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**Annual Reporting Meeting
6pm Tuesday 11 June**



10 may 2019 issue 6

NEWSLETTER

our values –
the moral fibre which
guides our culture
CONSTANT LEARNING
MUTUAL RESPONSIBILITY
COMPASSION
SENSE OF POSSIBILITY

CALENDAR DATES

MAY

- Fri 10** Mother's Day Stall and Cake Lounge
- Tues 14** School Council Meeting
- Tues 14- 16** NAPLAN Year 3 & Year 5
- Thurs 16 -17** Northstar Dental Van

JULY

- Mon 15** Curriculum Day No School
- Tues 16** Term 3 First Day Back
- Mon 22** Italian Day
- Tues 30** School Council Meeting

JUNE

- Sun 2** Festa della Repubblica hosted by BSPS 12-4pm
- Mon 10** Queen's Birthday Public Holiday -No School
- Tues 11** School Council Meeting
- Wed 19** Foundation Zoo Excursion
- Sat 22** Winter Solstice
- Fri 28** Last Day of Term 2.30 Finish

ASSEMBLY DATES

Mon 13 May 9am Junior 1/2

Mon 20 May 9am Senior 3/4

Mon 3 June 9am Junior Foundation

Fri 28 June 2.10pm Whole School

**Winter Solstice
Sat 22 June**

LE NOTIZIE DI TREVOR

Last Thursday we welcomed almost 70 prospective families to our Open Day. It's always such an exciting experience meeting new families to a school and there's a unique excitement to the families who are sending a child to school for the first time!

The fantastic turnout took us a little by surprise, as we were only expecting about 50 attendees.

I am delighted to be able to share with you the positive feedback I received about our school. Many families were in awe of our students and what they were learning, the way the teachers and children worked together so collaboratively and, in particular, how our Year 5/6 tour leaders spoke so passionately and proudly about BSPS. Thank you to the leaders for their effort in conducting these tours.

It's a good time to remind those in the school with siblings starting at BSPS next year to submit your enrolment forms to the office, it's looking like our school will see some growth in 2020!

ROOF WORKS

Last year we received a maintenance grant to help address the roof leaks in our junior building.

The company overseeing the works has been appointed and the works are going to begin fairly quickly, in fact next week you will see a few changes in our school grounds.

The **Rathdowne Street gate will be temporarily closed** as the junior building will be surrounded by a scaffolding and temporary fencing. The area near Rathdowne Street will be cordoned off as a builder's compound and will be out of bounds for staff, students and parents. All access to the school will be from the Brunswick Road gate or Park Street gate.

The exterior roof works will take place first, with all cracked, broken or damaged roof tiles, capping and valleys being replaced. Much of the gutters, fascia and downpipes on the building will also be replaced, with wider guttering being installed to catch the run off during particularly heavy downpours.

The second stage of the works will be the internal repairs in the Learning Centre and 1/2 classrooms. I have asked for this work to be undertaken over our school holidays, if possible, to avoid disruption to the students and learning areas.

This does mean we might have some short term inconvenience between now and the end of term, but we are looking forward to the idea that our junior building will be leak free once the work is completed. If you have any questions about any of these works, please come and see me.

STAFF UPDATE

This week we welcomed Giada to our school. She will be working as a language assistant alongside Kylie and Giuliano.

This resource is provided to the school at no cost to the school by Co.As.It and each year our language assistants help enrich Italian language at BSPS and build wonderful connections with staff, students and families.

Thank you to the Agliano family for hosting Giada while she finds a permanent place to live.

NAPLAN

Next week from Tuesday to Thursday, our Year 3 and Year 5 students will participate in NAPLAN testing for writing, reading, language conventions and mathematics.

These tests are a snapshot in time and give you feedback about how your child performed on that particular day. The tests provide the school with an indication of the strengths of our teaching and learning program, highlight areas for us to focus and also help us evaluate the effectiveness of teaching in a bilingual model.

We expect our students to approach these tests just as they would for any other assessment at school. NAPLAN results are usually received towards the end of term three.

TEACHING AND LEARNING IN FOCUS

This term our professional learning focus as a staff is on writing. Our Literacy PLC (see [Professional Learning Communities](#) for more information) is facilitating sessions for staff on how we can build our shared understanding and develop consistent practice as teachers of writing.

Our key learning has been ensuring a balance between teaching the authorial and secretarial elements of writing.

