

NEWSLETTER NO 3 16TH FEBRUARY 2023

ALL CANTEEN ORDERS MUST BE DONE ONLINE VIA THE Qkr APP CANTEEN IS OPEN MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

PARENT/TEACHER/STUDENT INTERVIEWS: UPDATE

My apologies – we have not made it clear to you that parents and students have the option of either a face-to-face interview with their child's teacher or they can choose to have on the phone. It is your choice. Please email the classroom teacher if you are requesting a phone interview.

HETTIE & HARRY'S FOREST ADVENTURE (AUGMENTED REALITY (AR) BOOK)

I am very pleased to inform you that we will be providing every student at our school with a complimentary copy of our highly innovative illustrated AR book, one which blends traditional print with immersive technology. This has been a 4-year project, one which has the aim of improving children's engagement with reading. The book comes with a free App, with instructions provided on the back cover. Students have been instrumental in the book's development and have speaking parts for characters in the book. There is a beautiful original song which was commissioned by us, drumming sequences and lots of movement activities on every page. A Deakin University PhD candidate is researching the impact of AR on student engagement in learning via this book. A spin-off is the AR teaching and learning program that Robert Kelly delivers at our school.

Children should receive their copy of the book within the next 2-3 weeks.

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

INTERVENTION ORDERS

Please note that if your family is in a situation in which Intervention Orders are in place, and they change, it is most important that you provide us with the documentation to this effect as soon as possible. We are bound by law to act in strict, confidential accord with the most recent Court papers in our possession, provided to us. Verbal assurances by parents involved, are not accepted and this can cause significant distress to all parties. Hence, bring updated Intervention Order documents to us asap.

HOT DAY TIMETABLE - Friday 17th February

Due to the extreme heat forecasted for tomorrow, Friday 17th February we will be calling a hot day timetable during the lunchtime period. Outside play will be cut back to half an hour.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

Q. Will the AR program be provided to all children?

A. In the long term, that is our aim. Currently we can provide the program to only a limited number of senior students. AR programs in primary schools are currently very much in their infancy and we are thrilled that we are at the leading edge of delivery of AR programs in primary schools.

QUOTABLE QUOTE

'If you want to be noticed in life, don't be mediocre - there's too much competition' Henry Grossek

DIARY DATES:

Interschool Sports
Parent Teacher Interviews
School Photos
Curriculum Day
State School Spectacular Rehearsal

Friday 24th February Monday 27th February Tuesday 28th February Friday 10th March Monday 27th March

NOTICES DUE:

State School Spectacular Prep Working with Food Program Interschool Sports Friday 17th February Friday 17th February Wednesday 22nd February

HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER?

Please ensure you let the school office know if you have changed address or updated mobile phones with new numbers. This information alleviates stressful situations for students when they are ill and we cannot contact parents.

Meet our friendly school admin team.

The school office is a busy place! Having a front office that has an efficient system and positive culture has a tremendous impact on how a school operates. To help you put a face to a name, see our friendly office administration team below. Always welcoming and happy to deal with any queries.



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CHANGE OF DETAILS:

★ A reminder to all families to please update the office with any changes to personal details,
 ★ including any medical updates, change of address and phone numbers and emergency
 ★ contacts. It is important for us to have up-to-date information in order to operate efficiently.

HOCKEY CLINIC

The Grade 3-4 students enjoyed a fantastic day yesterday learning new skills during the hockey clinic. Hockey fitness requires the players to be in almost constant movement and involves a lot of sprinting and quick changes of direction. The students put in a great effort practicing the fun hockey drills.



Sandra McCrum, Angela Maskery and Sharyn King

Photo Day



PHOTO DAY COMING SOON!

Head to our website to view the available packages and to place your order

VISIT OUR WEBSITE & ENTER THIS CODE:

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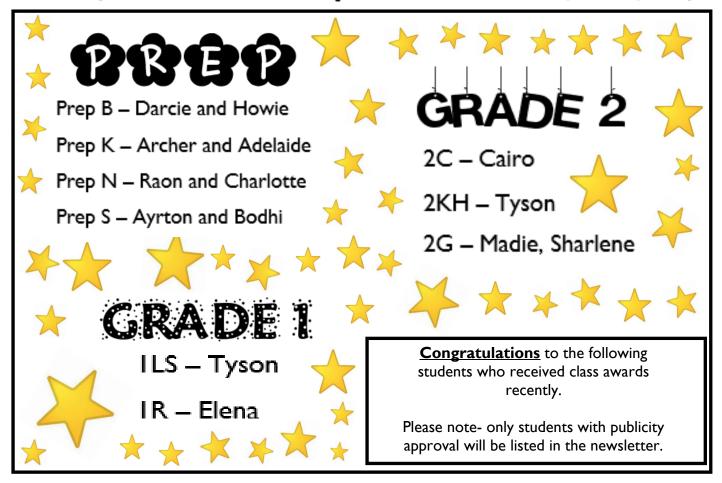




Berwick Lodge Primary School

ORANGE

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS



BOOK CLUB ORDERS

WELCOME BACK TO BOOK CLUB 2023

This year you will receive two issues of the Scholastic Book Club per term. If you are new to BLPS or want to order for the first time, just head to the Scholastic website, create an account and place your order using Berwick Lodge and your child's teacher and class name.

