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# Brunswick South PRIMARY SCHOOL

*imparare insieme ♦ creare insieme ♦ vivere insieme*

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# NEWSLETTER

**our values** –  
the moral fibre which  
guides our culture

CONSTANT LEARNING  
MUTUAL RESPONSIBILITY  
COMPASSION  
SENSE OF POSSIBILITY

**Sibling Enrolments  
due NOW**

## ASSEMBLY DATES

Mon 5 August Junior (Years 1/2 )  
Mon 12 August Senior (Years 3/4)  
Mon 26 August Junior (Foundation)  
Mon 2 September Senior (Years 5/6)  
Fri 20 September Whole School (Years 3/4)

## CALENDAR DATES

### AUGUST

Fri 9 Ciao Down  
Sat 17 Trivia Night  
Fri 23 Student Fundraiser and Bake Sale  
Mon 26-Wed 28 Year 5/6 Camp

### SEPTEMBER

Fri 6 School Production- Whole School Rehearsal  
Mon 9 Italian Day  
Tues 10 Foundation Swimming  
Tues 10 School Council Meeting 7pm  
Fri 20 Last Day of Term 2.30pm Finish

# LE NOTIZIE DI TREVOR

*The theme at BSPS this week has been 'Staff Wellbeing'. A week set aside to promote our wellbeing and activities to improve our social, emotional, physical and spiritual health. We got active with a staff and students rounders match, focused our mental energy with an after school yoga and mindfulness class, supported our collegiate connections with an afternoon tea and treat pack for each team and de-stressed with a massage. We will wrap it all up tonight with a staff cooking session in the kitchen, where we will put our teamwork to the test with a Master Chef style cook off!*

All these events have had a positive impact on all the staff at BSPS, but most significant is the letters and notes of gratitude and thanks we have received from our students and families. To see the smiles and gasps while staff read their notes and to see the impact this had on their day was truly rewarding.

This week is about more than celebrating our staff and at the heart is about promoting wellbeing. Teachers report high amounts of occupational stress, and, while we report equally high amount of job satisfaction and career accomplishment, we know that teacher burnout is a very real and critical issue facing our industry. The data and research tell us that up to fifty percent of new teachers leave the profession within five years. They cite high workload, lack of leadership support and absence of school structures that promote wellbeing as reasons for leaving. This makes it even clearer how crucial it is to prioritise wellbeing and ensure that, in order to effectively teach wellbeing to our students, we are well ourselves! Thank you to Cath, Nancy, Rachel, Lisa and Virginia for leading and coordinating the events, celebrations and positive conversations at school this week.

Thank you also to the wonderful students and parents who took the time to make all our staff feel valued and appreciated this week!

## STUDENT ATTITUDES TO SCHOOL

We have recently received the results from our 2019 Attitudes to School Survey. This was undertaken earlier in the year with our Year 4-6 students and gives us feedback about how the students feel about their learning at school, classroom behaviour, sense of connectedness

to school and their overall agency and voice as members of our school community. These results showed some significant improvements across ALL areas. This is something really significant for our school as for a few years now these results haven't moved too much. The impact of our work to empower our students as leaders of their own learning and equip them with a sense of learner agency is having a real impact and these results have motivated us all to continue focusing on this week to make our results even better! In the next couple of weeks we will unpack this data further with our staff, then share with the rest of our school community so we can celebrate our success together

## PARENT OPINION SURVEY

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

Approximately 30 per cent of parents have been invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. Those who have been invited have until Sunday 11 August to complete the survey.

## PRIMARY MATHS SPECIALIST PROGRAM

BSPS has been working as part of the Primary Maths Specialist Program since the beginning of this year. This program has provided the funding for two of our teachers (Ivana and Aydan) to be released from their teaching duties part time to attend professional learning for mathematics, undertake planning with teams of teachers and to observe and coach staff in their learning areas. On Monday I was fortunate to attend one of their professional learning sessions and I was reminded of the huge benefit this opportunity has for our students and their maths learning at school. It's been rewarding to see Aydan and Ivana strengthen their knowledge of best practice in maths and use their positions as credible leaders in our school to bring other staff along on the journey. Once again, our teachers' commitment to improving their practice and doing the very best for all our students allows us to very easily undertake this work.

