



BELLBRAE BULLETIN

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 WITH YEAR 2

Hello everyone. This year in Year 2, we will be sharing with you Wadawurrung words as we learn them. We will share these words at assembly and with you in our newsletter. We hope to hear them being used in classrooms, in our playground around the school and even in our homes.

This week we have two new words to learn. The first word is karning this is the Wadawurrung word for thunder. The second word is birnbial, this is the Wadawurrung word for rainbow. This term at Bellbrae we will be learning new Wadawurrung words relating to our beautiful surroundings.



Last week we learnt the Wadawurrung words Kuarka-dorla and Walert. Walert is the Wadawurrung word for Winchlesea and Kuarka-dorla is the Wadawurrung word for Anglesea. This term we will be learning new Wadawurrung words relating to place names.

THIS WEEK FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The Thank you to all parents and students for the enthusiastic fund-raising efforts for our upcoming 'Colour Run.' Students have really embraced the initiative and are enjoying the associated activities, particularly having the chance to 'slime' a teacher. The fund-raiser has been organised by our Junior School Council with the assistance of Mrs Mooney, and they certainly have done a fantastic job.

School Oval update - The final phase of work on our oval will begin on Tuesday, November 28. Turf will be installed on bare patches, and then the oval will be top-dressed two days later. Finally, it will be laser levelled, irrigated and cordoned off to allow the new growth to establish. Although this will be yet another inconvenience, at least we will end up with a fantastic product that should have been delivered in the first place. Thank you to our School Council for their ongoing perseverance to ensure we end up with an oval that is safe and fit for purpose. As machinery will be on site, barriers will be erected with other recreational spaces supervised during recess and lunchtime. Once again we will be opening the gym during breaks, and also be making use of the nature-based play space behind the Edible Garden.

Drama Performances - Mr Hurrell has been working with students from different year levels on student-based drama productions. These performances will be held in the gym on two consecutive Friday afternoons during Assembly, and if they are anything like last year, will be entertaining and enjoyed by all. It's a fantastic opportunity for students to put their creative skills on display and to build their confidence performing in front of a large audience. Not only are our students the actors, but they also create the sets, deal with technical aspects, and produce the performances themselves.

Communication with school - We encourage a strong home/school relationship, and a large part of this is effective communication. However, please remember that teachers may need to take some time to respond to e mails and messages and cannot simply offer an immediate response. In some instances clarification of information first needs to be sought, and there are also issues pertaining to confidentiality and legislation that require consideration. Additionally, staff are entitled to privacy outside of work, and we request that parents limit communication to school hours. Please remember to maintain a level of respect and decency in any interactions with staff, and appreciate that we all try our best to provide a happy, safe and stimulating learning environment for all students in our care. (The formal policy pertaining to communication is accessible on our website.)

Have a great week ahead and please regularly access Compass to stay in touch with the fantastic activities our students are fortunate to have on offer.
Adrian

IMPORTANT DATES & INFO

15th - 22nd November

Grade 3 - Farm a regenerative future excursion

20th - 24th November

Grade 6 Bike Ed Program

27th - 30th November

Grade 5 Bike Ed Program

Wednesday 29th November

Incursion Foundation, Grade 1 and Grade 2 - Bravehearts Ditto's Keep Safe Adventure Show

Friday 1st December

Foundation - Fairy Park Excursion

Thursday 7th - Wednesday 13th December

Grade 5 & 6 Aquatic Survivor Program

Monday 18th December

Grade 6 Graduation

Tuesday 19th December

Grade 6 Excursion - Adventure Park

Wednesday 20th December

End Of Term 4 - 1:30pm Dismissal

Mon 29th & Tues 30th January 2024

Pupil Free Days - Staff will be onsite

Wednesday 31st January 2024

Term 1 begins for our students from Grade 1 through to 6 with Foundation joining us for their first day on Thursday.

Thursday 1st February 2024

Term 1 begins for our Foundation students of 2024



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**COMMON
GROUND**
project

Common Ground Project
675 Anglesea Rd

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project

Freshwater Creek VIC 3217

Dear Issy thank you for showing me around common ground. I learnt a lot about how plants grow better in different climates and that home grown fruit and veg is better for you than super market fruit and veg. It was so much fun feeding the chickens and the goats.

From Lenny Perry

Common Ground Project
675 Anglesea Rd
Freshwater Creek VIC 3217

Dear Issy thank you for showing us parts of Common Ground that are not open to public and for letting us eat do many plants I had so many it was basically my lunch. Thank you for helping with the sharaz lettuce when I took it home my mums face lit up. P.S If you could tell Fraser we loved when he tipped water on our heads that would be great!

