

24<sup>th</sup> May 2018

DATES FOR THE DIARY

MAY

21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> Education Week

25<sup>th</sup> Grandparents and  
Special Friends Visit 11:10  
– 12:30pm

JUNE

6<sup>th</sup> School Council 7:30pm

7<sup>th</sup> Grade 6 Balwyn High  
School Visit 9 – 11am

7<sup>th</sup> Division Cross Country –  
Ruffy Park Lake -  
Doncaster

10<sup>th</sup> QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY  
HOLIDAY

15<sup>th</sup> Gr 5/6 Hockey 7's

28<sup>th</sup> Mid-Year Performance  
Karralyka Centre  
Ringwood

29<sup>th</sup> Last Day Term 2  
2:30pm Finish



SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

30<sup>th</sup> JUNE – 15<sup>th</sup> JULY

JULY

16<sup>th</sup> First Day Term One

26<sup>th</sup> Student Led  
Conferences  
8:15am – 5pm  
(Pupil Free Day)

7<sup>th</sup> Richmond FC Clinic  
Go Tiges!

13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> Grade 5/6 Camp  
Vista Valley  
Homestead

*From the Principal's Desk...*

Dear Families,

We are very proud of all of our Year 3 and Year 5 students who completed their NAPLAN testing last week. Students were required to complete four tests over the three days, which required the students to work hard and concentrate for extended periods of time. Results of NAPLAN will be available later in the year.

There is so much happening around our school at the moment all in time for Education Week!

- **STOMP** Dance classes began this week in preparation for our Mid-Year Performance – feedback from Sophie is that our students are absolutely amazing (like we didn't know!).
- **Grade 6 Rehearsal** - for our Mid-Year Performance are taking place each Tuesday afternoon from 3:15 - 4:15pm. Thank you to our dedicated team of staff (Leanne Anstee, Brigitte Raymond, Andrew Robinson and Gemma Grimmond) for your work in preparing our grade 6 students for their roles in this performance.
- **Open Morning** – our year 6 leaders had the opportunity to take prospective parents on a tour of our school on Tuesday morning. Listening to our students and feedback from the parents – made me very proud of how well-mannered and articulate our students are. They were able to discuss our schools programs and answer some very tricky questions. Well done.
- **Information Evening** – Clare Woodhouse coordinated our '7 Years @ Belle Vue' Information evening on Tuesday night. I would like to congratulate our staff on presenting and trying hard to encapsulate what 7 years at Belle Vue will look like for students coming in to the school. Thank you to everyone for their support on the night.
- **Grandparents and Special Friends Visit** – Hopefully, our grandparents/special friends have received their invitation to come visit tomorrow between 11:10 and 12:30pm. We hope to see as many special people in the school in our classrooms as possible – whether it be taking part in normal classroom routines/learning or participating in an extra special activity – we look forward to seeing you here!

**Congratulations to our District Cross Country Runners**

Last Friday 15 students participated in the District Cross Country event at Macleay Park in North Balwyn.

The students represented themselves and our school well and should be proud of their achievement. A further congratulations goes to Ava (5/6G) and Noah (5/6J) who have made it through to Division at Ruffy Lake Park Doncaster on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June. Good luck!



### **Buddy Bench**

Unfortunately – as much as we need the rain – it has slowed the painting process of the shed down a little. Having said that it is looking fabulous. Thanks again to Emma (Spencer's mum in PW) who is very generous with her time – and to the students who have been lucky enough to assist Emma in painting of the triangles to date. We cannot wait to see the end product! Can you identify the students in the silhouette?











### **SOCIAL MEDIA – PLEASE MONITOR!**





Teachers often hear students talking about the various social media platforms they are accessing at home. We feel it might be timely to remind parents that there are restrictions in place for some of these more popular social media platforms and that they are there to protect our children while online. If your child is on social media please ensure their safety by carefully monitoring what they put up/share about themselves and who they are 'letting in' to their lives. Also monitor how many accounts they actually have – at this tender age is there the need to have multiple Instagram accounts? As their parents, carers, guardians, significant adults in their lives, it is our duty to check in frequently and make sure they are not only being responsible with what they are posting, but they are safe whilst online.

