



Bethal Primary School

Newsletter

We aim to be an outstanding, connected and curious community of learners who are engaged in purposeful learning across all curriculum areas

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Upcoming events

Monday 17th October	3 / 4 Excursion - ACME, Heritage Walk
Thursday 20th October	F - 2 Stomp
Monday 24th October	3 / 4 Incursion - Indigenous speaker - Ron Murray
Monday 31st October	Curriculum day - Student free Day
Tuesday 1st November	Melbourne Cup Day - Public Holiday

Principal's Message



Dear Families,

I hope everyone had a wonderful break and are well rested for a fantastic finish to the year. Term Four will see our Grade Sixes visiting their new high schools while at the other end of the school, our 2023 Preps will be beginning their transition. I'm looking forward to a very busy and exciting term ahead.

CURRICULUM DAY & MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY — Oct 31 and Nov 1

Students will not be attending school on Monday October 31 (as we have a curriculum day) and Tuesday the 1st of November (Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday).

Hats in Term Four: A reminder that term four is a 'sun-smart term', meaning that we all need to be wearing our hats when outside during recess and lunchtime. If you need to purchase a new hat for term four, please see our office staff who are here to help.

Planning for 2023: The Leadership Team are currently planning for 2023. We are looking at the number of students enrolled and considering our structure and the number of classes we will need to best support the learning programs that are provided for students. This planning considers the budget that will be available for staffing. This budget is determined by student numbers; therefore, it is important to have the best possible information when we are making our decisions. If you have a child who will be commencing in Prep next year, could you please submit your enrolment form as soon as possible? If you have a neighbour or friend who is intending to send their child to Bethal and has not yet enrolled, could you please encourage them to send along their paperwork. Conversely, any parents who know their children will not be continuing at Bethal, could you please let me know via email at David.Warren@education.vic.gov.au as soon as possible (or let our ladies in the office know). Even if you are not sure at this moment, a note about the possibility that this may occur is always helpful. As enrolment numbers affect our staffing decisions and the number of classes we have, it is important that we can predict as closely as possible what our expected enrolment will be in 2023.

Attendance: Every day counts when it comes to school attendance and going to school is the single most important part of your child's education! Research shows that each day missed is linked to progressively lower results in Reading, Writing and Mathematics. Time away from school creates gaps in learning and can also cause disconnects in friendships. There are always times when students need to miss school, such as when they are ill. It is vital however that where possible, attempts are made to reduce absent days and holidays are planned during school breaks where possible. At Bethal PS, we want to encourage all our students to love coming to school and to value their time spent learning in class with their teacher and peers!

Dave



Hello Bethal Primary Community,

For those who don't know me, my name is Brock Wilson, and I am the new Assistant Principal at Bethal Primary School. You may remember me as a classroom teacher some years ago, as I taught Grade 3/4 and Grade 5/6 for several years before I became a school leader. Since then, I've been working as an Assistant Principal at two different schools - Ardeer South Primary School and Springside Primary School. Though I have only been back for a week, it has been wonderful to reconnect with the staff, students, and families within our learning community. It has been particularly enjoyable to reconnect with some of our Grade 5/6 students – they are much taller than I remember them!

You can usually find me at the front gate either before or after school – look out for the tall smiling guy! I'm always up for a chat with families and I love to hear how our past students are going. Like many of our staff here, I love this school and I am honoured with the opportunity to make it the best it can be in the coming years.

If you spot me, come and say hello!

Brock Wilson

Assistant Principal

اعزائي اولياء الأمور,

أتمنى أن يكون الجميع قد حصلوا على استراحة رائعة وأن يكونوا مرتاحين بشكل جيد لإنهاء هذا العام الرائع. سيشهد الفصل الدراسي الرابع زيارة الصف السادس لمدارسهم الثانوية الجديدة, بينما في الطرف الآخر سيبدأ برنامج التحضيري لصف التمهيدي لسنة 2023. إنني أشوق إلى فترة حافلة ومثيرة للغاية في المستقبل.

