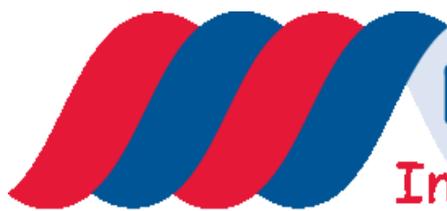


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STUDENT ABSENCES

Absences so far this year _____ **6712**

Absences same time last year _____ **6768**

DATES TO REMEMBER

14 th November.....	School Disco
18 th November.....	Prep 2015 Transition
21 st November.....	Out of Uniform for Gold coin
25 th November.....	Prep 2015 Transition
2 nd December.....	Prep 2015 Transition
12 th December.....	Christmas Concert
17 th December.....	Grade 6 Big Day Out
18 th December.....	Moving On Up Ceremony
19 th December.....	Last Day of Term

Bellbridge Students' Disco

Our School Council has organised a Students' Disco for Friday, November 14th.



- **P – 2 students** will have their disco from **6:00 – 7:00pm**
- **Grades 3 – 6 students** will have their disco from **7:30 – 8:30pm**
Entry is \$2.00 (please have correct money)

ALL students must be collected by a parent or designated guardian at the end of the Disco.

PRINCIPAL WRITES

BELLBRIDGE STUDENT COMPETING at NATIONAL ATHLETICS COMPETITION

One of our Grade 4 students, Jalen Jaimangal, has been selected for the State Under 12 Athletics Team which will be competing as the Victorian representative (champion!) in the 200 metres sprint at the National Athletics Competition in Tasmania at the end of this month. Participation in this event requires a significant financial commitment from Jalen's family and we thought it would be nice to have a whole school fundraising event to support Jalen in his endeavours. As a result, we will be having an out of uniform day for all students on Friday, November 21st with a theme based on sports and 'going for gold'.

We also have a Raffle Book (at the Office) to support Jalen's team. Tickets are \$2.00 each and prizes include a car (\$22,000), travel (\$10,000), TV, fridge, washer/dryer. See our Office staff if you wish to buy a ticket.

NUDE FOOD CHALLENGE

A team of Grade 4 students recently participated in a Sustainability Program at the Werribee Zoo. As part of their project associated with the program, they have organised a 'Nude Food Challenge' for our school. They are trialling the challenge in the Grade 4 classrooms this week with the aim of collating data to present to the whole school at an upcoming assembly. This is a very meaningful learning activity and one that we hope will influence the behaviours of others in our school.

PREP EXCURSION to the MELBOURNE ZOO

Congratulations to the staff, students and parents in the Prep Team for the outstanding success of the excursion to the Melbourne Zoo. It was our Prep students' first excursion and required a lot of preparation and planning to ensure it ran smoothly. The day also provided a very meaningful learning experience for our students and supported some of the wonderful research work on animals that the students have been doing as part of their inquiry learning topic.

We wish to thank the following parents for their tireless efforts as parent helpers on the excursion: Dora Mineo, Elaine Yip, Alicia Slattery, Carmen Aquilina, Kathryn Sammut, Rowena Simmons-Curtis, Ally Dean, Jenny Kelly, Mira Dixon.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOURS RULE at our SCHOOL

We have a strong culture of consistent expectations regarding positive behaviours at Bellbridge. These expectations provide clear guidelines related to being safe, respectful, responsible learners in the classroom and in the yard. Students can earn individual rewards in the form of bee tokens and whole classes can earn team awards in the form of beehive tokens. Each week an average of 60 – 80 students cash in their bee tokens for special treats at the Rewards Shop. Classes are also cashing in their beehives (in groups of 100!) for special rewards that include being out of uniform, movies, parties and sole use of the playground.

Our school's approach to school wide positive behaviours has been used as a model in many other schools across the state and even interstate. This is a credit to the team of teachers who plan, create and implement our strategies. One of our strategies is the use of videos to teach appropriate behaviours – some of these are available for viewing on our web page, see SWPBS.

