



BELLBRAE BULLETIN

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Issue 1

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THIS WEEK FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to the new school year

We extend a special welcome to all our Foundation students and to the new families who have joined the Bellbrae Primary School community. We also have some new and returning staff members who we trust will have an enjoyable and productive time at our school. Charlene Erasmus will be running our Performing Arts Program while Lachy Hurrell is away, Amanada Brissenden and Anna Neilsen have joined us as classroom teachers, Jenna Greenhalgh has returned from leave, Kim McCauley has come in as our new Business Manager as Judy is retiring, and we also have some new staff working in a casual capacity as Education Support Staff. It's really positive that we are not subject to the staff shortages some other schools have been faced with, and that we have many people seeking prospective employment in various capacities at our school.

Starting Right Program

As part of our Transition Program, we begin each year with a contextualized set of lessons that prepare our students for the year ahead. These lessons include a focus on expectations, behavioral agreements, the school values, cyber-safety and responsible ICT use, introductions to the Specialist subject areas, wellbeing and our pedagogical models. It is also during this period that the Foundation Assessments occur, and our Parent Information sessions are held. Next week we will hold 'parent – teacher interviews,' which will give you an opportunity to raise any important concerns you might have about your child's learning and wellbeing.

Swimming Carnival

A big thanks to Dave Semianiw, staff and parents who assisted in the success of the Swimming Carnival held on Monday. The students thoroughly enjoyed it, and a number of great times were recorded for students wanting to progress to the next level of competition. On a lighter note, once again the staff relay team managed to outswim the students, which allowed them to retain the 'Captain Boardshort Trophy.'

Have a great year ahead and make the most of the warm weather we are currently having. Before you know it, we'll be back in puffer jackets and beanies!

Adrian Waters - Principal

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

go-yin

wallaby



barnong

ringtail Possum



IMPORTANT DATES

FEBRUARY 2025

Tuesday 18 th	Parent Teacher Interviews from 2pm
Wednesday 19 th	Parent Teacher Interviews from 2pm
Friday 21 st	Assembly @ 2.45
Monday 24 th	Grade 6 Bio Cats Excursion to GMHBA Stadium

MARCH 2025

Tues 4 th – Fri 7 th	Year 6 Camp to Grampians
Monday 10th	Labour Day Public Holiday – No School
Thursday 20th	Whole School Photos
Friday 7 th	Assembly @ 2.45
Friday 21 st	Assembly @ 2.45

APRIL 2025

Friday 4 th	Assembly @ 2.45
Friday 5 th	Last day Term 1 - 2.30pm dismissal
Monday 21st	Easter Monday Public Holiday – No School
Tuesday 22nd	Curriculum Day – No Students
Wednesday 23 rd	First day return for students for Term 2
Friday 25th	Anzac Day Public Holiday – No School

2025 BIRTHDAYS up until next Friday, 21ST FEB

JANUARY	
1 st	Lenny Cox & Axel Wilson
2 nd	Tanner Miller, Henry Lister & Lenny Perry
4 th	Belle Kelly, Imogen Menogue & Finley Carran
5 th	Iggy Adams & Eden Coy
6 th	Leah Pearson
7 th	Daniela Johnson & Coen Bones
8 th	Bel Myers & Alice Curnow
9 th	Sebastian Fox & Freddie Vivian-Taylor
11 th	Daisy Carr & India Osborne
12 th	Tully Lewis
13 th	Lucy Myers
14 th	Archie Stone
16 th	Bonnie Schokman & Indi-Rose Nutbean
17 th	Riley & Ruben Knights
18 th	Daisy Hart
19 th	Alice Feery
20 th	Indrah D'Agostino & Audrey Crookes
21 st	Zoe Leggett, Patrick Ironmonger & Amelia Lister
22 nd	Oscar Hobson, Ned Crookes, Ollie Karfut & Oliver Earle
25 th	Lauren Warlond, Audrey Heard & Mila Perrett
26 th	Vincent White, Fox Walker & Christopher Cullen
28 th	Mac Law
FEBRUARY	
1 st	Zach Eccles
2 nd	Remy Beck, Neave O'Connor & Evie Scown
3 rd	Max Murray
4 th	Penelope Geary
5 th	Will Curnow
6 th	Hanna Manderfeld & Lachlan Callahan`
7 th	Reilly Carter & Loxy Pec
8 th	Bowen Banks & Ted Betts
12 th	Ned Long, Matilda & Jethro Grigg
13 th	Jack Purdue & Amandus Baker
14 th	Jay Hogan & Georgia Bridges
15 th	Harlowe Harvey
16 th	Marceline Seraiocco
17 th	Isla O'Brien
18 th	Ocea Jeavons
21 st	Bowie Bird, Rocky Otero Clark & Charlotte Seiffert



SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR VALUE AWARDS



Bonnie Grigg	Lenny Cox	Ty Glennie	Remi Armstrong - Porter
Charlie Stewart	Luka Brown	Cleo Beck	Maeve Hicks
Clara Maia-Rau	Noah Pettifer	Finn Hart	Roman Fairbanks
Boby O'Brien	Bodhi Ghys	Hazle Drake	Carter Ramsey
Harlem Pec	Sophia Moore	Digby Byrnes	Alex Cook
Zoe Coy	Reuben Vetrone	Linkin Jones	Teddy Doyle
Max Cook	Sean Byrne	Frankie Wissell	Madeleine Bain
Henry Stanley	Nina Irwin		Julian Gibbs
Juniper Steele	Keli'I Le Nevez		Isaac Mayhew
Arlo Aquilina	Maggie Williams		
Izzy Green	Audrey Crookes		
Sari Crowe	Harriet Madeley		
Addis Ogden	Jude Drury		
Bastian Bain			
Anoush Hazle			
Jack Hissey			
Otto Mazyllis			