



# Bellevue Heights Primary School

*Learning & Growing Together to Enrich the World*

**Newsletter Week 11 Term 1  
Wednesday 12 April 2017**

## COMING EVENTS FOR THE CALENDAR

Thursday.....April 13.....P&F Hat parade (11.40 am) & Easter raffle drawn.  
P&F Pizza lunch day. Students can wear casual dress.

**Last day for term 1. Students finish at 2.30pm**

Friday.....April 14.....Good Friday - no students at school.

Monday.....May 1 .....First day for term 2

Thursday.....May 4 .....Junior Field Naturalists' Club 7pm in school hall

Friday.....May 5 .....Active Ed Team Fun R/1/2

Tuesday.....May 9 -11 .....NAPLAN for Years 3, 5 & 7 students

**Tuesday.....May 16.....Student Free Day - OSHC AVAILABLE but bookings essential**

## Dear Parents & Community

### End of Term

Thanks all round for a busy and productive term 1. We trialled a new Bellevue Beginnings format this year and that got us off to a wonderful, caring and supportive start. The Circus Challenge was an enjoyable and skilful activity to help start us off.

We are trialling a new student leadership model this year and a new assembly style. This has given more prominence to our focus on student voice and we will monitor how that goes across the year.

The Year 5 to 7 students were then into aquatics.

Our AGM and acquaintance night was well attended and informative and we welcomed some new governing council members and said farewell to others. This year we introduced a special Intensive English Language Program representative. This is a non-elected position of a member who has either had or has children in IELP. Kelvin Lau is our first representative in this capacity.

The North Wing had a sleepover and shared breakfast.

The R-7 robotics activity has engaged students in the BeeBots, the Edisons and the WeDo and EV3 programs.

Clean Up Australia Day was very productive as we cleaned up Whicker Park, Colebrook Reserve, around the school and Manson oval.

The west wing camp at Arbury Park signalled the start of our 2017 camps policy. The feedback from students and families was extremely positive and our whole school policy is now well under development.

Sports Day, as always, was a highlight. We returned to a day event this year and whilst it was a very warm day everyone had a good time. Congratulations to the Colebrook red team for winning Sports Day and the blue Flinders team for the team spirit award.

*Other activities included; 4 year old Friday, Middle School Choir, the Senior Choir, whole school assemblies, Harmony Day.*

The Lab on Legs science program is always a very 'hands-on' day for students and a positive science experience.

The Home Grown, Hand Sewn Market was an absolutely wonderful community event with many visitors to our school and a truly friendly and welcoming atmosphere.

We finish the term with the brilliant, colourful and inventive hat parade. Come along on Thursday at 11:40am to see some of the most interesting hats around.

Reception and year 1 students and the 1/2 class will have a special 'camp-style' activity on the first Friday of term 2. Then the year 2/3 classes will have a sleepover with activities in week 4. The upper primary classes will go to Wirraway in Week 6 and that will mean that every child has had a camp experience of some kind.

A really big thanks to the tireless Parents & Friends, led this year by Tash Howard, the governing council led by



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### Bell Times

9:00am	School starts
10:55am	Recess starts
11:25am	Recess ends
1:05pm	Eat lunch in class
1:10pm	Play time starts
1:50pm	Lunch ends
3:30pm	School ends

Tash Grundy, all the families who supported the HGH and the working bees.

A very special thanks to the parents and teachers who raised money by working at the Blackwood Lions market in February – this raised \$1,000.

And a big well done to all staff and students for all the varied learning that happens across the school term.

### Student led discussions/interviews

We had around a 95% response to our term 1 interviews this year. What a great effort. We hope all families found the 3-way aspect informative. We felt the discussions engaged your child with their learning and brought them into focus as opposed to being talked about. We know there may be times where you would like to talk privately with the teacher so please feel free to make an appointment if you feel that is necessary.

Our aim as always is to get 100% interview attendance and while we didn't achieve that this year it was the best attended interviews for quite some time. If you didn't make an interview time it's not too late. Please contact your teacher for a time early next term.

### School Vision Statement

The current school vision statement was developed in consultation with the whole school community during 2008. It can be found on the school's website at [http://www.bellevueps.sa.edu.au/school\\_info.htm](http://www.bellevueps.sa.edu.au/school_info.htm). Governing council is leading the process of reviewing and updating the statement to reflect current and future directions for the school. It is important that everyone in the school community has the opportunity to have their say about what is important now and into the future. Surveys seeking this information will be distributed to parents, staff and students very early next term. Survey information will be collated and developed into a new vision statement for the school.

### Thanks to cricket helpers

A very big thank you to the families who supported our cricket players this term. Special thanks Keith, Scott, Matt, Brian & Rachel. Well done for this first part of the cricket year.

### Soccer and netball terms 2 and 3

We will have 3 netball teams and 3 soccer teams starting next term. Thanks to all those students for joining in & thanks in advance to all the families for supporting them.

Special thanks to Paul Hills, James Todd, Andrew Fitzgerald, Matt McDowell, Kathy Reynolds, Bec Grigg, Alan King, Brooke Szymanskyj, Philippa Hutson & Courtney Blake for offering to help with teams.

### Cross Country

We will also have competitors in the Southern Heights Cross Country on Friday May 19<sup>th</sup>. Students have been training under the watchful eye of Mrs Bradley so we will look forward to being a part of that SAPSASA event.

