

BULLETIN



East Bentleigh
Primary School

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SCHOOL VISION: East Bentleigh Primary School provides a rich, inviting, child-focused environment ensuring that all students feel safe and stimulated. Our students are able to achieve their full academic, creative and social potential, equipped for the challenges of lifelong learning. Students develop into healthy and confident individuals, actively contributing to the world in which they live.

Hello everyone,

Welcome BBQ

What a lovely time we shared on Tuesday night at our 'Welcome BBQ'. It was wonderful to see so many of our families both old and new come together to share a lovely evening reacquainting themselves with old friends and making new ones. The sight of so many people sitting on picnic mats laden with yummy summer fare under our beautiful trees, along with our ever popular sausages and veggie burgers and happy children playing around them and on the oval was a wonderful sight. It was also a great opportunity for parents to chat with teachers in a more relaxed informal way that isn't always possible in our busy school days. Many thanks to Sue Jackson, Jane Ross and Fiona Conway, for their valued assistance.

School Council Elections

At the close of nominations last Monday, we received 4 nominations for the 4 parent category positions advertised – 3 two year terms and 1 casual vacancy of one year..

I congratulate and thank Andrew Goldfinch, Lisa Vance, Neale Delves and John Wayne for supporting our school by nominating for these important roles in our school community. They will join Ofer Fridberg and Kym Mai as the parent representatives on School Council.

The DET representatives are Sue Jackson, Julia Kantor and Jenny Small, with me as Executive Officer.

Our first School Council meeting of the new council will be **Wednesday 8th March**.

Student Free Day

On Monday 13th February we all participated in Day 2 of our Writing Professional Learning – Big Write and VCOP. The day consisted of a revision of the writing program, reflection and sharing of what we have implemented since Day 1 (in 2016), and then the explicit teaching of the assessment of student's writing. You will all hear more about this writing program from your class teachers at Information nights next week. Have your children done their 'talk homework' yet this week?

Walking Bus is back for 2017

We encourage our students to join in the Walking Bus every Wednesday morning at Centennial Park on Bignell Rd (opposite St. James College) at 8.30am for a very social and enjoyable walk to school.

Parent Information Nights / Interviews

You will have received a note and email regarding these nights which will be held next week.

I encourage you all to attend these most informative nights where you will hear information specific to your child's class and important whole school information.

Reminder – Grades 3/ 4 Swimming Program starts on Tuesday 21st February

Our intensive 9 day swimming program starts next week for our students in years 3 and 4. Whilst this is a fantastic program our children can get very tired during this 2 week period, so lots of rest and early nights would be a definite advantage.

Please Note: We have had 2 confirmed cases of "School Sores" reported in the junior school.

Until Next Time.....*Maria Shearn - Principal*



Jewish RE has commenced today - Thursday February 16th 1:10 pm at East Bentleigh Primary. Please register your child if you are interested for him or her to attend. We look forward to a productive and successful year ahead. United Jewish Education Board Tel: 9523 6844

Babysitting My name is Lucy Kennedy. I am Christine Kennedy's (integration aide) daughter. I am a reliable and confident 20 year old looking to do babysitting work. I have run after school programs and sports programs for children. I live in McKinnon and am happy to travel. Please ph: 0488 625 332 Rate: \$17.00 per hour