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NEWSLETTER NO 35

9TH NOVEMBER 2023

**LAST DAY OF TRADE FOR CANTEEN WILL BE
FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER**

ACTING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

PREP/GRADE 1/GRADE 2 ATHLETICS DAY – FRIDAY 10th NOVEMBER

Tomorrow is our junior grades athletics day. We are aware of the forecast for high temperatures and will be monitoring this throughout the day and will adjust or cancel the program as required. Students will be sat in shaded areas between events or whilst waiting for events. All students are required to wear a SunSmart hat and clothing, including no singlet tops and they must have their shoulders covered. In line with being SunSmart, we request parents apply 50+ sunscreen to their child prior to coming to school and send the sunscreen in their bag so the students can reapply at recess and lunch time. This should occur even if your child is not participating in the athletics day tomorrow. Children need to be able to apply their own sunscreen as staff are not permitted to do so. All students need to bring a water bottle and wear appropriate footwear for the athletics day. Any students without a hat or appropriate clothing will sit in the shade and spectate. Students will be reminded by teachers to regularly have a drink of water and sit in the shade. Parents are most welcome to come and cheer for their child and enjoy watching the events. If deemed too hot in the afternoon, the presentation will be held over until our Monday morning assembly. A very big THANKYOU in advance to Mrs. Muccignat and Mrs McArthur for all their hard work in planning and organising the day.

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE 10th NOVEMBER

Tomorrow from 2.45pm we will hold our Remembrance Day service on the basketball courts. If deemed too hot outside, this will become an internal assembly for our students and parents are welcome to sit outside and listen.

Continued...

LEARNING FOR LIFE...



ACTING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

PFA FUN RUN – MONDAY 27th NOVEMBER

Our Parents and Friends Association have planned a whole school fundraising event for Monday 27th November – a school Fun Run. Students are encouraged to fundraise for the event, dress up for the day in their favourite costume/colours and enjoy a great day with their friends. There will be prizes awarded for various categories and the Fun Run times for the grade levels participation will be outlined soon. Parents are most welcome to come and cheer on the day. The emphasis is on having fun for everyone!

TIK TOK

We been made aware of some students accessing Tik Tok accounts which have the Berwick Lodge logo and/or a photo/video of Mr. Grossek. As with all technology, we encourage parents to monitor what your children are accessing at home as students may think they are in contact with friends but in actual fact, they may be communicating with complete strangers. The age to access Tik Tok is 13 years of age which most of our students are under this age. We appreciate families assisting with monitoring what children are accessing on line to keep everyone safe.

SAVE THE DATE – COMMUNITY AFTERNOON - MONDAY 27th NOVEMBER

We are planning to have an afternoon to celebrate our school year with the whole school community. Families will be welcome to visit classrooms from 3pm and see their child's work and participate in other activities outside. We encourage all families to bring a picnic afternoon tea to enjoy with friends. Our teachers will be in attendance until 4.30pm. Further information will be provided over the next few weeks. We look forward to celebrating our wonderful year with our school community.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

Q. Are you still accepting enrolments for 2024?

A. Yes we are. If you have family or friends who haven't enrolled for 2024, please ask them to contact the school for further information and to organise a personal tour.

QUOTABLE QUOTE:

"Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance you must keep moving." Albert Einstein

Sandra McCrum

DIARY DATES:

Prep - 2 Athletics Day	Friday 10th November
Grade 4 Camp	Wednesday 15th Nov - Friday 17th Nov
Prep Craftpower Woodwork Incursion	Wednesday 22nd November
Grade 5 Camp	Wednesday 22nd Nov - Friday 24th Nov
Fundraising Fun Run	Monday 27th November
Community Afternoon	Monday 27th November
Grade 6 Camp	Wednesday 13th Dec - Friday 15th Dec
Grade 6 Graduation	Monday 18th December

NOTICES AND PAYMENTS DUE:

Grade 6 Graduation Bear	Friday 10th November
Grade 6 Graduation Permission	Monday 13th November
Grade 6 Camp Dietary Requirements	Friday 17th November
Prep Craftpower Woodwork Incursion	Friday 17th November
Grade 6 Camp Balance	Wednesday 22nd November

Assistant Principals' Report

LOST PROPERTY

The lost property bins are over-flowing. The clothing will be sorted and placed along the corridor next week. Please check if your child has any missing items of clothing and have a look at the items along the main corridor. Named items will be returned to their rightful owners. Thank you for your assistance.

