



BELLEVUE HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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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



Newsletter Date: Friday November 10th, 2023

Term 4 Week 4

PRINCIPAL: Margot Bradley

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL: Kirsty Whibley

Dear families,

Well, the year has certainly flown by and we are now looking at Christmas being just around the corner. We have had a great year but it isn't over yet! The teachers are gearing up for a fantastic Christmas Concert and are very busy completing final projects and assessments ready to write each child's report.

Last weekend I had the pleasure of being at an amazing Working Bee and shared lunch. The amount of work achieved in just 3 hours was astounding! Another phase of the gardening grant has been achieved with new plantings at the front of the administration building. The National Park looks so much better with a huge reduction in weeds and seeds. See some photos further along in the newsletter.

As you can see from the important dates, we still have many things happening across the rest of this term. Keep a close eye on the calendar snapshots to ensure you keep up with all of the goings on.

Along with this we are also experiencing a rise in Covid in the state and ask that you continue to be vigilant with testing and reporting this to us. We can then take appropriate action at school when we are notified.

Planning for 2024

Staff met this last Monday to Review and Renew. They started the day by looking at a wide range of data from children's results to parent surveys to see what it told us, looking for areas that we could improve.

We then spent a considerable time planning goals and strategies to make these improvements. We have more work to complete in this planning space but have laid the foundations of our improvement journey for 2024.

Once finalised this document will be shared with our Governing Council and with families following this.

Classes for 2024

Classes will be finalised over the coming weeks and we will send home class placements in week 8. We will also have a transition morning where your child will spend time with their new teacher. More details will be sent home with your class placements.

Parents and Friends Facebook Group

Please join our Parents and Friends Group, which is for parents and caregivers of currently enrolled children of Bellevue Heights Primary school to share school related events, information and share school related activities. [Bellevue Heights Primary School P&F | Facebook](#)

Turn on notifications for this page for information about upcoming events.

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IMPORTANT DATES

Term 4 2023

Nature Play Excursion Yr 2/3

Friday Nov 17th

Reception transition 2

9-12 noon Nov 17

Including Morning tea and information 9 - 10:30am

Year 3-6 Science Incursions

Wed/Thurs Nov 22/23

Reception Transition 3

9-1pm November 24

Expect Respect Yr 3

Monday November 27th

End of year Concert

Friday December 8th

Rec - Yr 2 Kingston Park

Tuesday Dec 12th

Yr 3/4 Marion Outdoor Pool

Wednesday Dec 13th

Year 6 Graduation

Wednesday December 13th

Yr 5/6 Marion Indoor Pool

Thursday Dec 14th

Last day of Term 4

Pizza and Casual Day

December 15th

Early dismissal 2:30pm

School Tours

Ring the Office to book or to discuss enrolments

Next tour: Friday Nov 17th

9.15am

World Teachers Day

On October 24th we celebrated World Teacher's Day. Our SSO staff organised a beautiful morning tea and sneakily created Wordles in frames from all of the children and presented them to us. We are so blessed to work in such a supportive community.

Until next time, Kirsty and Margot



End of Year Concert - 8th Dec.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR

Bellevue Wonderland

FRIDAY WEEK 8, 8TH DECEMBER
PICNIC FROM 5PM, CONCERT STARTS AT 6PM
ON THE SCHOOL OVAL

COST IS \$10 PER FAMILY, \$5 PER SINGLE-PARENT FAMILY,

An Edsmart will be sent home with information to purchase tickets online next week.
Cash payments can be made at the front office.

FOOD TRUCKS
AVAILABLE ON SITE

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, Dodo, Eliza, Samuel, Jasmine, Sebastian M, Jay R, Charley, Parker, Clementine, Edith, Ava

Bake Sale Next Tuesday

By Chelsea, Zoe, Charlie, Edith, Esther, Clementine
Izzy and Charlie.



Come to the bake sale to help raise money for
SeaLife!



When: Tuesday the
14th of November
at recess



Where: under the
cola

From 50 cents to
2 dollars



SAPSASA



Scarlett represented BHPS in the Southern Metro U12 girls cricket team this week. She skippered the team which won 5 out of their 6 matches and they came away with the Division 2 gold medal. The team spirit and encouragement shown toward each other in the team was exceptional, new friendships were formed and fun was had by all.

Congratulations Scarlett!



Mindfully Me

On Wednesday October 25th we had an incursion with Mindfully Me. Mindfully Me was a session where we all wore headphones. We listened to non-lyrical music and she talked us through some breathing exercises.

We also stood up and worked as a group to create group mandalas. We had to put hands on each other's shoulders and balance on one leg. If one person lost balance the whole group went down. It was a teamwork activity.

She taught us how to calm down our breathing and taught us Auslan signs for "I feel calm / happy / excited". There were 3 sitting positions that she taught us that helped us concentrate while we were doing the exercises.

We also listened to a mindfulness recording to do breathing exercises. It was very calming and we were so relaxed we didn't want to get up.

Written by Brian and Scarlett - Room 14



Materials and Services Charge - 2024

Materials and Services Charge 2024 - On-Line Polling



For the 2024 school year, the Governing Council has approved a proposed Materials and Services charge amount of \$395, which takes into account increased cost of materials. As the charge is greater than the legislated prescribed amount, as referenced in the Education an Children's Act, the Governing Council is required to undertake a poll to gain majority support from the local community for this proposed charge to be approved by the Department for Education.

Along with other schools in the areas, Bellevue Heights will be undertaking an on-line poll in respect to the 2024 Materials and Services Charge. This will ensure that all parents/ caregivers are given the opportunity to vote. Each family is entitled to one vote per student per poll. An email will be sent out to parents /caregivers on Friday....and will close on 26/11/23

The governing council is seeking your support for the proposed 2024 Materials and Services Charge of \$395 to be approved.

No Excursion Levy - 2024

Notice of Changes to how we pay for excursions in 2024

From the start of 2024, parents will no longer be asked to pay a \$45 upfront Excursion Levy. Excursions will now be billed as they occur. This is referred to as a **Pay as you go** system. The majority of schools have now switched to this system.

When an event/excursion/camp is planned, forms and invoices will be sent home via Edsmart (in most cases) and payment will be required at the time of filling out the forms. Permission Forms will not be able to be submitted until payment is made.

There will always be the option of obtaining a payment plan via the front office.

This streamlines services for our administration and teachers and this will eliminate the need to follow up non-payments, thus creating a better system for all.



Working Bee



A HUGE THANK YOU to all of the families who attended the Working Bee. These are just a few of the helpers. So much was achieved.

We are currently in the process of installing irrigation to our new plantings. In the meantime, we are hand watering the new plants. If you are free one morning for an hour to help.

Has anyone seen a misplaced shovel - just like this one but with a shorter handle. Please contact the front office.



Hello!



Art Installations

We have used the fantastic grant from the Blackwood Lions Club again this year to support students at our school with wellbeing. We have been very lucky to have a local artist - Heather Van Kaathoven from Bridgewater come to our school for 9 weeks (one day per week) and work with 3 groups of children - lower, middle and upper primary groups.



Together they have created 3 art installations around our school that have brightened the school beautifully. The children who were involved certainly spent a lot of time talking to others and developing friendship connections through a purposeful project. We have one more totem pole to place next week.

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