



# Belvoir Special School

38 Gayview Drive, WODONGA, 3690

PHONE: 02 6059 8987

## School Captains

Congratulations to the following students who were elected to school captains by the senior students and staff last week.

Our School Captains for 2019 are Stacey Evans, Emily Maiden and Mark Noonan.

Our Vice Captains are Wilson Holt, Ellie Munroe and Zachariah Hoppo.

Our captains for each of the Sports teams are: Mitta, Brody Crisp, Murray, Tey Neisha Hackman, Kiewa, Bronson McFarland and Hume, Jessica Romito.

Congratulations to each of our Captains for the year and we look forward to them leading students across the year.

## School Council Vacancies

Nominations for Belvoir's School Council are now open. Belvoir's School Council is made up of 9 elected Parent Representatives, 3 elected Department of Education Representatives and 1 Co-opted Community Representative. The community representative is elected each year at the annual general meeting, while the elected representatives from the parent community and the Department are elected for a period of 2 years.

This year we have 4 retiring Parent reps and 1 retiring DET rep. Our retiring parent reps are: Tenniel Evans, David Brown, Hannah Partl and Tom Rooney. We also have 1 causal vacancy created by a parent leaving the school at the end of 2018, the retiring DET member is Jo Craigie. All of these people are able to re-nominate for their positions should they wish.

Darren Maxfield, Jason Voll, Tracy Kellock, Rhonda Strauss, Marg Kinnell and Cas Porter will continue on school council for a further 12 months.

If you are interested in being a part of our school council please contact the school for a nomination form or have a chat to one of our current or retiring school councilors for more information. School Council meets twice per term. Currently this is on a Wednesday evening from 6:00 – 8:00pm.

Nominations for school council close next Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March, at 4:00pm.

## Kiewa Valley Primary School

Over the past few days I have been working with the staff at Kiewa Valley Primary School while their principal has been on sick leave. At this stage I will be returning to Belvoir on Monday.

Ebony will remain in charge at Belvoir tomorrow.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Year 7 & 10 Immunisations

Friday 22nd February 9.00am

### Swim Carnival

8th March @ Albury Swim Centre

9.30am to 2.30pm

### Labour Day Public Holiday

Monday 11th March

### Nominations for School Council Open

Thursday 21st February

### Nominations for School Council Close

Friday 1st March 4:00pm

### School Council Meeting for new Councillors

Wednesday 20th March

## Student Absences

A reminder to all parents to ensure that they inform the school when their child is going to be away or when they return from an absence. All non-explained absences will cause an email to be sent to families and this should remind them to complete an absence explanation form.

If you get an email and you believe that your child should be at school or has been marked absent by mistake, please give us a call as soon as possible. This will ensure that we check our information and make sure that the student is where they are supposed to be and is not missing.

Students who have extended unexplained absences of more than two days will receive a call from the school asking for an explanation from the parents.

Thank you to all of those families who do complete absence notifications each day. This greatly assists the staff in the office each day.

**Jamie Gay**  
**Principal**



## This Weeks Purple Moment Winners



**Jayden Johnson**

For being respectful and for  
being safe

**Hunter Hodgkin**

For being safe

**Reilly Grant**

For following instructions and  
achieving a goal

**Jacob Rooney**

Being respectful and following  
instructions

**Ryder Thompson**

For being safe



**Class of the week: room 10**

Classroom 10 has been nominated for settling in beautifully and are all  
working together

