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BELVEDERE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL



Principal's Report

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WELCOME BACK

Greetings and a warm welcome to the 2024 school year! We trust that everyone had a delightful holiday break. We are thrilled to have all our students back and ready for another year of learning.

A special shout-out to our Foundation families and those who have recently joined the Belvedere Park community. The Foundation students have commenced the school year with great enthusiasm! Kudos to our Foundation parents and caregivers for their excellent preparation, making the transition to school a seamless experience.

Prior to the start of the school year, all staff engaged in meetings and planning sessions to ensure a well-prepared and engaging learning environment.

It's heartening to witness students across the school settling in remarkably well. Connecting with them, hearing about their holiday adventures, and witnessing their positive outlook for 2024 has been truly delightful. We are looking forward to an outstanding year of growth, discovery, and success together.

Important Dates:

Wednesday 14th February

SCHOOL COUNCIL
MEETING @ 5:15 PM

Tuesday 20th - Thursday
22nd February

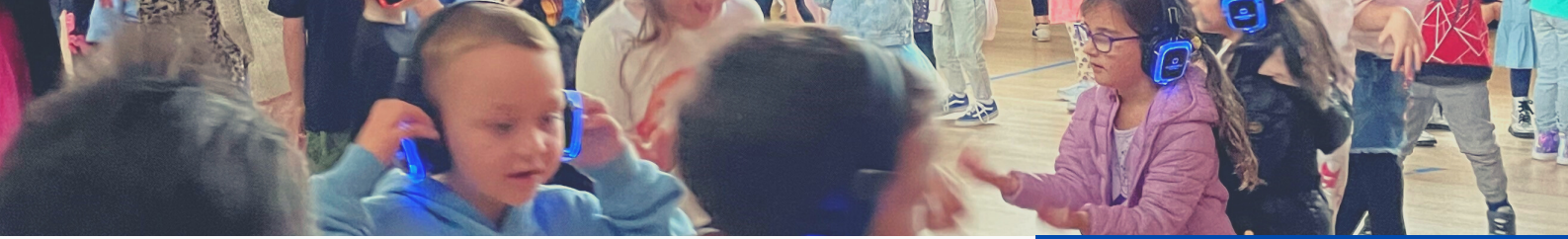
PARENT/TEACHER
INTERVIEWS

Monday 26th - Wednesday
28th February

YEAR 5 AND YEAR 6
(CAMP OASIS)

Thursday 14th March

SCHOOL PHOTOS



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OFFICE HOURS

A reminder that the school office hours are from 8.30am-4.00pm. Outside of these times please leave a phone message or email the school.

COMMUNICATION

Our communication platforms this year will continue to be.

COMPASS

– this will continue to be our main form of communication for information, online permissions, live attendance data, school reports, email staff etc. We will also be using Compass as our online booking system for interviews throughout the year. This will include parent/teacher interviews.

NEWSLETTER

– will be published through Compass each fortnight commencing today.

WEBSITE

– please access our website for extensive information about all things Belvedere Park!

ASSEMBLY

School assembly will be held each Friday at 2.45pm on the basketball courts. Parents/carers are welcome to attend these assemblies.

ARE YOU BEING SUNSMART?

In line with the school's policy, Term 1 is a SunSmart term. This requires all students to have the appropriate school wide-brimmed hat. The SunSmart hats are to be worn during all outside activities and are available for purchase from the school office.

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Our first term Parent/Teacher interviews will be conducted on Tuesday the 20th, Wednesday the 21st and Thursday 22nd of February. Please ensure you book your time via Compass. These interviews will be conducted in person. If you require a phone interview please email your child's teacher via Compass to organise.

PRIVACY INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' Privacy Policy.

Please take time to remind yourself of our school's collection notice, found on our website <https://www.belvedereparkps.vic.edu.au/general-information>.

For more information about privacy, refer to: Schools' Privacy Policy — information for parents.

We are standing
here with people we
care for and respect.

We will be kind and
helpful
to everyone.

We will keep
ourselves safe.

We will remember
our school,
friends and
achievements when
we leave.

So up there for
Belvedere in
the blue and gold!

