



# BELLBRAE BULLETIN

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Issue 2

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## THIS WEEK FROM THE PRINCIPAL

**School Council 2026** - Thank you to the parents who nominated for School Council membership. As the number of nominations did not exceed the number of vacancies, a ballot will not be necessary. Congratulations to Emily Torney, Scott Kenyon, Maggie Bufé and Chris Law, who will join Cobey Reynolds, Hannah Bereznicki and Devon Martin as our parent representatives this year. The AGM and first School Council Meeting for 2026 will be held in the Staffroom on 16 March at 5pm. The Annual Report to the Community will be presented at the AGM, followed by the first meeting of the year when the 2026 office bearers will be elected.

**Dogs on site** - If you bring your dog on to the school grounds, could you please keep them on a lead, and also could you please pick up any mess that they might leave. Unfortunately, our staff and students are having to navigate their way around an increasing amount of dog poo on our campus!

**Early arrivals** – There has been an increase in the number of students who are arriving early at school. Please note that as the yard is not supervised before school, students need to be booked into ‘Before School Care’ if they arrive prior to 8.30am. (Soon we will be booking early arrivals into care on your behalf, so please try and avoid this from happening.)

**Traffic and supervised crossing** – Toni, our crossing supervisor, has asked me to remind all drivers to be more vigilant when approaching the pedestrian crossing. Recently she has noted that cars are going over the designated area whilst she and students are still on the road. Let’s all try and do the right thing to ensure all our students are safe.

**School Review** – Every four years Victorian schools undergo a formal review that is used to set the Strategic Plan for the following period. Besides the formal Review Panel, parents, students and staff also have input into the review. Shortly a group of parents will be randomly selected to join the reviewers for a short session in the afternoon of Monday 23 March, where they will respond to questions from the panel.

**Parent/ teacher interviews** - Please make use of the opportunity to attend the information sessions and interviews that are being conducted this and next week. It allows for you to share important information with the teacher and to chat about the general academic progress and wellbeing of your child.

**Enjoy the last few days of summer!**

**Adrian Waters - Principal**

## 2026 IMPORTANT DATES

MARCH 2026	
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Parent Teacher Interviews from 2pm
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Teacher Interviews from 2pm
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Camp to Grampians Retreat
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Prep – 2 Bravehearts Ditto Show
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	5B & 5C- Earth Ed Excursion
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>	5A- Earth Ed Excursion
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Assembly @ 2.45 in Gymnasium
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Labour Day Public Holiday – No School</b>
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Division Swimming – Qualifying Students
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School Photos
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Grades 3-6 BPS Cross Country
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 Werribee Mansion Excursion
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Assembly @ 2.45 in Gymnasium
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	The Protectors- Brainstorm Production 9:45am - 10:45am (Year P - 2) - 11:45am - 12:45pm (Year 3 - 6)
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Grades 5/6 City to Surf Summer Lightning Premiership
APRIL 2026	
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Girls Grade 6 Football
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Last Day Term 1 – 2.30 Dismissal</b>
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Good Friday Public Holiday – No School</b>
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	First Day Term 2
MAY 2026	
<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>MAYFAIR</b>

## 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 1 Issue 3: The Learning Zone**

- [Insights: The Learning Zone](#)

**Term 1 Issue 4: What Schools and Families Need to Know About the Social Media Age Ban**

- [Insights: How the social media ban is going](#)

**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](#)

**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



kunuwarra  
Black swan

Pronounced- koonawara



lok-lok  
eagle

Pronounced- lok-lok

**2026 BIRTHDAYS 21<sup>st</sup> FEB - 6<sup>th</sup> MARCH**

<b>FEBRUARY</b>	
21 <sup>st</sup>	Bowie Bird, Rocky Otero Clark & Charlotte Seiffert
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Sadie Baker
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Wilson Barraclough
24 <sup>th</sup>	Nixie Heane
26 <sup>th</sup>	Isabel Turnock
27 <sup>th</sup>	Ace Hogan & Ned Steele-Lanyon
28 <sup>th</sup>	Oscar Ironmonger, Carter Ramsey & Olive Dillon
<b>MARCH</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Arabella Cole & Finn Twycross
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Daisy May Davis & Isla Anderson
4 <sup>th</sup>	Euca Campbell & Ned Keyte
6 <sup>th</sup>	Alby Dullard & Quinn Bitmead

# SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR VALUE AWARDS



<b>Eli Anastasiu 2A</b>	<b>June Phillips 2A</b>	<b>Griffin Stanley 3A</b>	<b>West Rahilly 3A</b>
<b>Sia Davidson 3A</b>	<b>Hunter Crowther 2C</b>	<b>Eden Bennett 5C</b>	<b>Jude Stone 1B</b>
<b>Ned Crotty 2C</b>	<b>Bel Myers 1B</b>	<b>Audrey Byrnes 3B</b>	<b>Henry Stanley 5B</b>
<b>Digby Byrnes 5C</b>	<b>Sadie Anderson 2C</b>	<b>Alby Tripp 3C</b>	<b>Audrey Crookes 5B</b>
<b>Tanner Miller 3B</b>	<b>Bridget Fiess 5B</b>	<b>Olivia Hughes 2C</b>	
<b>Evie Tayler 5C</b>	<b>Hendrix Backlund-Marshall 1A</b>	<b>Isla Carbonelli 5A</b>	
<b>Owen Molloy 5C</b>	<b>Dakota Duncan 1A</b>	<b>Christopher Cullen 5A</b>	
<b>Poppy Stanbridge 1D</b>	<b>Alby Langlands 1D</b>	<b>Harriet Adams 6A</b>	
<b>Forrest Duncan 3A</b>	<b>Max De Felice FD</b>	<b>Junie McPhan 2B</b>	
<b>Florence Page 1B</b>	<b>Spencer Martin 2D</b>	<b>Lucy Bastian 2D</b>	
<b>Bowie Brennan-Fawcett 1B</b>	<b>Daniela Johnson 4B</b>	<b>Logan Fisher 3A</b>	
<b>Louis Wilson 6A</b>	<b>Elio Bumpus FA</b>	<b>Celestine Thevenon FA</b>	
<b>Mia Torney 1C</b>	<b>Poppy Horat FB</b>		
<b>Finn Hart 4A</b>	<b>Tucker Kruse FB</b>		
<b>Charlie Hissey FD</b>			
<b>Charlie Herreen 2B</b>			
<b>Daisy Janes 3A</b>			