Authorial	Secretarial
Text structure	Spelling
Sentence & Grammatical Structures	Punctuation
Vocabulary and Word Choice	Handwriting / legibility/ keyboarding

We discussed how we can be drawn to the secretarial aspects first, as they can impact our ability to read and comprehend a text, they are the 'black and white' aspects and they're either right or wrong.

The authorial elements are the grey area and relate to the craft of writing.

The staff looked at their own bias as teachers and how we can ensure we teach with a balance between the two and specifically teach what each child needs.

As families you might like to think about your own bias – when you look at your child's writing, where do your eyes go first?

CROSS COUNTRY & INTER SCHOOL SPORT

Yesterday we had 52 students represent BSPS at regional cross country and last week our 5/6 students competed against other local schools at Inter School Sports.

Once again I heard positive feedback from our staff about how well our students conducted themselves. Congratulations to these students on being selected for Divisional Cross Country.

- ◆ Elliot Perry 2nd
- ◆ Ned Duggan-Gross 5th
- ◆ Luke Scammell 7th
- ◆ Christian Souvlis 6th
- ◆ Yusuf Serghbrhan 8th
- ◆ Boys 11/12
- ◆ Freya Lightfoot 4th
- ◆ Tyla Adamson 2nd
- ◆ Mia Lynch 9th

ILLNESSES

Cold and flu season has kicked off with a bang this year at BSPS and this week we have had a few students reporting to the sick bay feeling unwell.

We are contacting families to let them know and encouraging them to seek medical attention.

To help everyone get through this season and limit the spread of those pesky germs please ensure you keep your child home if they are unwell and report any absences to the school through Compass.

TREES IN OUR YARD

Finally, last week the sugar gum tree on the Brunswick Road fence lost a branch. Fortunately no students were in the area at the time, but this prompted the Buildings and Grounds sub committee to seek an independent arborist report on this tree and a couple of others in the school. Our trees are checked annually to ensure we meet DET OH&S guidelines, but an additional report will help inform our next steps.

Have a fantastic fortnight,

Trevor.

CROSS COUNTRY GRADE 3/4



CROSS COUNTRY GRADE 5/6



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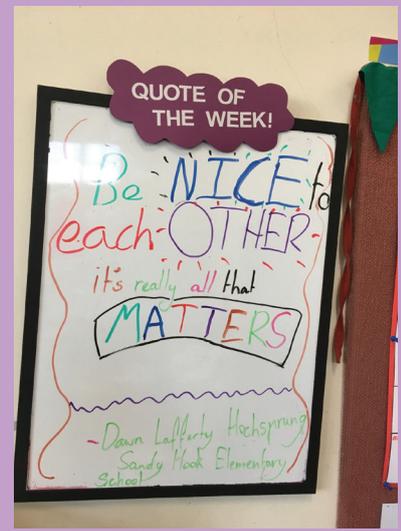
YEARS 3/4

CLASS MEETINGS

We wrap up our week at school by coming together for a Class Meeting. It's our favourite time of the week – teachers and students alike!

The aim of our meetings is to create deeper bonds with one another through short games and discussions, form rituals that connect us as a team, and to problem-solve any issues that are happening for us in the playground or classroom.

We use a talking stick/object to share the management of the meeting and to make sure everyone has equal voice. It looks slightly different in each of our learning spaces, as the group creates their own rituals and structure. Here are some photos to give you a feel for what our sessions are:



'IDENTITY' GALA EVENT!

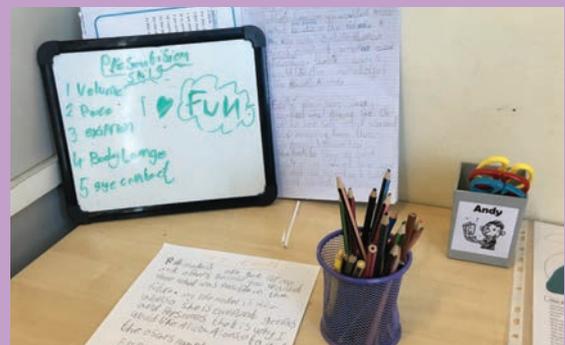
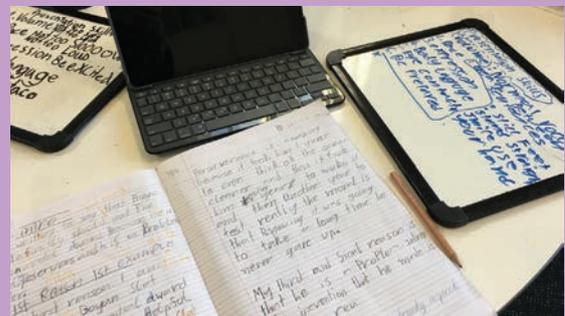
It's the award ceremony to end all award ceremonies!

