

Belvoir Special School Newsletter



38 Gayview Drive, WODONGA, 3690

Principal and Assistant Principal

Unfortunately Belvoir was not successful in gaining a substantive Principal through the recent application process. School council have decided to ask for the position to be advertised again at the beginning of term 3 in the hope of attracting a suitable applicant to the position.

I am very pleased to announce that Cas Walters will be coming to the school as the Acting Principal for term 3. Cas is an experienced Principal having been at Wodonga Senior Secondary College as the Campus Principal for many years. I certainly wish Cas all the very best in her work and look forward to hearing lots of positive feedback from her time with us.

I can also announce that Brendon Peisley has been appointed as the Acting Assistant Principal for the remainder of the year. Brendon has been working at Wooragee Primary School for the last six months as the acting Principal at that school and has taught at Wodonga Primary School prior to that. Brendon will be with us until the end of the year.

Reports

Student reports will go home with each child at the end of school tomorrow.

The reports are in a different format to those that parents will be used to, but they still give a good indication of the work that has been completed by students through the first half of the year.

Parents will have the opportunity of asking questions when school resumes.

Welcome

With an increase in the number of students in yellow POD we have increased the number of teachers that we will have in the POD. Emily Eldridge will be joining the school in second semester and will be taking up a new class in room 2. This class will have 5 students in it with some of the new students joining two of our current students. Welcome Emily. We certainly hope that you enjoy working at our school.

Farewell

As new staff enter older staff need to make way for them. I would like to say thank you to all of the students, staff and families that I have been so fortunate to get to know over the past 12 years. It has been a real privilege to be the principal of such a wonderful school as Belvoir and I certainly wish everyone all the very best through the second half of the year.

End of Term

A reminder to all families that term 2 ends tomorrow, Friday 26th of June at 2:00pm. This means that buses will run an hour earlier than they have been over the past five weeks. **Jamie Gay - Acting Principal**

Class of the week!

This week's class of the week is room 9! Well done!

Room 9 was nominated for washing their hands and cleaning the room to keep us all safe and healthy. They have also been working really hard in all rotations and trying their best to work independently.



BUS NUMBERS

BUS 1: 0408691885

BUS 2: 0417041196

BUS 3: 0407563474

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BELVOIR BUS: 0467 796 331

Uniform shop hours

Beleza Wodonga :

Monday, Wednesday and Friday,
from 12pm to 5pm.

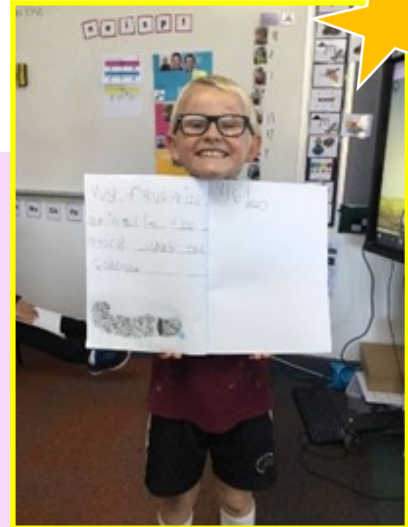


This weeks purple moments

- Josh—Room 19
Great answers in class discussion.
- Jordan—Room 13
For following instructions, being respectful and working independently.
- Mariah—Room 8
For following instructions in literacy sessions.
- Zayna A—Room 3
For completing all set tasks!
- Austin—Room 22
Following instructions by responding to bells/music to get ready for the next activity.
- Sean—13
Nominated for following instructions and completing math tasks.
- Hunter W—Room 10
For reading to an adult! Well Done!
- Jett—Room 6
For following instructions and achieving a goal during maths!

Room 5 News

We have been working on our reading stamina since returning to school. This will take us some time, but we are very proud of ourselves for improving our independent reading time from 6 to 17 minutes. Also, some of our favourite books we have read are Alexander's Outing and Hattie and the Fox.

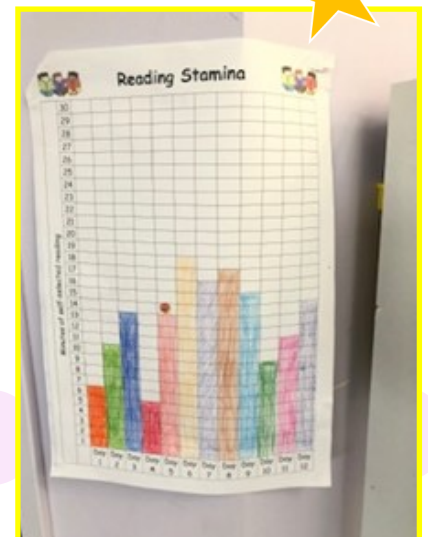
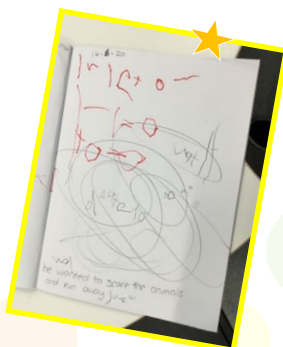


We would like to introduce our new student to the classroom, his name is Max. Max enjoys Lego Ninjago, bike riding, playing with the Zoobs talking and playing with his new friends.



