After School Care:
Phoenix Services operate After School Care and Vacation Care at our school. This service is available for 4 year olds. After school care for Kinders will operate from 2.30-6.00pm with students being collected by a Phoenix Services staff member at the end of the school day.

Newsletter
A newsletter is published each week on Tuesday. Kindergarten Blue and Kindergarten White students will receive the newsletter on Tuesday and Kindergarten Green students will receive the newsletter on Wednesday. The newsletter can also be found on our school website. If you would like the newsletter emailed to you please advise the school office.

Medical:
If there is medical information the school should be aware of, please provide details to the school office and to the relevant teacher. Office staff will contact parents if student illness or injury is of serious concern.

Parent Assistance:
Parents/careers are welcome to assist within the classroom. Once the class is settled at the beginning of the year, an invitation to participate in the parent program will be extended. If you have a special interest please let the class teacher know. Generally you will be asked to work with a small group of children or with an individual student.

Excursions
Excursions are part of the ongoing educational program and at this early stage will further develop a child’s independence and experiences. The excursions are generally linked in with the class program and parents are encouraged to be part of these learning experiences.

Absences:
If your child is absent for any reason, please ring the school office and advise the reason.

Principal’s Message:
I feel confident your child will experience a successful introduction to school with the Kindergarten year providing a terrific foundation for lifelong learning. Mrs Sander, Mrs Curtain and Mrs Seymour are excellent teachers and will provide a safe, stimulating and fun learning environment for your child and work towards establishing sound routines and expectations to enhance your child’s success at school. Please contact me if I can provide assistance at any time.

Steven Hay, Principal

2015 KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION

Child’s Name: ...........................................
Kinder Group: ...........................................

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Kindergarten Dates:
Kinder Blue and Kinder White will commence on Wednesday 3rd February. Kinder Green will commence on Thursday 4th February 2016.

Kindergarten Times:
It would be appreciated if all students could arrive in class at least 10 minutes prior to the commencement of the school day to complete before school tasks. Kindergarten hours are 9am-2.30pm.

A New Experience:
Kindergarten forms an important link between home and school, where a special partnership is established between parent, child and teacher.
Kindergarten is a place where -
- Children learn to become part of a larger group and to work and play cooperatively
- Children are encouraged to be responsible, resourceful, caring and independent
- The excitement of learning is fostered and the child’s natural curiosity is stimulated.

Preparing your child for Kindergarten:
One or two weeks before your child is due to start Kindergarten, talk about this experience in a positive way. Discuss the other children they will meet, and about Mrs Seymour, Mrs Sander, Mrs Curtain, Mrs Moore, Mrs Karpiniec and Mrs Arnold who will help everybody with their work in the classroom. Indicate to them that their experiences will be similar to Pre-Kinder and child care. Monitor your child's start to Kinder and let the teacher know if there are any issues. Establishing regular contact with your child's teacher provides opportunities to discuss a range of matters to enhance your child's learning.

Levies and Student Assistance:
The levy for 2015 is an all-inclusive cost of $200 which covers the cost of art materials, stationery, other resources, cultural performances and excursions.
If you think you qualify for Student Assistance, please complete the application form which can be collected from the office. If payment of the levy contribution poses a problem do not hesitate to contact Mr Hay. Payment by instalments is an option for parents.

Lunch and Morning Tea:
Please provide healthy food in a lunch box each day for lunch and morning tea. We strongly encourage sandwiches, rolls, fruit and vegetables. We would prefer that chips, roll-ups, chocolate bars, etc are not brought to school. In addition, foods with nut products should not be included as our school has a nut free policy.
A daily drink, preferably water, is required and the plastic bottle should have your child’s name clearly labelled.

Uniform:
The wearing of school uniform is strongly encouraged at Bellerive Primary. The little ones look great in uniform and it establishes sound practices for later schooling. School track pants, school shorts, polo shirts, polar jackets, rugby jumpers, winter dress, summer dress, hats and bags can be purchased from the Uniform Shop. The Uniform Shop will be open following your child's orientation session in December and for a couple of days in late January to be notified later.

Smocks:
Students are encouraged to bring their own smocks to use during art activities.

Library:
Children visit the school library and are able to borrow books each week. All children are requested to bring a library bag to protect books. Library bags may be purchased from the school office for $10.