

# School Bell



**Bellbridge Primary School**  
**Individual Paths, United Journey**

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## STUDENT ABSENCES

Absences so far this year \_\_\_\_\_ **681**  
Absences same time last year \_\_\_\_\_ **660**

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**3<sup>rd</sup> March.....Prep Parent Information Night**  
**4<sup>th</sup> March.....National Ride2 School Day**  
**10<sup>th</sup> March..... Division Swimming Competition**  
**14<sup>th</sup> March.....Labour Day Holiday**  
**18<sup>th</sup> March.....School Carnival**  
**24<sup>th</sup> March.....Last day of Term 1**  
**11<sup>th</sup> April.....Start of Term 2**

## 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 send a note with their child on the morning informing the classroom teacher of the time they will be collected and who will be collecting them. The parent/guardian is required to sign the child out at the office, where arrangements will be made for the child to come up to office.

## ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

If your child is absent from school for any reason, we require parents/guardians to notify the school office that they won't be attending. When your child returns to school, a note must be given to their teacher detailing the date and the reason for 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.

## PRINCIPAL WRITES

### BELLBRIDGE CARNIVAL – Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup> (mark it in your diary!)

Are you getting excited about the Carnival? It starts at 2:40pm and finishes at 6:00pm.

We look forward to seeing you there!

The following forms have been sent home so you can pre-order before the Carnival:

- LANYARDS (in \$10.00 amounts so you don't have to handle cash)
- WRISTBANDS for Rides (so you can have **unlimited rides all day** for only \$30.00)
- SHOW BAGS (so you make sure you have ordered them just in case they sell out on the day)

All these items will be handed out to students in their classrooms on Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup> between 1:40 - 2:40pm.

A **'BIG THANK YOU'** to Jay Radbourne and Harcourts Real Estate for sponsoring the big billboard at the front of our school on Bellbridge Drive. It is a great advertisement for our School Carnival!

We also appreciate the recent donations received from 'Western Bulldogs', Costco, Woolworths, Enterprise Cleaning, LM Electricals, Learning With Technology, and ANZUK. Please let us know if you have a business or personal contacts that may be able to provide donations for the Carnival.

*Please take some time to read the Carnival Newsletter that is sent home with students each Tuesday.*

*Order forms for WRISTBANDS (for unlimited rides), LANYARDS and SHOW BAGS are included in the Carnival Newsletter. These order forms are also available to download on our official Facebook Page.*

### DISTRICT SWIMMING COMPETITION

After achieving third place at the recent Interschool Swimming Competition, we now have a team of approximately 20 students competing at a district level. We wish them well and know they will represent our school with wonderful sportsmanship.

### SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

We were very pleased to receive a number of nominations for parent positions on School Council which has resulted in the need for an election. This week the eldest child in each family will receive a letter and envelope that explains our School Council Election Ballot. This allows parents to cast an anonymous vote for ONE of the parents listed on the Ballot. Ballots must be returned to school in the attached envelope by 4:00pm, Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>.

### TRAFFIC SAFETY – It's everyone's business!

The safety of students and parents on Matlock Street and Bellbridge Drive is a constant concern in our community.

#### **You can help to keep your children safe by:**

- Using the school crossing as an option for crossing the road (we now have THREE school crossings!)
- Obeying the parking signs around the school – do not park in disabled car parks unless you are allowed
- Not parking in the Bus Zone to pick up students
- Not double parking near parked cars – this blocks traffic and can cause accidents
- Not parking in, or walking through the staff car parks

We, as a school, cannot take any responsibility for parents who engage in unsafe and/or illegal use of the roads, bus stop or school car parks. Please make good choices and help to keep our students safe.

### 'WYNDHAM ACTIVE TRAVEL PLAN' and 'RIDE 2 SCHOOL Day'

As part of our school's commitment to traffic education and safety, we are participating in these healthy initiatives. Every Wednesday is dedicated to being our 'Walk & Wheel Wednesday' where students and their families are encouraged to walk and ride to school as much as possible. Each class records weekly data which is translated into an overall active travel rate for our school. Last year, we had the second best active travel rate in the Victoria!

