



BELLBRAE BULLETIN

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Principal – Dr. Adrian Waters

Assistant Principal – Mr. Brad Venn

THIS WEEK FROM THE PRINCIPAL

School Pride – Please encourage your children to actively take pride and ownership of our fantastic school. Small day to day actions can make a big difference to the overall presentation and quality of our learning and recreational spaces. As parents you can all help by packing ‘nude food’ in lunch boxes, ensuring clothing items are always marked clearly and returned home, not allowing your kids to climb on the goal post padding after school hours, picking up after your dog if they accompany you on campus, and by having discussions with your children about ways to prevent littering, damage to vegetation, graffiti, and how they can promote appropriate behaviour in the school toilets.

Enrolments – The ‘cut off’ date for enrolments has now arrived. If you have any children who have siblings at the school who you intend enrolling for 2027, please contact the front office asap.

Parking spaces and driveways – Unfortunately we have limited parking facilities around the school. Please do not use the staff driveways and parking spaces to pick up/drop off students. Not only is this a safety hazard, but also prevents staff from accessing dedicated parking spaces on the school grounds. (Currently we have over 50 staff members who we have to try and provide parking spaces for on the campus.)

Curriculum Day – On Monday we had a very productive Curriculum Day where staff focussed on the implementation of the new Victorian Teaching and Learning Model 2.0. Essentially it is a pedagogical model that illuminates the most effective teaching and learning strategies that can be employed in our school. We had members from DET Regional Office work with our staff, and we also had specific presentations for Education Support Staff who focussed on disability and inclusion.

Industrial Action – The next round of ‘stop work’ is scheduled for 19 August. If the latest government offer is accepted by the AEU, we anticipate the industrial action will not go ahead. As soon as we know the outcome of the vote, we will notify parents via Compass of the implications for potential ‘stop work.’ Thank you all for your support and patience over the duration of these protracted negotiations.

Have a great weekend ahead.

Adrian Waters – Principal

2026 IMPORTANT DATES

AUGUST 2026	
Tue 11th – Fri 14th	ICAS English Assessment Week
Tues 17 th – Friday 21 st	ICAS Science Assessment Week
Mon 17th – Tues 18th	Author Incursion – Coral Vass
Thursday 20 th	Meerkat Productions Live Performance Years P – 3 @ 10am & Years 4-6 @ 12 noon
Mon 24 th – Fri 28 th	CBCA Book Week 2026 – Symphony of Stories
Tuesday 24 th – Fri 28 th	ICAS Maths Assessment Week
Friday 28 th	Book Week Dress Up Day Parade @ 9.15am
Mon 31 st	Year 4 Bike Ed
SEPTEMBER 2026	
Tues 1st - Fri 4 th	Year 4 Bike Ed - Continued
Tuesday 1 st	Division Athletics – Selected Students
Mon 7 th – Fri 11 th	Years P – 4 Swimming Program Week 1 – Preps & Year 1
Thursday 10 th	Year 4 Werribee Zoo Excursion
Mon 14 th – Fri 18 th	Years P – 4 Swimming Program Week 2 – Years 2, 3 & 4
Friday 18 th	Last Day Term Three – 2.30pm Dismissal
OCTOBER 2026	
Monday 5 th	First Day Term Four
Tuesday 6 th	Indonesian Day – More information to come
<i>Thurs 22nd– Fri 23rd</i>	<i>Year 4 Urban Camp</i>
NOVEMBER 2026	
Monday 2 nd	Curriculum Day – Pupil Free
Tuesday 3 rd	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday – No School
Wednesday 4 th	Year 1 – Werribee Zoo Excursion
Tuesday 10 th	Year 3 Concert – 2.30pm – 3.30pm
Wednesday 11 th	Year 4 Concert – 2.30pm – 3.30pm
Thursday 12 th	Year 5 Concert – 2.30pm – 3.30pm
Friday 13 th	Year 6 Concert – 2.30pm – 3.30pm
DECEMBER 2026	
Tuesday 8 th	Statewide Transition Day
Tuesday 15 th	Year 6 Graduation
Wednesday 16 th	Adventure Park Year 6 Celebration
Thursday 17 th	Last Day Term Four – 3.30pm Dismissal
Friday 18 th	Curriculum Day – Pupil Free

WADAWURRUNG LANGUAGE

Acknowledgement of Country
Bellbrae PS



Our school sits in beautiful forest and coastal country, and is the traditional home of the Wadawurrung people. Today we acknowledge the care they have given to this land for thousands of years, and the care they continue to give. We always remember that our community learns and grows on Wadawurrung land and we acknowledge and pay our respects to Wadawurrung Elders past, present and emerging.



