MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

Today Progress Reports are being distributed to inform you about the start your child has made in the first 5 weeks of the school year in terms of learning attitude and work habits. Next week parent/teacher discussions will be held to follow up with reports. At this time parents will be provided with further information about their child’s learning as well as have an opportunity to provide teachers with any relevant matters which may assist their child’s progress throughout the year.

Students will be taking home a bumper sticker today for families to put on cars as part of our acknowledgement and celebrations of our school’s 175th year of operation. If you require additional stickers for family members or friends please contact the office. I would like to thank Cassie Groves for the graphic design of the stickers and to Jonathan Eadie for the printing of them.

This week’s history photo is of the PS Kangaroo ferry owned by the O’May family. The bell from this ferry was donated to Bellerive School in either 1926 or 1927. The bell has an interesting story which is captured in the publication by John Sargent titled, ’Bellerive School History and Mystery’ which is available from the school office. The old school bell is displayed in the administration area of the school.

A reminder that the school Annual General Meeting will be held next Tuesday 20th March in the Central Meeting Room at 5.00 p.m. Interested parents are encouraged to consider being a part of the School Association for 2018 either as a member or office bearer.

Mrs Cross is away this for the remainder of the term with the following music teachers taking parts of the program:
Monday with Mrs Green
Thursday with Mrs Volkmann
Friday with Mrs Wolfe taking choir, recorder and marimba; Mr Greenwood taking brass and Mrs Reade taking woodwind

Grade 5 and 6 students will take part in a debating presentation. For Grade 6 students this will be a refresher lesson and for Grade 5 students it will be an introduction to debating. At the end of this term students from these grades will prepare for their own debates. Following this experience students will be required to make a decision about being a part of a school team in the Interschool Debating Roster in Term 2.
Congratulations to all our students who participated in the State Little Athletics Championships on the weekend in Launceston. Individual results of Bellerive Primary students

Noah (Grade 6) – 1st in Shotput and 1st in Discuss
Luke (Grade 5) – 1st in the 1500m and 2nd in the 800m
Nate (Grade 5) – 3rd in the 100m
Alana (Grade 5) – 3rd in the 100m Hurdles
Palepa (Grade 2) – 2nd in the 400m

I would like to inform the school community that Mrs Vincent gave birth to her third son on Sunday the 11th of March at 5.27am. Maxwell Vincent and mum are doing well with young Max tipping the scales at 2.93kg.

The timetable for school photos is as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Grade or Class</th>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Grade or Class</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>9.00</td>
<td>Kinder Green &amp; Kinder Green Family Photos</td>
<td>3/4Pj</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9.20</td>
<td>1/2LV</td>
<td>3/4SR</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9.40</td>
<td>5/6VE</td>
<td>Kinder Blue</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10.00</td>
<td>1/2A</td>
<td>Kinder White</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10.20</td>
<td>Prep NB</td>
<td>1/2FW</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Recess</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td>11.20</td>
<td>3/4M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11.40</td>
<td>Prep/1 H</td>
<td>12.00</td>
<td>1/2F</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12.00</td>
<td>4/5HR</td>
<td>12.40</td>
<td>Family Photos for Kinder Blue &amp; White</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td><strong>Family photos for Prep-6 Students</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1.30</td>
<td>3/4L</td>
<td>1.50</td>
<td>Prep F</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Please be advised as a result of school photographs there will be no assembly on Friday 23rd March.

Steven Hay - Principal
Launching into Learning Bellerive

Our year of fun and learning at B4 and Pre Kinder is held each Thursday throughout the year.

B4: 9:00am – 11:00am
Pre Kinder: 9:00am – 10:30am or 1:00pm – 2:30pm

On Thursday 29th of March both Pre Kinder groups and B4 are heading off on an excursion to Bellerive Beach and Park for a play and explore. We shall be departing school to walk there at 9.10am and arrive by 9.30am, for those wanting to meet us at the Park. Please bring morning tea, drink bottles and hats. We plan to return to school by 11am. **Please note this will be the Only Pre Kinder session on this day.**

This week our Thursday theme for LIL is the colour blue.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Theme</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Thu 15th March</td>
<td>Blue Theme</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thu 22nd March</td>
<td>Easter Craft</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thu 29th March</td>
<td>Excursion</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thu 5th April</td>
<td>Green Theme</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thu 12th April</td>
<td>Rainbow Theme</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL AND GET COLLECTING

We would love your help collecting Coles Sports for Schools for our school. Tell your friends and family to get involved as well, because the more vouchers we collect, the more sports gear our school will receive.
Each year, Autism Tasmania organise a series of workshops for parents, carers, grandparents and families of young children on the autism spectrum. These sessions are free and are a great way to hear about autism, meet other families who support a child on the spectrum and to ask questions! Below are the details for the sessions coming up:

**Addressing Challenging Behaviours – Hobart**

15th March at 10am – 12pm  
Glenorchy LINC, Rm 2  
4 Terry St, Glenorchy  
“This session explores the process of Positive Behaviour Support as a means of understanding the function of a challenging behaviour and identifying useful strategies to initiate positive change.”

**Sensory Processing: Understanding and Addressing Common Challenges**

17th May at 10am – 12pm  
Glenorchy LINC, Rm 2  
4 Terry St, Glenorchy  
“Sensory Processing differences are common in autism and can cause challenges for participating in everyday activities. This session explores the nature and impact of these differences and strategies for managing challenges.”

**School: Keys to Successful Collaboration**

14th June at 10am – 12pm  
Glenorchy LINC, Rm 2  
4 Terry St, Glenorchy  
“Successful collaboration between families and school staff can have a positive impact on the education of children on the spectrum. This session explores key aspects of collaboration and strategies to achieve success.”