يوم المناهج وكأس ملبورن العطلة العامة - 31 أكتوبر و 1 نوفمبر.

لن يذهب الطلاب إلى المدرسة يوم الاثنين 31 أكتوبر (حيث لدينا يوم منهج دراسي) ويوم الثلاثاء الأول من نوفمبر (عطلة كأس ملبورن).

القبعات في الفصل الرابع,

تذكير بأن الفصل الرابع هو الفصل "الوقية من الشمس" مما يعني أننا نحتاج جميعاً إلى ارتداء قبعتنا عندما نكون في الخارج أثناء الفرصة. إذا كنت بحاجة لشراء قبعة جديدة للفصل الدراسي الرابع فالرجاء مراجعة موظفي مكتبنا الموجودين هنا للمساعدة.

التخطيط لعام 2023.

يخطط فريق القيادة حالياً لعام 2023. نحن ندرس عدد الطلاب المسجلين ونأخذ في الاعتبار هيكلنا وعدد الفصول التي سنحتاجها لدعم أفضل برامج التعلم المقدمة للطلاب. يأخذ هذا التخطيط بعين الاعتبار الميزانية التي ستكون متاحة للتوظيف. يتم تحديد هذه الميزانية من خلال أعداد الطلاب. لذلك من المهم الحصول على أفضل المعلومات الممكنة عندما نتخذ قراراتنا. إذا كان لديك طفل سيبدأ في التمهيدي العام المقبل فهل يمكنك إرسال استمارة التسجيل في أقرب وقت ممكن, إذا كان لديك جار أو صديق يعتزم إرسال طفله إلى مدرستنا ولم يتم تسجيله بعد فهل يمكنك تشجيعه على إرسال أوراقه التسجيل. على العكس من ذلك فإن أي أهالي يعرفون أن أطفالهم لن يستمروا في مدرستنا هل يمكنك إعلامي عبر البريد الإلكتروني على David.Warren@education.vic.gov.au في أقرب وقت ممكن (أو إعلام مكتب مدرستنا) حتى إذا لم تكن متأكداً في هذه اللحظة فإن ملاحظة حول احتمال حدوث ذلك تكون مفيدة دائماً. نظراً لأن أرقام التسجيل تؤثر على قرارات التوظيف لدينا وعدد الفصول الدراسية لدينا فمن المهم أن نتأكد من التنبؤ بأكبر قدر ممكن بما سيكون عليه التسجيل المتوقع في عام 2023.

الحضور.

كل يوم مهم عندما يتعلق الأمر بالذهاب إلى المدرسة والذهاب إلى المدرسة هو أهم جزء في تعليم طفلك! تظهر الأبحاث أن كل يوم ضائع مرتبط بنتائج أقل تدريجياً في القراءة والكتابة والرياضيات. يؤدي قضاء الوقت بعيداً عن المدرسة إلى إحداث فجوات في التعلم ويمكن أن يتسبب أيضاً في انقطاع الصداقات. هناك دائماً أوقات يحتاج فيها الطلاب إلى التغيب عن المدرسة كما هو الحال عندما يكونون مرضى ومع ذلك فمن الضروري حيثما أمكن بذل محاولات لتقليل أيام الغياب والعطلات المخطط لها أثناء فترات الراحة المدرسية حيثما أمكن ذلك. نريد أن نشجع جميع طلابنا على حب المجيء إلى المدرسة وتقدير الوقت الذي يقضونه في التعلم في الفصل مع معلمهم وأقرانهم!