This week our active travel rate will be based on how students travel to school this Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> as part of the 'RIDE 2 SCHOOL Day'. We will have the Mayor of Wyndham, Councillor Fairclough and several of our staff walking along the designated active travel paths (red, blue, green) that lead to our school. They will be handing out stickers, bee tokens and raffle tickets to students they see walking and riding to school along these paths.

### BELLBRIDGE FACEBOOK PAGE [www.facebook.com/BellbridgePrimary](http://www.facebook.com/BellbridgePrimary)

Our School Facebook page has been running for quite some time now and feedback indicates that parents find the information and reminders very useful.

For our new parents, here are some quick tips about our Facebook page:

- This is the only Facebook page officially associated with Bellbridge Primary School. We do not have any other official or endorsed presence on Facebook or other social media.
- The purpose of this public page is to provide a method of informing the school community about matters relating to the school, such as key dates, excursions, camps, etc.,
- Any questions related to school should be directed to our school office or your child's teacher. Serious concerns should be directed to a member of our leadership team: <http://www.bellbridgeps.vic.edu.au/leadership-team.html>. (The office can direct your call/visit to the most appropriate person.)

*Debbie Clancy*  
Principal

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

**Congratulations to the children named below for receiving Awards.**

### **Be a Learner**

Shayella Reed, Valerie Dawson, Sebastian Mineo, James Stanjo, Nathan Mezgebu, Erin Turner, Brianna Reynolds, Kaidyn McGowan, Channaye Aquilina, Declan Cumper, Leilah Grant, Jessica Tran, Jack Tran, Arian Sahai, Jasmin Castro, Kiana Dunlop, Sanjit Vegesna, Anushka Davidge, Reuben Bennett, Tamara Corbo, Christian Biak Thluai, Isabelle Dawson, Naina Gangaiya, Gopal Aka Sujan Shah, Tristan Tierney, Christian Cowan, Jeevika Patel, Sonya Zulkifli, Bailey Haywood, Joey Citro, Malik Qazim, Mohsin Razvi, Bailey Gordon

### **Be Responsible**

Violet Hawes, Saja Alshaddoud, Archer Chang, Natalia Zarafa, Ruby Mensch, Austin Shearer, Maddison Rowe, Bon Martin, Matthew Bate, Lochan Kaler, Xavier Carter, Izabella Zarafa, Demi Cahoon, Aaron Williams, Raida Mahdia, Jarad Jacobson- Fisher, Caleb Grunwald, Joshua Tierney, Ezekiel David, Sarah Lawson, Xavier Fenton, Ivana Hobson

### **Be Safe**

Isla Batzogiannis, Ngun Zaathang

### **Be Respectful**

Senuth Gallage, Nicky Askew, Abigail Galik, Bianca Burrone, Isabella Yang, Tim Collings, Briolette David, Niel Harianto, Sylvie Yip, Imreet Singh, Hunter Paaka

## CSEF ALLOWANCE

The school is currently accepting applications for the Camps Sports Excursion Fund Allowance. Applications can be obtained from the office. You will need to provide your concession card when returning the application form which should cover the first day of Term 1 (27 January 2016 ) or Term Two (11 April 2016)

## ASTHMA FORMS

For any student who suffers from asthma the school must have an action plan in the student's file in case of an emergency. **If your child suffers from asthma**, please send the form back to school as soon as possible. It is important that we have this information on hand so as we can assist your child effectively.

## OSHC NEWS

We have had a significant increase in bookings for before and after school care. Any parents seeking casual enrolments need to ring before 1:00pm to see if the program has any vacancies on that day before your children can attend the program. These bookings require a phone call to Joanne on 0419594841. Children who attend the program without notification will be sent to the office where parents will be notified to pick them up.

Parents are reminded that accounts must be paid by the due date stated on the invoice as failure to do so will result in your children losing their place in the program.

Parents must also notify the program by 10:00am if their child is not attending the program on the day that they are booked as this allows the program to let other students attend on that day.

We will need to know if your children **will not** be attending the program on Carnival day 18<sup>th</sup> March, as the program will not be taking any children out to the Carnival.