Think... red carpets, spotlights, black tie, gold medals, certificates!!

Thursday 7th May 4-5pm all Grade 3/4 students are presenting their projects to their families.

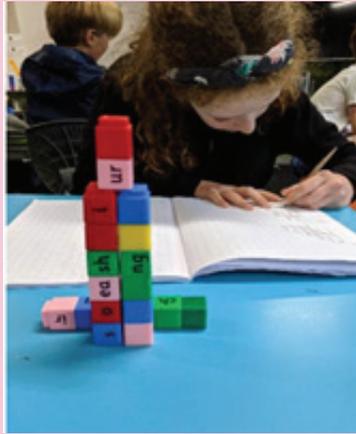
Our students have worked hard to produce a poster to advertise a special recipe they created (and ate!) and to write a persuasive speech to convince the audience that their role model should receive an award of their choosing. Examples include: *The Grooviest Dancer Award*, *THE BEST WITCH IN THE WHOLE WIZARDING WORLD*, **MOST VALUABLE PLAYER** and **Standing Up For Humanity Award**. These awards are going to numerous role models, including: our parents, sportspeople, scientists, humanitarians, artists and authors.

We can't wait to share our learning with you all!



YEARS 5/6

Our **5/6 students** have been exploring the concept of volume. They are starting to understand that volume is the amount of space a 3D object takes up. Kids have been introduced to cm^3 and taught the formula for calculating volume. They are enjoying their **Misura e Geometria** lessons, as they investigate the concept with a very hands on approach.



Friday the 3rd of May brought good weather and good spirits as the Grade 5/6s banded together and walked to our once a term **Interschool Sport Gala Day**. This round we versed Brunswick East PS, St Margaret Mary's and Deutsche School Melbourne. All can agree that Brunswick South students arrive with a fair and inclusive sportsman/sportswoman-ship. Lacrosse, Soccer and Cricket were played with enthusiasm and a modest competitive flare. We hope the next ISS day rolls around fast!



The 5/6s have also been fantastic during their **swimming program** this term, demonstrating mutual responsibility by preparing for their lessons and getting changed calmly but quickly. Students have been respectful towards their swimming teachers and have continually encouraged each other. We are really proud of how our learning community has represented BPS out in the community this term!

In Term 2 the **Grade 3/4 students** are going to explore a variety of printmaking technique. We started the term by (re)introducing the art elements of SHAPE and PATTERN and looking at and discussing some artworks in which these elements are prominent.



The printmaking process started by creating a printing plate, by cutting shapes out of cereal boxes to introduce the idea of relief printing. The second step for our cardboard print - a simple (and cheap!) type of relief print - will be rolling the ink or paint onto this block. Finally, transferring the image onto the paper will be the 'kind of magic' that students hopefully will love!

I was first inspired to explore stop-motion animation with the **Grade 5/6 students** when I attended a workshop and met Isobel Knowles, an artist and animator who makes installations, films, music videos, commercials and many other creative and fun projects.

We first looked at some contemporary artists to gain inspiration and ideas to create our own stop-motion animation. Next we'll have a play with the (free) App Stop Motion to learn the technique behind making a simple stop-motion video. It should be fun!

The term has just begun. I am really looking forward to seeing how it all develops!

Alice the Art Teacher



ART

PE NEWS

District Cross Country Thursday, May 9th

If you have a child in grades three to six you will almost certainly have heard about the upcoming District Cross Country.

Held at Coburg Athletics Track (Harold Stevens Reserve) it is part of School Sport Victoria's pathways, and leads in to Division, Regional, State and National competitions.

Entry to the event has been quite competitive as we can only take a limited number of runners. I am very proud of our students, who have put in an amazing effort training and racing to get selected. The younger students will run two kms and the older students run three kms, so it's quite challenging!