We have settled back into schooling after having a long time at home. It was awesome seeing the boys reconnecting with each other and just spending some quality time with each other.

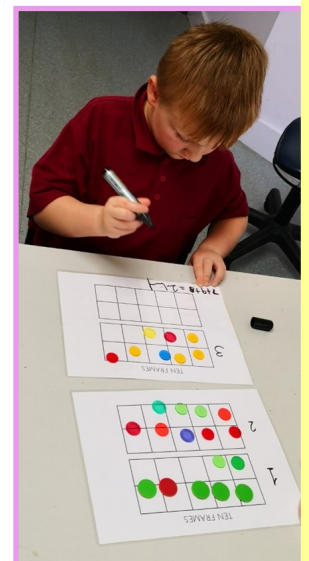
We have been using **Seesaw** to show our hard work. We can't wait to see our family online watching the awesome work being done in Room 5. Here are some



Room 6 News

Room 6 have been very busy since being back at school. We quickly got back to our normal routine and have so enjoyed seeing our friends and being able to play and learn together again. We have enjoyed numerous art activities, making Dioramas in Science, focusing on sounds and completing lots of activities relating to number.

Here are some pictures to share with you of all the great work that Room 6 have achieved.



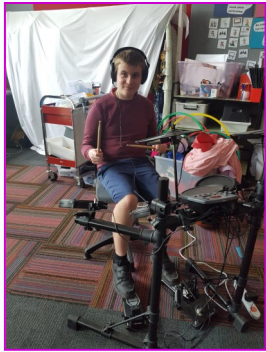
The Latest from Room 7

Well, in room 7 we have had a very productive week. We have been doing a lot of creative work, and our Numeracy and Literacy programme is going really well. We have learnt lots of new words to describe how we feel and these words we can use in our writing and to better our communication with others. Everyone in Room 7 has learnt that if you dig deep into learning about who you are, and what you can do, you achieve great things.

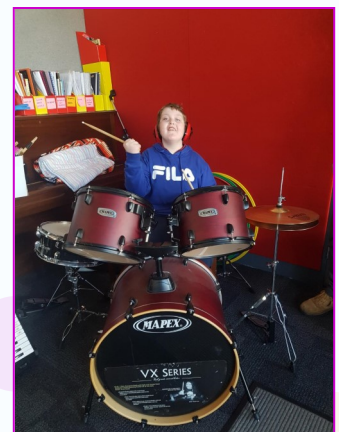
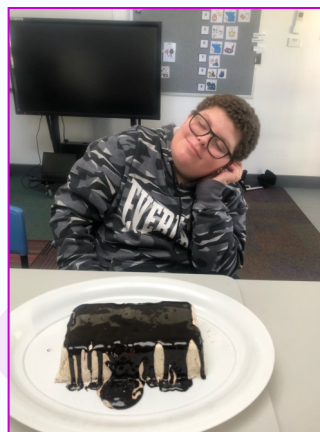
Room 7 have enjoyed cooking different things throughout the Term. Here is a cake we all worked together to make.



Update from Room 24



Gosh, hasn't term 2 been a little bit different
We started the term at home, which had a huge impact
We completed activities 'learning from home'
For a period of five weeks, that went very, very slow
On-site learning was given the green light
We were all so happy to be back, we were ready to go at daylight
Back with our friends and teachers and Jamie,
Playing instruments in Performing Arts and asking others to 'jam with me'
We sang 'happy birthday' for lots of our peers
And honed our skills in the kitchen making pancakes without tears
Patterns was our topic during mathematics sessions
We were so good we could take this up as a job, if it was a profession
Now we are nearing the end of this unusual term
We would like to remind everyone, to be safe, to be happy and to fend off those nasty germs!!