TRANSITION PROGRAM

Our annual transition program began this week. All students are participating in our school based transition program over the next four weeks. Sessions are held on consecutive Tuesdays - November 11th (9:30 – 10:30am), 18th (9:30 – 10:30am), 25th (8:30 – 10:30am) and December 2nd (8:30 – 10:30am). Then we have the state wide transition day on Tuesday, December 9th. Please contact the Office you have any queries about transition.

Debbie Clancy
Principal

ARE YOU LEAVING BELLBRIDGE PS THIS YEAR

We are currently planning our grades for next year and need to know if any students or families **WILL NOT** be attending Bellbridge PS in 2015. If your child will be moving to another school, please write a letter to your child's teacher, informing them of the school or area in which your child will be enrolled next year.

This information is very important as it helps us to make decisions regarding class sizes and teacher placements.

LATE ARRIVAL/EARLY LEAVERS

Any child arriving to school after 8.30am is required to attend the office, with a parent/guardian, to obtain a late pass. If your child is leaving school early, the parent/guardian is required to come to the office to sign their child out, prior to going to the classroom.

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

If your child is absent from school, you will need to call the school office to let us know that they won't be attending. When your child returns to school, a note will need to be given to their teacher explaining the absence.

If your child has any long term absences from school, (eg. holidays, extended illness etc) a note is required to be given to their teacher informing them of the absence prior to them commencing the absence.



Lost Book Amnesty



We have lots of missing library and take home books. For the remainder of Term 4 we are going to be having a book amnesty.

Please help us find our valuable books, by checking at home to see if you have any Bellbridge books on your bookshelves or under your bed.

For every book you find and return your teacher will give you a bee token, no questions asked!

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the children named below for receiving Awards.

Be a Learner

Hannah Dao, Abbie Barac, Brendan Yambao, Lachlan Farnham, Maddison McGowan, Josh Sweet, Delisha Taylor, Vicky Kolevski, Karthik Duddukuru, Hafsah Ali, Monique Parker, Tyson Maroney, Ashton Reed, Daniel Hennessy, Tavita Aleni, Nathan Melville, Rowan Grant, Dalvin McFawn, Connor Walker, Caleb Iuta-McCullough, Haider Akhtar, Laura Cardona, Amrtesh Manoj Kumar, Tayla Nissen, Nhan Luu, Jasmin Pelen

Be Responsible

Sasha Damlakor, Michael Casale, Kyall Aquilina, Rumeth Herath, Nigel Biji George

Be Respectful

Akoija George, Sakeena Razvi, Ratu Rudiartana, Maxie Francis, Jarad Jacobson-Fisher, Eh Ka Mwe, James Turner

ART NEWS

150 Years of Wyndham Celebration

On the 12th October, many children across the school submitted a picture that they drew, depicting their favourite place in Wyndham. All the children did a fantastic job, the amount and calibre of the work from Bellbridge Primary School was amazing. I would like to congratulate Imreet Singh from 2D for taking out 3rd prize in the lower primary section, from all the schools in the Wyndham District. Also I would like to make special mention to Tania Mapon who received the Gold Award for the art competition on a school level. Well done to both of these children and to all of those who participated, over 300 in total!

Donations for the Art Room

If anyone has any wool at home that they no longer require, please send it to the Art Room. All donations would be gratefully appreciated.

Thankyou

Mrs Bennett
Art Teacher

COMMUNITY NEWS

MOUNT ST JOSEPH GIRLS' COLLEGE: The final Open Morning for 2014 will be held on Thursday 13th November 2014 9.30am – 10.30am. All are welcome.

Limited places are available for 2015 at some year levels. Applications for Year 7, 2015 have closed but a waiting list is available. Enrolment application forms can be obtained from the website www.msj.vic.edu.au or by contacting the College Registrar at registrar@msj.vic.edu.au.