ANGLICARE VICTORIA

Online | Parenting Anxious Children

Time: 12:30 - 2:30pm Price: FREE - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL Contact: ParentZone

EasternPhone:03 9721 3646

Do you want to feel less overwhelmed and find more positive ways to deal with your child's anxious feelings? Learn strategies and get some tools and tips to help them cope.

DATE: Tuesday 21st November

TIME: 12:30PM – 2:30PM

WHERE: Online

COST: FREE!

To book for any or all of these workshops:

Questions: Contact ParentZone Eastern on 9721 3646

CRAZY HAIR DAY

Last week, the Junior School Council organised a crazy hair day. There were hairstyles of all different designs, shapes, and colours with a few amazing wigs. It was great to see so many children involved and the effort they put in to create their hair masterpieces.



Angela Maskery and Sharyn King

P.E. NEWS

NOTE TO PREP-GRADE 2 FAMILIES

A reminder that the Prep-Grade 2 athletics day is to be held tomorrow, Friday 10th November beginning at approximately 9:15am. Students are encouraged to wear their house colours on the day to support their house team. Due to the warm conditions, students must wear their hats and bring plenty of water to drink. Please make sure all drink bottles are labelled with name and grade.

It is advisable that students have sunscreen applied in the morning before school and bring their OWN sunscreen to school so that they can reapply this in the recess and lunchtime breaks. Teachers are not allowed to provide or apply sunscreen to students. No singlet or tank tops to be worn - shoulders must be covered.

Parents are more than welcome to come and spectate, but must stand out of the way of event areas and behind fenced areas to not interfere with the running of the events. **Parents must also leave the school grounds during recess and lunchtime breaks.**

There will be an assembly being held at the conclusion of the day at approximately 2:45pm to announce the winning house followed by a Remembrance Day assembly at 3pm.



Thank you,
Kylee Muccignat & Ali McArthur
P.E teachers

PFA NEWS

Fundraising Fun Run is Back!

On Monday the 27th November we will be holding our Annual Fun Run. This is one of our biggest Fundraisers for the school.

**Kids will get a free
icy pole on the day.**

Forms will be handed out soon for each child to start raising money.

We would also appreciate any parent helpers on the day; for setting up and handing out icy poles to each grade. If you are willing to help on the day please send an email to pfa@berwicklodgeps.vic.edu.au with your name, child's name and grade, and the times that you are available.



Looking ahead to 2024

Do you, or someone you know own a small business?
Looking ahead to Mother/Father's Day stalls next year.

We would like to put out the word to small business owners, for gift ideas for our

Mother's Day stall and our Father's Day stall for 2024.

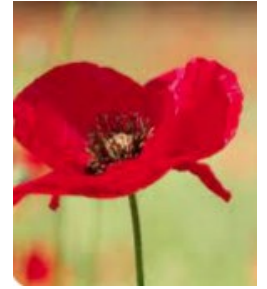
Normally we aim to find gift ideas that are around the \$3.00 mark or under.
So, if you know of anyone who sells products/items within this range, please send us

an email to pfa@berwicklodgeps.vic.edu.au
We would love to hear from you!

Regards,
Bek (PFA President)

JSC NEWS

As part of the RSL's **Remembrance Day** Appeal, the JSC Representatives will be coming to classrooms at recess and lunch eating times from **Thursday 26th October** and will have badges, wristbands and keyrings for sale.



They range in price from \$2 - \$5.

All proceeds go the Berwick RSL and the Remembrance Day Appeal.