### BELVOIR SPECIAL SCHOOL STUDENT ABSENCE FORM

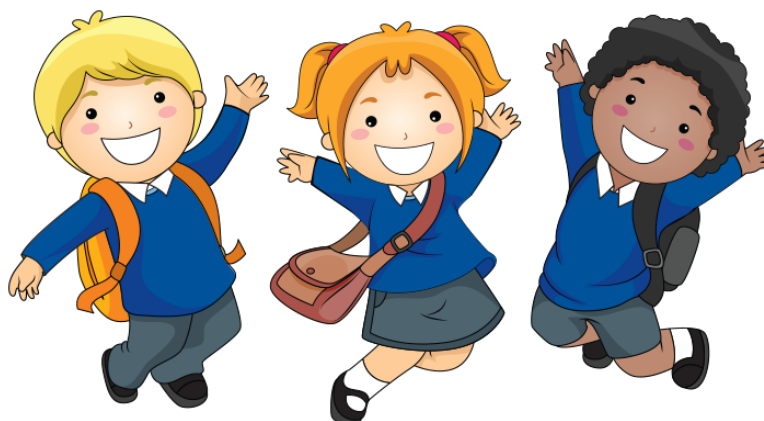
Student Name:.....

Class:.....

Date of Absence:.....

Reason For Absence:.....

**Brunella School Wear Is Closing Down  
Soon - 40% off all stock!!**



# INTRODUCING

## SCHOOL CAPTAINS

Emily , Mark and Stacey



## VICE CAPTAINS

Wilson, Ellie and Zachariah



# Room 5 News!

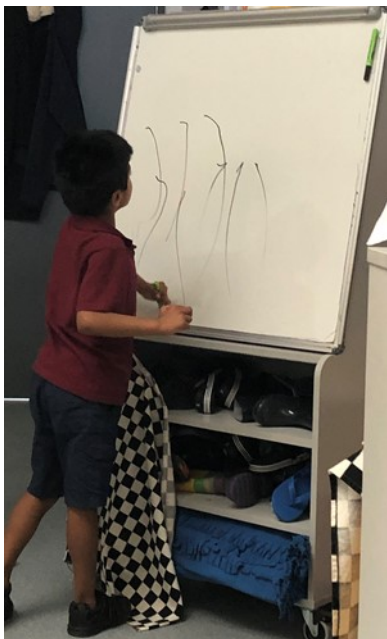
## The Very Hungry Learners



In Room 5 this year, we have come back from Christmas holidays 'Very Hungry for Learning'.

We have started using our Learn to Play, play-based program in Room 5 to learn our maths and literacy concepts in a fun, engaging, and hands on way.

This week we focused on sharing, adding, and turn taking, using a Café structure. We particularly enjoyed adding in chips onto the plate with burgers we made.