For further information and/or to book tickets to any of these workshop please go to www.autismtas.org.au/events/

---

**Languages Quote**

“If we spoke a different language, we would perceive a somewhat different world”.

- Ludwig Wittgenstein, Austrian-British Philosopher, 1889 - 1951
Cool Kids® Anxiety Group Programs
May - June 2018

Cool® kids
10 week Anxiety Management Group Program for parents and children aged 8-12 years

Program 1 commencing Tuesday 1st May 2018, 3.30pm - 5:00pm
Program 2 commencing Wednesday 2nd May 2018, 3:30pm – 5:00pm
Registrations close Friday 23 February 2018
There is an admin fee of $35 for each family to cover the cost of workbooks.

Cool® Little Kids
6 week Anxiety Prevention Program for parents only, of children aged 3-6 years showing early signs of anxiety

Program 1 commencing Monday 30th April 2018, 10:00am – 12:00pm
Program 2 commencing Wednesday 2nd May 2018, 10:00am – 12:00pm
Registrations close Friday 23rd February 2018
There is an admin fee of $25 for each family to cover the cost of the workbooks.

For further details and registrations please see our website www.utas.edu/psychology-clinic or contact us by phone on 6226 5805
Dear parents

As March 16th is National Anti-Bullying Day I thought it timely to let the school community know that at Bellerive Primary school we aim to create a safe and supportive school community for everyone. With this in mind, there will be posters and information around the school supporting the key messages of Bullying. NO Way! day.

Sometimes, it can be difficult for parents or carers to know what to do when their child talks to them about bullying.

You are an important part of our work to prevent bullying and to respond effectively if it happens. Stopping bullying involves everyone.

If your child talks to you about bullying:

1. **Listen** calmly and get the full story. Your calm response is important to allow your child to tell you all about the situation. After they’ve told you their story, ask questions to get more details if you need to: who, what, where, when. Although you may feel some strong emotions about your child’s experience, try to keep calm to avoid more distress to your child.

2. **Reassure** your child they are not to blame. Many children blame themselves and this may make them feel even worse. You could say things like, ‘That sounds really hard to deal with. No one should have to put up with that.’ or ‘I’m so glad you told me. You should be able to feel safe at school; that’s not fair at all’.

3. **Ask** your child what they want to do and what they want you to do. A critical part of your response is to avoid jumping in to solve the problem. While it is natural to want to protect your child, helping them to find their own solution is a better option. It helps them feel they have some power in the situation.

4. **Visit** [www.bullyingnoway.gov.au](http://www.bullyingnoway.gov.au) to find some strategies. The website has tips and ideas for different bullying situations. One idea is to practise strategies at home to help your child feel more confident.

5. **Contact** the school. Your child may be reluctant for you to do this, so discuss the idea and reassure them that the school would want to know and is able to help. Make an appointment to meet with your child’s teacher and, if you need to, ask to talk with the principal. Contact the school immediately if you have a concern about your child’s safety.

Check in regularly with your child. Keep the conversation going, It can take time to resolve issues, so check in regularly with your child about their experiences and their feelings. Your ongoing support is important. If you are looking for support for yourself to deal with a bullying situation, visit [www.bullyingnoway.gov.au](http://www.bullyingnoway.gov.au) you will find ideas on the Bullying No Way! Website for parents. Please contact the school if you would like to discuss any aspect of our approach to preventing bullying.

Thank you for your support in making our school a great learning space for everyone.

Andrea Pereira- Primary School Nurse
KEY DATES FOR 2018

WEEKLY
Banking - Tuesdays
Uniform Shop - Tuesday 2:45pm-3:15pm
Friday 8:30am – 9:15am
LIL Thursday 9am – 11am (LIL)
9am-10.30am & 1pm-2.30pm (Pre Kinder)
Canteen - Thursday & Friday
Choir & Recorder - Friday

MARCH
Tue 13th Progress Reports Distributed
Mon 19th Freemasons visit Grade 5-6ME
Parent Teacher Discussions
Tue 20th School Association AGM & Meeting 5.30pm
Thu 22nd Division A Athletics Carnival
Fri 23rd School Photos – NO ASSEMBLY
Mon 26th School Photos
Thu 29th Easter Church Services - ECE 10am Primary
11:30am
Fri 30th GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL
Mon 2nd EASTER MONDAY
Tue 3rd EASTER TUESDAY
Thu 5th Champions Athletics Carnival
Tue 10th Kinder and Prep Assembly 1:40pm – 2:10pm
School Association Meeting
Fri 13th STUDENT FREE DAY – TERM 1 CONCLUDES
Mon 30th TERM 2 COMMENCES

JUNE
Tue 5th School Association Meeting 5:30pm
Wed 6th 3/4PJ & 3/4SR Molesworth Excursion

ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFICATES

5-6ME  Bryanna & Tomas
5-6VE  Sophia & Max
5-6WP  Jaylissa & Ebony
4-5HR  Tom & Isabelle
3-4SR  Zac & Lily C
3-4PJ  Emani & Summer
3-4L  Ella & Noah
3-4M  Lucy & Riley
1-2A  Rex & Beniah
1-2L  Kobi & Kasia
1-2LW  Twyla & Harry
1-2FW  Ashton & Lili
1-2F  Tayla & Finn
Prep-LH  Charlie Ha
Golden Ear Award - 3/4 M
(for the 2nd time this year)

CONTACT DETAILS
20 Leslie Street, Bellerive, Tasmania 7018
Phone 6244 1200
Email bellerive.primary@education.tas.gov.au
Web www.education.tas.gov.au