### **What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?**

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|  Snapchat   |  Instagram |
|  Facebook   |  Twitter   |
|  Pinterest  |  Google+   |
|  Musical.ly |  YouTube   |

The minimum age requirement is 13 years of age. **THIRTEEN!**

Please monitor all internet use very carefully, particularly:

-  **Call of Duty** MA 15+ (strong themes and violence, online interactivity).
-  WhatsApp 16+



#### **Fortnite**

Common Sense recommends *Fortnite* for teens 13 and up, primarily because of the open chat and action violence.

For more information please log on to the Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner:

<https://esafety.gov.au/esafety-information>

### **The School Yard Shenanigans**

Primary school playgrounds are without exception quite amazing places. At Belle Vue we have around 200 children between the ages of five and twelve who happily share the schoolyard whilst participating in quite an incredible range of games and social activities. Our grounds are supervised between 8.45am and 3.35pm, but the children largely take responsibility for the negotiation of their social and recreational play environments. The main role of the yard duty teacher is to ensure that the safety and security of the children is maintained, however this is virtually impossible to achieve without the support of the children themselves.

Helping children deal with the many and varied situations that arise in the playground is a very important aspect of your child's development, with the teachers consistently demonstrating strategies for dealing effectively with conflict. In addition, many of our school programs strive to develop

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children's skills in working cooperatively, making considered opinions, respecting the rights of others, and most importantly taking responsibility for their actions. Once a child can accept responsibility for their actions or behaviour, working through strategies to deal with situations, and appropriate next steps becomes so much easier. We do require the support of our parents in getting our students to understand that no matter what the situation - they can always choose a less reactive/ explosive response - but again, whatever the situation, they need to accept responsibility for their own behaviours. Too often we hear "Yeah but s/he did this so I did that!" Under no circumstances is a physical response an appropriate response - and 'rough play' is never ok. Teachers do an excellent job in modelling appropriate strategies whilst dealing with children's concerns ranging from incredibly minor right through to quite serious.

Some questions we ask when presented with playground concerns are:

What happened?

What did you do? How did you respond? Was that appropriate?

What she/he/they did was not ok... (but neither was your response - if this is the case)

What could you do differently next time?

(\*Then we would talk to all parties involved.)

Whilst as teachers we do not encourage the "telling of a thousand tales", there are definitely instances where we need to be alerted to specific problems. If your child is reticent to approach the teacher, then it is important that you as a parent let us know of such situations as soon as possible - with open and honest communication between the home and the school being absolutely critical to the effective management of such issues.

It is equally important that parents do not become actively involved in children's school based disputes - basically because as parents we generally only hear our own children's version of the events, and are therefore not always neutral. Similarly, it is also inappropriate for parents to admonish other children, especially on the school grounds, where safety and sense of wellbeing of students is very much a school responsibility. Personal contact between the parents of affected students, especially when they don't otherwise know each other, is also fraught with danger - with the participating adults often staying in conflict, long after the children themselves have re-established their friendships.

I would reiterate that we value the combined effort of a professional and caring teaching staff, effective and proactive school programs, and an extremely supportive and caring parent community, and that this combined effort has provided the framework for a Belle Vue school community in which children are able to display extremely mature social skills - most of the time!

*Cathy Caminiti*  
Principal

### 2018 School Term Dates

Term 2: 16<sup>th</sup> April - 29<sup>th</sup> June  
Term 3: 16<sup>th</sup> July - 21<sup>st</sup> September  
Term 4: 8<sup>th</sup> October - 21<sup>st</sup> December

Term 2  
**You Can Do It**  
*Persistence*

## 2019 Prep Enrolments

While it feels as though 2018 has barely begun, thoughts are already turning to 2019, with many enquiries in relation to school enrolments for next year.

If you are currently a member of the school community and have a child ready to commence school next year please call into the office to collect an enrolment pack.

Please help us spread the word to anyone you know who has a child starting school in 2019. We'd love these prospective students to be able to take full advantage Kinder-Prep Orientation program.