## Our sites

### Wangaratta

45-47 Mackay Street  
Wangaratta Vic 3677  
T: (03) 5723 2000

### Wodonga

155 High Street  
Wodonga, Vic 3690  
Freecall: 1800 657 573  
T: (02) 6022 8888

### Myrtleford

32 Smith Street  
Myrtleford Vic 3737  
T: (03) 5731 3500

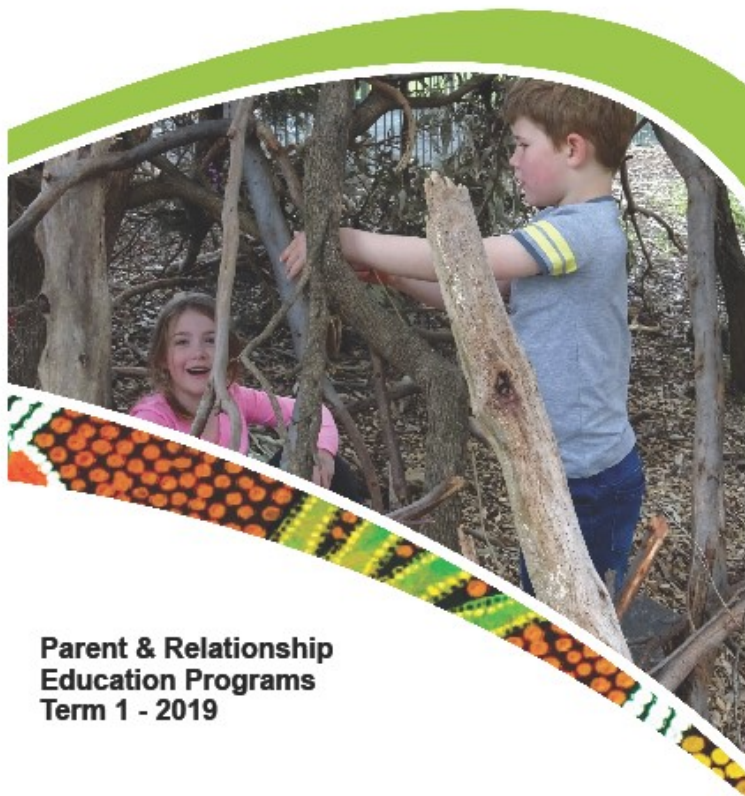


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[www.facebook.com/gatewayhealth1](https://www.facebook.com/gatewayhealth1)



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**Parent & Relationship  
Education Programs  
Term 1 - 2019**



## ENGAGING ADOLESCENTS™ PARENT COURSE

*Parenting skills for resolving teenage behaviour problems  
will be held at*

**Gateway Health**  
**155 High Street, Wodonga**  
Thursdays 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019 to 28<sup>th</sup> March 2019 (1pm – 3pm)

### Learn:

- ✓ Some common ground shared by parents & reasonable expectations to hold about adolescents
- ✓ New understandings of adolescence
- ✓ A three-option model & flow chart for decision-making
- ✓ Self check-in, first - for parents.
- ✓ Building relationship with your teenager and making the best of your non-crisis conversations with them
- ✓ Skills for tough conversations for handling those problems you just can't ignore

Registration Fee

FREE

For registration or more information contact the intake team on  
6022 8888

• An end to the arguing and yelling! • It saved our lives • Simple, sane, effective •

This course is being run by a Parentshop® licensed practitioner. [www.parentshop.com.au](http://www.parentshop.com.au)

## USEFUL NUMBERS

**Dysons bus 1: Ring School**

**Dysons bus 2: 0417 041 196**

**Dysons bus 3: 0407 563 474**

**Dysons bus 4: 0408 698 635**

**Belvoir bus: 0467 796 331**

**Wodonga Taxi: 6024 3444**

**Albury Taxi: 6025 2255**

**School: 6059 8987**

**Ambulance/Police/Fire: 000**

# **Room 10 News!**

Welcome to 2019!

In room 10, for the last 4 weeks we have been working very hard getting to know our new friends and settling into our new school routines. Everyone has settled in very well, and have made some new friends. This term in literacy we are learning about the different parts of a story. In mathematics we will be learning about numbers and time. In our term topic we will be learning about the seasons, and the different activities we can do during these seasons.

We are so excited for all of the fantastic activities we have planned for the remainder of the term.

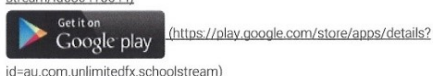




Free for parents, students and staff of registered schools

How to get the school stream app on your mobile device

1. From your mobile device go to The App Store (iPhone/iPad) or Google Play (Android), search for School Stream and download the app to your phone
2. Once School Stream has finished installing, open the app, type your school name into the search THEN select your school
3. If you are prompted to accept push notifications, you will need to select OK



## Check Out Our School's Web Page!

As many of you may already know, Belvoir has created a Web page. You can access the page by going on to <https://www.belvoirss.vic.edu.au/>

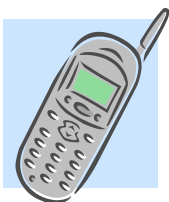
This page is used to promote events, share information and showcase achievements of classes and individual students. We would love for you to share this page with your friends and family so that everyone can see the great things happening in our school.



**Belvoir Special School**

'Together we can'

### CONTACT DETAILS



Could all families please make sure that they inform the school office whenever they have any changes to any of their contact details e.g.. home/mobile

phone numbers, change of address etc.

It's extremely important that we have up to date information in case of emergencies.

### School Athletics - House Groups

Students, Staff and Parents are put into groups according to their surnames. Each group has a name and colour and its requested that everyone wears clothing the colour of the house they are allocated to.

