

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,

Father's Day Stall

Thank you to Kym Mai and her band of helpers who were ready today for classes to come over and make their special selections for this most important person in their lives. It is always so lovely to witness the care with which the children make their selections for their dads; another example of how to connect learning to real life experiences. To those parents who may have lost their fathers since last Father's Day and to those who hold their fathers deep in their hearts as I do, I think of you at this time. I'd also like to acknowledge the role of fathers providing such positive role modelling to children. Conversely I'd also like to acknowledge and respect that, where dads may not be in the home, there are mums, relatives, care-givers and guardians who give so much of themselves.



Sunsmart Policy

A reminder that our 'no hat no play' sun smart arrangements will be in place from the beginning of September. During first term and from the beginning of September, when people are at such risk of being sunburnt, children have to wear a sun smart hat (as pictured) at school during break times and for any sport lessons etc. (as per sun smart guidelines).

Geoff Ivanoff - Author visit

On **Tuesday 29th August @ 9:30am**, **George Ivanoff**, children's author, talked to **4S** and **4T** and the rest of Victoria via our Polycom system (an interactive television that enables us to participate in live presentations at other venues). We had other classes in the school participate by streaming the event live through an APT on their computers.

George explained how he researches and plans his books and then gave a quick demonstration of his method to the students. He read snippets from his books and answered questions from our students and students from other Victorian schools who logged in via their Polycom unit. George was extremely engaging and our year 4s asked very thoughtful questions.

Indigenous Literacy Day - The Great Book Swap

We are holding "The Great Book Swap" on **Wednesday 6th September** at East Bentleigh P.S.

How this will operate? Students and staff bring along a book (in good condition) that they are happy to swap with another child or staff member in their class and donate a gold coin towards the Community Literacy Project. Parents can donate to this cause via the East Bentleigh P.S. personalised website at https://indigenoussliteracyfoundation.secure.force.com/CICD_Fundraise?id=701A0000000afUi

Background Information from the Indigenous Literacy Foundation: Did you know that only 25% of Indigenous students in very remote areas are at the minimum reading standard, compared to 90% of non-Indigenous students? We are set to change the stats, but we need your help! Our vision is equity for opportunity in remote communities across Australia, by lifting literacy levels and instilling a lifelong love of reading. We do this through our three core programs: Book Supply, Book Buzz and Community Literacy Projects. Our Book Supply program has delivered more than 200,000 new books to over 250 communities nationally, and in 2017 we aim to gift another 65,000 books! The Great Book Swap is a fantastic way to celebrate reading locally, and raise much-needed funds for remote communities. The idea is to swap a favourite book in exchange for another, for a gold coin donation. Last year, we raised over \$160,000, and this year we hope to raise \$200,000 to gift 20,000 new books to remote Indigenous communities.

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



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