Congratulations to the students attending for 2019

Age 9/10

- ◆ Flynn Iles
- ◆ Knox Pain
- ◆ Elliot Perry
- ◆ Luke Scammell
- ◆ Yusuf Sergrbrhan
- ◆ Elliot Hall
- ◆ Louis Henry
- ◆ Lewis Nowicki
- ◆ Luca Bejatovic
- ◆ Christian Lazzaro
- ◆ William Marsicovetere
- ◆ Freya Lightfoot
- ◆ Wendy Yin
- ◆ Imogen Dwyer
- ◆ Bridget Lee
- ◆ Holly Scammell
- ◆ Roseline Vargheses
- ◆ Evie Van Rooyen
- ◆ Harriot Cortis
- ◆ Ezra Bonaci

CALL FOR COSTUMES

Dear Parents/Carers,

Could you please check at home if you have any costumes or props from previous BSPS productions, and drop them off in the new Performing Arts room. We are about to do an inventory and reconcile what we have with what we should have.

I would also love receiving anyone's preloved costumes (of generic nature - animals, capes, hats, scarfs etc. NO SUPERHERO!) that are in good conditions (not ripped and stained) as we could give them a second life.

This would help the production team in delivering what is needed in terms of costumes/props for the school production this year.

Kind regards,

Daniele Vitali

Age 11

- ◆ Liam Cade Paredes
- ◆ Ned Duggan Gross
- ◆ George Murname
- ◆ Aki Beaumont
- ◆ Christian Souvlis
- ◆ Leto Goldring
- ◆ Issy Hillyer
- ◆ Elspeth Ralph
- ◆ Manon Charbonnier
- ◆ Madison Tueno
- ◆ Alysha Bennet

Age 12/13

- ◆ Tyla Adamson
- ◆ En Kim Anderson
- ◆ Aidan Turnbull
- ◆ Oscar Page
- ◆ James Stacey
- ◆ Fen Peuser
- ◆ Oisín Harrington
- ◆ Ethan Hall
- ◆ Jay Ryan
- ◆ Nanai Carletti
- ◆ Leonardo Grassia
- ◆ Mia Lynch
- ◆ Ruby Dionysus
- ◆ Samara Ross
- ◆ Seraphina Weldon,
- ◆ Cleo Pain
- ◆ Tessa Lee
- ◆ Alexandra Souvlis
- ◆ Rosie O'Keefe
- ◆ Aimee Templeton

A special mention to all the students who tried out and just missed being selected. Your enthusiasm and commitment is fantastic.

Champion job Cole Kellet, Juniper Fortune and Samuel Wilson who put in a really massive effort!

I wish we could take you all.



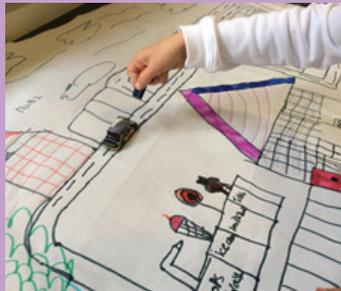
PERFORMING ARTS

S.T.E.M

We have had a ripper start to Term 2.

The **Foundation students** are taking part in a range of activities surrounding the theme of water. These activities act as an introduction to concepts such as sinking and floating, buoyancy, density, splashes, currents and the water cycle.

This week we tested the rafts we made last week. We counted how many animals and Lego people they could carry on them before they started to sink. We found we could float more animals if we put a piece of bubble wrap under our raft. Next week, we are going to build a wetland for our Rubber Duckies so they can have a good rest as unbeknownst to them they will soon be competing in the Rubber Duckie Olympics!



The **Grade 1/2 students** have been learning about push and pull forces. They have made their own racetracks and town roads and have been pushing and pulling their cars around it. This week we are going to see how easy it is to push and pull our cars around our roads using magnets. When the magnet repels, the car will reverse and when it attracts, it will be pulled forward.

Soon we will be making our own Lego cars and seeing how the height or width of the car affects the way the car travels down a ramp. We will also be exploring how friction and gravity influence how our cars move and other means of pulling and pushing such as wind power and pulleys.

The **Grade 3/4 students** are exploring 'Monuments around the world'.

They will make a range of iconic monuments using a range of different materials such as Lego, play-dough, sugar cubes, paper, stones, clay, pipe cleaners and straws.

They will be considering questions such as: What do these monuments have in common? What is their purpose? What materials are they usually made of?

The students will be learning about important structural elements of monuments and evaluating the suitability of the materials they are using. The topic will culminate in the students designing and making their own monument to mark an important person or event.

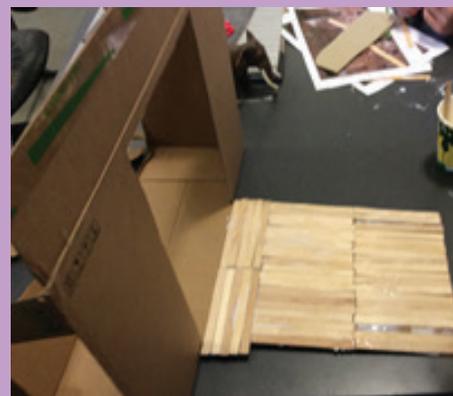
Can you guess which monument we focused on last week?