From James Baker

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Freshwater Creek VIC 3217

To Issy,

Thank you for the tour of Common Ground. I loved the chickens and goats they were so cool to feed. It was amazing to grow our own seedlings and take them home. I really loved eating all kinds of different vegetables my favourite was the mint mixed with the nasturtium leaf and flower it tasted like a candy cane. Thank you.

From Eden Coy

BIRTHDAYS

16TH NOVEMBER
THORSON CRAWLEY

17TH NOVEMBER
HAZEL COY

18TH NOVEMBER
JIMMY HASTIE
LANA SYNOT
NED MURRAY

19TH NOVEMBER
IRA RIGBY RENZOW

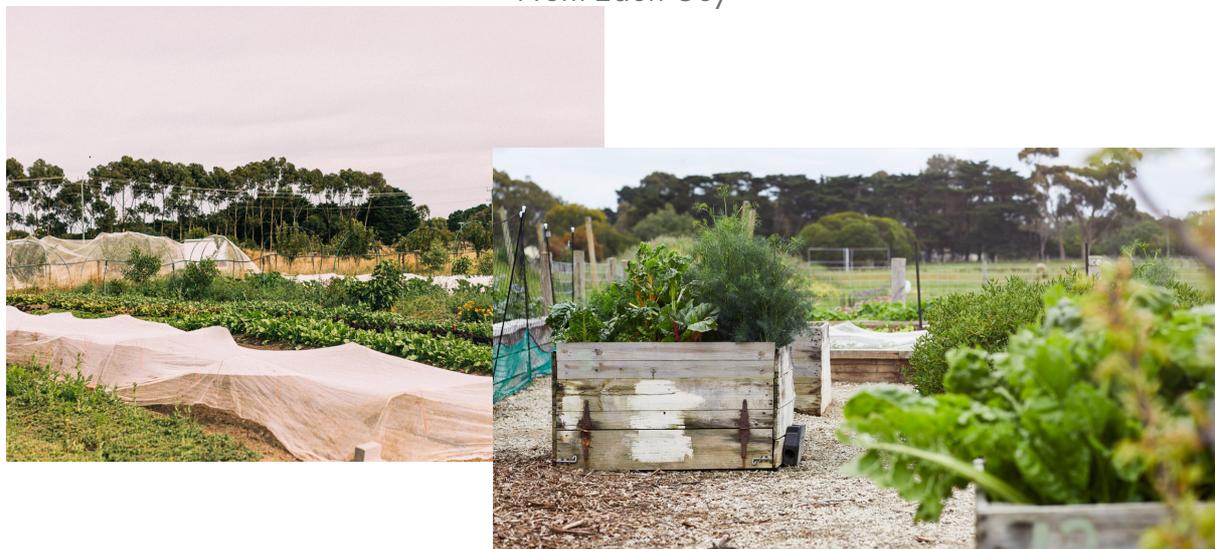
21ST NOVEMBER
XAVIER HEARD

23RD NOVEMBER
LUCIA JOHNSON
LUCY TORNEY

27TH NOVEMBER
JACK PACKHAM
OLIVER BARTLETT

28TH NOVEMBER
ROSE POULTON

29TH NOVEMBER
BANJO STEELE



FUN RUN - CRAZY COLOURS DAY, MAJOR FUNDRAISER

The Junior School Council are holding the School Fun Run's Crazy Colour Day as a major fundraising event this year! The event will be held on Monday 27th November. We are really hoping to raise \$20000 which will pay for continued improvements to our school facilities.

Keep your eyes peeled for the sponsorship forms which will be sent home with your child. Once you have the form, you should sign up for a Student Profile Page at schoolfunrun.com.au. You'll be able to access online fundraising and can win a \$20,000 Ultimate Family Package!

Students who raise \$10 or more will receive a reward, and the more money you raise the better the reward, and the more you help the school!

We're looking for all students to participate and we're organising a great day for our community, so we'd love everyone to come down to support the kids.

The class with the most students signed up by next Monday 6th November will get to choose a staff member to slime. We will continue to have fun incentives as we build up to our Colour Fun Run.

If you have any questions about the Crazy Colour Day please contact the School Fun Run Office on 1800 FUN RUN. Thanks for supporting the school and we hope to see you at the event!



