



Berwick Lodge Primary School

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NEWSLETTER NO 38

30TH NOVEMBER 2023

LAST DAY OF CANTEEN - FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER

LAST DAY OF TERM 4 - WEDNESDAY 20TH DECEMBER AT 2:30PM

ACTING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

STAFF CAR PARK

Our student's safety is paramount when on the school grounds. Unfortunately, we have had a lot of families parking in the staff car park again to drop off/pick up their child/ren. This isn't safe as we have students walking between moving cars to find their parents, parents cars blocking other cars, including staff who need to leave the car park. Our staff car park is allocated for our staff. If you have a disabled parking permit there are two disabled parking bays in the Cyril Molineux Reserve car park, adjacent to our basketball courts. Alternative parking as outlined by the City of Casey in our Safe Around Schools information is included again in the newsletter. This outlines other areas around the local community where parents can park including in local streets and courts. Thank you to those families who are doing the correct thing and parking in the recommended areas. We want to keep everyone safe when moving to and from the school.

COMMUNITY AFTERNOON

It was wonderful to see so many families and friends enjoying the activities on offer during our Community Afternoon on Monday. I enjoyed walking and talking with parents and observing lots of fun being had as students and families enjoyed Zance, minor games, origami, art activities, watching the grade 5/6 movies and sharing their work within classrooms. Thank you very much for being a part of our afternoon and to our staff for opening their classrooms to celebrate our students' achievements. I look forward to many more fantastic activities like this in the future.

Continued...

LEARNING FOR LIFE...



ACTING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

PFA FUN RUN MONDAY 4th DECEMBER

The weather forecast looks very good for our postponed fun run which is now being held on Monday 4th December. Students are encouraged to dress up in their house colours or fancy dress. They need to wear appropriate shoes for walking/running and apply sunscreen prior to the fun run. Thank you to those families who have already sponsored their children. There is still time to keep collecting sponsors and the Compass online payment system is still open for fundraising collections until the 6th December. Thank you very much to Camp Australia for kindly donating money for our prizes and Zooper Doopers. Parents are most welcome to come and spectate and cheer on the day and the PFA will require some parents to help on the day to organise the event.

COMMENCEMENT OF 2024 SCHOOL YEAR

The first school day for our grade 1 to grade 6 children next year will be Wednesday 31st January. Teaching staff commence the 2024 school year on Monday 29th January, and we then have Tuesday 30th January as a designated professional development day. Our prep students will commence on Thursday 1st February. Next year our prep students will have Wednesday 31st January, Wednesday 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th February off from school to allow our prep teachers time to complete the mandated English online assessments. The Department of Education allows schools to modify the attendance days for our prep students so this assessment can be completed. Each prep child will have a prebooked time to attend on one of the Wednesdays to complete the assessment with their teacher.

SAVE THE DATE: MONDAY 18th DECEMBER

We are planning to have a celebratory final whole school assembly on Monday 18th December at 9:00am. Further information will be provided over the next few weeks.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

Q. If I have a concern, who should I talk to?

A. If parents have any concerns, please approach your child's teacher or email via Compass and arrange a time to meet. If parents want to meet with a member of the principal team, please contact the office to organise a time. We also love to hear about the celebrations and achievements of our students so please continue to share these as well.

QUOTABLE QUOTE

"Be there for others, but never leave yourself behind." Dodinsky



DATES TO REMEMBER

DIARY DATES:

Fundraising Fun Run	Monday 4th December
Prep Swimming Begins	Tuesday 5th December
Grade 1 Chesterfield Farm Excursion	Friday 8th December
Grade 3 Moonlit Sanctuary Excursion	Friday 8th December
Grade 6 Camp	Wednesday 13th Dec - Friday 15th Dec
Grade 2 Bricks4Kidz Incursion	Thursday 14th December
Grade 6 Graduation	Monday 18th December
Last Day of Term - 2:30pm finish	Wednesday 20th December

NOTICES AND PAYMENTS DUE:

Grade 6 2024 Jumpers	Friday 1st December
Grade 1 Chesterfield Farm Excursion	Friday 1st December
Grade 3 Moonlit Sanctuary Excursion	Friday 1st December
Grade 6 Graduation Tickets	Friday 1st December
Grade 2 Bricks4Kidz Incursion	Friday 8th December

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.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

PREP

Prep B – Howie and Bronte

Prep K – Oliver H and Trey

Prep N – Evelyn, Ben, Rylie
and Rider

Prep S: Ayrton and Isla

2024 ENROLMENTS

School Tours and 2024 Enrolments are now open!

