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## VISION STATEMENT

**Our vision is to empower our students and staff to work together to become active and valued community members. We provide a safe and supportive learning environment, which fosters independent, resilient lifelong learners.**

**BDS Motto: 'Achieving Excellence Together'**

**BDS Beliefs and Values: Displaying a sense of Fairness**



### DIARY DATES

#### **July**

#### **August**

1<sup>st</sup> 7-12 NCD Athletics – Charlton

4<sup>th</sup> F-6 Calder Athletics - Charlton

7<sup>th</sup> Curriculum Day –**Pupil Free**

14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> Bogong

21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> Book Week

25<sup>th</sup> Book Week Dress up day.

#### **September**

7<sup>th</sup> Parent Teacher Interviews.

#### Principal's Report

#### Professional Development Day Term 3

All staff will be involved with a professional development day on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August. There will be no school on this day for students. The staff will be travelling to Bendigo for a Department information session.

#### Covid cases

We are still running with a few positive cases – both staff and students. However, while we need to push hygiene and the wearing of face masks for close contacts, we are not required to

report student cases to the Department any longer.

We do appreciate parents letting us know about positive cases as we can keep an eye on year levels and activities and inform those who need to know.

Face masks and RAT kits are available from the General Office for anyone who wishes to collect one.

#### Book Week

Book week is coming up during Week 7. The dress up parade will take place on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August so start thinking about your costumes!

#### Policies for Parent Information

On the school website, under Key Documents/Policies, there is information for families on Concerns and Complaints (which directs you to the right person to contact for particular queries), Email Protocol (when to email, who to email, response time) and other policies that inform every one of school procedures.

There is also information under Key Documents regarding Fees, Uniform, Canteen menus, Enrolment, Head Lice, Attendance and Mandatory Reporting.

### Parent/Teacher Interviews

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September is the date set aside for P/T Interviews. Further information regarding booking timeslots will appear closer to the date.

Lee-Anne Sherwell  
Principal

### **Principal's Availability over the Next Week**

Thursday	Friday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
At School	At School	At School	Principal Network Meeting	At School

### **Thank You to Hayden Rowley**

While Tom Bleicher was on leave, Hayden took on the role of Acting Assistant Principal.

We appreciate all he did in this role and hope he will consider doing it again if needed. Well done and many thanks.

### **Congratulations!**

Happy news for Drew and Megan Crilly who had their third baby on the weekend – a lovely little girl to add to the family.

Both Megan and the baby are doing well.

Scarlett and Isobel are thrilled to have a baby sister.



### **Canteen News**

With Dawn absent for the next two Mondays, we will only open the canteen for snacks at both recess and lunchtime – no lunch orders will be possible.

The dates for this change are:

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July

## **School Bus Management System Information**

School Bus Management System Information for Families that use the Pyramid Hill School Bus to connect to the Durham Ox/Yando School Bus.

Important update for students who are approved for travel on the School Bus Program: Thank you for your patience while the School Bus Management System (SBMS) has been under maintenance.

The School Bus Management System has now been upgraded, and the new Student Travel Assistance Portal will be available from early Term 3.

It is important to note that the School Bus Program Policy has not changed, and navigating the new Student Travel Assistance Portal will be very similar to the previous SBMS.

The Student Travel Assistance Portal requires new log in details. All existing users will be sent their new username and a link to create a new password via the email address attached to your SBMS account, to allow you to access the system.

### **In relation to term 3 travel:**

All eligible and conditional travellers (those approved for travel at no cost) will continue to be approved for travel in Term 3.

All ineligible travellers will be communicated with shortly. They will be provided with a Term 3 travel offer and payment advice. As per previous terms, families will need to make the applicable bus fare payment of \$125 to be approved for travel in Term 3.

To check your current e-mail address is on file, or to update your contact details, please contact the School Bus Program team on [schoolbus@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:schoolbus@education.vic.gov.au) or call us on 1800 338 663.

## **Scholastic Book Club**

Issue 5 of Scholastic Book Club is now available. Orders for Issue 5 of Scholastic Book Club need to be completed by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July. Please note that all orders need to be completed and paid for online. Payment cannot be accepted at Boort District School.