I hope you enjoy the new NEWSPAPER format. The first issue cut off date is: 17/02/2023 at 3.30pm

DON'T FORGET...every order earns reward dollars for our school to purchase new books for the LIBRARY.

HAPPY READING EVERYONE,

Mrs Tsekouras and Ms Taylor



<u>Art smock reminder</u> - we are back in the Art room creating, so if your child is without an art smock, it would be great if they could find an old shirt, t-shirt etc to wear in the art room, as some days can get messy. Please make sure all art smocks are named.

The Preps have begun learning about the primary colours this week and had so much fun watching new colours appear as they mixed red, yellow and blue.













Mrs Zammit Visual Arts Teacher

Sport News

Each year our school participates in Inter-School Sports. We play against different schools in the Casey area each week and look forward to fun and competitive games.

In 2022, we had an outstanding Rounders Team who took home the flag for the Summer Sports competition.

Congratulations to the team for their outstanding efforts!

Team members - Bille B, Scarlet R, Homah, Lara M, Darcy Z, Dave, Ellson, Achyuth M, Yaneth and Thenuka.

Although most of our team was in Grade 6 last year, we still wanted to recognise their efforts.

Photo: Darcy and Amelia 2023 Sports Captains



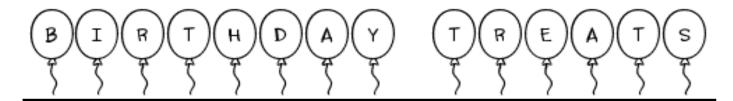
SICKBAY NEWS

Thank you to all the families who have returned their medical forms back for this year.

We are still missing a substantial amount of forms so if your child has Asthma, Anaphylaxis, Allergies or requires medication at school, please complete these forms and return them back immediately. If you require these forms again, you can find them on the Parent Portal under "School Resources"

LIBRARY NEWS

Please return any overdue library books from last year ASAP.



Parents may bring in food treats to celebrate their child's birthday.

However, this treat <u>must be</u> individually commercially packaged with ingredients listed (ie: fun-size chocolate) and distributed to students at the end of the school day.













PFA NEWS

Thank you to all the parents who came to our first meeting on Monday. It was lovely to see everyone again and meet some new families at our school.

Congratulations to Karina, our 2022 PFA president, who is now one of our lovely BLPS teachers. We know she is fabulous and is going to have a fabulous year teaching Prep K.

This week we are starting up the Secondhand Uniform Shop again. Amber is taking on the coordinator role with the support of Zoe and the PFA team. We have lots of new items in so if you need anything check out our post on the next page and send us an email. Orders will be packed and ready for collection & payment at the office on Wednesday's between 3:30 - 4pm.

Coming up on Wednesday 15th March we will be hosting an evening Parent Discussion Session with Carey Cole of ParentZone, Anglicare Victoria. This event is Free! And will be held in the School Library. Check out the ad in this newsletter for further information.

We have also locked in a date for our AGM, Monday 6th March 2023. If you are interested in joining the PFA committee or want to sign up for a PFA office bearer position please send us an email on pfa@berwicklodgeps.vic.edu.au and we can send you the forms to complete or alternatively you can access the forms on the parent portal under Resources, PFA Information.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone!

Emma PFA Vice President

PFA Second Hand Uniform Shop

The PFA Second Hand Uniform Shop has incorporated an online ordering system. Below you will find what we currently have in stock. If you would like to purchase items please email through your request to pfa@berwicklodgeps.vic.edu.au.

Orders will be ready for collection at Reception on Wednesday from 3:30pm - 4pm

Donations are currently being accepted at the office. Thank you for your support!

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Top Yellow Short Sleeve	\$5		6	18	12	2	4	12	1	8
Top Yellow Long Sleeve	\$5		2	3	3	1		2	1	3
Jacket Bomber	\$5		3	0	24	13	13	7	3	
Jumper Crew Neck	\$5		4	5	15	3	5	2		
Jumper Fleece Rugby	\$5			3	2	0	1			1
Trackpants	\$5			0			4	1	1	
Trousers	\$5				1		2	1		
Sports Shorts	\$5			2	3	5	3	1	2	
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Netball Skirt	\$5								1	
Sports Skirt	\$5			0				3	2	
Dress Summer	\$5		5	8	4	1	3	4	3	
Dress Winter	\$5				2					
Backpack	\$5	0								
Book bag	\$2	0								

CANTEEN NEWS

CANTEEN ONLINE ORDERING SYSTEM

Berwick Lodge canteen LUNCH ordering system called Qkr (pronounced Quicker) is available for canteen lunch orders

Qkr by MasterCard can be downloaded for **FREE** from Apple's App store for iPhones, iPhone app for IPads, or from Google Play for Android phones and tablets.