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YOUR PROFILE
YET?**



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FUN RUN**

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GRADE 6 BIODIVERSITY EXCURSION

On Wednesday the 8th of November about 70 year six students spent a beautiful foggy morning exploring Point Addis National Park. We joined educators from Ecologic for a variety of activities designed to engage students in appreciating the incredible biodiversity on our doorstep. It was wonderful to hear students sharing their knowledge and appreciation for local species and ecosystems whilst enjoying exploring the rockpools and ironbark basin. This day was made possible by a generous grant from Earthwatch as part of a professional development opportunity from early 2023 when I participated in a week long professional development/research expedition in the Australian Alps. Thankyou to the everyone involved in making these opportunities a reality so we can continue to engage our students in biodiversity knowledge and stewardship activities in our local region.



SUSTAINABILITY PROJECT

As you may be aware, the Year 4's started three worm farms at the start of Term 3.

Each grade has monitors (we are called "wormologists") who chop up the food scraps (that we collect in a separate recycling container in our rooms) every few days. Most items can be recycled, however the worms do not like citrus, bread, meat or dairy products (plus these can go mouldy!). We have parents who kindly send coffee and egg shells to school to bulk our worms up with food they love. Mr OD also brings green leafy scraps from his vegetable patch as the worms also love these.

At the start of Term 4 we started to collect worm tea. Basically, this is worm wee and liquid from the scraps that is produced. We collect this each day and feed to our indoor plants in the BER building and recently started feeding the new native plants that Tony planted around the gym.

This week was a highlight though as each worm farm had its bottom container removed for the first time to reveal about 2kg of worm castings - or worm poo. Plants love how rich in nutrients this is.

We headed down to the Nature Play space and began to dig up two of the old and lifeless vegetable patches. We weeded, dug, turned soil over and then added chook poo from the chook pen, dynamic lifter pellets, pea straw and the worm castings. We also had to add lots of water as the soil looked very, very dry and lifeless! After a couple of hours of getting very dirty and muddy, it was time to start planting. We planted seedlings of pumpkin, zucchini, bean, basil, watermelon and cucumber...along with some sweet corn seeds.

We are so proud of what we have achieved and can't wait to see them grow!!!!

Mr O'Donnell



*BELLBRAE P.S PERFORMING ARTS
PROUDLY PRESENTS*

AFTERNOONS IN THE THEATRE

Peter Pan and the Lost Kids – Adapted by 5B
Dorothy’s Adventures in Oz - Adapted by Beau Shroder and 5C
Sleeping Beauty - Adapted by 5A
Friday 24th November
2:30pm

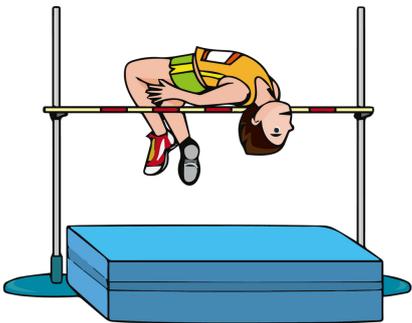
Ali, Alice and Alison’s Adventure in Wonderland
- Adapted by 6A
Rap and Unzel - Adapted by Eve Von Einem and 6C
Cindy and Ella - Adapted by Emily Suzuki and 6B
Friday 1st December
2:30pm

Parents, Families and
the wider community
please join us
Doors open at 2:15PM

Bellbrae Primary School
Warri Stadium
50 School Rd Bellbrae

PREP - GRADE 2 ATHLETICS DAY

What a fantastic day! It was so great to see everyone getting involved and having a go at all the events.
Well done to all those students that participated.





BELLBRAE MO SHOW

During the month of November a number of Bellbrae staff will be (attempting) to grow a moustache to raise awareness and support for men's health. All funds raised will be donated to the Movember Foundation.



WAYS TO DONATE

Here's how to donate to Movember's groundbreaking men's health projects, year-round.



Or visit the Movember website and search "Bellbrae Mo Show"

OUR FRIENDS



OUR FATHERS

OUR BROTHERS



OUR PARTNERS

GRADE 5 CHARITY EXPO

Well, what a fantastic outcome from our Year 5 students in running their charity expo. The level of preparation, commitment and professionalism was nothing short of amazing. Thank you to everyone that came to visit and help support many of the different charities. We had some very proud Year 5's Wednesday afternoon!

We have raised over \$5200 across 50 different charities. Amazing!



