

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,

Congratulations Hockey Team

Our boys hockey team defeated Hughesdale last week, 2 -1 in the Grand Final. The scores were 1-1 at full time. In overtime, Charlie G. scored the winning goal to secure the victory. The team of Charlie G., Mischa-El S., Prabhjot S., Samuel F., Kevin H., Agustin B-C., Rene M. and Ze'ev P. will now go on to represent the Moorabbin District at the Kingston Division finals at Brighton Secondary College on Thursday 15th August. We know that they will give of their best and will do EBPS proud, no matter what the result. Good luck boys!



Punctuality

As we come towards the end of Week 3 of the term I must make mention again of the vexing issue of the ongoing and seemingly increasing issue of lack of punctuality. Last week Ann and Jane wrote a worrying total of 197 late passes over 5 days!!

Now, as I always say, we can all have some issues in the morning that can cause us to run late occasionally and with the higher than usual number of families that need to drive to school, increasing traffic can be an issue. That is understandable. HOWEVER, on analysing the records we keep, the above mentioned families are not highly represented in this number. Far too many are from close proximity. Whilst teachers are understandably frustrated when children walk into class late, they are tempered in what they say to their students, as they realise that it's up to parents to get their children to school on time and often the children themselves are quite anxious about being late, so they don't wish to add to their stress.

It is critical that parents support their children in the development of good life long habits. I can't imagine too many workplaces that would support staff being constantly late.

I have made the offer to parents who bring their children to school habitually late to come and speak to us about ideas to help make morning times run more smoothly. I make this genuine offer again.

Kiss and Go Area

I was hoping to be able to repeat my advice of last time that this area is working well and whilst from my observations by and large it has, (so thank you to the vast majority of you), I had a concerned parent report to me that yesterday a big red SUV was left parked, unattended before school, slap bang in the middle of the kiss and go area, reducing the utility of the area for others! Remember that this area is not a parking area. If you need to leave your car please park in a designated parking bay in Moorleigh or neighbourhood streets, remembering to treat our neighbours with the same respect you would ask of others.



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