Tours will be held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.
Bookings are essential, please contact the office on 9709 6700.

For all those families who have a sibling starting prep next year, please inform the office if you have not already done so.

If you know of any friends or family who are interested in attending Berwick Lodge next year, please ask them to contact the office on 9709 6700 or they can send an email to berwick.lodge.ps@education.vic.gov.au



PFA NEWS

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL

B.L.P.S Fun Run

MONDAY 4TH DECEMBER

Get ready for a day of colourful costumes and spirited fun! Join us at our school Fun Run, where kids can wear costumes or proudly display their house colors while raising funds for our school. It's an exciting opportunity to support our school community while having a blast!

Free Icy Poles will be provided on the day!

Forms have been provided to kick start the students' fund-raising efforts.



We would also appreciate any Parent Helpers on the day!

If you are available to help please contact

PFA@berwicklodgeps.vic.edu.au with your child's name and grade

LIBRARY NEWS

All library books are now overdue and need to be returned urgently.



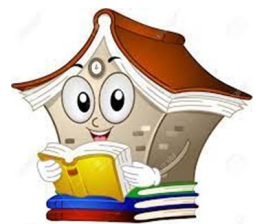
BOOK CLUB ORDERS

The final issue of Scholastic Book Club, for 2023, is closing at 5.00pm today, please finalise any orders by then.

Don't forget to use the GIFT function if your items are secret surprises!

Happy reading,

Mrs Tsekouras and Ms Taylor.



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.



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BACK TO SCHOOL SPORTS!

LEARN NEW SPORTS IN TERM 1

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Have heaps of fun with your friends while playing a range of dynamic and active sports throughout term 1.

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INFORMATION

FOR PARENTS

MULTI-SPORT PROGRAMME

Programmes run weekly on one day a week for one hour.

This term we will focus on the following sports:

- ✓ Basketball
- ✓ Soccer
- ✓ Tennis
- ✓ Ultimate Frisbee

This weekly program gives children skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings – giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future.

For Prep – Grade 4 students.

\$119 FOR A 7 WEEK PROGRAM

Sign up anytime and only pay for the weeks remaining in the term

School: Berwick Lodge Primary School

Day: Monday

Start Date: 5th February

End Date: 25th March

Time: 3:40pm - 4:40pm

No session March 11th due to Labour Day Holiday



BOOK EARLY & SAVE

Book before January 2nd to save 10%!

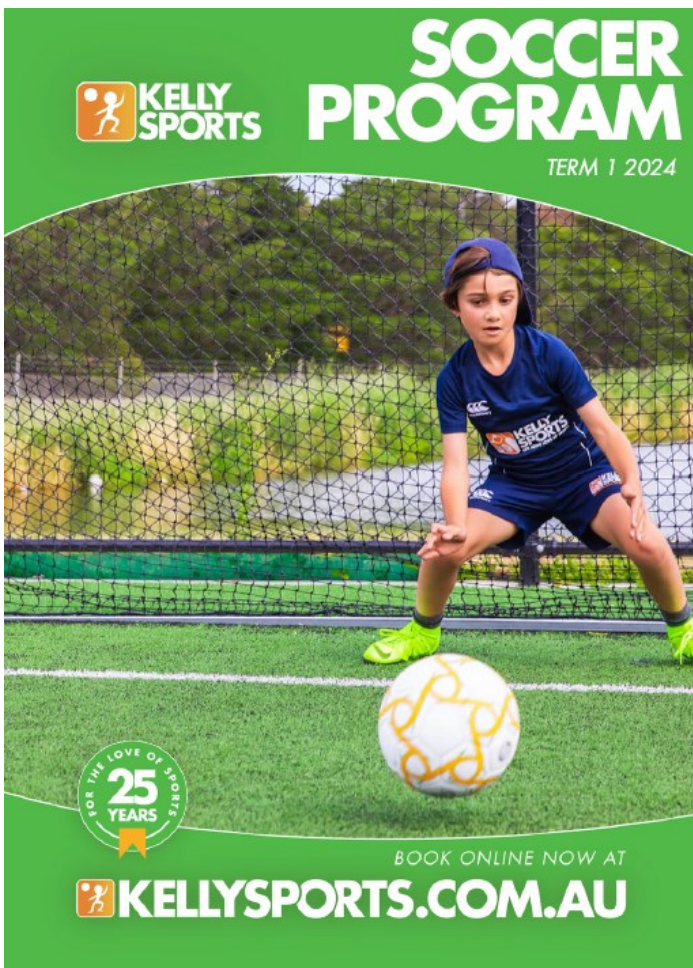
Website: kellysports.com.au/metro-south-east

