

# 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,

Can you believe that we are almost at the end of 3<sup>rd</sup> term already, with next week being the last one? I simply cannot believe how quickly the time flies while we are here at school, although when I do have time to sit and reflect on all we have achieved I sometimes wonder how we fit it all in! We certainly could not achieve all that we do without the great teamwork from our teachers, ES staff and parents. Thank you all.

#### **Bentleigh Farmer's Market Information Meeting.**

A meeting will be held on Monday 12th September at 4.00pm in the staffroom for all interested in either finding out more or wishing to assist to future proof our market which brings so many positive additions to our school. If you have any ideas and would like to become involved, please feel free to give me a call or send Heidi Nankervis a message on [heidinankervis@optusnet.com.au](mailto:heidinankervis@optusnet.com.au).



#### **NAPLAN**

Our participating Year 3 and 5 students have received the results of the NAPLAN assessments held in May this year. We ask that you please ensure that these results are kept in a safe place as we not keep copies - only aggregated data. We ask that you remember that these results are from testing that occurred in May of 2022 and that growth will have occurred since then. This year was also the first year that the tests went online so this also needs to be factored in. Should you have any questions regarding any part of your child's NAPLAN results please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher in the first instance or to Sue Jackson or I for further clarification.

The following quote from Barrowford Primary School in Lancashire, UK (which was sent home to students with their test results), resonates strongly with us at EBPS:-

*"... We are very proud of you as you demonstrated huge amounts of commitment and tried your very best. However, we are concerned that these tests do not always assess all of what it is that make each of you special and unique.*

*The people who create tests and score them do not know each of you...the way teachers do...and the way your families do. They do not know that many of you speak two languages. They do not know that you can play a musical instrument or that you can dance or create. They do not know that your friends count on you to be there for them or that your laughter can brighten the dreariest day. They do not know that you write poetry or songs, play or participate in sports, wonder about the future, or that sometimes you have to take care of your little brother or sister after school. They do not know that you have travelled...or that you know how to tell a great story or that you love spending time with special family members and friends. They do not know that you can be trustworthy, kind or thoughtful, and that you try, every day, to be your very best...the scores you get will tell you something, but they will not tell you everything. So enjoy your results and be very proud of these but remember there are many ways of being smart."*

#### **Sunsmart Policy**

A reminder to all parents that as we are now well into September all children are required to wear a broad brimmed hat whilst they are outdoors. Whilst we have been lenient in the implementation of this in the past few days allowing everyone the time to re-establish this habit I ask that all parents ensure they include making sure a hat is available to all students as part of the normal school routine. New hats can also be purchased at the school office for \$10.00.



#### **Footy Day**

LAST DAY OF TERM 3 - FRIDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER, we will be celebrating Footy Day. Students are encouraged to dress up in their football team colours. Our student leaders will once again be conducting team coin lines, with all proceeds going to State Schools' Relief, a great organisation that does so much to support disadvantaged government school students. I suggest you join with me in starting to collect some coins for your child to participate. We look forward to seeing the students in their footy team colours!

**We had such a huge response to our EBPS Talent Show - we need to have a second show to accommodate all the performers! This show will be on next Thursday 15th September at lunchtime (from 1:10pm) in the PAC. Our favourite talent will also get the chance to perform at Assembly in Term 4. Thanks for a great first show!**

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