مدير المدرسة

Dave Warren



مرحباً أهالي مدرستنا,

بالنسبة لأولئك الذين لا يعرفوني انا اسمي بروك ويلسون وأنا المساعد المدير الجديد في مدرسة باثل الابتدائية. قد تتذكروني كمدرس في الفصل قبل بضع سنوات حيث قمت بالتدريس للصفين 3/4 والصف 5/6 لعدة سنوات قبل أن أصبح قائداً للمدرسة. منذ ذلك الحين أعمل كمدير مساعد في مدرستين مختلفتين - مدرسة Ardeer South الابتدائية ومدرسة Springside الابتدائية. على الرغم من أنني عدت لمدة أسبوع فقط فقد كان من الرائع إعادة الاتصال بالموظفين والطلاب والعائلات داخل مجتمع التعلم لدينا. لقد كان من الممتع بشكل خاص إعادة الاتصال ببعض طلاب الصف 5/6 - فهم أطول كثيراً مما أتذكرهم!

يمكنك عادة أن تجدني عند البوابة الأمامية إما قبل أو بعد المدرسة - ابحث عن الرجل الطويل المبتسم! أنا مستعد دائماً للردشة مع العائلات وأحب أن أسمع كيف يسير طلابنا السابقون. مثل العديد من موظفينا هنا أحب هذه المدرسة ويشرفني أن أتيحت لي الفرصة لجعلها أفضل ما يمكن أن تكون عليه في السنوات القادمة.

إذا وجدتنني تعال وقل مرحباً!

مساعد المدير

Brock Wilson

This month's update

Swimming and Water Safety 2022 Program for Grades F - 2

During the F-2 swimming program students have enjoyed learning and developing their swimming and water safety skills including kicking, floating, water familiarisation, swimming strokes, rescues and survival techniques.





3/4A had a free healthy lunch Thursday for winning the healthy eating tally across the school.



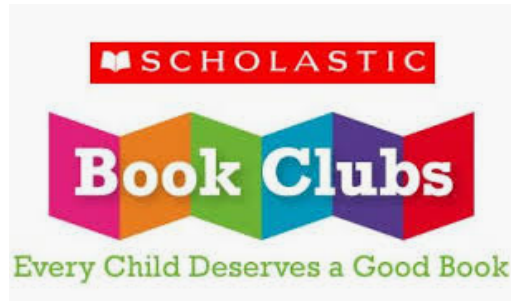
Athletics 2022

Congratulations to the Grade 6 boys relay team (Mohammed Hijazi, Yunus Ashan, Antanious Koro and La Zaar Hickling Tipuai). The boys qualified for the Northern-Metropolitan Region heats at Meadow Glen Athletics track in Epping. They were victorious in the Broadmeadows District and at the Woodlands Division. The boys represented the school fantastically and we are really proud of their efforts. La Zaar also represented Bethal in both the 100m and 200m sprint. Well done boys!

Market Manoeuvres

The Grade 5/6s had a great time with an incursion this week to kick start their Inquiry topic on the economy. Students tested their business skills and mastered the market to win.





Book Club orders due 21st October



Hats are required for Term 4



Monday 31st October - Student free day

Tuesday 1st Nov - Public Holiday



SCHOOL-WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT (SWPBS)

@ BETHAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

The purpose of School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS) at Bethal Primary School is to improve student outcomes through a safe and inclusive learning environment.

Our expectations are **Collaboration**, **Perseverance** and **Respect** and visibly displayed and represented around our school through our characters:



The school expectations underpin the SWPBS framework across the school. The expectations guide the language used for clarifying, teaching and acknowledging expected positive behaviours, as well as providing a rationale for responding to inappropriate behaviours.