SCHOOL PLEDGE



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PARENT CONTRIBUTIONS

Thanks to those parents who have made their contributions towards their parent payments. If you are yet to submit your payment plans please do so ASAP as this supports the school in the budget provision and also to plan appropriately for your child's participatory program. We have a wonderful learning environment at Belvedere Park and for us to continue to provide the highest quality learning experience we rely upon parent contribution and fundraising. Much of the operational costs including the provision of computers, high-quality school resources, extra sports equipment, library/ICT support and equipment, quality art and science supplies and maintenance, along with the provision of new curriculum initiatives, are supported solely by local fundraising, including parent contributions.

PERSONAL PROPERTY AT SCHOOL

Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. Please note that the Department of Education and Training does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property. Please note that the Department has a statewide policy on mobile phone use in Victorian schools. Students are required to turn their phones off during school times and hand their phones to class teachers for safekeeping. At the end of the day, phones will be returned to students.

UNIFORM/BELONGINGS

Please be vigilant in clearly naming all uniform items and personal belongings (lunch boxes, sports equipment etc.) This allows us to return any found items to the rightful owner.

UPDATING CONTACT DETAILS/MEDICAL

We ask all families to please ensure that you have up-to-date contact details on Compass. This includes current address, phone numbers, emergency contact details etc. Also, any students who have a medical condition must have current medical records at the office. Of most importance is to ensure Asthma, Diabetes, Epilepsy and Anaphylaxis Management Plans are up to date. These need to be signed off by your local doctor and are required to be updated annually.

BELVEDERE PARK SCHOOL COUNCIL

Belvedere Park Primary School is governed by our School Council. The Council is made of volunteers from our parent community and also from our teaching staff, including myself. Laura Morris is the President of our Council. We will be running nominations and elections for the 2024 School Council over the next few weeks. You may be interested in joining our Council and contributing to our school's development over the next two years. Further information about the nomination and election process is available at any time. If you are interested or have any questions please contact the school office. Elections for the 2024/2025 School Council will take place during Term 1. Further details about nomination forms will be available in the next newsletter.

HOT DAYS AND EXTREME WEATHER DAYS

On days when it is extremely hot, the children will remain in classrooms and be supervised as they are on wet days.

EARRINGS

Students and parents/carers are reminded that the only acceptable earrings for school are either sleepers or studs.



Staff Profiles



Name: Zac Taylor

Current Position: Year 3 Teacher

Years at Belvedere Park: First year

Favourite Song: W.I.T.C.H - Devan Cole

Favourite Movie: Lord of the Rings Trilogy

Favourite Holiday Destination: Japan

Hobbies: Boardgames, Playing Dungeons and Dragons and 3D Printing

Football Team: Essendon Bombers

Pets: Billy Biscuit - Smithfield Cattle Dog

Why I became a teacher: I love to see students grow academically and creatively. I also love to talk and my class is a captive audience!

Name: Shaun McEachern

Current Position: Digital Technologies

Years at Belvedere Park: First year

Favourite Song: Khe Sanh - Cold Chisel

Favourite Movie: Back To The Future II

Favourite Holiday Destination: Lorne, Victoria

Hobbies: Coding, Making Movies and Going to the Cinema

Football Team: Collingwood Magpies

Pets: Sienna - Spoodle

Why I became a teacher: To enable students and teachers to make technology take them to new heights.





Student of the Week (Friday 2nd February)

Foundation A All Students

Foundation B All Students

1A Rudra K

1B Sonny C

2A Lailah B-V

2B Shylah L

3A Alkiviathis C

3B Joe K

3C Braxton M

4A April E

4B Harrison T

5A Mayson C

5B Dexter B

6A Alannah M

6B Summer C

Digital Technologies Hennessy C 3B

Performing Arts Liam O'S-D 6A

Physical Education Jack H 5B

Visual Arts -





Student of the Week (Friday 9th February)

Foundation A Alexandra H

Foundation B Deana C

1A Xavier B

1B Ruby B

2A Evie H

2B Evie S

3A Vienna L

3B Jye H

3C Charlotte KH

4A Ava H

4B Heidi D

5A Claudia C

5B Deklyn C

6A Finn M

6B Archer L

Digital Technologies Lailah B-V 2A

Performing Arts Aria G 2A

Physical Education Heidi D 4B

Visual Arts All students in 6A

