



BELLBRAE BULLETIN

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THIS WEEK FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to school and our first Newsletter for Term 4.

Transition - As we head towards the end of the year, things certainly don't slow down for both teachers and learners. It is also a time of the year where we focus on preparing students to transition comfortably into their next year level. Besides the students transitioning from Kinder to Prep and from Grade Six into Secondary School, we also recognise the importance of 'within school transition.' Besides formal Transition Days, there will be a number of sessions where students will learn more about what to expect in the following year, and also receive information about camps, excursions, sporting/cultural events and opportunities that might differ from their existing grade level. Additionally, this year we will be using a google form to get input from parents to gather important information that might assist us in the placement of students for next year. As one can imagine, there are a host of factors that require consideration, and it is a complex and time-consuming task that is taken very seriously by staff.

Term 4 Grade Six activities – This term can be stressful for our senior students as it marks the final chapter in their primary schooling before they head off to various secondary schools. Many of them have shared close friendships from an early age and have been at the same school together since Prep. As such, we have a number of activities lined up to help them celebrate their time at Bellbrae. Although they still have constructive learning to get through, this term they will participate in the Aquatic Survivor Program, a drama production, visit Adventure Park, do some final activities with their 'buddies,' be active in Transition Days, and can look forward to their final Graduation Ceremony.

Playgrounds – We are making good progress with the planning for the new playground at the front of the school. Over the holidays the existing equipment was dismantled and the area prepared for future construction. (Thanks to one of our parents, Leigh from 'Digger Now,' for all his hard work in assisting us.) The next phase is the construction of a retainer wall, fencing and gate, which will start in the next few weeks. Once this is completed, we are hoping for the installation phase to begin. This week the School Council Sub-Committee is meeting to finalise the design and approve costs.

School Council – The next meeting is on Monday evening 20th October. Agenda items include reports from sub – committees, policy updates and endorsements, contract hire arrangements, attitudinal survey results, bus travel, parent payments and upcoming events. Thanks to Emily and her fellow members for all the committed work they do to make our school the amazing place it is.

Enjoy this lovely weather and have a great weekend ahead.

Principal - Adrian Waters

2025 IMPORTANT DATES

OCTOBER 2025	
Friday 17 th	Year 4 Bollard EXPO in BER Building – 3.50 to 3.30pm
Mon 20 th – Fri 24 th	Year 3 Bike Ed
Friday 24 th	Assembly @ 2.45
Mon 27 th – Fri 31 st	Year 5 Bike Ed
Wed 29th – Fri 31st	Year 4 Urban Camp
Thursday 30 th	Foundation & Year 1 Incursion - Illustrator Michell Conn (Rescheduled)
Friday 31 st	Years 2 & 3 Incursion - Illustrator Michell Conn (Rescheduled)
NOVEMBER 2025	
Monday 3rd	Curriculum Day – Pupil Free Day
Tuesday 4th	Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday – No School
Thursday 6 th	Whole School Transition Day No.1 including 2026 Foundation Students 9.15 – 11.00 am
Friday 7 th	Year 2 Billycarts and Team Building Incursion
Tuesday 11 th	Pre Prep Screening School Readiness Sessions - 2026 Foundation Students
Wednesday 12 th	Year 5 Charity Expo
Wednesday 26 th	Whole School Transition Day No. 2 including 2026 Foundation Students 9.15 – 11.00 am
Fri Nov 28 th – Wed Dec 3 rd	5/6 Aquatic Survivor 4-day Program
DECEMBER 2025	
Tuesday 9 th	Whole School Transition Day No. 3 (Statewide) 9am – 1.40pm.
Tuesday 9 th	Transition Day for our 2026 Foundation Students 9.15am – 12.30pm followed by a BBQ for them, their buddies and their families.
Fri Nov 28 th – Wed Dec 3 rd	5/6 Aquatic Survivor 4-day Program
Wednesday 17 th	Year 6 Graduation
Thursday 18 th	Year 6 Excursion to Adventure Park
Friday 19th	Last Day Term 4 – 1.30 Dismissal

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BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS 11th – 24th Oct**OCTOBER 2025**

11 th	Hugh Garvey & Eddie Rees
12 th	Taj Pettifer & Rafael Kellett
14 th	Noah Duncan
15 th	Isla Sytema & Dustin Hobson
17 th	Pippa Andrews & Nina Elevato
18 th	Andrei Neduzhyi
20 th	Matilda Dent
22 nd	Charles Bitmead
23 rd	Audrey Burnes & Keli'i Le Nevez
24 th	Yumi Mullen-Walsh

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.*

Please Click on Link below (new one each newsletter)

Term 4 Issue 1: Busting the Biggest Myths About Kids and Sleep

- **Insights010425 Busting Sleep Myths Dr Justin Coulson**

And the link for Term 4 Webinar:

Entitled: Raising Responsible, Respectful Kids

- **Entitled with Dr Justin Coulson**

Wednesday 5 November, 7pm



SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR

Jordy Brown FA	Misty Singer 6B	Oscar Hobson 2B	Zoe Wilson 2C
Felix Johnson FA	Goldie Carracher 1B	Reuben Vetrone 2B	Remi Armstrong-Porter 2C
Sophia Moore 2C	Coco Mann 3A	Riley Knights 2B	
Eden Bennett 4D	Evie Twycross FB	Elijah Eman-Delandre 4D	
Harriet Beck 6A	Sonny Noye FB	Willow Tabak 6B	
Jax Trewin 5A		Harlem Pec 6A	
Laken Knite 5A		Matilda Parsons-Jones FD	
Remi Gadd 5B		Carter Ramsey 2B	
Ned Long 1C		Maeve Hicks 2A	
Remy Irvine 1C			
Carwyn Morzinek 1B			
Finley Gorman 6C			
Archie Fisher FD			
Maelyse Goy 3A			
Lucia Johnson 2C			
Indio Carr 2A			
Isla Anderson 2B			
Indika Lynch 1A			
Sean Byrne 1A			
Audrey Crookes 4A			