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,

Staff & Student Absences

As previously advised, our school has had a larger than usual number of class teachers and ES staff absent due to illness, including our Principal, Maria Shearn this week. Our Assistant Principal, Sue Jackson is also on long service leave, which meant a less than usual number of staff to carry out all the day to day tasks that go into running a busy school day. We ask that you are patient if we do not get to your query within the usual timelines. In the meantime we ask that you all follow these important health practices during this winter period.

Illness Management

For the health of our school community, it is vital that we keep illnesses contained. Influenza and other viruses can spread quickly among students and staff, especially during these winter months.



It is extremely important that sick children are not sent to school.

What do we mean by sick? If your child:

- * is suffering from a persistent runny nose (for more than one hour);
- * has an upset tummy with pains and complaining or showing signs of being uncomfortable;
- * complains of a sore throat (a throat that is red on examination of the back of the throat);
- * has a fever higher than 37.9;
- * has vomited at home, please keep your child home from school for a full 24 hours from the last vomit;
- * has had diarrhoea within the last 24 hours;
- * requires Panadol or Nurofen before attending school for a headache, sore throat, body aches and pains or fever; they are sick and should NOT be at school.

If your child needs to go home due to illness, please make sure you have someone on call if you yourself cannot leave work to pick up them. All unwell students need to be collected from school within a reasonable timeframe (within an hour of being called). If this is impractical, please make arrangements with family or friends to be on call for the school to contact.

Please take the time to discuss personal hygiene with your child. Remind children to cover their mouth and nose in their elbow when they cough or sneeze, dispose of any tissues in the bin and wash their hands with soap properly and regularly. With your diligence, we can contain illnesses. More information about the full return to school and Coronavirus (COVID-19) can be found on the Department's website, which will continue to be updated: https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/education-information-about-coronavirus-covid-19

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher interviews for all classes will be held on Monday 20th June, via Webex beginning at 2:00pm. Children will be at school during this time and will be involved in a tabloid sports type activity. School reports were sent home yesterday, please read them before your appointment time on Monday. If you have not sent in your blue notice to the class teacher regarding your preferred meeting times - please do so by tomorrow.

Mid Winter Festival

A reminder that this wonderful annual festival for our Prep to Year 3 families will be held this **Tuesday 21st June**, **starting at 5.00pm**.

Sibling Enrolments for Prep 2023

We are well into our planning for enrolments for 2023? We know that there are a number of siblings due to begin their primary journey with us next year. If this applies to you, please come into the office to collect an enrolment form as soon as possible, or download it from our school website.

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