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photos will no longer be held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March. Parents will be advised of a new date in the coming weeks.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**WERRIBEE HOCKEY CLUB:** Werribee Hockey Club, which is located at Presidents Park, McGraths Road, Werribee are holding the following programs:

Hook In2 Hockey which is an intro program for 5-10 year olds. It is held every Tuesday from 5:00pm – 5:50 pm until the 22nd March 2016. The cost is \$10 per child. Kits include a stick, ball, shin guard, mouthguard, bag and reversible singlet are available for \$40.00

They also run a modified competition for 5–10 year olds every Tuesday from 5:00pm - 5:50pm starting 28th April 2016 to 15th September 2016. Registration is \$35, with each game costing \$2.00

There are also competitions for Under 8 – Under 18's, open age and masters.

For more information contact Lyn Tout on wdhl.whc@gmail.com

**WERRIBEE SECONDARY COLLEGE:** Werribee Secondary College run a Select Entry Learning Program. This program is designed to meet the special needs of more able students, providing them with a curriculum which is more challenging than that for mainstream classes. The program caters for students who may excel in verbal and literacy skills as well as for students who excel in mathematics. Modifications to the curriculum ensure that students are stimulated towards attaining the potential which they possess.

Outside the classroom, students participate in a number of enrichment activities aimed at broadening their horizons, stimulating their interests and building their confidence. These activities include (amongst others), a Guest Speaker program, Public Speaking program, Debating and National subject competitions.

Werribee Secondary College has the only accredited, Department of Education, Select Entry Learning Program in the Wyndham District. The College is very accessible to students from a wide area, being conveniently situated just several minutes' walk from Werribee Railway Station, and serviced by many bus routes.

In order to enter the program, students need to apply and sit for a written test which is conducted at Werribee Secondary College in May, - pre-registration is essential. For more information and / or to make an application to have your child enter the program, contact Werribee Secondary College on 9741 1822 and ask for an information pack to be sent out to you.

**WYNDHAM CITY COUNCIL:** **Are you interested in helping to develop a new Volleyball club in Wyndham?** Wyndham City is looking to further the development of new and diverse community sporting clubs and understands that there is demand for a Volleyball Club in Wyndham. Please help to develop volleyball in Wyndham by coming to a community forum on Tuesday 15 March 2016. The forum will provide interested residents the chance to contribute to the formation of a new volleyball club.

The purpose of this meeting will be to determine the feasibility of starting a new club, discuss ideas for the development of the club and learn more about the process of establishing a new volleyball club.

**What:** Community meeting to discuss the creation of this new volleyball club.

**Who:** All residents interested in helping to develop the club.

**When:** 6:30pm, Tuesday 15 March 2015.

**Where:** VICSEG Offices - 3-4/67 Watton St, Werribee (between Chatterbox Cafe and Amcal Chemist).

**For any access requirements or more information contact:**

Lewis Tuck - Acting Leisure Projects Officer

Email: lewis.tuck@wyndham.vic.gov.au

Phone: 9742 0840

## Chat with the Principal

9:00 – 9:30 in the staff room

Parents are invited to meet with our Principal, Debbie Clancy after Assembly each Monday morning.

This is an informal gathering where parents have the opportunity to learn more about our school whilst getting to know other parents as well.

## CAKE STALL in the COURTYARD

Monday March 7<sup>th</sup>

Several of our staff will be providing a yummy selection of cakes, slices, biscuits and special treats for students to buy at recess (10:30 - 11:00am).

The proceeds from this Cake Stall will support the provision of prizes for the Bellbridge Easter Raffle.

***ALL items will be priced at 50 cents each.***

*Parents are encouraged to still pack a snack for their child just in case the items at the Cake Stall sell out or your child does not like what is for sale.*



## FREE DRESS DAY Tuesday March 8<sup>th</sup>



Students can come to school out of uniform and bring a grocery item as a donation for 6A's Grocery Stall at the Carnival.

These items should be packaged and not 'out of date', e.g. baked beans, tuna, chips, canned vegetables, pasta.