VALUES AWARDS



Our whole school focus next week will be showing our school value of Resilience- We encourage and challenge ourselves and others. All classes will engage in teaching and learning activities that explore:

- We use positive self talk.
- We use positive words to encourage others.
- We give things a try even if they are challenging.



Our whole school focus for Term 4 Week 8 will be showing our school value of Aspire- We collaborate. All classes will engage in teaching and learning activities that explore:

- We respectfully listen to everyone's ideas and ask them questions.
- We share the workload.
- We solve problems together.
- We learn together in a calm, safe and positive manner.

BODHI BILLING	FB	ASPIRE	For always completing each task with enthusiasm and a huge smile on your face, Well done Bodhi
IRA RIGBY RENZOW	FB	ASPIRE	For your positive and resilient approach when reading challenging texts and learning new vocabulary in Literacy, Well done Ira!
FINN HOPE	FD	ASPIRE	For developing your growth mindset and asking questions when unsure. Well done, Finn!
LUCIA LARSEN	FD	ASPIRE	For leading by example and demonstrating role model behaviour in and out of the classroom. Well done Lucia!
NOAH DUNCAN	1A	ASPIRE	For calmly persisting with challenging tasks, demonstrating your personal best, and taking pride in the presentation of your learning.
REUBEN MACDONALD	1A	ASPIRE	For focussing on the success criteria in your writing tasks, and challenging yourself to achieve your goals.
SONNY CARRACHER	1B	ASPIRE	For settling into Bellbrae so well. You are such a valued member of our class, Sonny. Well done!!
ORLA TURNER	1B	RESPONSIBILITY	For being such a responsible member of the 1B class. You are organised and always willing to help others. Well Done Orla!
ALBY CATIONS	1B	RESPECT	For facing challenges in learning with enthusiasm. Keep up the great work, Alby!
LILY BYRNE	1C	RESPECT	For always showing her teachers and peers respect.
IGGY ADAMS	1C	ASPIRE	For trying his absolute best on his information report
KELI' LE NEVEZ	2A	RESPONSIBILITY	For taking responsibility of his learning and being a verb, noun and adjective sorting superstar. Well done, Keli'!

Well done!



VALUES AWARDS

JAX TREWIN	3A	ASPIRE	For focusing and challenging yourself in our maths lessons. It has been great to see you enjoy your learning. Keep it up!
NIXIE HEANE	3A	RESPECT	For always being such a respectful, honest and kind class member. You always think of others and include everyone.
MAX COOK	3B	RESPECT	For your respectful and attentive listening during our whole class discussions, and for always being open to taking on challenging learning tasks.
JACK PACKHAM	3B	ASPIRE	For your amazing efforts during Writing this week and for always being such a happy and positive member of class 3B!
ALICE PALMIERI	4A	RESPONSIBILITY	She includes others when involved in groups situations and represents our school with pride through her running!
FINLEY GORMAN	4A	RESPONSIBILITY	He is honest and respectful, includes others when playing outside in a safe and fair manner, makes wise choices and uses his technology safely and for learning.
INDIGO BARRACLOUGH	4B	ASPIRE	Well done Indigo for making a creative and engaging travel journal in Literacy. Keep up the great work!
RAFF KELLETT	4B	ASPIRE	Well done Raf for working on your goal of improving your graffiti writing over the last few months. Amazing effort!
DUSTIN HOBSON	4C	ASPIRE	Increasing your effort in activities completed as the year has progressed. Keep it up Dustin!
WILLOW MCVERRY	4C	RESPONSIBILITY	Always showing our SWPB values to everyone in the school community. Great work Willow!
HOWIE MCDIARMID	5B	ASPIRE	For challenging your mind and taking learning risks when exploring new activities during your PBL sessions. Fantastic work Howie. Keep it up!
SENN MARCH	5B	RESPECT	For always including and accepting others, and showing kindness towards your teachers and peers. Keep it up Senn!
INDI SCHMIDT	5C	RESILIENCE	For demonstrating resilience when faced with challenges.
VINNIE SERAIOCCO	5C	RESPONSIBILITY	For always ensuring he gets his Maths homework completed by the due date.