## MELBOURNE GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION - BUILDING LEADERSHIP FOR CHANGE PROGRAM

Our school has been invited to participate in the Melbourne Graduate School of Education Building Leadership for Change program in 2019. This

involves the placement of three high performing and experienced primary teachers from Saudi Arabia at BSPS for four days per week from August until November. This immersion experience will provide our visiting colleagues with an array of opportunities to hone their knowledge, skills, and attitudes. In our school the teachers will be able to interact with our staff to observe and model teaching approaches and share expertise about best practice

### WEAR IT PURPLE DAY

This year BSPS has been invited to participate in activities for **Wear It Purple Day**. This day aims to foster supportive, safe, empowering and inclusive environments for LGBTI young people. I can't give too much away yet about how our school is going to be involved, but I can tell you that there will be a helicopter involved. More information about how you or your child can be involved will be sent home shortly.

### TRIVIA NIGHT

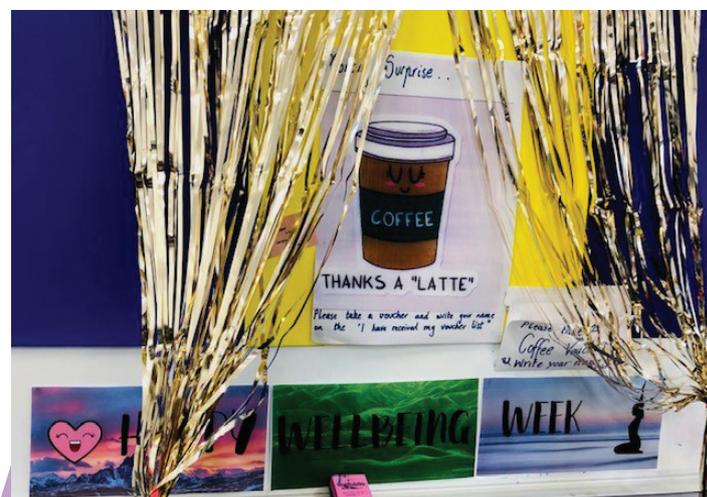
It's only a few weeks away (Saturday 17 August) and registration is still open for the 2019 BSPS Trivia Night. Get your team together, book your table and get your brains in training for all things trivia. We are hosting the event on site in the hall this year, so you won't have to travel far and you can book your tickets at [www.trybooking.com/BEENV](http://www.trybooking.com/BEENV)

### ITALIAN DAY

We have changed the date for Italian Day a few times this year (in fact I think we are up to our fourth change – sorry about that!) The date is now set in stone and come rain, hail or shine you can put Monday 9 September into your calendars. Stay tuned for more information about the exciting things we have planned for this day!

**Enjoy your weekend!**

**Trevor.**



# SCHOOL COUNCIL

## SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The School Council met on Tuesday 30 July and were happy to be joined by our local member, Dr Tim Read. He came to our school earlier this year and has been advocating for State funding on our behalf since then.

The council appreciated this follow-up and he displayed a keen interest in our school and our needs. He also speaks Italian.

Maintenance funding is a common issue across many schools that Tim is focussed on. We are lucky to have interested Moreland Councillors and Peter Khalil at a Federal level who have all come to our school.

We will continue to engage with these elected representatives to ensure we can maximise and co-ordinate our requests for additional funding for BPS.

Pablo Mastrantuono Gimenez, father of Diego, also came to Council to discuss a social enterprise proposal to collect and recycle textiles. He will be calling on the school community to bring pre-loved clothes to school to be recycled with proceeds coming back to the school.

This is a great initiative which Council later passed and hopefully it can be rolled out to closely align well with curriculum and zero waste aspirations for the school.

Trevor and Marg were also excited that this proposal may have the additional benefit of reducing the ever growing Lost Property pile! So get ready for spring cleaning and look out for the signs.

After the excitement of having guests, Council also completed some general business including the following –

- ◆ Fundraising – the current balance sits at around \$43k which including proceeds from the successful Solstice and ISPT/Barkly Square events. Council approved the rectification of part of the senior oval/athletics track (\$5k) and the replacement of laptops/I pads for grades 5/6 and 1/2 (\$15k). The balance of this funding will be retained for larger scale playground works requiring other external funding (see - engaging with local members above).
- ◆ 2019 confirmed budget – Council passed the 2019 budget as recommended by the finance committee.
- ◆ Trivia Night – Coming up on Saturday 17th of August in the hall. Start getting your tables of 10-12 together of your smartest friends. Remember there are different types of smart.....everyone knows something.....and even if you don't it will be fun.
- ◆ Website – Council wondered of there are any technical Web wizards who can assist the office with minor modifications to the Website? Are there?
- ◆ Bilingual Committee – Council discussed recent communication with the Consul, local schools and the Italian Community on progressing pathways for our program
- ◆ 5/6 kids camp to Phillip Island – Council reviewed and approved this camp including the viewing of penguins. Lucky kids – I love penguins.