# 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.

Kiana 3B	Will 3C	Tinir 3D	Jackson 5D	Nikolina 5D (90)
Monique 5D	Summer 3D	Isabella 3D	Laura 3D	Xavier 3D
Ksenia 4D (40)	Taj 5D	Alisha 5D	Chloe 3B	Rebecca W 4A
Austin 1E	Demiana 1E	Oyshee 3C	Abigail 3C	Aleisha 3C
Hannah 3C	Isaac 3C	Kaelan 1E	James 3C	Bharveer 3C
Jiamei 4A	Neve 4A	Mohsin 5D	Mia 3D	Adara 6D
Kiara 6B	Eh Ka Mwe 6B	Keana 5C	Jasmin 1E	Crystal 6D
Clarise 4A	Prakrih 3C	Hamthosh 3B	Kate 4D	Anushka 3C
Eh Blut Htoo 3B	Jessica 3B	Gopal 6D	Caleb 6D	Lydia 6C
Abdul 3C	Zaine 3C	Lily 3C	Akoija 3C	Leilani 1A (20)
Jun 1A (30)	Ian 1E	Jiawen 1A	Inyat 1A (30)	Zoey 1A (20)
Khadija (20)	Matilda 1A	Ayden 1D (20)	Mahmoud 1A	Jessica 1A (20)
Karim 1D	Mahib 1D	Savannah 1B	Jessica 1D	Saja PA
Violet PA	Madison PA	Sienna PA	Jade PA	Aiden PC
Charli PC	Christina PD	Charlie PE	Elle 1B	Ruby PB
Max 1B	Cristian PB	Anahita PB	Natalia 1B	Kaleb 1A
Leon 1A (20)	Jake 1E	Jack 1A	Jawad 1B	Ashleigh 1D
Melody 1B	Eman 1D	Nicole 1A	Abdullah 1A	Briquette 1A
Jack 1A (20)	Austin 1A	Willow 1A	Sehas 1D (20)	Archer PA
Ariella PA	Eva PA	Lachlan PA	Arijzon PA	Logan PA
Ava PC	Tevita PC	Kouper PD	Tim PE	Angel PE
Naw Eh Chir PB	Jayden 1B	Ella PB	Sithuli 5A	Shae 5A
Ethan 5A	Marija 4B	Rhys 4D	Ben 4D	Josh 4D
Luke 4B	Heleen 6A	Radvi 3A	Nathan 5B	Laura 3D
Kayla 3D	Luke 5A	Cristina 5A	Lahni 5A	Aimee 4B
Nadja 4B	Maverick 3A	Maddy 5A	Hiwet 4D	Tarique 3A
Moustafa 4B	Lillie 4B	Summer 3D	Vraj 3D	Anabella 3B
Ineka 4D	Kate 4D	Deeghan 3D	Taya 3B	Gopal 6D
Dylan 3B	Harsh 1D	Stevie 1D	Kiana 3B	Ayush 1D
Vivi 1D	Deeana 1D	Denver 2D	Matthew 2D (30)	Jacob T 2D (20)
Estelle 2C	Pierre 2C	Nickolas 2B	Riley 2B	Mercy 2B
Mohamad 2C	Jayelyn 2C	Sehas 1D (20)	Mia 2B	Miel 2B
Eman 1D	Nicole 2C	Maxie 2D	Ratu 2B	Ashton 2C
Nhan 2B	Jasmin 2D	Bailey 2C	Sunia 2C	Sione 2C
Josh 2C	Cathleen 2B (20)	Kaidyn 1B	Joy 1B	Danisha 1B
Shraddha 2B	Brodie 1B	Abigail 2D	Crystal 1C	Emily 2C
Ethan 2C	Tegan 2D	Kacee 2B	Nebiyu 2D	Lincoln 2D (30)
Sebastian PC	Tristan PB	Vivan PE	Raighn PE	Jeevika PE
Abi PE	Ngun PE	Liana PE	Bailey 2A (20)	Jack 2A
Abigail 2A	Shevonne 2A	Johanna 1D (25)	Joshua PE	Nate PE