SWPBS Features:




- As with all learning, behaviour must be taught, modelled and reinforced.
- Our Positive Behaviour Expectations matrix is explicitly taught to every classroom in every location at BPS.
- Students' individual needs and abilities are catered for.
- Staff have a common understanding of what the expected behaviours look like.
- All staff take responsibility for implementing consistent behaviour management strategies using a common language.
- Behaviour management data is used to guide further teaching and planning.
- Positive rewards and acknowledgments are offered to reinforce school expectations and behaviours.
- Staff actively pre-correct and teach expected behaviours.
- Logical consequences are applied if a student is not demonstrating the expected behaviours.
- Teachers implement appropriate prevention strategies to address potential behavioural challenges before they occur

Positive Behaviour Expectations Matrix:

Our Positive Behaviour Expectations matrix communicates Bethal PS' expectations for positive behaviours and learning across different settings of the school: **ALL SETTINGS, LEARNING SPACES, OUTDOORS, TOILETS, CANTEEN** and **MOVING AROUND THE SCHOOL**.

Through teaching, modelling, and reinforcing of the expected positive behaviours help teachers, principals, aides, and parents consistently reinforce a set of key behavioural and learning expectations during students' daily routines. As they are visibly displayed in the classroom and other settings, they help to increase students' understanding of Bethal PS' school-wide expectations and offer specific examples of actions students can take to meet these expectations.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS

	ALL SETTINGS	LEARNING SPACES	OUTDOORS	TOILETS	CANTEEN	MOVING AROUND SCHOOL
 <p>COZZY COLLABORATION</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We include others ✓ We help and support others ✓ We wait our turn ✓ We listen to the ideas of others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We share our ideas and give everyone a fair go ✓ We share the resources ✓ We pack up as a team ✓ We eat all of our food before going outside ✓ We put our rubbish in the correct bin 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We share the spaces and equipment ✓ We take turns ✓ We play together safely ✓ We play fairly ✓ We return all equipment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We keep the space clean for everyone ✓ We report problems to a teacher ✓ We turn off taps 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We eat our canteen food in the designated area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We walk at the same pace as the whole class ✓ We hold the door open for others ✓ We stay with our partner/class
 <p>PERCY PERSEVERANCE</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We strive for our personal best ✓ We participate and attempt things even if they are challenging ✓ We accept and learn from our mistakes ✓ We ask for help ✓ We stop and think before reacting ✓ We attend school all day, every day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We focus on our learning ✓ We ask questions ✓ We show independent thinking and problem-solving skills ✓ We stay in our designated working space 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We walk away when someone has upset us ✓ We problem solve small issues ourselves ✓ We accept the outcome of games ✓ We seek help from a yard duty teacher 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We use the toilet that is available ✓ We use the toilet before school, during break times and after school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We line up quietly and patiently in the marked bays 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We stay in our place in the line
 <p>RIKKI RESPECT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We talk kindly to others and use our manners ✓ We listen to and follow instructions from adults immediately ✓ We keep our hands and feet to ourselves ✓ We are considerate of everyone's differences ✓ We care for our own, the school's and others' property ✓ We consider others' personal space ✓ We follow our 'one voice' expectation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We value everyone's right to learn ✓ We use 'whole body' listening ✓ We use 'inside voices' ✓ We clean up after ourselves ✓ We are ready to learn at the bell 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We stay within designated areas ✓ We follow agreed game rules and are 'good sports' ✓ We use sporting equipment appropriately in the right area ✓ We wear our hats when required ✓ We use the drinking taps correctly ✓ We move to our learning space when the music begins 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We use the toilet correctly ✓ We flush the toilet after use and wash our hands ✓ We give each other space and privacy ✓ We leave when we are finished 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We put our rubbish in the correct bin ✓ We only spend our own money on ourselves ✓ We leave when we have bought our own food 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We walk quietly around the school ✓ We seek permission before leaving a space ✓ We wait in line to be invited into a learning space ✓ We go directly to our destination ✓ We use 'inside voices' ✓ We keep left on the pathways/corridors ✓ We walk our bike, scooter etc. on school grounds