LIBRARY NEWS

Our Library is looking amazing with loads of new books currently being added to the shelves. Thank you to everyone who donated books this year, the students are really enjoying reading these new books.

We will be undertaking our annual stocktake during December. Please make sure that **ALL** library books are returned by the 24th of November. Stocktake will begin on the 27th of November. This will allow time so we can scan, count and sort everything out for 2024. We have some exciting new changes on the way...



BOOK CLUB ORDERS

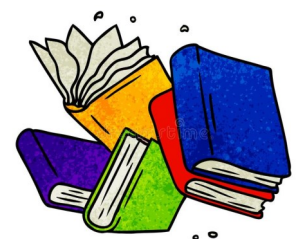
Issue 8 is now available for ordering. This catalogue has lots of sequels to series', Christmas stories, non-fiction books, picture story books and lots of activities.

Have a look through to enter a **colouring competition**, complete a **word search puzzle**, find a **recipe** for a **MINECRAFT slice**, create your own **COMIC STRIP** and possibly **WIN** some **movie passes** to see DreamWorks TROLLS BAND TOGETHER!

All orders need to be placed before 3.30pm on the 30th November 2023. These will be distributed to students asap.

The Gift Function is available for orders to be collected from the office for secret surprises.

Happy Reading,
Mrs Tsekouras and Ms Taylor.



SICKBAY NEWS

We would appreciate any donations of underwear in its original packaging for our sickbay. Please note, these must be brand new.

Do you have any clothing that your child may have borrowed from sickbay?

If so, can you please wash and return these items as soon as possible.



CANTEEN NEWS

If your child forgets their lunch, and a sandwich is provided by the canteen, please note that this will incur a charge of \$2.

The money needs to be handed to the office as soon as possible.



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

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



IN OTHER NEWS...

Your
OSHC.

Tailored before and after school
experiences that children love.

Newsletter

Upcoming incursion:

Animal Farm

17th November, 2023

Hey everyone!

Coordinator Kelly reporting here from the OSHC base camp. We have some very exciting news that we would love to share!

Join us for a fun, engaging, and educational incursion in After School Care at Berwick Lodge Primary School! Joining us on the 17th November will be Animal Farm bringing their awesome barn yard animals, for all children to enjoy! Times are 4pm – 5:30pm

We cannot wait to see you there!

Book now from your Parent Portal

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 90% 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.

Register free and book now at www.campaustralia.com.au

by  **Camp
Australia**

IN OTHER NEWS...

Outside School Hours Care Newsletter

23/10/2023

Berwick Lodge Primary School



Your
OSHC.



Rubbish Robots



After School Care
13-17 November

[Book now](#)

A message from your Coordinator

Hello wonderful families of Berwick Lodge! We need your help!

Coordinator Kelly here reporting from OSHC Base Camp. This term we are excited to announce our Rubbish Robots week commencing 13-17th November.

Do you have any recyclables just laying around? Not sure what to do with them? Well look no further, we are collecting recycled goods! We will be putting our creative caps on and building using recycled materials!



Activities coming up

- Rubbish/ recycle collecting
- Team building with peers
- Creating our OSHC robot

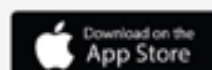
Make a booking

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your OSHC and Rocketeers.

[Book now](#)

Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campastralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.



Find out more and book now at www.campastralia.com.au

Transition News



St John's

REGIONAL COLLEGE



**DISCOVER YOUR
CHILD'S PATHWAY**

OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 22 November 2023 6pm

Come along and discover the opportunities and pathways to unlock your child's potential. Join us for a College tour. Discover what St John's has to offer and find out about the new 2025 Academic Scholarship Program.

Register today at
www.sjrc.vic.edu.au
or scan the QR Code



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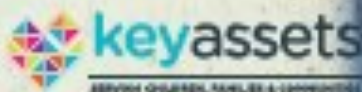
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Find out more about
foster care and
how you can **make
a difference.**

Could you be a Foster Carer?