Zoey 2A	Rory 2A (20)	Sanjana 2A	Carl 2B	Golbarg 2A
Ayush 1D	Chloe 1B	Mouna 2C	Doha 2D (20)	Kiara 1E
Kobe 1E	Mauridi 2B	Makayla PC	Senuth PD	Daniel PD
Shayella PA	Finau PA	Harshad PD	Gurnoor PD	Alia PC
Gian PC	Guadalupe PB	Chiara PE	Elias PE	Jesscia PE
Brianna PE	Maxwell PC	Charli PC	Ava PC	Ruby PC
Jorja PC	Nathan PC	Claudia PA	Kyah PA	Thraya PA
Joshua PD	Phoebe PD	Seth PC	Erin PC	Jayla PC
Ezekiel 2A (20)	Zaim 1D (20)	Zoe 2B	Georgia 2A (20)	Naia 1D
Lydia 2B (20)	Sonya 1D	Joshua 2B	Harsh 1D	Jack 2B
Vivi 1D	Melody 1B	Alex 1D	Altheo 1B	

## Newsletter Prize

Question: What day is 'Ride2School Day'?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*Return to the office by 8:20am Monday, March 7th – to be drawn at Assembly*

### **HEALTHY HEARING IMPROVES LEARNING**

A child with a hearing loss means that he or she has lost some hearing in one or both ears. This could range from a mild hearing loss to a profound hearing loss. Any degree of hearing loss can impact on speech and learning development.

There are many causes of hearing loss in children but one of the most common is middle ear infections.

Observations that may indicate the possibility of a hearing loss are:

- Inattention, day dreaming or behaviour concerns
- Talk loudly or have television up loud
- Concerns regarding progress with school work
- Difficulty with speech articulation
- Frequent need for repetition
- Mistakes carrying out simple instructions
- Turning of head to one side when listening
- Lip reading

If you have any concerns regarding your child's speech or hearing please seek assistance from your local doctor or an audiologist. This does not require a referral letter and most of the cost is covered by Medicare. These health professionals can refer you to an Ear, Nose and Throat specialist if required.

Sources: [www.cyh.sa.gov.au](http://www.cyh.sa.gov.au)  
[www.betterhealthchannel.vic.gov.au](http://www.betterhealthchannel.vic.gov.au)

**Bellbridge Primary School 2016 Term One  
Early Years Literacy and Numeracy  
Parent Helpers Course**

ALL WELCOME (parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles etc)  
**Runs for 3 weeks**

**SESSION ONE Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March 9.00 – 10.15 Staffroom**

Literacy - Speaking and Listening  
Numeracy - How children learn Maths

**SESSION TWO Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March 9.00-10.15 Staffroom**

Literacy - Reading  
Maths - Pause Prompt Praise strategies

**SESSION THREE Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April 9.00-10.15 Staffroom**

Literacy - Writing  
Maths - Helping with maths in the classroom or at home

**Find out how Numeracy and Literacy are taught in school and how you can help your child at home, and at school.**

**Please fill out the form below and return it to your child's teacher.**

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**Early Years LITERACY AND NUMERACY PARENT HELPERS COURSE 2016 Term 1**

I would like to attend the Early Years Parent Helpers Course.  
I understand there are 3 sessions in the Course.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Number \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Grade eg: 2B \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN AND GIVE TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER**

**Thank you  
Helen Baldock  
Assistant Principal (Acting)**



# National Ride to School Day

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2016



This Friday is National Ride to School Day. We are encouraging all students to walk or ride to school on this day. If you live too far away from school, we ask that parents drop you off on one of our Active Travel Paths, so you can walk the remainder of the way to school. Students are welcome to come to school wearing the colour of the path they will be taking to and from school.

All students that walk or ride to school on this day will be given a sticker and bee token on their way by teachers walking on the paths. Classroom teachers will also be filling out raffle tickets for all students that travelled actively to school. There will be prizes given out at assembly on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March.

On this day, we are also celebrating the addition of our new school crossing, as well as launching a bike education program with our Grade 5 students.

Last year, on our Active Travel launch day, we achieved an Active Travel rate of 92%.

Let's see if we can come close to this amazing achievement!