Call our office to register for a school tour:

**9859 6123**

or email your registration to  
[belle.vue.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:belle.vue.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au)



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# Roll of Honour

The following students are being entered into the Roll of Honour and will be presented with their certificates at tomorrow's assembly:

25/5/2018

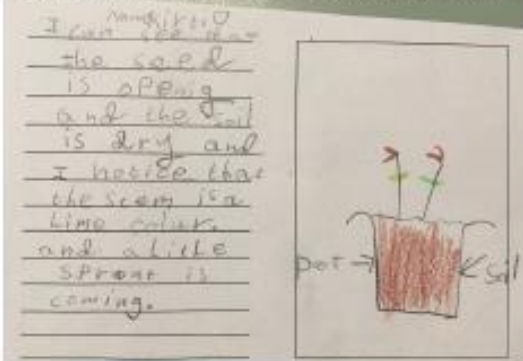
PG	Carlos	For being a kind and caring classmate by always offering others to play with him. Well done Carlos! (Student Nomination)
PG	Christina	For demonstrating persistence and working hard to complete her number 13 think board within the set time. Keep it up Christina! (Staff Nomination)
PW	Hannah F	For always noticing kindness in others, and regularly nominating classmates for the roll of honour. (Staff Nomination)
PW	Jonah S	For being a 'good sport' during P.E. lessons and saying "well done" and "great try" to his classmates. (Student Nomination)
12A	Steven	For always being 100% involved in all class discussions and willing to help out with classroom jobs. (Staff Nomination)
12A	Minnie	For demonstrating excellent getting along skills with her friends and her classmates.(Student Nomination)
12B	Kasra	For helping others to feel happy by telling funny stories that make people laugh. (Student Nomination)
12B	Alex P-T	For being focused on her learning and persisting to work without being distracted. (Staff Nomination)
12D	Jad	For his positive, can-do attitude to everything that he attempts. Keep up the good work! (Teacher Nomination)
12D	Zoe	For being a great friend to others when they have nobody to play with.(Student Nomination)
34D	Archie	For being a role model, taking time to help out his classmates and demonstrating a growth mindset (Staff Nomination)
34D	Isabelle	For being a great leader in Netball and always looking out for others' (Student Nomination)
34W	Alex V	For his amazing work recognising the properties of quadrilaterals. (Teacher Nomination)
34W	Jemima	For including others in her game and making them feel very welcome.(Student Nomination)
56G	Bobby	For showing great creativity in his writing and not giving up on the task (Student Nomination).
56G	Jason	For showing great persistence in his learning and confidence in contributing to class and group discussions (Staff Nomination).
56J	Olivia	For being respectful, working hard in class and always showing school values (Student Nomination)
56J	Paris	For his consistently diligent considerate and respectful behaviour. (Teacher Nomination)

## Congratulations!

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# Watch It Grow!



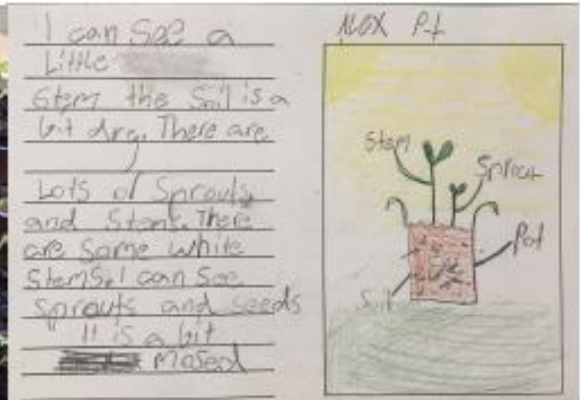
As part of the grade 1/2 integrated unit 'Watch It Grow', we have planted some sunflower seeds. We have predicted how long it will take for them to be fully grown, and what they will look like.

We have also been observing what they look like at different stages, and trying to understand why the plants are changing in certain ways. We are learning how to be scientists, by writing accurate observations and drawing labelled diagrams.

We love seeing how they have changed and grown each day, and can't wait to take home our own sunflowers at the end of the unit.



In  
1/2B





# District Cross Country 2018

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May, 15 Belle Vue students made their way to Macleay Park in North Balwyn to represent our school at the District cross Country Carnival. Team Belle Vue competed against 15 other schools from our sporting district and depending on age, ran either a 2km or 3km race. Although it had just rained, conditions under foot were actually quite good. The track itself presented a number of challenging sections, including a long incline near the start/finish line which put the runners to the test. Our students were up to the challenge and everyone applied themselves with commitment and determination to ensure they each produced their personal best on the day- Fantastic effort Team Belle Vue!

A special congratulations to Ava and Noah who qualified for the Boroondara Division Cross Country Carnival to be held at Ruffey Park Lake on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June. Make sure you both keep up your training.

Finally, thank you to all the parents who gave their time and effort to make the day the great success it was!

