

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 all,

Thank you for your attendance at the Class Information sessions earlier this week. Our teachers have worked hard to ensure that all families have a good understanding of their educational plans for the year. For those parents who were unable to attend on the night, each class teacher has prepared an information book with information pertinent to their class. Whilst teachers spoke of activities and curriculum directed at their year level, I know that they also spoke of a number of whole school requirements for all students, with the most important of these being a strong focus on regular and consistent attendance and punctuality. This will be a strong priority for our school again this year.

I have already received advice from regional staff asking for a 'please explain' for students who have already had more than 4 days absence in the short time we have been back at school. Thankfully our list was not too long, with extended family holidays being the main culprit. I encourage any parents needing support with getting their children to school to come and chat to Sue or I in order to assist you in setting up good life long habits with your children and request respectfully that holidays are taken within the school breaks.

School Council Representatives: 2023-2025

At the conclusion of the nomination period, there were 3 nominations for the 3 parent positions available. Accordingly, the following parents were declared duly elected to the 2023-2025 East Bentleigh PS School Council. Congratulations and thank you to:

Leah Moore

Julia Kahan

Scott Maunders

These 3 parents will join Emily Jones, Helen Woodruff and Rachel Jeffreys who are in the middle of their 2 year term; and community member Lisa Vance. Our DE representatives for the next 2 years are Aaron Jones and Michelle Mather. I thank everyone for their willingness to contribute to the ongoing growth of our school and look forward to working productively with you all.

Student Free Day- Monday 27th February- Berry Street Education Model

For our new parents, the Berry Street Education Model (BSEM) provides strategies that enable teachers to increase the engagement of students with complex, unmet learning needs and to successfully improve **all** students' self-regulation, relationships, wellbeing and academic achievement. In today's changing world, many school students encounter daily challenges that can impact their success at school. Despite best efforts and intentions, schools often require specialised strategies to address student needs for healing, growth, and achievement. Our staff will be engaged in the third of four workshops designed and presented by Berry Street Educators. In 2022 our staff were taken through 2 workshops, the first entitled 'Body' and the second on 'Relationships'. At our next workshop we will be working through the concepts of Stamina and Engagement.

Sunscreen

As it looks like our summer is going to make a late appearance this year, I'd like to take the opportunity to remind parents of the importance of the need to apply sunscreen to children before they come to school for maximum protection. Whilst children will have access to sunscreen at school, given the prevalence of various allergies and skin conditions etc. it is best that children use what is provided by parents. Remember too that your child must wear a broad brimmed hat throughout Term 1. These are available for purchase from Ann at the office. Thanks for your attention to this.

Please note: Lost Property is now in a bright green box in the doorway of the Performing Arts Centre.

REMINDER: Please do not leave your car parked in the Kiss'n'Go area - this is only a 2 minute pick up/drop off zone.

Until next time.....Maria Shearn - Principal 😊