Contact: Paul Battershill or Natasha Kalweit

Email: natasha@kellysports.com.au

Phone: 0413 080 025

Facebook: Kelly Sports Metro South East Melb

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SOCCER PROGRAM

TERM 1 2024

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SOCCER PROGRAM

Programs run weekly for one hour.

This soccer program will have the following:

- ✓ Skills Practice
- ✓ Teamwork
- ✓ Modified Games
- ✓ Ideal for Beginners
- ✓ Suitable Equipment

This weekly program gives children skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm and participation and the life skills that such involvement brings – giving them increased confidence in the future.

For boys and girls in Prep - Year 4

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Email: natasha@kellysports.com.au

Phone: 0413 080 025

Facebook: Kelly Sports Metro South East Melbourne



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the best way to see Aussie animals

GO WILD THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AT MOONLIT SANCTUARY KEEPER CLUB

Kids enjoy environmental activities, animal encounters and native animal care. The day includes interactions with dingoes, pythons, feeding animals and food prep, and animal enrichment activities. Learn about our animals, their conservation and the environment.
For ages 8-14 years



Summer 2024 School Holiday Program Dates:

8:45am sign in – 9:00am start, 2:00pm finish

JANUARY DATES

Week 1: Monday 8th, Tuesday 9th, Thursday 11th and Friday 12th

Week 2: Monday 15th, Tuesday 16th, Wednesday 17th, Thursday 18th and Friday 19th

Week 3: Monday 22nd, Tuesday 23rd, Wednesday 24th, Thursday 25th

Cost: \$99.00 per day | Small groups of 16 | 9:00 am start - 2:00pm finish

Bookings are essential as spaces are limited to 16 per day

550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale | Phone 5978 7935 | www.moonlitsanctuary.com.au



Moonlit Sanctuary
the best way to see Aussie animals

KEEPER CLUB HOLIDAY PROGRAM GO WILD THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!

If you have some junior wildlife lovers looking for fun over the holidays, check out Moonlit Sanctuary's Keeper Club holiday program.

In a day full of fun hands-on activities, kids get up close to many animals including dingoes, cockatoos and pythons and learn how their keepers work to keep them happy and healthy.

Places are limited so book early and make your junior keeper's day!

For ages 8-14 Cost \$99m 9am-2pm
See our website for more info.



moonlitsanctuary.com.au | t. 5978 7935 | e. bookings@moonlit-sanctuary.com
550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale

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COMMUNITY MORNING TEA

Wishing you joy, laughter, and festive cheer as we gather to celebrate the magic of Christmas, and remember a wonderful year.

11.30am

Timbarra Community Hall
26 Parkhill Dve, Berwick

THURSDAY	7TH	DECEMBER
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9704 1863 or
admin@berwicknc.om.au to register

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YOUTH
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JOIN US FOR

JINGLE & JAM CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS



WEDNESDAY, 20 DECEMBER | 5.30PM-9.30PM

NARRE WARREN YOUTH INFORMATION CENTRE,

52 WEBB STREET, NARRE WARREN

OPEN TO AGES 12-25 YEARS | COST: \$12

LIVE MUSIC, KARAOKE, CHRISTMAS DINNER, MINI GOLF,
AIR BRUSH TATTOOS, GAMES, CASEY 360 BUS AND MORE.