Well done



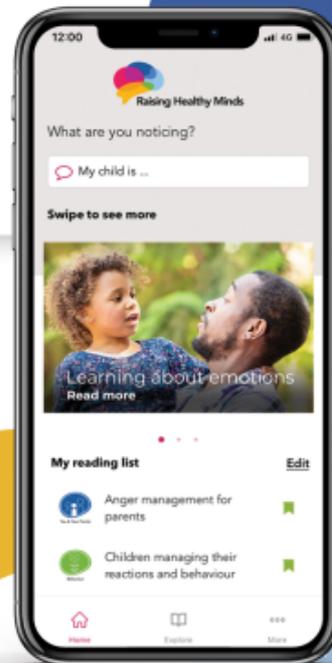


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WELLBEING NEWS

Year 3 Wellbeing Sessions - FRIENDSHIP

Over four weeks of this term, all Year 3 students participated in wellbeing workshops related to FRIENDSHIP with Bree (Wellbeing Officer) and Kerry (Mental Health & Wellbeing Leader).

Students learnt what makes a good friend (and how to be a good friend), common friendship problems and how these impact each other, ways to communicate assertively about problems (and the downfalls of passive or aggressive communication) as well as some practical tips to combat things like gossip, rumours and meanness.

We were very impressed by the honesty, openness and maturity in discussing some tricky topics! The end of the program saw students writing positive comments about each other, there were plenty of very full pages and lots of enthusiasm for boosting each other up. Some comments from this activity: "I feel like people care about me"; "people I don't know that well think nice things about me", "people have noticed me", and "I can't wait to put this on my wall".



e Smart update 11 (2023)



Technology (application) update: Minecraft

Minecraft is a construction game where players build block structures to protect against nocturnal monsters.



available to anyone



People of all ages can play Minecraft. However, children under the age of 13 are unable to create a Mojang account without their parents' permission.



Your username, age and country location can be seen by other players in the game. If you do not want to share any information with other players, you may choose to create and/or play on a private server. This is called **whitelisting**.



Minecraft are unable to moderate player behaviour or server content. All servers are privately run, and players are responsible for their actions server to server.



block content...see above.



change default settings...see above.



Minecraft PE can be purchased from the iTunes app store. You can also make in app purchases.

For more information, please log onto;

<https://esafety.gov.au/esafety-information/games-apps-and-social-networking/minecraft-pocket-edition>



Mr O'Donnell

Year 4 & e Smart Coordinator



LUNCH ORDERS



Canteen

Wednesday, Thursday

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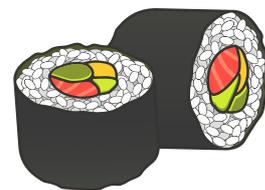
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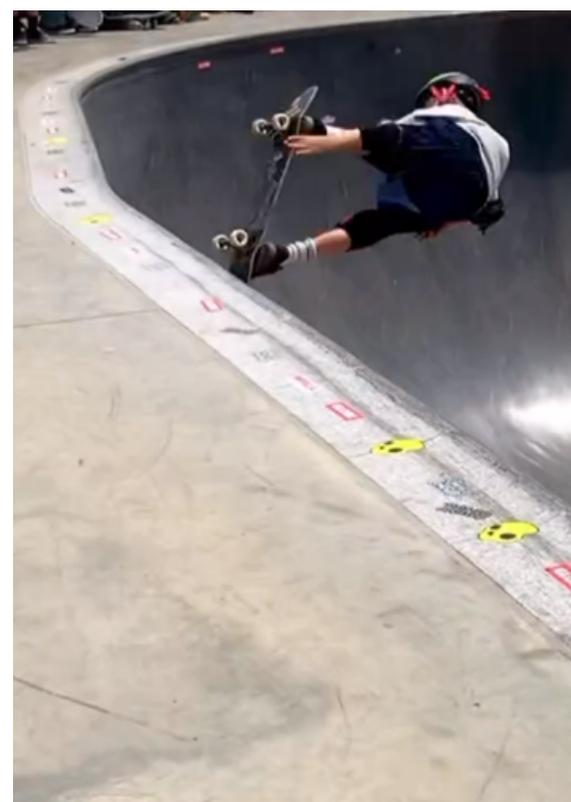


STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Student Achievement - Addis O'loughlin

Last week Addis travelled to Adelaide to compete in the "King of Concrete" skateboarding competition. He put on an amazing show and commendably came away with first place for the 12 and under age group.

Congratulations Addis!





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PM

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DATES
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City Camp - Monday 15th - Friday 19th January

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TRANSPORT
Malmesbury: Doxa facilitated bus transport provided from Melbourne & Bendigo
City: Doxa facilitated bus transport provided from Traralgon / Pakenham & Bendigo

COST
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Holiday camps are funded by our amazing donors and philanthropic ventures.

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