If you are keen to be involved in a sub-committee or have any other queries, please get in touch with School Council via [brunswick.south.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:brunswick.south.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) or my email address directly via [henry.james.r@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:henry.james.r@edumail.vic.gov.au)

The next School Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 10 September.

Kind regards

**James Henry**

**School Council President**

### BSPS SCHOOL COUNCIL

- ◆ **President** James Henry
- ◆ **Vice President** Madeleine Aikenhead
- ◆ **Treasurer** Dan Ziffer
- ◆ **Parent Members** Petra Stock, Jane Scammell
- ◆ **Community Members** John Hajek, James Henry
- ◆ **DET** Trevor Strolla, Marg Weymouth, Ivana D'Aprano

**Please send enquiries to [brunswick.south.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:brunswick.south.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) marked attention to relevant convenor**

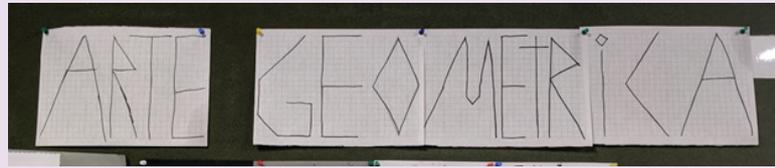
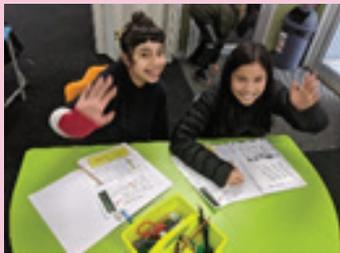
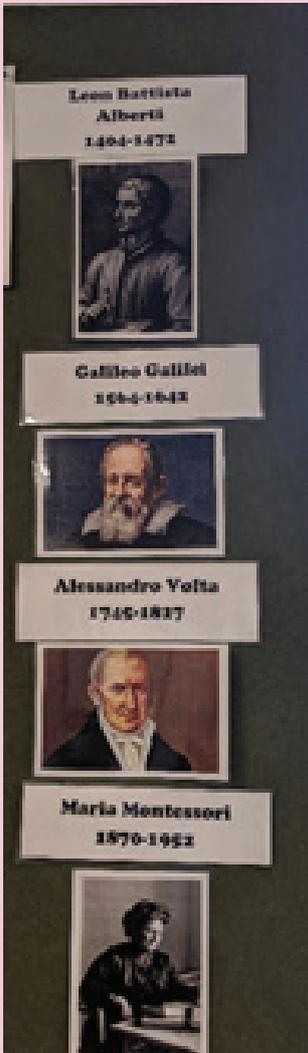
### SUB COMMITTEES

- ◆ **Building and Grounds** James Henry
- ◆ **Policies** Marg Weymouth
- ◆ **Community and Fundraising** Jean-Pierre Masclef
- ◆ **Bilingual** John Hajek
- ◆ **OSHC** Petra Stock

# YEARS 5/6

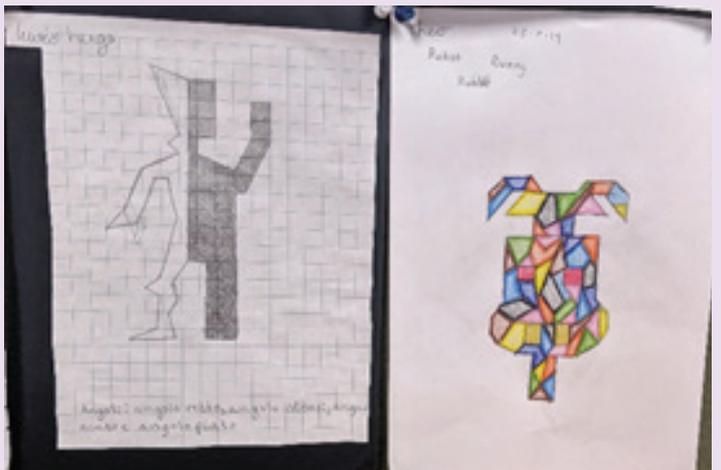
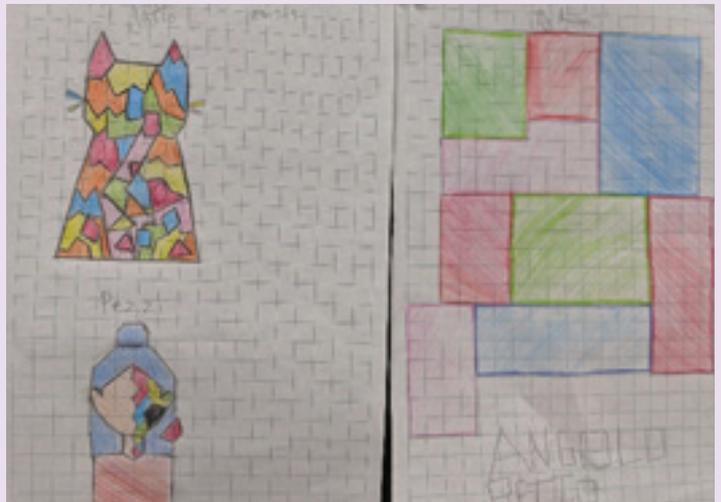
## Literacy and Scienze