<u>Surnames between</u>	<u>Colour</u>	<u>Name</u>
A-D =	Red	-Mitta
E-K =	Green	-Murray
L-Q =	Blue	-Kiewa
R-Z =	Yellow	-Hume

### Electronic Version of the Newsletter

Would you like to receive the school newsletter via email?

As our school is going green, to save on using excess paper we would like to offer you the option of having the newsletter sent to you electronically. If you like this idea please fill in and return the slip below to the office, or email Andrea at: [gray.andrea.j@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:gray.andrea.j@edumail.vic.gov.au)

Yes, I would like to have my weekly newsletter emailed to me:

Name: .....

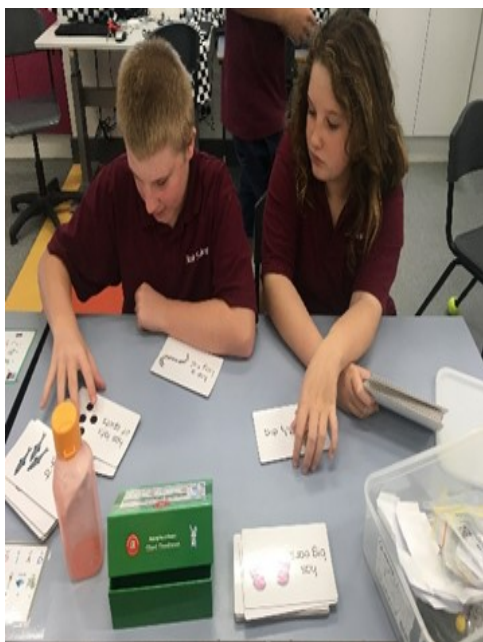
Email address/s .....

# Room 16 News!

Over the last three weeks room 16 has been getting to know each other during our outings, rotations, games and our Auslan sessions. Together we have been observing the daily weather. We have been looking at the sky to see whether we can see the clouds and sun, and feel the temperature and wind.

We have 3 fish in our classroom that Angus has named Harold, Dorothy and George. We have enjoyed our outings to the Wodonga Library, Sumsion gardens, and Kmart.

We get to participate in Bluearth with room 9. Swanny has been helping us calm down and work together during different games and activities. One of our favourite games is Flinch.



1<sup>st</sup> February, 2019



Dear Parent/Carer,

Belvoir's Annual Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at the Albury Swim Centre. On the day students will need to wear swimmers, sun smart hats, sunscreen and bring plenty of water. Students will be bussed to and from the carnival, leaving the school at approximately 9:30am and returning by 2:30pm. Classes will not be operating, as all staff will be at the carnival.

If you wish to transport your child you will need to let your child's teacher know and ensure they are at the pool by no later than 10:00am and be picked up by 2:00pm

A free sausage sizzle will be provided to all students for lunch and the pool canteen will be open throughout the day to purchase snacks. The pool will also open their slide to students throughout the day and again with your written permission your child can use this facility.

Please note that department of policy requires students with epilepsy to have an up to date Epilepsy Management Plan for swimming/water sports signed by a treating doctor before being allowed to swim/use the slide, which must not be more than 12 months old and be received by the school prior to the day.

Parents/carers of prep students must attend on the day to assist with the supervision of their child.

Please complete the following permission slip and return to the office no later than **22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019**

Regards,

Ross Hayward

Physical Education Specialist

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I \_\_\_\_\_ give permission for my child/children \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the 2019 Annual Swimming Carnival at the Albury Swim Centre and to be bussed to and from the venue.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

I also give permission for my child/children to use the slide on the day of the carnival.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

# This Weeks Purple Moment Winners

## Notice Board



### **SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALES**



'At Belvoir we have generous families who send in second hand uniforms to sell or pass on to others in need.

Unfortunately, we have run of storage space for these items and quite often don't have the sizes in stock families require.

We have developed a partnership with the MS COMMUNITY

SHOP, 156 High Street Wodonga in the hope they can raise some much needed funds to continue supporting our community. Unwanted uniforms can still be passed on the school, however families are encouraged to take unwanted uniforms/clothing and other household items to the shop directly.