WADAWURRUNG
LANGUAGE



nyurrang
damper

Pronounced- n/yew/rang

nyern
charcoal



Pronounced- nu/yah/urn

2026 BIRTHDAYS 8th AUG – 21st AUG

AUGUST

8 th	Frankie Mee & Maja Fiess
9 th	Archie Fisher & Mia Molloy
10 th	Noah Hazle, Jude Stone, Leila Alam & Daisy Janes
11 th	Logan Fisher
15 th	Olive Adams & Indie Stone
16 th	James Lloyd
17 th	Layne Ramsey, Mitchell Hammond & Owen Molloy
18 th	Lois Osborne & Eli Anastasiu
19 th	Maggie Hammond & Elise Sanders
20 th	Imogen Wicks, Gus Thompson & Digby Byrnes
21 st	Neve Herreen, Ernesto Thevenon & Charlie Hamilton

WELFARE NEWS



Our school is now subscribed to the Happy Families School Membership! Owned and run by Dr Justin Coulson, one of Australia's leading parenting experts, the membership offers a wealth of parenting education and resources. We will regularly share resources available through our membership with you, including Insight Articles and Live Webinars.

Insights Articles - A new Insights article is released weekly during the term, and we will include these with the school newsletter. Insights articles are written by Dr Justin Coulson and provide parenting education and support for a wide variety of traditional and contemporary parenting challenges.

Live Webinars - ANSWERS with Dr JUSTIN COULSON is a live webinar series for all schools across Australia. Each term, Dr Justin will tackle a hot button parenting issue, providing your parent and teacher community with timely and relevant support. We will announce upcoming webinar details in our school newsletter and/or Compass. New issues each newsletter edition.

Term 3, Issue 3: Your Kids Don't Trust You

- [030326 Your kids don't trust you](#)

Term 3, Issue 4: Connection

- [040326 Connection](#)

Term 3 Webinar: Girls:

Trading Anxiety & Perfectionism for Authentic Growth Wednesday 19 August, 7pm AEST

Sign up here:

- <https://happyfamiliesfamilyeducation.ac-page.com/awj-girls-hfs-register>

BELLBRAE PS BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Proudly supporting Bellbrae Primary School

The Bellbrae Primary School Business Directory highlights some of our amazing local businesses from trades to healthcare professionals.

Please support the businesses that support us!

[CLICK HERE] to view the directory.

If you'd like to list your business, please complete the registration form found on the Contact Us page of the directory website or click on the link below.

[Bellbrae Business Directory Registration Form](#)



SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR**VALUE AWARDS**

Quinn Cannavan 4C	Lana Synot Performing Arts	Maple Norton FA	Monte Kruse 2D
Sienna De Felice 4C	Isabel Turnock 6A	Jimmy Deppeler 4B	Sadie Hammond 5C
Coco Leggett Performing Arts	Charlie Brand 1A	Sadie Baker 1D	Wilson Barraclough 5A
Eden Ingram 6A	Zali Sundheim Huber 2D	Jackson Carty 1D	Patrick Wilson FD
Sunny Campbell FA	Mia Wilson 5B	Archer Drury 5B	Nina Turnock FC
Lily Byrne 4B	Maeve Hastings FC	Nina Irwin 5C	Charlie Samuel 2B
Astin Marceau 2C	Ivy Turnock 4A	West Rahilly 3A	
Indrah D'Agostino 2C	Jack Purdue 1C	Zadie Fox 1C	
Jordy Brown 1B		Remy Turner 2B	
Riley Bennett 1B			
Arlo Aquilina 5A			
George Collet FB			
Joey McPhan FD			
Jasper Jones 3C			
Leila Ugrin 3C			
Cleo Elderfield 2A			
Morrison Lala 2A			
Finn Byrne FC			
Hugo Hope FB			
Maelyse Goy 4A			
Isla Anderson 3A			
Bowie Bird 2B			

Book Week – Visiting Author Pre Purchase

CORAL VASS IS VISITING OUR SCHOOL!

On 17th–18th August Coral will be visiting our school to talk to students about reading and writing. This is a fantastic opportunity to learn more about the practices of professional authors and how they write the interesting and engaging stories we love.



Students have the opportunity to pre-purchase books for signing on the day!



**To order Coral's books
please scan the QR CODE or
[click here](#)**

**All orders must be completed by
6th August to receive the books to be
signed on the day of Coral's visit.**

Please note: Orders after this date will arrive to the school after the visit and will NOT be signed.

