

Brunswick East Primary School

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NEWSLETTER: 18 FEBRUARY 2016 - ISSUE 3

BEPS Calendar includes term dates

Next Friday Market

From Janet:

BEPS Community Events

Community Ads

TERM DATES: 2016

Term 1: Ends March 24

Term 2: April 11 to June 24

Term 3: July 11 to September 16

Term 4: October 3 to December 20

11 MARCH is a student free day: OSHC will run if needed.

Next Friday Market : Friday 19th February (No Market)

Our Vision: To create confident, passionate and curious learners who are highly literate and numerate, have high expectations and are engaged in their community.

www.beps.vic.edu.au

PLEASE NOTE: Children are supervised at school between **8.45am** and **3.45pm** each school day. They should not be on school grounds outside those times. If you require your child to be supervised outside those times they need to be at OSHC.

Phone: 9387 3361, 9387 5707;
Fax: 9388 1949; OSHC Phone: 9387 2631
Email: brunswick.east.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au



From Janet

Hi Everyone,



Last weekend my daughter and I climbed Sydney Harbour Bridge. Yes I know that the photo is small but if you look closely you can see us with the Opera House and the lights of Sydney in the background. Evidence that I was there. The smile on my face, evidence that I enjoyed being there. So why am I sharing this photo with the entire school population? The normal sort of reasons because when you do something that is a bit different, an experience that you enjoy or you are proud of, you share the photos with others. For me it is also about something that I believe is really important and which will impact on my beliefs about leading a school. I believe that we must be prepared to take calculated risks throughout our lives as this is one way in which we grow. From an educational perspective, students must be given the opportunity to try something different, outside their normal boundaries or something that presents them with a challenge. They must know that it is ok to get things wrong and then to try again, and maybe again and again in order to improve and grow. If we only do the things that we know that we can do, then it is not growth. We improve as a result of practice but we really grow when we try something new, take a challenge. This is as true for our learning as it is for any aspect of our lives.

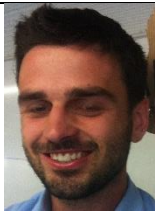


School Council Nominations:

Thank you to the four people who put their name forward for School Council. It is fantastic to be in a position where we need to have an election as it shows the level of commitment we have in the BEPS community. Please take the opportunity to vote in this election. Ballot papers were sent out yesterday or can be collected from the office. Voting ends at 4pm on Monday 29 February. Thank you.

Catch up last Friday and staff:

Thank you to all of you who came along last Friday to meet the Learning Community teachers, check out the spaces and chat to each other. It was great to see so many of you there. Thank you to the parents who came and set up the "Drink tables" and those who helped to pack up. One question that was asked was about which teachers are in which LC. We have also just employed a new Garden Educator who will start next week so I will get their photo for the next newsletter.

Please note that the poor quality photos show my lack of ability and haste.

Learning Community	Teacher Names	Photo of new staff
Tricicolo	Bec, Dani and Ebony	 James
Alveare	Jennaya, Chloe and Fabienne	
Bicicletta	Katie C, Sapphira and Chiara	
Terra Verde	Mark, Katie B and James	
Orizzonte	Suzanne, Jenny & Andrew/Kristy	 Nate
Su Nei Cieli	Steve, Robyn and Nate	
Il Nido	Julie, Bec and Elizabeth/Chris	 Sarah
Curiosita	Peter, Vanessa, Enza and Sarah (Music)	

We have been asked to be part of two research projects:

These projects are part of research being conducted locally and have appropriate ethics approval. There is no pressure for you or your children to participate in either of these projects, they are included so that you are able to make an informed decision about participation. The school doesn't get involved beyond providing the initial information. No reports are sent or asked for. This is a very individual decision.

1. Melbourne University – “**the relationship between response time variability, brain signals and behavioural control**”. This research is being conducted by Dr Katherine Johnson. She is interested in recording brain patterns of children as they respond to pictures on computer screen. She will ask a range of students from different schools to take part in the study. Some of the students will have high or low levels of behaviours associated with ADHD. The purpose of this research is to examine differences between children with low and high levels of ADHD. If you are interested in this research please collect information from the office.
2. The Royal Children's Hospital CAMHS & Schools Early Action (CASEA) Program is a program that addresses children from Prep – Grade 3 who are showing challenging behaviours. They are in the process of recruiting participants for Semester 2, 2016 and Semesters 1 & 2, 2017 who may be interested in participating in the program. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact me (di.pilla.janet.j@edumail.vic.gov.au) and I will email further information.

Reminders:

- **11 March is a Student Free Day.** OSHC will run if needed.
- We have had a few incidents this year where we have needed to contact parents and carers and have had trouble doing so or found incorrect information. We really do need you to keep **phone numbers, email addresses and medical information up to date, please.**

Have a fantastic week.



Janet

CSEF eligibility

Below is the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
- on the first day of Term two;
 - a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the *State Concessions Act 2004*, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
 - b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
 - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (27 January 2016) or term two (11 April 2016).

Payment amounts

CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child. .

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.

How to complete the application form

NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN:

MUST BE RETURNED BY 26 FEBRUARY

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.
Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.
2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office.
CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.

BEPS Community Events



Performing Arts News

IMPORTANT: The email I listed in last week's newsletter was incorrect. Apologies for any confusion if you were trying to email me, the correct email is: curlc@beps.vic.edu.au

School Concert Callout

This year we have the whole School Concert and would like to know if you could contribute in any way. You may be able to help with costumes, props or sound & lighting or volunteer. If you would like to be involved can you please come and see me or send an email.

BEPS Choir 2016

Choir rehearsals will run every Wednesday at Lunchtime for 25 minutes.