Mr Kucharski.



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27<sup>th</sup> May 2018

<b>What?</b>	Belle Vue Primary School Performance - <b>'Under the Big Top'</b>
<b>When?</b>	<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2pm and/or 7pm Performance</b>
<b>Where?</b>	The Karralyka Centre, Mines Road, Ringwood East
<b>How much?</b>	<b>\$20.00 - Adult Ticket \$15.00 – Child Ticket (Under 15yrs)</b>

Our Whole School Concert 'Under the Big Top' will be held at the Karralyka Centre, Mines Road, Ringwood East on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June. We will be having two performances, a matinee at 2pm and an evening show at 7pm.

- Please complete the form below with ticket orders for the performance you wish to attend (you may like to attend both!☺).
- **All students will be participating in both the matinee and evening performance.**
- Students performing do not require a ticket.

**\*\*Please note that tickets bought on the night will be \$25 for Adults and \$20 for children.**



**'Under the Big Top' BOOKING FORM      Return to school by Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June.**

Childs Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

**Matinee – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June @ 2pm**

ADULT TICKETS @ \$20.00 each      Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CHILDREN (Under 15 years) @ \$15.00 each      Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**And / or**

**Evening – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June @ 7pm**

ADULT TICKETS @ \$20.00 each      Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CHILDREN (Under 15 years) @ \$15.00 each      Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**



Direct debit details: Commonwealth Bank, Belle Vue Primary School Official account. BSB: 063155 Account Number: 10042733

**Please tick the method of payment used and return this note.**

Cash

Cheque

Direct Debit

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## SAME-DAY NOTIFICATION OF UNEXPLAINED STUDENT ABSENCES

### Fact sheet for parents/carers

If your child is sick or absent, you are required to notify their school as soon as possible **on the day of absence** using one of the following methods:

1. **Online:** log the absence directly using your school's IT platform – Team App.
2. **Telephone:** the school office 9859 6123 and let the staff know your child's name, class, date of absences and reason.
3. **Email:** the school [belle.vue.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:belle.vue.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) and provide the staff with your child's name, class, date of absences and reason.

Notifying the school of your child's absence either prior to, or on the day that they will be away, helps ensure the safety and wellbeing of children and will fulfil your legal responsibility.

### Why do I need to notify the school if my child is absent?

Schools need to know when and why a child is absent and you need to know if your child isn't at school.

From the end of Term 2 2018, all Victorian government schools are required to contact parents/carers as soon as practicable on the same day of an unexplained student absence. If your child is absent on a particular day and you have not contacted the school to explain why, the absence will be marked as unexplained.

This system also promotes daily school attendance. Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education, they learn new things every day – missing school puts them behind.

### What is your responsibility?

You are legally required to ensure your child attends school every day or you must provide an explanation for their absence. You should let the school know in advance of any upcoming absences or let them know in the morning if your child won't be at school. In order for schools to implement the same day notification requirement, it's essential that you provide the school with your most up-to-date contact details.

Generally one notification will be sent per family. Should there be circumstances that require both parents and carers to be notified, please contact the school to make the necessary arrangements.

### What is the school's responsibility?

The school must notify you of an unexplained absence in relation to your child as soon as practicable on the same day.

Schools will let you know either by your school's online communications app, phone call or email. If you can't be reached because the school does not have your correct contact details (i.e. changed phone number, SMS/email failure notification received etc.), the school will attempt to make contact with any emergency contact/s nominated on your child's file held by the school. Where possible, this contact will be made on the same day of the unexplained absence.

### Where can I learn more about the process for managing student absences?

Ask your school for a copy of the *Attendance Policy* which outlines the school's processes and procedures for monitoring, recording and following-up of student absences.





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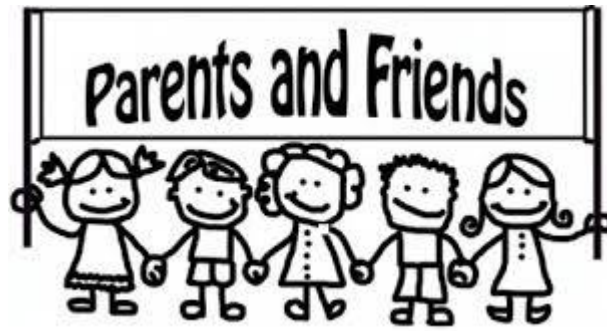


HIP, HIP HOORAY! IT'S  
YOUR BIRTHDAY!