***Mandy - Student Wellbeing.***

## **Room 21 News!**

We went to the skate park and saw the rock wall. I am enjoying Room 21. **Liam**

We have had one new students join our room in Orange Pod this year. On Friday last week, the School Captains and Vice-captains were awarded their badges. **Zachariah**

So far this year, we have had our school captain's speeches. All of the teachers, Orange and Purple pods got to vote for who they wanted to be school captain. I was so excited to be chosen as one of the school captain's. **Stacey**

Hi, I'm Josh and I'm new to the school. I have been here for a few weeks and have made a lot of new friends. **Josh**

My name is Wilson. I was so excited about being voted vice-captain. I am going to be a good role model as I make great choices and stay safe. **Wilson**

It's been a pleasure to be in Orange pod. I have made a lot of friends in the past 3 weeks. I enjoy being in a class with friends. **Sam**

You are invited to attend

## The Gold Cup Charity Luncheon

Funds raised go towards projects that will benefit children with disabilities and special needs in the local area

**Thursday 21 March 2019**  
**11.30am for 12.00pm Start**

Committee Marquee (Trackside)  
Albury Racing Club, Fallon Street, Albury

Cost \$120

*Includes entry to racecourse, luncheon, 3 drink tickets, auction & wonderful raffle prizes to be drawn on the day.*  
Drinks at bar prices  
Men Welcome

To guarantee your seat, please RSVP and pay for your tickets by THURSDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2019  
Contact your Committee Host or <https://www.facebook.com/goldcupcharity> or [goldcupcharity@gmail.com](mailto:goldcupcharity@gmail.com)

Please email any DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

Tickets are non-refundable

Direct debit payments to **Account Name:** Gold Cup Charity Limited **BSB:** 640 000 **Account Number:** 111208063  
**Payment Reference:** first initial and surname (eg J Smith)

## ***Helping your Child to read***



Reading together is a valuable thing to do. Reading increases the vocabulary of children, as well as expanding their understanding of the world, and gives them confidence when using language. Reading is also an important way to make the link between spoken words and written words.

### **Some general tips:**

Set aside time for reading every day. Reading before bedtime is a good habit

to get into.



Look for rhyme, rhythm or repetition in books. This will help develop your

child's love of language.



Allow your child to read at their own pace. Model good pace when you

# It's on Again!!

## 2019 Best Border Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019

*At Albary Botanical Gardens*

9 a.m. till 3 p.m.

Major Prize Draw - **\$5,000** in  
Cash Prizes plus many more!!



**Food  
stalls**

**Face  
Painting**

**Jumping  
Castle**

**Games &  
Giveaways**

**Hunt  
starts at  
11a.m.**

**Live Music  
during the  
afternoon**

Registrations open 9.a.m

Entry price \$10 per head

(for Prize draw and hunt) until sold out

*Tickets may be pre-booked  
and paid for at either*



*485 Deax Street, Albary, or*



**200 years**

*613 Deax Street, Albary*

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## CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

### Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible\* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
- on the first day of Term two;
- a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004*, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
- b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
- c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

\* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

### Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

### Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (29 January 2019) or term two (23 April 2019).

## PAYMENT AMOUNTS

### CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For **ungraded students**, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

**Year 7 government school students** who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.

## HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

### NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.  
Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.  
If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.
2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. The CSEF program for 2019 closes on 28 June, 2019.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.

**CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM**

Belvoir Special School  
54 Gayview Drive, West Wodonga 3690  
Ph: 02 6059 8987  
Fax: 02 6059 4772  
ABN: 59 686 470 64

School Name

School REF ID

**Parent/legal guardian details**

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

First name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Town/suburb \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number \_\_\_\_\_

Centrelink pensioner concession **OR** Health care card number (CRN)

-  -  -  **OR**

☐ Foster parent\* **OR** ☐ Veterans affairs pensioner

\*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

**Student details**

Child's surname	Child's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- DHS will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DHS and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
- information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and /or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_