

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,

Prep M Construction Afternoon Prep M was a hive of activity (and creative mess!!) this afternoon as the children and their parent/adult helpers engaged their imaginations and knowledge into making fabulous space creations.



Mid-Winter Festival A reminder that our annual mid-winter festival; a wonderful festival as close to the winter solstice as possible ie. the shortest day of the year is on **tonight** for our Prep - 3 families, starting at 5:15pm. It is an event not to be missed. It is a simple festival during which the children all carry a simple lantern with a lighted candle to symbolise the returning of the light as the days grow longer and warmer once again. The children love walking around the grounds with their parents and classmates, singing songs together and then drinking a cup of soup. As I said it is a very simple festival but one which the children really enjoy. Each class attending has made arrangements for the making of 2 pots of delicious soup per class, then all you need to do is turn up with enough mugs for the family to fill with yummy soup made during the day. After the lantern walk the teachers serve the delicious soup to everyone who then stand around warming themselves. This is a delightful community event and it is always enjoyed by all who take part. Even if it is raining, most people still turn up rugged up in their winter coats, hats, gloves and sturdy shoes.



Bentleigh Farmers' Market A reminder, that our next Bentleigh Farmers' Market will be held this Saturday, between 8am and 12:30pm on our school oval. The weather forecast is for a coolish morning with perhaps a light shower, so I encourage you to come along, support our school's fundraising efforts and grab yourself some of the freshest produce in Victoria. Our market is a great place for parents to catch up over a coffee, a nice cup of chai or our famous bacon and egg roll, whilst the children play without the usual weekday running around. The whole 'feel' of our market is so much better when there are lots of school families in attendance. I look forward to seeing you there.

Enrolments for 2020 These are now being taken and places are filling fast. If you know of any sibling enrolments, or any others for next year would you please ask the parents concerned to let us know in the office, so we can begin our planning processes for next year in earnest.

Until next time.....**Maria Shearn - 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.