What families need to do TO SET UP ORDERING:

- · Download the Qkr App to your phone or tablet.
 - Register
 - o Find our School: Berwick Lodge P.S (from "Nearby Locations")
 - Register your child/ren Select Student Profile
 - o Order Meals (you can change, cancel or repeat orders)
 - Make Payment: Up to 5 cards can be linked.
- To CANCEL an order: Open the QKR app and tap Activity, scroll to order history, tap the red circle with the minus symbol to cancel. Cancelling needs to be done prior to close off at 9.00am for that day.

NO COST TO DOWNLOAD THE APP!!

NO FEES, NO ACCOUNTS, you pay as you go for food only!!

- Online orders must be placed / or cancelled by 9.00am, as the online order system will close shortly after.
- Orders can be placed online up to 2 weeks ahead.
- Make sure you link your child with the correct year level and home group.
- HELP: If you experience issues contact Anne from Bellbrook Catering on 0488 052 522. Please do not contact the school.

REMINDER

For all existing families please remember to edit your child's profile to their new homegroup/class for 2023.

This helps with the timely delivery of lunch orders.

IN OTHER NEWS...

Your OSHC.

Tailored before and after school experiences that children love.

Newsletter

Incursions this term



Join us this term for fun, engaging, and educational incursions in After School Care at School Name. To enrol your child into the incursion at no extra charge than their regular session fee, make sure you book the After School Care program on the date of the incursion.

Week 2, Wednesday 3rd of February

African Drumming, during After School Care

Week#, Day Date Month

Name of incursion, during After School Care

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Register for Your OSHC

Once registered, you'll be able to easily make and manage your bookings online via our Parent Portal.

Register now

Child Care Subsidy (CCS)

The Child Care Subsidy can provide up to 85% off your fees. Your eligibility is determined by your family's annual adjusted taxable income, the type of childcare you use, and your activity level. To find out if you're eligible, contact Centrelink on 13 61 50.





Presents

SCHOOL OPEN NIGHTS

EASTERN CAMPUS

SPORTS ACADEMY
INSTITUTE OF THE ARTS

Monday 27 March 5:30pm & 7pm

WESTERN CAMPUS

GENERAL EXCELLENCE
MATHS & SCIENCE ACADEMY
Wednesday 29 March
6:30pm

Bookings & Program Information Nights visit: ROWVILLESC.VIC.EDU.AU



ROWVILLE One great school



DEALING WITH BIG FEELINGS

PARENTS BUILDING SOLUTIONS

Hosted by the Parents and Friends Association of Berwick Lodge Primary School

FEELINGS CAN MAKE US VERY UNCOMFORTABLE!

- Does your child (or you) have difficulty expressing feelings in appropriate ways?
- Does your child often seem to be anxious, angry, frustrated, jealous or sad?
- Would it be helpful to explore what other parents are doing to support their children?

If your answer to any of these questions is "YES!" come along to join a discussion that explores positive responses to this parenting challenge, and to hear what works for other parents.

While walk-ins are welcome, please try to register beforehand for catering purposes.

PARENTZONE

DATE: Wednesday, 15th March

TIME: 5.30 p.m. - 7.30 p.m.

Refreshments will be provided after the

program

WHERE: School Library

Berwick Lodge Primary School 139 - 145 Mansfield Street, Berwick

COST: FREE!

For more information, contact: Carey Cole - 0437 428 281 carey.cole@anglicarevic.org.au OR

Register using the QR code or this link: https://forms.office.com/r/ErhFqXGzuq



TOMORROWS



JOIN THE FUN!

Narre Warren & Surrounds - T1 Multicultural Auskick Centre

Sweeney Reserve Fridays March 3rd - March 31st 5pm - 6pm



For more details, contact lachlan.modica@afl.com.au

COME & TRY FOOTY 4 FUN





Experience Australia's most loved sport through AFL Victoria's FREE Footy 4
Fun events delivered across Victoria! A footy experience full of fun activities,
modified games & memorable moments to take home with you!

Footy 4 Fun 'Come & Try' is an opportunity for kids aged 5-12 years to experience an introduction to the basics of football in through fun activities.

WHERE:

Berwick North, Cardinia, Fountain Gate, Hampton, Park, Narre Warren North, Narre Warren South

WHEN:

To see dates & times scan OR Code



REGISTER HERE!



We are seeking players in the following age groups:

Under 9 and 11 Mixed, Under 12 and 13 Boys and Under 12 Girls.

If you are interested, email registrar@bjfc.com.au