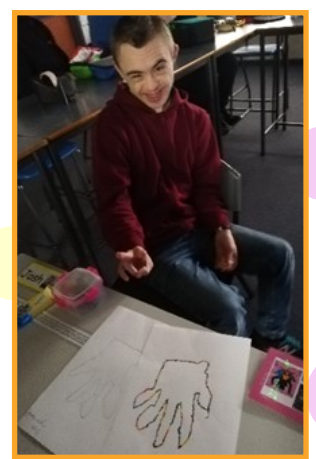
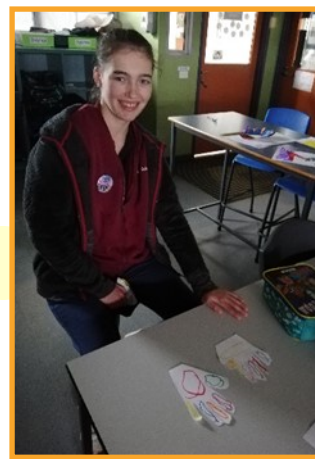
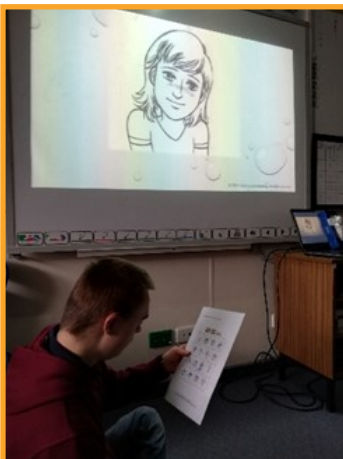
Room 22 News



Welcome to the last week of term 2! In the last five weeks weeks, our students in Room 22 have enjoyed being back at school to their classroom and working alongside their peers. Many of them have been re- familiarising with the classroom routines after their online learning.

We celebrated Sorry Day by learning more about it and creating awareness through a range of exposures such as learning about Australian history, the apology to the stolen generations and craft activities. Students have also continued learning about the Zones of regulation and applying numeracy skills such as reading time using analogue and digital clocks when reading bus timetables and using public transport.

Our students have also been busy organising posters for our Belvoir pie Drive next term and are looking forward to going out on outings again in term 3!



Performing Arts

What a Term! Well done to all the students for their amazing work and resilience during this time, on return from remote learning students have been outstanding with their focus and commitment to learning! In Music they have been participating in the Musical Futures Program - Just Play Drumming where they explored how to make their own drum kit and sounds through Beat boxing, chair drumming, musical apps and body percussion. After returning from remote learning they have worked towards creating their own performance called "Keeping The Beat". Student created their own music sheet, with their own beat and had to explore and play this to the class! Their work was amazing. We have so many talented students at Belvoir and we are so delighted to share with you some of their achievements.



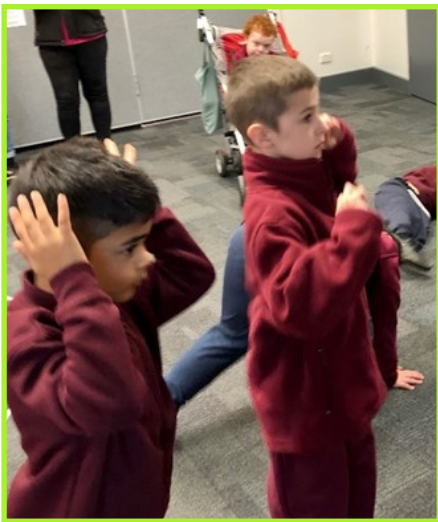


Performing Arts^{☆☆}

Yellow pod classes have been learning about minibeasts, so we have been singing Ants go Marching, the Itsy-bitsy spider and playing the spider web walk. Everyone enjoyed creating repeating musical patterns.

Green pod has been learning about how plants grow, so in performing arts we loved playing the Beans game and drumming along to We will Rock you by Queen. We loved making patterns with scarves and learning about rhythmic ostinatos.

In Room 21 we have been learning how to create a song using the Isle of Tune and Incredibox programs.





FOOTY COLOURS DAY

Footy colours day Friday the 26th of June!
Wear your teams colours to school to support
your team!



VCAL BELVOIR PIE DRIVE



Fundraising for year 12 Graduation
Delivery 6th August 2020

Pick-up time 1pm and 3pm

Orders and money due by 17th July

Pies from Thurgoona Bakery



Please return order by 17th July 2020

Room Number _____ Contact Number _____

Please circle your pick up time for Thursday, 6th August 2020: 1:00pm 3:00pm Bus

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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.

Please contact Andrea or Neve on 6059 8987 if you have any changes.

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.

Surnames between

A-D = Red -Mitta

E-K = Green -Murray

L-Q = Blue -Kiewa

R-Z = Yellow -Hume



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In this time of **COVID 19** we are reaching out to our Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander children, young people, parents, carers, families, Elders and community by providing **1800 REFOCUS (1800 733 628)** and **Press 1** which is a free confidential telephone service if you would like to connect & yarn about stresses that are occurring for you in this time.

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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.