The **Grade 5/6 students** are exploring engineering and technology in the medieval era. Students will be tinkering with drawbridges, pulleys, levers, gears, catapults and printing.

Their first challenge is to construct a castle gatehouse, with a functional drawbridge, that is able to withstand an attack from a variety of different forces. Students have to consider the strength of the materials they use and introduce structural elements such as frames and braces to reinforce their structure.

The topic will stand them in good stead for their drama performance, which is set during medieval times and will feature a large medieval machine made by a volunteer group of 5/6 students (yet to be roped in!).



If you have any project ideas or would like to come and help out at any of our sessions please email me at brunswick.south.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au or drop in and see me in the **STEM room** on Wednesday or Thursday afternoon. I am very keen to harness parent expertise, particularly in the areas of mechanics (for our medieval machine), sound (we are going to try and improve the acoustics of the room next term!) biology and basic construction. Thanks **Eileen**

BSPS NOTICES

Tuning into Kids May 2019

The Tuning in to Kids program will be running in Fawkner from May to June 2019. This 6 week program has been developed by the University of Melbourne and supports parents and carers to learn about the importance of their child's emotions as well as understanding and providing strategies to manage children's behavior.

- ◆ When: Wednesdays 9.30am - 11.30am (22 May to 26 June) Where: Moomba Park Primary School, 111 Anderson Road, Fawkner

Cost: Free

To view the flyer click [HERE](#), to register contact Gabrielle Macdonald, Coordinator, Early Links Program at earlylinks@mcm.org.au.

PARENTING SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES

Living with Autism

This free 6 week programme is an opportunity for parents and carers of children who have a diagnosis of Autism to ask questions about the autism spectrum and will provide different approaches/strategies to help with parenting.

- ◆ When: Tuesday mornings (10.00am- 12.00pm), 21st May until 25th June 2019 Where: Oxygen Youth Space, 4 - 8 Gaffney St, Coburg North, 3058

Bookings and more information: moreland.vic.gov.au/parent-information, phone 03 9240 1111

Lets Talk about Kids

Yarn about ways to get your kids to listen, build stronger relationships and cope with stress and emotions. For mums, dads and carers who are raising aboriginal children from 3 - 10 years.

- ◆ When: Wednesday 1st May - 5th June from 10am - 12:30pm Where: 238 Plenty Road, Preston

To book contact Roseanne or Bree on 9403 3300

Parents Building Solutions - Glenroy Neighbourhood Learning Centre

- ◆ How to get kids to listen, without having to yell.
- ◆ Helping parents and children deal with frustration and anger.
- ◆ Better understand why children behave the way they do.

Discuss and share ideas that work.

- ◆ When: Tuesday 21st May, 4th June, 18th June (12:45pm- 2:15pm) Where: Glenroy Neighbourhood Learning Centre, 5 Cromwell St Glenroy

For bookings and inquiries contact: Parentzone on 03 8641 8900 or 0458 550 071 or email parentzone.preston@anglicarevic.org.au

COMPASS

Toward the end of last term we sent home information about logging in and creating your Compass accounts.

We have had a very positive take up from parents who have logged in and started using the portal to record absences.

If you haven't already, please take a few moments to read the information that was sent home and set up your account.

Compass is a web-based system that is accessible on any modern web browser

- ◆ Internet Explorer
- ◆ Firefox
- ◆ Chrome
- ◆ Safari

at this web address

<https://brunswicksouthps-vic.compass.education/>

If you have any questions about creating your Compass account please contact Mary at the office.

FAMILY ACCOUNTS

Just a friendly reminder, 2019 Essential Education Items/Activities School Fees were due and payable at the start of the school year. If your fees are still outstanding please see below on how to make a payment.

How to make a payment

At the office

- Eftpos
- Cash
- Cheque

By Mail

- Fill out above credit card details
 - Cheque
- Send to;
56 Brunswick Road
Brunswick East 3057



Electronic Payment

- Direct Deposit
- BSB: 063 228 Acct No. 10018837
Name: Brunswick South Primary School
Enter description:
ASmith(student name)/Levies/VolContr



COMMUNITY NOTICES



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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.twotalchefs.com.au>

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