### Community garden fence

Our students have started painting "their" fence paling thanks to the wonderful supervision and guidance of 10 parent helpers, well organised by Colleen Kimber. Thanks to those volunteers. Watch across the term as the white fence becomes a sea of colour and design. All students will paint a paling to finish the project.

Then you can add to the community garden use – we have 2 families using the garden and more can join in. See Vince or Mary.



Have a safe & relaxing holiday break.

### Vince, Mary & Birgit

### PRINCIPAL AWARDS

The following students have earned Principal Awards:



Duy Tran, Viet Phan, Ricky Wong, Tenzin Sims, Matilda Gilding-Smith, Eva Mancuso, Alissa Kaempf, Amira Haqqi Amalia, Nainika Vemulapalli, Heath Elliott, Josie Mack, Sasha Lynd-Stevenson, Abeer Ameen, Alissa Kaempf, Dhrithi Vemulapalli, Tenzin Sims, Saskia Fitzgerald, Suleiman Hussain, Makayla Szymanskyj, Caleb Bravington, Pink Tran, Usman Mateen & Tigon Tran.

### Awards for Excellence Recipients

This fortnight the following students earned a certificate: Barnabas Varnava, Harper Biggs, Jay Mills, Poppy Elliott, Amira Haqqi Amalia, Lucy Davies & Floris van Laar .



**Assembly  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April**



**Assembly  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April**





# Home Grown, Hand Sewn MARKET

## What a great day!

Sincere thanks for all of your support of the eighth Home Grown, Hand Sewn Market. Your help with baking, making, attending, helping on the day, setting up, packing up, ensured that the day was a great success. It was lovely to see so many families attending on the day.

The market raised approx. \$4,500 which will be used for Garden and Nature Play areas.

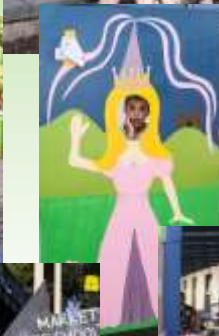
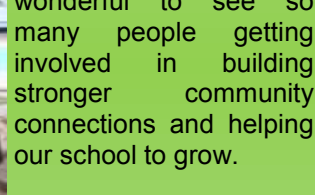


The P&F would especially love to thank the following people and organisations for their outstanding support of our school for Sports Day and/or our HGHS market!

- \* Simon at Climbing Tree (cubby building)
- \* The Organic Corner Store (oranges & organic produce)
- \* Eden Hills Scouts (The Green Machines)
- \* Juris and Inta Skabe - grandparents of the school, for apples
- \* Isa at Pizza Pan Blackwood
- \* Davina Scholz (amazing curries and salads)
- \* Everyone who made goodies for Sports Day and/or the vintage café
- \* Craig and Rachel Paues – donating ingredients and cooking 722 donuts!
- \* Everyone who donated items for the raffle or for sale
- \* All of the volunteers (including students!) who attended working bees, helped out on the day and enthusiastically gave of their time and energy to make Sports Day and the HGHS market a success
- \* Everyone who attended the HGHS market and made it a successful day.



We are a very fortunate community and it is wonderful to see so many people getting involved in building stronger community connections and helping our school to grow.







Students at Bellevue Heights are taking part in the Premier's Reading Challenge.

**What is the Challenge?**

The Premier's Reading Challenge is a literacy engagement program that was introduced by the Premier in 2004 to:

- Encourage students to read more books and enjoy reading.
- Improve literacy levels.

The challenge requires students to read 12 books between the beginning of the school year and the 8<sup>th</sup> September.

**How do I complete the Challenge?**

Teachers have given each student a sheet to record their books. If you are unsure about this please see your child's teacher. Some teachers keep the record at school while others send it home.

Once complete, students need to hand this form to their teacher or the librarian.

**What happens once the challenge is completed?**

Medals are awarded every year for the first 7 years that the challenge is completed. From the eighth year onwards special certificates are awarded. Medals and certificates arrive at school from November and are distributed at an assembly.



**WELLBEING TIPS**

- Keep children moving and exercising.
- Create plenty of opportunities for your kids to foster positive connections with their friends, family and of course with you.
- Keep screen time to a minimum.
- Help your kids develop mindfulness skills.

from the Wellbeing Student Leaders

**SUSTAINABILITY NEWS**

**Keep the Nude Food coming !!**

Congratulations to the students who won prizes for Nude Food Week.



**CRICKET NEWS**

Well done to all our cricket players for term 1. We hope to see you all back in term 4. A special thanks to all the parents who volunteered to help manage the teams.

**SENIOR CRICKET TERM 1**



**KANGA CRICKET TERM 1**



**Community News & Special Events**

**FOR ALL EVENTS LISTED, FURTHER INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE**

**Groups advertising in community news are not necessarily endorsed by the school.**

**Families need to use their own discretion whether to seek more information about them.**

**HISTORY FESTIVAL WALKING TOURS**

Various walks around Blackwood & Eden Hills. Cost \$5 each walk, includes Devonshire tea. Bookings essential - Anne Hazell ahazellau@gmail.com For more information see History SA Festival program in hard copy at local newsagencies & libraries and online at historyfestival.sa.gov.au

**HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES**

'French Open' grand slam tennis clinic - Denman Tennis Club, Mitcham. See office for registration form & more details. Sturt Lions Soccer program - as Clapham Primary School, 9am - 3pm on various days. Boys & girls. For more info 0401 516 588 or 433soccerym@gmail.com \$50 per day.