twice per term. It is an amazing opportunity to help set and monitor the direction of a school site. Nomination information will be out early in term 1 2024.

**Fees for 2024** You will have received an email this week regarding a fee increase for 2024. Our school fees still fall inline or below neighbouring schools and are kept as low as possible while still providing all the consumable resources required throughout the year for each child.

**Fire Safety** You will also have received an email regarding updating your fire safety plan for the upcoming bushfire season. We will be practicing our bushfire drills soon and now is a good time to talk at home about how you can be ready in case of such emergencies. Please return this as soon as possible so we have up to date and accurate records.

**Working Bee** See details on page 5.

Until next newsletter,

Margot



## Class Structures in 2024.

We are now in the process of determining class placements and configurations for 2024. As always, our numbers in each year level determine what the configuration of classes will be from year to year. This year we have 34 wonderful year 6 students to farewell. Each year level has a different number of students and the various combinations of these numbers are examined closely to find the best class structure for the coming year. Once this structure is determined, we can start placing students into the classes.

If you have specific requests for your child's placement in 2024 please send us an email or letter by close of business Friday 27th October (1 week). We cannot guarantee a student placement in a specific class but we will try to meet requests where possible and where appropriate. Please be aware that all students are in the process of nominating 3 friends they would like to have in their class next year. We will do our best to accommodate their requests. Look at the Student Class Placement Policy on the school website for more information. Here is the link: <https://www.bellevueps.sa.edu.au/parents/policies/>

We will have 7 classes again in 2024. Next year is also the first year where we start a mid-year intake of receptions. We are still receiving enrolments and conducting tours of the school. If you know of anyone who is still undecided as to where they wish their children to attend school encourage them to give us a call. If your children (unless they are moving to High School) will not be attending Bellevue Heights next year please let us know as a matter of urgency. It is imperative that we have the correct numbers for staffing and budgeting purposes. We respect everyone's decisions so please do not delay in letting us know should you have made other arrangements for your child/ children.

## 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: Leelu, Owen, Kaden, Ivana, Lily

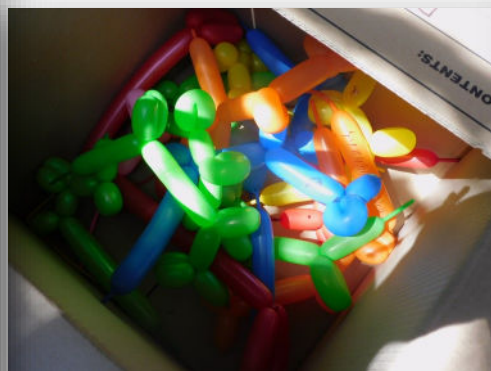


# SRC Carnival - Photos taken by Serly





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# P & F Bake Sale



On Saturday 14th, the P&F committee ran a bake sale and sausage sizzle at the school to coincide with the Voice Referendum. Our current fundraising goal is to purchase a third flagpole so the school can fly all 3 official flags as suggested by our students.

A huge thank you to everyone who either donated baked goods or their time, or both, to help make this happen!

The P&F would like to thank Margot Bradley for her help in setting up the stall early and special thanks also to Ava, Evie, Inés, Pippa and Mason for helping to run the bake stall throughout the day - they all did a wonderful job of spruiking the delicious goods, serving customers and calculating payment amounts (they also taught a few adult helpers how to use the eftpos machine!)

It was lovely to see a lot of community support on the day and the students who helped at the bake stall were delighted when a few members of the public either donated some money or paid for more than what they bought to help us reach our goal!

We raised approximately \$700 (profit) on the day, inching us closer to purchasing the new flagpole, so that we can fly the Torres Strait Islander flag- watch this space!

P & F Committee

It was really fun serving everyone and meeting some people. I saw and I served some of my friends which was great and it's a great thing to do if you love helping people. I liked baking for the bake sale and after the day finished, we all got to enjoy a snack. Overall, it was really fun but also really tiring.  
Inés



On Saturday, Pippa, Ava, Inés and I helped on the bake sale to raise money for the new flagpole for the Torres Strait Islander people. There were heaps of treats and sausages sold on the day to raise money. Some people even paid extra for their food to help reach our goal which was lovely of them. It was fun yelling out to make sales and using the eftpos machine.  
Evie

The bake sale was real fun! We raised a lot of money. Thank you to whoever gave us food and bought food from the bake sale and sausage sizzle.  
Ava.



I personally think it was well prepared and set up without anything too complicated. I thank the people who donated food because it was amazing, the customers were nice. Everything was easy to understand and easy to learn. I would do it again.  
Pippa



I made my famous Melting Moments for the bake sale, as they sold well at the election bake sale last year. The stall was very busy and it was great to see all my biscuits sell. I worked out that this would have made \$26 for the school. I enjoyed taking and making people's orders on the sausage sizzle. Hopefully we raised enough money for the new flag pole. Mason

# Working Bee - Sunday Nov 5th

Please come and help us! 9am - 12 noon

Come for an hour or stay for 3! Shared lunch after

## Major Task 1

The next stage of our garden Grant is ready to spend and plant!

We have improved irrigation to the garden beds near the front office and have plants ready to plant and beautify the area.



## Major Task 2

We need a mass effort to de-seed the weed population of Warrarra Yarta National Park.



RSVP to Kylie: 8278 7182 for catering purposes.



In 2024 we will be offering 22 languages after hours, in 25 different locations across the broader metropolitan area.

Please contact us for the 2024 School of Languages for further information. You can find our website here:

[School of Languages - Department for Education](https://www.schooloflanguages.vic.edu.au/)

The School of Languages (SoL) is a government school that provides after-school-hours access, choice and continuity in a wide range of Languages, to students from all schooling sectors.



# ORANGE THURSDAY

**25% OFF MEMBERSHIPS\***  
**EXTRA \$10\* GOES TO OUR FUNDRAISER**

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\*Applies to 12 and 24 month Memberships only. Terms & Conditions apply.