Where: Music Room

When: Every Wednesday lunchtime from 1.45pm-2.10pm

All students are welcome to join from Grades 1-6. There will be lots of exciting opportunities to perform throughout the year, so if you love singing, learning new songs and having fun please come along! There will be an announcement at the beginning of lunch to remind you.

If there are any parents that would like to assist, I'd love to hear from you. Please contact me via email at curlc@beps.vic.edu.au or come and see me.



Sarah Cook
Music Teacher

Community Ads

NORTHCOTE HIGH SCHOOL - TOURS AND OPEN DAY 2016

School Tours commencing Tuesday 9 Feb

School day tours for prospective parents and students run several times per week in Term 1 and early Term 2. The tours depart from our foyer at 9.10 am and take about one hour. See our website for exact Term 1 dates. Please ring to book a place as numbers are limited (9488 2300)

School Open Morning - Wednesday April 27, 2016

Open Morning will be held on Wednesday 27 April between 9 am and 12 noon. All prospective parents and students are welcome, and there is no need to book in advance for this event.

There is an information session at 6.00pm that night, for parents who were not able to come during the Open Morning

ACE Program Testing - Saturday May 7(TBC)

Further information on the ACE program is on our website

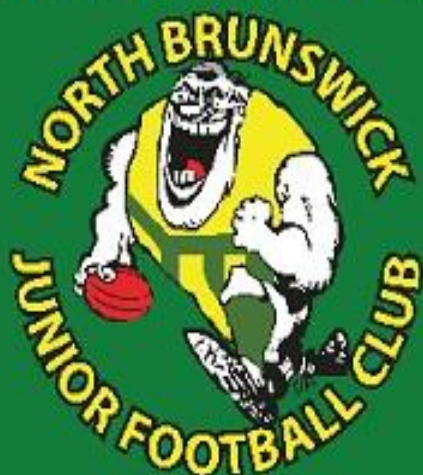
Applications close **Friday 22 April.**

Northcote High School, St, Georges Rd, Northcote, 3070, Australia. Phone 9488 2300



RECRUITING FOR SEASON 2016

- * AUSKICK
- * TACKERS 8'S
- * TACKERS 9'S
- * UNDER 10'S
- * UNDER 11'S
- * UNDER 12'S
- * UNDER 13'S
- * UNDER 14'S
- * UNDER 15'S
- * COLTS
- * ALL GIRL - UNDER 10'S TO 14'S



- * GREAT CLUBROOMS & FACILITIES
- * FULLY ACCREDITED COACHING STAFF
- * AFL ACCREDITED AUSKICK PROGRAM
- * GROWING CLUB
- * MULTICULTURAL
- * STRONG COMMITTEE & STRUCTURE
- * PREMIERS 2008, 2013 & 2014



REGISTRATION DAYS

FRIDAY 5TH FEBRUARY & FRIDAY 4TH MARCH

5:30PM - 8PM

ALLARD PARK, DONALD STREET, BRUNSWICK EAST



FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:
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www.northbrunswickjfc.sportingpulse.net

The Moreland School **Holiday program** information and enrolment forms will be available for the **March/April 2016 School Holiday Program from Friday 19 February 2016, 5pm, bookings will close on Friday 4 March 2016.**

Forms are available from:

- Local Primary Schools in the municipality;
- Council's website and;
- Citizens Services Centres – Monday to Friday between 8.30 am to 5.00 pm.
 - Coburg Offices, 90 Bell Street, Coburg
 - Brunswick Offices, 233 Sydney Road, and
 - Glenroy, 796N Pascoe Vale Road, Glenroy

If you have difficulty accessing the information and enrolment forms or general queries, please contact Council on Ph: 9240 1111.

Thanks and regards

Regards

Mena Matheas & Shanel Di Salle

School Holiday Program Officer

Moreland City Council

90 Bell Street, Coburg 3058 | Locked Bag 10, Moreland 3058

9240 2427 mmatheas@moreland.vic.gov.au



Full Boarding Homestay Families Are Sought for International Students at Northcote High School

Northcote High School seeks quality homestays from our local community, to help care for young international students studying in year 10, 11 +12 with us. They are mainly from Asian countries, such as China, Vietnam, Korea, Thailand and Cambodian. We also have some International Students are from European countries such as Italy and Germany.

Hosting International Students can bring a rich cross cultural experience and opportunity for our families. Many local families already on board with Northcote High School Homestay Program over the years have enjoyed and benefited from the diverse cultural and language exchange experience, especially when they have school age children at home. The reverse experience for our International Students is very much part of their overseas study journey.

If you have a spare room and are willing to take care of a young international student please contact the International Student Office 9488 2334 (or General Office 9488 2300 or email wang.lixia.l@edumail.vic.gov.au) for more information.

Full boarding homestay fees are \$300 per week (tax free), which covers a fully furnished room, 3 healthy meals daily, laundry, household bills (including internet). Students are responsible for their own transport.

Jocelyn Hill

Assistant Principal

Northcote High School

After School Chinese Program

Learn mandarin Chinese while having fun!
Chinese Painting, Crafts, Cooking, Games...
Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing basic Chinese.



When: 3:45 – 5:30 pm, Wednesdays

Where: Brunswick East Primary School

Cost: \$100/term or \$180 for two terms (Early Bird Plan)

Contact: Annie Wong

Program Coordinator

annie.wong@xjs.vic.edu.au

9888 1688, 0401282458

Sino Bridge Education

XinJinShan Chinese Language and Culture School Inc.

Please go to our website:

<http://xinjinshan.com/html/AfterSchoolProgram/>