We want to work with you to make a positive and lasting difference to the lives of children in your community.

As a Key Assets foster carer we'll provide you with 24/7 support, a dedicated social worker and on-going training. If you're looking to provide love, safety and care for a child we'd love to hear from you.



COMMUNITY ADVERTISING



Are you over 25 with a spare bedroom?

If you answered yes then you're already on your way to becoming a foster carer.

Victorian children and young people in your local community need a safe space to call home



“Our carers Emma and Adam say...

There are so many children in need and so few people willing to take the risk.

I thank Key Assets for making a difference; the financial support means we can go beyond boundaries to give these children every opportunity to grow, develop and reach their potential.”

canifoster.org.au
(03) 9566 7800

COMMUNITY ADVERTISING



BASIC MAKE-UP APPLICATION WITH APRIL FROM

SeneGence

Learn how to choose the correct foundation to suit your skin tone, as April from SeneGence, guides you through a basic make-up session with quality products.

All participants will get to apply the products to make up their own face under guidance.

A fun and informative session.

**MONDAY 20TH NOVEMBER
10AM
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM
TIMBARRA COMMUNITY CENTRE**



**LIMITED PLACES
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**
admin@berwicknc.com.au
or 9704 1863

COMMUNITY ADVERTISING

POP UP PLAYGROUP



Discover Learn Play

The City of Casey free 'Pop-up Playgroup' Term 4 2023

Come along and enjoy playgroup activities outdoors with your child, including block and imaginary play, music, art, reading and active play.

You can also pick up more information about Community Playgroups, Maternal and Child Health, Kindergarten and Youth Services.

Trueman Reserve Playground,

Bradman Drive & Trueman Street, Cranbourne West

<https://goo.gl/maps/Ea7UrLoVorR5G8n19>

Wednesday 4 October 9:30 am – 11.00 am
Wednesday 11 October 9:30 am – 11.00 am
Wednesday 18 October 9:30 am – 11.00 am
Wednesday 25 October 9:30 am – 11.00 am
Wednesday 1 November 9:30 am – 11.00 am

Livvi's Place,

Boland Dr, Lyndhurst

<https://goo.gl/maps/F2n2byC3nKa5Cri26>

Wednesday 8 November 9:30 am – 11.00 am
Wednesday 15 November 9:30 am – 11.00 am
Wednesday 22 November 9:30 am – 11.00 am
Wednesday 29 November 9:30 am – 11.00 am



Please note Pop-up Playgroup is an outdoor event. Please bring water, snacks, and spare clothes. No bookings required.

Contact the City of Casey:

Web: casey.vic.gov.au
Email: caseycc@casey.vic.gov.au
Phone: 03 9705 5200
Post: PO Box 1000, Narre Warren VIC 3805
NRS: 133 677 (for the deaf, hearing or speech impaired)

Customer Service Centres:

Narre Warren: Bunjil Place, Patrick Northeast Drive, Narre Warren
Cranbourne: Cranbourne Park Shopping Centre, Cranbourne
ABN: 43 320 295 742



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COMMUNITY NEWS



Mother tongue classes

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Free Program

Grade 1 & 2 Tuesdays

Grade 3 & 4 Monday

6 - 7 pm

To book:

0387430671

admin@bpmh.org.au

Or directly on our website:

www.bpmh.org.au



ROVING REFILLS

HOME DELIVERIES ACROSS CASEY

Providing 20% off
refills for skin, body
and cleaning products
to your door



Deliveries Wednesday 15 November

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

To book a delivery email: rovingrefillsfrankston@gmail.com

COMMUNITY NEWS

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TEXTILE DROP-OFF DAY

City of Casey
GREEN LIVING IN CASEY

FREE ONE-OFF TEXTILE DROP-OFF DAY

Let's give our textiles a new life and keep them out of landfill!