In Grade 5/6, our topic this Term is **Scoperta** and we are learning about Italian Inventors. We began our journey this term with Galileo Galilei and recently read an informative text about one of his inventions: the thermoscope. Kids have investigated how this invention has led to another important invention: the thermometer. The students have enjoyed seeing the connection between Lettura, Scrittura and Scienze and we will be making a thermoscope during scienze this week!



## Misura e Geometria

This week, the students explored angles by creating their own **Arte Geometrica** and through practicing using a protractor. Students have recognised how angles exist in the environment around us, by identifying angles such as acute, obtuse, right, reflex and straight angles in the classroom.



YEARS 3/4



Our big idea this term is all about **IMPACT!** We are exploring forces, the ways they can be applied and their effects. We started off with a big combined experiment to design the very best paper plane! Using the scientific method including making a hypothesis, noting the variables and describing our method, we created, tested and improved on our results to explore the forces on a paper plane.

But other things impact us as well... next week we are starting Book Clubs, where we will read and discuss books and the impacts the characters, setting and plot have on us. We will develop into more thoughtful readers as we stop to share our favourite parts, new vocabulary, connections and summaries.



# BSPS NOTICES

## BAKE SALE

Hello parents and carers, we are writing to inform you of Bake Sale on Friday 23 August at lunch to raise money for the Royal Melbourne Zoo Big Cats (Tigers & Snow Leopards).

We would like you to bake some little treats and attach an ingredients list and drop of in the STEM room on Friday morning.

The sale will be run by Erin, Hannah C, Romy, Daisy, Ivy, Fionn, Alexa, Imogen and Bridget.

Thank You



## LEARNING CENTRE LEADERS

The learning centre leaders have worked tirelessly in the first two terms to keep the library space looking great and we appreciate all their hard work in their own time during lunch and recess. In the last week of school these LCL's got to walk down to The Little Bookroom and choose a book each for our learning centre. While we were there, Leesa from TLB gave us a cheque for over \$400 raised solely by our BSPS community reading rewards program. Thanks everyone for helping by buying your books at TLB. 15% of every purchase goes back into our book fund! Watch this space for upcoming fundraising and community events with our local bookshop partner.

## INJURY OR ILLNESS

Dear families,

If your child is unwell or injured please send me clear instructions regarding the nature of the injury and management. This can be a note or an email to the office.

There have been many students arriving on crutches, with plaster casts or just verbally informing me of an injury. I need information from caregivers in order to safely manage their participation in Physical Education.

Thank you in advance!

Rachel

# BSPS Trivia Night

17th Aug 7pm, BSPS Hall  
\$20 per person

Choose your own table theme  
[trybooking.com/BEENV](http://trybooking.com/BEENV)

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## JUNIOR BLASTERS

Beginners cricket for girls & boys aged 5-8 years

Lots of fun, BBQ & welcoming community

@ Youlden Parkville Cricket Club

Named Cricket Victoria's  
"Community Club of the Year"

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**Starts:** Saturday 19 October

**Ends:** 14 December

**Time:** 9am – 10am

**Where:** Ryder Oval, 750 Park St, Parkville

**Cost:** \$75

**Register:** [www.playcricket.com.au](http://www.playcricket.com.au) and just type  
in "Youlden" in the club finder

**Contact:** [juniorsypcc@gmail.com](mailto:juniorsypcc@gmail.com)

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**Location:** Youlden Parkville Cricket Club  
Season Starts 1 October  
Ryder Oval, Park St, Parkville

**Contact:** Paul Sinclair 0409 004 651

**Email:** For senior men and women info email [ypccseniors@gmail.com](mailto:ypccseniors@gmail.com)  
For junior girls and boys info email [juniorsypcc@gmail.com](mailto:juniorsypcc@gmail.com)

**Social Media:** @youldenparkville | [www.ypcc.org.au](http://www.ypcc.org.au)

**FREE WORKSHOPS** DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE AUTISM?

**Encouraging Interaction:**  
through play and social learning  
A workshop for parents

### How Early Days can help:

Early Days provides workshops for parents and other family members of children 0-6 who have an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) diagnosis or are going through the assessment and diagnosis process.