REGISTRATION:

<https://www.trybooking.com/GMO.IM>



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City of Casey TEENAGE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM Summer 2024

Week One

Bookings close **Thursday, 11 January 2024**

MONDAY, 15 JANUARY

Fun with Food - Cooking Workshop

Venue: Lynbrook Community Centre
Time: 11:00 am – 2:00 pm
Cost: \$5
Transport included (see back of flyer)
BYO: water bottle

TUESDAY, 16 JANUARY

Thrill Ride Summer at Luna Park

Venue: Luna Park
Time: 11:00 am – 03:00 pm
Cost: \$35
Transport included (see back of flyer)
BYO: lunch and/or money, snacks, water bottle, sunscreen, hat & wear comfortable shoes.

WEDNESDAY, 17 JANUARY

Swim, Slide, and Splash

Venue: Peninsula Aquatic Recreation Centre, Frankston
Time: 10:30 am - 02:30 pm
Cost: \$10
Transport included (see back of flyer)
BYO: lunch and/or money, bathers, towel & water bottle.

THURSDAY, 18 JANUARY

Adrenalise Rush : Go Karts and Laser Tag

Venue: Le Mans Entertainment, Dandenong South
Time: 10:30 am – 12:45 pm
Cost: \$40
Transport included (see back of flyer)
Individual waiver forms required
BYO: lunch and /or money, water bottle & wear comfortable shoes

FRIDAY, 19 JANUARY

Summer Fest

Venue: Narre Warren Youth Information Centre
Time: 01:30 pm – 05:00 pm
Cost: FREE
Transport not included.

Bookings are essential

visit casey.vic.gov.au/holidays


Contact the City of Casey

Web: casey.vic.gov.au/youth

Phone: 9705 5200

NRS: 133 677 (National Relay Service)

TIS: 131 450 (Translating and Interpreter Services)

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Week Two

Bookings close **Thursday, 18 January 2024**

MONDAY, 22 JANUARY

Game on (online game activity)

Time: 10:30 am – 11:30 pm
Cost: FREE
Online links will be provided after registration.

TUESDAY, 23 JANUARY

Splatball Showdown

Venue: World Series Paintball, Oakleigh
Time: 10:40 am – 12:30 pm
Cost: \$33
Transport included (see back of flyer).
Individual waiver forms required
BYO: lunch and/or money, snacks, water bottle, & wear closed toe shoes.

WEDNESDAY, 24 JANUARY

Gumbuya World Adventure

Venue: Gumbuya World
Time: 10:30 am – 3:30 pm
Cost: \$35
Transport Included (see back of flyer)
BYO: lunch and/or money, snacks, water bottle, sunscreen, hat, bathers, towel & wear comfortable shoes.

THURSDAY, 25 JANUARY

Blockbuster Summer: Migration

Venue: Cameo Cinemas, Belgrave
Time: 10:45 am – 1.45 pm
Cost: \$21
Transport included (see back of flyer).
BYO: lunch and/or money, snacks & water bottle
(movie snack included)

Contact event organiser

Tessa McManus

Email: tmcmanus@caseyvic.gov.au


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Mobile : 0448 564 032

Veronica Stanley

Email: vstanley@caseyvic.gov.au

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Week One

Transport

Monday, 15 January

Cooking Workshop	PICK UP	DROP OFF
Endeavour Hills	09:40 am	03:15 pm
Doveton	09:50 am	03:05 pm
Narre Warren	10:05 am	02:50 pm
Cranbourne	10:25 am	02:30 pm
Hampton Park	10:40 am	02:15 pm

Tuesday, 16 January

Thrill Ride at Luna Park	PICK UP	DROP OFF
Cranbourne	09:10 am	04:55 pm
Hampton Park	09:25 am	04:35 pm
Narre Warren	09:35 am	04:25 pm
Doveton	09:50 am	04:00 pm
Endeavour Hills	10:00 am	03:10 pm