Don't park illegally

Never park in No Stopping zones or double park around the school – **no matter how briefly.** You will **block the view** for both children and motorists and run the risk of causing an accident.

ROAD SAFETY AROUND SCHOOLS BEGINS WITH YOU!



Newsletter Prize

Question: Why are we having Out of Uniform Day of Friday November 21st?

Answer: _____

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Parent's signature: _____

Return to the office by 8:20am Monday, November 17th – to be drawn at Assembly

SWPBS: School Wide Positive Behaviours

- 1. Be Safe 2. Be Respectful 3. Be Responsible 4. Be a Learner**



CONGRATULATIONS to the following students for earning 10 or more 'Bee Tokens' for their positive behaviours in the classroom and the playground. They have traded their tokens for a prize at the Rewards Shops.

Dib=vy 1C	Niel PD	Zahli 1D	Tamara 2D	Sanjana 1D
Kiana 1D	Ryan 1D	Tia 1D	Marija 2D	Frank 2D
Adam 2D	Adam 2D	Rylee 2D	Will 1C	Musa PD
Zilyah PD	Alysha 3C	Macy 3C	Lucky 2C	Hemant 2C
Daniel 2C	Max 4B	Kaine 4B	Chloe 1A	Asha 1B
Jasmin 1B	Lilly 1B	Mia 1B	Tavita PD	Pranav PD
Izabella 1A	Keiran 1A	Kieran 3C	Corey 3C	Rebekah 1A
Abbie 1A	Kyle 1A	Mya 4A	Abigail 1A	Bharveer 1A
Kyla 1C	Cassie 1C	Jay 2B	Raya 2B	Saani 2B
Ebony 2B	Kyle 1A	Will 1A	Brayden 6B (20)	Riley 1A
Antonio 2B	Liam 2B	Akoija 1D	Corinthian 1C	Saed 6B (20)
Nathan PD	Maryan 6B	Tegan 6B	Harrison 1C	Panos 6C
Zaine 1C	Mitchell PB	Abigail PB	Jack PB	Brodie 2A
Rhys 2A (20)	Andrew PB	Nicole PB	Alexcis PB	Lachlan 4B
Lachlan 4A	Sarah 4A	Xavier 4A	Ethan PB	Lincoln PD
Mercy PB	Shraddha PD	Jasmin PB	Anushka 1B (20)	Deeghan 1B
Izzy 1B	Hafsah 1B	Luke 1B	Rylee 1B	Cody 2D

I/We are available at the following times:-

8:00 – 10:00

10:00 – 12:00

12:00 – 2:00

Anytime



Last month was 'Walk to School' month. 'Walk to School' has been an initiative funded by Vic Health since 2006. Walking to school has many benefits including: assisting students to achieve the recommended 60 minutes of daily moderate to vigorous physical activity, reducing traffic congestion around our school, parking difficulties and associated environmental impacts, as well as enhancing social and emotional health.

Congratulations to all those students who made an effort to be more active and contribute to the great results achieved by our school, and our parents who provided children with the opportunities to participate. Students involved walked part or all of the way to and from school, and even rode bikes, scooters and skateboards. Overall, our school completed 9,458 walks during October. The following classes achieved the highest number of walks within their year level:

Prep C - with 358 walks.

Grade 1C - with 538 walks.

Grade 2C - with 399 walks.

Grade 3C - with 723 walks.

Grade 4A - with 332 walks.

Grade 5C - with 648 walks.

Grade 6C - with 486 walks.

Individual students that completed at least one walk during October have received a certificate to acknowledge their participation in this worthwhile initiative. Whilst Walk to School month has come to an end, we hope that the importance of being more physically active has been instilled in our students, and will continue to be part of regular travel routines.

Thank you for your support! 😊

Belinda Onofretchok

Walk to School Co-ordinator