SATURDAY 18 NOVEMBER
9.00 AM – 3.00 PM
30 VESPER DRIVE NARRE WARREN

FREE ONE-OFF TEXTILE DROP-OFF DAY

Do you have household linens, clothes and shoes that are ready for a new home? Or are they at the end of their lives and in need of recycling? This National Recycling Week you can drop them off for free so they can be recycled or rehomed through a local charity.

Green Living in Casey is working with Give a Sheet® for the Planet and UPPAREL to recycle as many of these textiles as possible. We are also partnering with local charities to find your unwanted clothes in good condition a new home.



Please read the list of accepted items closely. Bookings essential, scan here.

Please note this event is for Casey Residents only. We will only be accepting drop-offs from households, no businesses or large quantities.



SAFE AROUND SCHOOLS

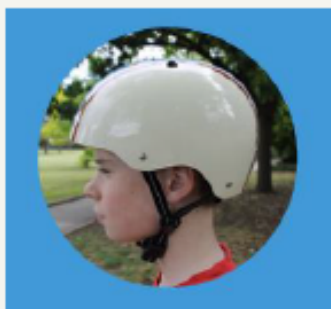


Active Travel – How to fit a helmet safely.

As a community, we always love seeing children being active by riding, scooting, or skating in our neighborhood.

It is important your child always wears a helmet while on a bike, scooter, or skateboard to ensure they are not seriously injured. Wearing a helmet reduces the risk of head injuries by up to 74%.

Here is the correct way to fasten your helmet.



- ✔ Ensure your child's helmet is approved and carries the Australian standard AS/NZS 2063, which means it has been safety approved, legal and meets standards.
- ✔ When helmet is on ensure the helmet sits 2 fingers widths above the eyebrows
- ✔ Helmet straps must be correctly adjusted with no twists. The straps should form a V shape around the ears – see picture.
- ✔ Once the buckle is fastened, ensure you can place 2 fingers under the chin strap.
- ✔ If the helmet moves out of position easily, then your helmet is too loose and must be adjusted – either your straps are too loose, or your helmet is not the correct size.



Helmets must be worn when riding:

- ✔ On roads and road-related areas
- ✔ On bike or shared paths in bike lanes
- ✔ In recreational parks
- ✔ In carparks
- ✔ On footpaths

This short video demonstrates how to fit your bicycle helmet correctly Take the time and watch this with your children <https://youtu.be/VyCNrC8RZD1>

Contact the City of Casey:

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Email: Safearoundschools@casey.vic.gov.au
Phone: 03 9705 5200
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Tuning in to Kids

Are you on the same wavelength with the children in your care?

Do you have children between the ages of 2-10 years in your care?

Tuning in to Kids is a 6-week program to help you tune into your children.

Would you like to learn how to:

- Better tune into your child's emotions?
- Better understand your child?
- Help your child learn to manage their own emotions?
- Teach your child how to deal with conflict in their life?

Tuning in to Kids helps children:

- Calm themselves down when distressed
- Get along better with other children
- Express their emotions in more appropriate ways

Cost
Free

Date
Every Wednesday
18th Oct – 29th Nov 2023
No group 22nd November

Time
10AM – 12:30PM

Venue
Cranbourne West Community Hub
4 Flicka Blvd, Cranbourne West VIC 3977

Light refreshments will be served

Get in touch
03 5990 8400
Group Workers
Bookings essential

Uniting

COMMUNITY NEWS



Parents Building Solutions Term 4 2023

FREE 6 Week program for mums who've been impacted by family violence to talk about their kids.

- Are you dealing with the after-effects of family violence?
- Does your child's anger or anxiety worry you?
- Can you identify the warning signs in a new relationship?
- Do contact visits unsettle your child?
- Do you feel alone?

DATES: Tuesdays - 17th October to 28th November (not Cup Day)

TIME: 9:30 - 11:30am

WHERE: Dandenong Location - Details provided at time of booking

COST: Free!



MISSION AUSTRALIA together we stand

Please scan the QR code to see Communities for Children Greater Dandenong's Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/group/C4CDandenong>

The Communities for Children Initiative is supported by the Australian Government

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