

BULLETIN



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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,

Year 3 Showcase Dinner

We held the second of these very special events in our calendar last night and what a night it was. The hall was abuzz with our Year 3 families and friends eagerly anticipating what the evening would bring. The students too were very excited about their very special role in the evening.

After firstly taking their guests orders from a lovely menu, the children then served the first course of a delicious kale minestrone soup. Imagine the logistics of over 30 children moving around the hall carrying hot soup to 70 guests!! I'm proud to report that not a drop was spilled.

After clearing and washing those dishes, the children then served the main course from a selection of pesto fettucine, cauliflower cake, Greek pies and a selection of gorgeous salads. Once again all of this was carried out with a minimum of fuss. After repeating the clearing and washing up process dessert and teas and coffees were served.

As I'm sure you will acknowledge, nights like this don't just happen; they are the result of careful planning and lots of hard work behind the scenes. My grateful thanks go to the members of that team led so well by Nikki Gordon our fabulous kitchen teacher/chef- she remains an inspiration. Thanks for your hard work last night Fiona Conway, Ann Tsiaves, Marie Seif, Jill Griffin, Alison Hackett, Laura Siu, Julia Kantor, Dagmar McNamara and last but by no means least Sue Jackson - we make an awesome team.

Thank you parents for supporting your children through this fantastic real life learning opportunity and children for your enthusiasm and cooperation. The highlight of the night was Eden's comments as he came back into the kitchen from taking his parents' orders.... **'I feel so alive'** he pronounced – it was a priceless moment.



Attendance and Punctuality

As the winter lurgies hit, I need to remind parents that it is important that you let us know if your child will be away from school and the reason why. Whilst we certainly do not want ill children sent to school, we do need to ensure that children attend school every day they can to maximise their learning growth. **In order to improve our attendance data, we are trialling a new process where our Attendance Officer will be calling families if their child is not at school.** Teachers have been asked to notate attendance rolls with any parent communication regarding absences.

On another note it has been great to see parents making a concerted effort to get their children to school on time. Well done everyone!

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



Lost - 'PRADA' Black prescription sunglasses misplaced last week at the school - if you see them, please hand them into the school office. Thank you