WE HOPE YOU HAD A  
GREAT DAY

FROM ALL OF YOUR  
FRIENDS AT BELLE VUE!

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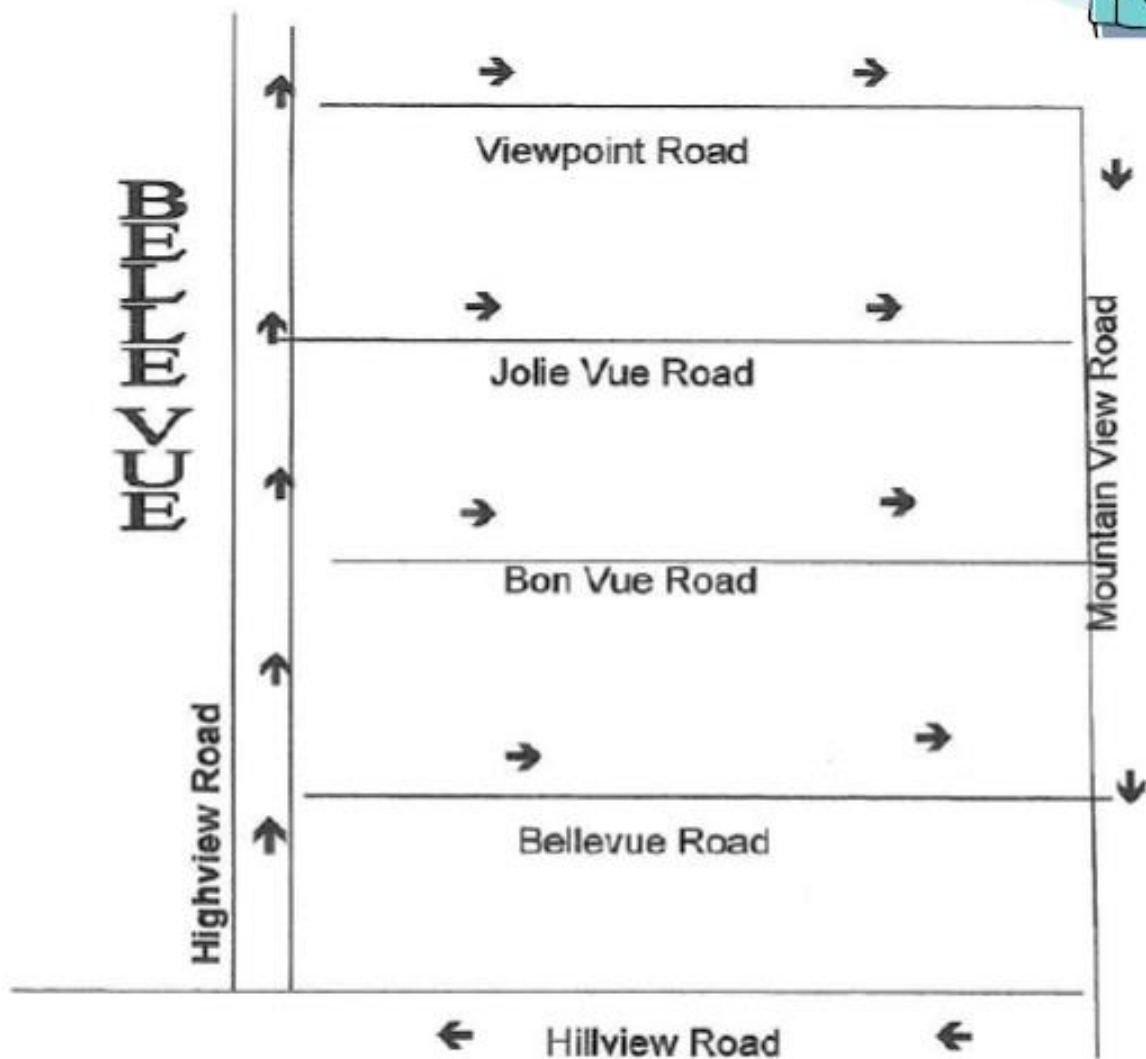
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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# Belle Vue Traffic



The Belle Vue School Council recommends the above car route for all student drop-offs and pick-ups.

**Please do not “U” turn in Highview Road**

Thankyou for helping keep our school environment safe

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