



BELLBRAE BULLETIN

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Issue 4

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THIS WEEK FROM THE PRINCIPAL

End of term – Once again, everyone is commenting how fast Term One has gone. As such, this is a good opportunity to thank everyone for the smooth and calm start to the year. Starting school for the first time or transitioning to a different year level can be daunting and sometimes generates anxiety in students. We end of each year with a comprehensive Transition Program and then start each year with a ‘Starting Right Program,’ which is designed to soothe out certain anxieties and give every student the best chance of success. If your child is anxious or struggling with attendance, please reach out to your child’s teacher so we can try and provide appropriate support.

Assemblies – Due to school ending at 2.30pm next Friday, our Assembly will be on Thursday next week at 2.45pm. As students will only be at school for two days (Wednesday and Thursday) in the first week back next term, our first Assembly for Term Two will be on Friday 2 May. We will however have an ANZAC Day Service on Thursday 24 April.

Communication Policy – On Tuesday an updated Communication Policy was sent out to all parents. Essentially this was to ensure our local policy aligned with the DET Guidelines and to ensure that we were compliant. On a practical level, the most important point to take note of is that Seesaw is only to be used for the sharing of learning activities or commenting on student work, and not as a messaging platform with teachers.

School Facilities – Families are welcome to use our recreational facilities after school hours, but please note that this is done ‘at your own risk.’ We do not supervise any playgrounds or monitor recreational spaces outside of school hours, so if you do come on campus, please engage in safe activities and do not put yourself at risk of injury.

Mayfair – Currently our Mayfair Committee, under the guidance of Emily Torney, is doing a sterling job in preparation of our upcoming major fundraiser. Donation containers are in the foyer outside the front office, and general information is accessible on the dedicated website: <http://www.bellbraemayfair.com>

Have a good weekend ahead, and as this is also the last Newsletter for the term, have a safe and enjoyable Easter Holiday. I hope the Easter Bunny is very generous when visiting your house.

Adrian Waters - Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL 2025	
Tuesday 1 st	Girls Football at South Barwon Reserve – Selected Year 6 Girls
Wednesday 2 nd	5/6 Students - Summer City to Surf Lightning Premiership
Wednesday 2 nd	Werribee Mansion Excursion for Year 2 Students
Thursday 3 rd	Assembly @ 2.45
Friday 4 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
Thursday 24 th	Anzac Day Assembly @ 2.45
Friday 25th	Anzac Day Public Holiday – No School
MAY 2025	
Friday 2 nd	Assembly @ 2.45
Sunday 4th	MAYFAIR
Friday 16 th	Assembly @ 2.45
Friday 30 th	Assembly @ 2.45
JUNE 2025	
Monday 2 nd	Years 4-6 - Fun with Maths Incursion
Monday 9th	Kings Birthday Public Holiday – No School
Friday 13 th	Assembly @ 2.45
Friday 27 th	Assembly @ 2.45
JULY 2025	
Friday 4 th	Last Day Term 2 – 2.30 Dismissal
Monday 21 st	First day of Term 3

BIRTHDAYS until end of Term 1

MARCH 2025	
26 th	Zadie Fox, Evie Twycross & Bonnie Corcoran
27 th	Audrey Brissenden
28 th	Luka Brown, Reuben Vetrone, Winter & Noa Barry & Harvey Allen
29 th	Lola Glen, Ned Crotty, & Isla Carbonelli
30 th	Harry Stewart, Will Duncan & Finley Gorman
31 st	Wilson Van Santen
APRIL 2025	
1 st	Hudson Ryan
2 nd	Lily Taylor
3 rd	Sadie Hammond
4 th	Penny Isaiah & Carys Morzinek

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

bardangal

Pelican



Pronounced *bah-dang-al*

waanawal

Southern boobook owl



Pronounced – wanawal

CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE INFORMATION – do you meet the criteria?

Financial support for student transport (conveyance allowance)

Families in rural and regional Victoria can get help with the cost of transporting their children to their nearest school or campus. This is known as the conveyance allowance.

The conveyance allowance is available to students travelling by:

- public transport
- private car
- private bus
- or to students whose nearest school is not serviced by a free school bus.

The conveyance allowance is a contribution towards transport costs and is not intended to cover the full cost of transporting children to and from school.

Who can apply

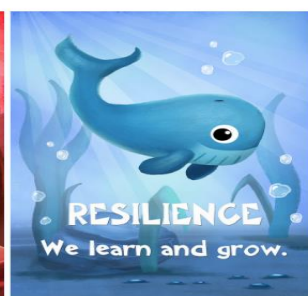
The conveyance allowance is available to families who meet the following criteria. Students must:

- attend their nearest government or non-government school/campus appropriate to their year level at which admission is permissible
- be enrolled at a school/campus outside Melbourne's [metropolitan conveyance boundary](#)
- live 4.8km or more by the shortest practicable route from that school/campus attended
- be of school age at the time of application, and reside in Victoria.

For more information please visit: Travelling to school | vic.gov.au (www.vic.gov.au)

SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR

Value Awards



Sahara Lowden – 6A	Finley Carran – 1D	Henry Lister – 6A	Poppy Hamilton – 6A
June Phillips – 1D	Tully Lewis - FB	Willow Tabak – 6B	Alby Cations – 3C
Archie Emsley – 1D	Kinnaree Gow – 6B	James Baker – 6C	Jude Stone – FD
Hattie Sherman - FB	Finn Twycross – 3A	Priya Buggy – 6C	
Dusty Cole – 3A	Carys Morzinek – 3B	Kayden Glennie – 5A	
Cass Booth – 1B	Eli Anastasiu – 1A	Hunter Crother – 1C	
Banks Bowen – 1B	Bea Bea Macdonald – 3C	Isla Anderson – 2 B	
Harvey Allen – 5B	Ruby Brissenden - FC	Hannah Manderfeld – 1A	
James Barraclough – 5B	Matilda Parsons-Jones - FD		
Kai Miller – 5A			
Xavier Drury – 1C			
Matilda Hilbert – 3B			
Ned Crookes – 2B			
Tom Brackin – 2A			
Malu Maia-Rau – 2A			
Yumi Mullen Walsh -2C			
Levi Saunders – 2C			
Giles Abbott – 6A			
Alby Hastings – FC			