Wednesday 17 January

Swim, Slide, and Splash	PICK UP	DROP OFF
Endeavour Hills	09:10 am	04:00 pm
Doveton	09:20 am	03:50 pm
Narre Warren	09:35 am	03:35 pm
Hampton Park	09:45 am	03:25 pm
Cranbourne	10:00 am	03:10 pm

Thursday, 18 January

Go Karts and Laser Tag	PICK UP	DROP OFF
Cranbourne	09:10 am	02:00 pm
Narre Warren	09:35 am	01:40 pm
Hampton Park	09:45 am	01:30 pm
Endeavour Hills	10:00 am	01:15 pm
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Week Two

Transport

Tuesday, 23 January

Splatball Showdown	PICK UP	DROP OFF
Cranbourne	09:10 am	02:55 pm
Hampton Park	09:25 am	02:35 pm
Narre Warren	09:35 am	02:25 pm
Doveton	09:50 am	02:10 pm
Endeavour Hills	10:00 am	01:00 pm

Wednesday, 24 January

Gumbuya World Adventure	PICK UP	DROP OFF
Cranbourne	09:10 am	05:00 pm
Hampton Park	09:30 am	04:40 pm
Doveton	09:40 am	04:30 pm
Endeavour Hills	09:50 am	04:20 pm
Narre Warren	10:05 am	04:05 pm

Thursday, 25 January

Blockbuster Summer	PICK UP	DROP OFF
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Hampton Park	09:50 am	02:40 pm
Doveton	10:00 am	02:30 pm
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Narre Warren	10:25 am	02:05 pm

Pick up and drop off points

Narre Warren Youth Information Centre
52 Webb Street, Narre Warren

Cranbourne
Lyal Street Bus Stop, Cranbourne

Doveton
Autumn Place Shopping Centre, Paperbark Street, Doveton

Endeavour Hills
Endeavour Hills Shopping Centre Bus Stop, Endeavour Hills

Hampton Park
Stuart Avenue Bus Stop, Hampton Park

Contact event organiser

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YOUTH SERVICES

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IGNITE ENTERTAINMENT

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FOR
2024

OPEN FOR AGES
12-25 YEARS

FreeZA - IGNITE Entertainment Youth Committee:

Learn about planning, developing and managing events.
Deliver safe, drug, smoke, vape and alcohol free events for other
young people in your community.

Support local musicians, artists and performers.

When : Starts on Tuesday 5 March 2024
Time : 5.30pm-7.30pm

Place : Narre Warren Youth Information Centre
52 Webb St, Narre Warren VIC 3805

Registrations: <https://rb.gy/6w1lk>



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freeza
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MyTime Berwick

Friday fortnight
10.30am-12.pm

Why MyTime?

MyTime is for parents and carers of a child with a disability, chronic medical condition or other additional needs including developmental delay.

Unwind and
share experiences
with others who
understand

FIND US AT:

Berwick Community Centre
26-28 Parkhill Drive
Timbarra Way
Berwick VIC, 3806

CONTACT:

Bibi Azizi – My Time Facilitator
bibia@mytimevic.com.au
Mobile: 0466106201



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MyTime term plan

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DATES	GROUP ACTIVITY	CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY
Fridays fortnightly		*activities may vary depending on group interests and ability.
20/10/2023	•Welcome families/ morning tea and craft activities	•soft ball game / Story time.
3/11/2023	• <i>Get to know me and what I like</i> <i>Play Spaces</i>	•Song time – and funny dance time lets we all can move nursery songs
17/11/2023	• <i>Learn about each other cultural shares and foods</i>	•Colouring and sticking activities /developing their fine skills
1st/12/2023	• <i>Group communications learning from one another</i>	•Painting/Dancing let's move our bodies /physical and emotions development
Final session 15/12/2023	• <i>End of Year Celebration Lunch</i>	•Arts & Crafts. Make a holiday card for family members



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Pre-school aged
children are welcome

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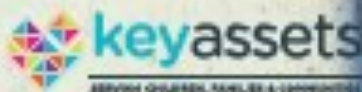
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Find out more about
foster care and
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a difference.

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.



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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
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