

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.

At East Bentleigh Primary School we are committed to child safety.

Hello everyone,

It has been a great start to the year. It is so wonderful to see students reconnecting socially and flowing through the gates with enthusiasm and energy for the new school year. Thank you to all our parents and carers for working in partnership with the school to ensure a positive start to the school year. Please refer to our new Term 1 Calendar (on the same link as this Bulletin - which are located on our website) for all the upcoming events for Term 1. I hope you enjoy viewing the photos of our newest students enjoying their first days at school. Here's to a happy and healthy year ahead as we all learn and grow together.



School Attendance and Punctuality

Coming to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day.

Attending and participating in school will help your child develop:

- * important skills and knowledge to help them learn
- * social and emotional skills such as good communication, resilience and team work.

Children who attend school every day and complete year 12 have:

- * better health
- * better job opportunities
- * higher income across their lives.

There is no safe number of days for missing school. Each day a student misses puts them behind.

Thank you for making sure your child is regularly on time too.

Sunsmart Please help your child to be Sunsmart by making sure she/he has a hat at school. Children who do not wear their hats will be directed to remain on the hall deck or shaded area at the PAC for the entire break time.

School Council Elections Next week families will receive a Notice of Election and Call for Nominations letter via email regarding school council elections. We have 3 Parent member vacancies that we need to fill. All nominations need to be lodged at the school office by 4:00pm on Monday 12th February. Nomination forms are available from the office. School Councillors currently play an important role in decision making and management of our school. They donate many hours to the sub committees of School Council: Finance, Education and Policy, Facilities, Communication, Fundraising, Publicity, Farmers' Market and Grants. Councillors belong to at least one subcommittee; they also attend monthly council meetings.

Reminder - Dogs on school grounds I need to advise new parents and remind established parents that we ask that dogs not be brought into the school environment for a couple of reasons. Firstly, we have some children who are terrified of dogs and secondly sometimes they can leave unwanted 'deposits' in our yard where our children play. I thank you for your cooperation in this.

Help with transport There is a family at school who live in the Brighton area that needs urgent support with getting their child to and from school for the next few weeks. If you are able to assist could you please contact Sue Jackson on 9570 3525.

Breakfast Club A couple of reminders regarding Breakfast Club. This service is for students to have breakfast before school, not for child care. If you require before school care for your child(ren), please arrange this with Camp Australia (1300 105 343).

Please note: For safety reasons, when arriving for breakfast club - please do not walk your children through the staff car park, please only enter via the front school gate. Thank you

CSEF - Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund If you have a concession card - you may be eligible for \$150.00 per child to be put towards applicable fees. Please contact the office for an application form.

Until next time.....Sue Jackson - Acting Principal



East Bentleigh Primary School acknowledges Traditional Owners of Country throughout Australia and recognises the continuing connection to lands, waters and communities. We pay our respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and to Elders both past and present.