COFFEE & CHAT

**Mondays &
Tuesdays 9-11a.m**
Meet others and get
some support!



CITIZENSHIP

**Mondays
12:30-2:30p.m**
Learn about
Australian Citizenship
for the test!



**Tuesdays
9-10:30a.m**

**Learn with your child,
get them ready for
Kinder & have fun!**



Bethal Primary School COMMUNITY HUB



Sewing classes
Coffee & Chat
Playgroup
English classes

**Mondays
Tuesdays
Wednesdays
Thursdays**

WOMEN'S WELLBEING
Fitness
Computer classes
breakfast club

Please contact
Nella or Suzan



SEWING
**Fridays
9-11a.m**

**Learn how to sew
exciting new projects!**



BEGINNER ENGLISH
**Mondays
9-11a.m**

**Hub building
(Childminding provided)**

**ENGLISH
CONVERSATION**
**Tuesdays & Thursdays
4-5p.m**
Online on Zoom



COMPUTER
**Thursdays
9:30-11a.m**

**Learn basic
Computer skills!**



**WOMEN'S
WELLBEING**
**Wednesdays
9-11a.m**
Learn about
Women's Health!



**WOMEN'S
FITNESS**
**Wednesdays
11-12p.m**
Get fit with
Zumba!

Contact Nella or Amira on 9309 7626 (ask for the Hub)



HUB Information Session



ندوة معلومات المركز الاجتماعي

Bring a friend & come learn about our Hub!

See what programs and services we offer that can help you!

قم بالحضور واحضر صديقا الى مركزنا الاجتماعي للتعرف على البرامج والخدمات التي نقدمها
لمساعدتكم.

ENGLISH

WOMEN'S HEALTH & FITNESS

SEWING

COMPUTER

PLAYGROUP

COFFEE & CHAT

دروس الخياطة

صحة النساء واللياقة البدنية

تعلم اللغة الانجليزية

القهوة والدرشة

مجموعة اللعب للأطفال

دروس الكمبيوتر

HUB building:

Wednesday 9-10a.m 19/10/2022

Coffee & Tea afterwards

مبنى المركز الاجتماعي

يوم الاربعاء التاسع عشر من تشرين الأول (اكتوبر) من 9 الى 10 صباحا

19\10\2022

وبعد ذلك الشاي والقهوة

Please contact Nella or Amira 9309 7626

لمزيد من المعلومات يمكنكم التواصل مع نيلا أو أميرة على الرقم التالي (93097626)

Hume Girls Can has launched this week!



Getting active doesn't have to mean signing up for the gym - it looks different for everyone! Whether you take a walk around the block, have a play in the park with your kids, or get dirty out on the soccer field, the most important thing is that you're moving your body – and that looks good on you no matter what.

Born out of [VicHealth's *This Girl Can*](#) initiative, we're celebrating everyday Hume women getting active however, wherever and whenever they choose. Are you ready to give it a go?

Inspiring women share their stories below, plus visit <https://www.hume.vic.gov.au/Residents/Things-to-See-and-Do/Hume-Girls-Can> see what events are running during the month of September!



[Kim](#)

Not allowing two major knee surgeries to get in her way, Kim walks us through her favourite form of physical activity - walking! Who ever said the only way to be active is by putting in hard hours at the gym?



Caroline

Caroline comes alive when she's under water. Having witnessed countless women face their fears and change their lives by trying something new, her activity of choice brings her joy in more ways than one.

CELEBRATION

WHITTLESEA SHOW



**WHITTLESEA
AGRICULTURAL
SOCIETY**
FOUNDED 1859



**20
22**

**SAT-SUN
5TH & 6TH
NOVEMBER
OPEN DAILY
9AM-5PM**

WHITTLESEA SHOWGROUNDS, YEA RD, WHITTLESEA
WWW.WHITTLESEASHOW.ORG.AU



COVID COMPLIANT EVENT



Whittlesea Agricultural Society

presents

THE WHITTLESEA COMMUNITY *Christmas Tree Extravaganza*



December 10th - 23rd. Open daily from 12pm - 9pm. Gold Coin Entry
Administration Building, Gate 1 McPhees Rd, Whittlesea