



BELLBRAE BULLETIN

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Issue 8

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THIS WEEK FROM THE PRINCIPAL

National Reconciliation Week – This acknowledgement of the importance of reconciliation takes place annually from May 27th to June 3rd. The theme for this year is ‘All In,’ which emphasizes the importance of everyone collectively participating in an effort to advance the rights of First Nations people. Our students have been doing related learning activities in the classroom and we also had a special assembly last Friday.

Grade 3 Camp – Later this week our Grade 3 students will be attending their first overnight camp to Queenscliff. In preparation for the camp, the students had a ‘day excursion’ prior to familiarise themselves with the environment and to emotionally prepare themselves for their overnight stay. Thanks to the staff for giving up their personal time to prepare, co-ordinate and attend.

Performing Arts – Thanks to Mrs Erasmus for once again giving our students the opportunity to participate in a drama performance in front of a fairly large audience. This semester the junior years will be performing, with the concerts scheduled for the following dates:

Prep: Wednesday 24th of June at 2:30pm, and Year 1 & 2: Thursday 25th of June at 2:30pm

School Uniforms - As the weather gets colder, many students tend to wear jackets/hoodies/tracksuit pants that do not align with our dress code. Our school has a formal uniform policy that we expect all families to adhere to. Presently our School Council (who is responsible for formulating the policy) is considering some minor changes to the dress code, which will be communicated to the broader community in the coming weeks. Our next School Council meeting is on Monday 15th June.

Staff Professional Development – Over the course of the year, all our staff have been learning about the VTLM 2.0 (Victorian Teaching and Learning Model.) Essentially it is an updated, evidence-based educational framework introduced by the Victorian Department of Education designed to optimize classroom instruction and student outcomes across all government schools. The model needs to be implemented in its entirety before the start of the 2028 school year. Our next Curriculum Day will be on 10th August, where all staff will work with members from the Education Department Regional Office to upskill our understanding and practices. The Education Department summarises the model as ‘*being based on contemporary evidence of how students learn and the evidence-based teaching practices that support effective student learning, including for priority cohorts.*’

I hope everyone is coping with the relatively cold start to winter and is looking forward to the great surf and snow conditions usually aligned to this time of year.

Adrian Waters – Principal

2026 IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE 2026	
<i>Thurs 4th – Fri 5th</i>	<i>Grade 3 Overnight Camp – Camp Wyuna</i>
Monday 8th	Kings Birthday Public Holiday – No School
Friday 12th June	Years 3 – 6 Athletics Day @ Landy Field
Friday 12th	Assembly @ 2.45 in Gymnasium
Wednesday 17th	Preps Concert Dress Rehearsal @ 2.30
Thursday 18th	Years 1 & 2 Concert Dress Rehearsal @ 2.30
Friday 19th	Year 4 Geelong Gaol & Bollards
Wednesday 24th	Prep Concert @ 2.30
Thursday 25th	Years 1 & 2 Concert @ 2.30
Friday 26th	Last Day Term Two – 2.30pm Dismissal
JULY 2026	
Monday 13th	First Day Term Three
Friday 24th	Assembly @ 2.45 in Gymnasium
AUGUST 2026	
<i>Thurs 6th & Fri 7th</i>	<i>Year 5 Camp to Sovereign Hill</i>
Friday 7th	Assembly @ 2.45 in Gymnasium
Monday 10th	Curriculum Day – Pupil Free
SEPTEMBER 2026	
Friday 18th	Last Day Term Three – 2.30pm Dismissal
OCTOBER 2026	
Monday 5th	First Day Term Four
NOVEMBER 2026	
Monday 2nd	Curriculum Day – Pupil Free
Tuesday 3rd	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday – No School
DECEMBER 2026	
Friday 18th	Last Day Term Four – 1.30pm Dismissal

2026 BIRTHDAYS 30th MAY – 12th JUNE

MAY	
30 th	Archie Wilkinson, Louie Wilson & Zeb Ackland
JUNE	
1 st	Charley Samuel
2 nd	Junie McPhan
3 rd	Jaxon Pacconi & Kai Wakefield
4 th	Joey McPhan
5 th	Levi Sanders
6 th	Adam Hunter
7 th	Milo Baker
8 th	Finn Hope, Harper Molloy & Adela Wilson
9 th	Lucia Larsen
12 th	Ned Hilbert, Matilda Christie & Forrest Duncan

SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR VALUE AWARDS



James Hughes 4C	Jimmy Hastie 4B	Max Cook 6B	Olive Infield 3A
Margot Gibbs 4C	Ocean Edmunds 1A	Wilson Van Santen 1C	Mila Kemp 1A
Lucia Gadd 3A	Christopher Cullen 5A	Ella Torney 5A	Kai Miller 6A
Jack Packham 6B	Rose Christie 2B	Arabella Cole 2A	
Claire Leggett 1B	Harriet Madeley 3C	Sunny Campbell 2D	
Felix Johnson 1C	Edith Dent FB	Hannah Dixon 2D	
Errol Nobel 1B	Archie Emsley 2C	Sadie Warner 3A	
Frankie Sinclair 4B	Issy Crawford 1A	Taj Pettifer 3A	
Napoleon Sawyer 5A	Euca Campbell FC	Scarlett Morrish 5C	
Maggie Williams 4A	Lottie Hebbard 5B	Skylar Beel FC	
Axel Wilson 4A	Grace Price 5B		
Stevie Deppeler 6A			
Sean Byrne 2A			
Maja Fiess 2B			
Malu Maia-Rau 3C			
Beau Bitmead 3B			
India Osborne 3B			
Ned Keyte 4C			
Lilly Mulholland FB			
Tom Ross 2C			
Luca Brown 1A			
Will Duncan 5C			

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



Kurrkart
Summer

Pronounced- kercart

Warrawan

Autumn



Pronounced- warawan

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.

Term 2 Issue 4: Don't Burn the Chicken –

- [040226 Don't Burn The Chicken](#)

Term 2 Issue 5: What 40 Years of Research Says Kids Actually Need -

- [050226 What Kids Actually Need](#)

Term 2 Issue 6: Nature is Fuel for the Soul –

- [060226 Nature is Fuel for the Soul](#)

Term 2 Webinar: "Boys: Building Strong Men from the Inside Out" Wed 17th June, 7pm AEST

- [Answers with Dr Justin Coulson | BOYS | HFS Register](#)