### What this workshop offers:

- Understanding play, social learning
- Strategies to scaffold and encourage play and social learning

### More about Early Days workshops

- Free to attend
- Held in small groups of 4-15 and gives you an opportunity to meet other parents
- Light refreshments provided
- Childcare is NOT provided

Date: Friday 16th August  
Time: 1.30—4.30pm  
Venue: Multicultural Hub,  
506 Elizabeth St,  
Melbourne

**REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!**

To register:

[www.Amaze.org.au/early days](http://www.Amaze.org.au/early days)



It is highly recommended you attend the "My Child and Autism" workshop prior to attending this workshop.

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**How is Parenting For You?**



**Are You A Parent of a Child Aged 2 to 12?**  
 The Parenting and Family Support Centre at the University of Queensland is conducting research into parents' opinions about parenting and programs available for parents. If you have a child between 2 and 12 years, we would love to hear your views on parenting and the services that are available to you as a parent. You will need to complete a short survey, which will remain open until the 31<sup>st</sup> of August 2019. To find out more or to participate please visit <https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/parenting>



**Tell us what you think about Parenting!**



Two Tall Chefs will donate to the school 5% of all cheese purchases made by parents and friends of Brunswick South Primary School. Simply collect any receipts and provide them to the office and the school will arrange to collect the funds. Encourage anyone you know to visit their store, buy cheese and keep their receipts!



Owned and operated by former Michelin star restaurant chef, Monte Hudson, Two Tall Chefs eating house and cheese shop is located in Carlton North's Nicholson Street Village at 665 Nicholson Street. Their range of cheese includes local artisan cheeses and cheese from afar.

They also offer breakfast, lunch and daily specials five days per week (except Sunday and Monday), from 9.00am to 4.00pm. Fully licensed, they have a great selection of wine, local beers and ciders and their backyard dining area is open on Saturday from 10.00am to 5.00pm. Three nights per week (Thursday, Friday and Saturday), they offer a two or three course dinner menu, sourced from local produce and changing weekly.

For more information, go to <http://www.twotallchefs.com.au>



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## Mindfulness & Meditation FOR KIDS!

*Beautifully designed classes and workshops for children, run by local primary school teacher, Hayley Mckenzie.*



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 Email: hayleymck25@yahoo.com.au OR Phone: 0415 946 562



## Moreland City Libraries Free Events



Registrations essential online at [moreland.vic.gov.au/read-more](http://moreland.vic.gov.au/read-more) or phone 9353 4000  
 To register for eNewsletters email: [readmore@moreland.vic.gov.au](mailto:readmore@moreland.vic.gov.au)

**Short story competition – final submission date extended!**  
 Writers and reciters of all ages are invited to enter Moreland City Libraries' 2019 short story competition. Either write a story in 500 words or less or create a sound file of 5 minutes or less in response to a given image. Entry forms are available at all Moreland Libraries or you can download a copy from our website [moreland.vic.gov.au/libraries](http://moreland.vic.gov.au/libraries).  
Entries close Sunday 28 July 2019.



**Short story competition audio workshop**  
 2 pm, Monday 22 July, Brunswick Library  
 To increase accessibility and diversity, this year submissions to the competition can be in audio form. We will guide you through the process of recording and submitting your entry. Bring your smart phone or device or use one of ours. Suitable for all ages.



**From dreams to print**  
 7.30 pm, Thursday 25 July, Glenroy Library  
 Self-published author Mike Pearson will host a step-by-step interactive guide to creating your own sci-fi or fantasy novel from conception to publication. Drawing from his own experiences crafting his fantasy trilogy, he aims to support you with refining your characters, weaving your ideas into a coherent universe and avoiding the pitfalls of the self-publishing world. Registrations not required.



**Gender equality – learn, understand, engage**  
 7 pm, Tuesday 23 July, Brunswick Library  
 Join us for the launch of Council's Gender equality commitment and an engaging Q&A style conversation with some of Moreland's gender equality champions. Ask the questions that are important to you and find out what it means to be a more inclusive and respectful community.

### Open House Melbourne – Brunswick Town Hall and Library

Tours held on the hour  
 10 am – 3 pm, Saturday 27 July  
 2 – 4 pm Sunday 28 July  
 Brunswick Library

Take a behind-the-scenes tour to discover the historic secrets and significance of the Brunswick Town Hall and Library. These fascinating buildings are of different ages, styles and purpose. This tour involves steep stairs and confined spaces and is not suitable for prams or people with limited mobility.

