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Tuesday 11 June

6pm



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our values –
the moral fibre which
guides our culture

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SENSE OF POSSIBILITY

ASSEMBLY DATES

Mon 3 June 9am Junior Foundation

Fri 28 June 2.10pm Whole School

CALENDAR DATES

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

JULY

Mon 15 Curriculum Day No School

Tues 16 Term 3 First Day Back

Mon 22 Italian Day

Tues 30 School Council Meeting

LE NOTIZIE DI TREVOR

The past fortnight our school has been running on 'Parent Power' with many different activities coming together to further contribute to our wonderful school!

Kicking off with the **Mother's Day stall** two weeks ago, we had some very generous and beautifully crafted donations that brought some smiles on Sunday morning. I didn't need to travel too far to get my Mother's Day present this year and my mum is still talking about the hand sewn hot water bottle cover I got for her – she is very impressed that it was crafted by one of our students.

Ciao Down returned to BSPS last Friday, with sausages back on the monthly menu. The demand was high and our parent volunteers ensured that no one went hungry. On Saturday we had a wonderful turnout with many coming to BSPS to cast their vote and enjoy a '**democracy sausage**', coffee and some cake before heading home. We raised almost **\$4000** on the day, with well over one thousand sausages sold!

A very big GRAZIE MILE goes out to all those families that have given up their time to sew, bake, craft, cook, serve, count, spruik or clean! We have very dedicated parents and carers who always go above and beyond to make our school even more fantastic.

ROOF WORKS

Thank you to all families for being flexible with the current roof works happening on the junior building. The scaffolding is almost complete and the plumbers will shortly begin repairing the cracked and broken tiles, replacing capping and valleys and installing new gutters and downpipes. There are also some smaller scale works being completed on the main building.

This does mean we might experience some short term inconvenience between now and the end of term, but we are looking forward to the idea that our buildings should be leak free once the work is completed. We will continue to work with the teachers on how best we can support student learning during this time.

REPORTS

Our teachers are in the midst of report writing and are working as teams to reflect on the assessment that supports each child's report. This is always a

great time to stop and look back to see the gains that have been made from the beginning of the year. Your child's report paints a picture of where they are academically, socially and emotionally and show their progress from year to year. We know that each child progresses at their own pace and sometimes we see rapid growth and, at other times, growth may be slower. Your child's report will be an opportunity to celebrate their strengths and discuss some future learning goals for the remainder of the year. This term, reports will be distributed electronically through Compass and you will get a notification once your child's report is ready to view. This will significantly reduce the amount of paper used during report time and reduce the administrative time it takes to print, collate and distribute over 300 reports. You will still have an option to request a hard copy report if you wish.

PHOTOS

There are always roving photographers during our school events and some parents have asked for access to pictures from the events we've run this year. Follow this link to see if your family features in any snaps: <https://bit.ly/2JBCtoq>

ENROLMENTS

We've had an influx of enrolments for 2020 over the last couple of weeks – in fact more than double the amount we had at the same time last year. For those with younger siblings starting next year we ask that you submit your enrolment forms to the office by the end of term. Our transition program for next year will begin in Term 4.

One of the enrolment forms for next year was also accompanied with a thoughtful note acknowledging some specific reasons this family chose our school:

Yours is a number of schools we have visited recently in choosing a school for next year. BSPS stood out to us for the following reasons:

- ◆ The enthusiasm, maturity and intelligence exhibited by your students
- ◆ Your values
- ◆ The warmth and commitment embodied by your staff
- ◆ The attractiveness of your buildings and grounds

We are excited and inspired by the school's dedication to its Italian program. Its positive effects on the students were certainly evident at the Open Day.

What a great testimonial for our school and our students!

**Have a fantastic fortnight,
Trevor.**

SCHOOL COUNCIL

SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The School Council met on Tuesday 14 May and discussed our various sub-committee reports.

Significant time was spent planning and hearing about the numerous community events underway this term.

These include the Mother's day stall and raffle, the Democracy BBQ, and of course, the upcoming Winter Solstice.

We would like to acknowledge the contribution of many parents to the success of these events. We made a profit of approximately \$4000 at the Democracy BBQ that will be directed towards an outdoor garden learning space, which is the focus of the upcoming working bee.

The Council also commended the school on the success of the recent Open Day for prospective students and parents.

I attended part of this day and many parents commented on the positive feeling in the school and that the day was informative and well planned.

Senior students conducted tours of the school, Foundation kids sang in Italian, Trevor, Marg and Ivana spoke well and answered parent questions.

My highlight was hearing two year 6 students, Fen and Rosie eloquently describe their experience of the school. Many people came and hopefully this effort translates into many happy enrolments for 2020.

We would also like to highlight some upcoming events discussed at the Council meeting. These include the following -

Annual Reporting Meeting

An Annual Reporting meeting will be held at **6pm on 11 June**.

A presentation will be provided on school achievements over the past year by each sub-committee and the Annual Report will be presented to the school community.

We encourage interested parents to attend this session as it provides a good opportunity to meet councillors and celebrate the achievements of BSPS in 2018.

Student Led Conferences

The Council endorsed a modification to the school day on the 23 July to assist with our student led conferences.

School will finish at 12pm on this day. This change has been made in response to community feedback and will mean more time can be devoted to each student (15 minutes) and the amenity of teachers can also be improved (dinner break, reasonable finish time etc.). Hopefully, this forewarning provides sufficient time to confirm your availability and arrange child-minding, as required.

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 or my email address directly via henry.james.r@edumail.vic.gov.au

The next School Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 11 June, preceded by the Annual Reporting Meeting.



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 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

FOUNDATION

This past week in the Foundation Area things have been getting REAL! Dirty hands, stories direct from the Yiayia's mouth... All of these have come as part of our Integrated Learning topic: **The Changing World.**

In History, we have been exploring the changes that have occurred since our grandparents were at school. To help with this, we enlisted the services of Sarah's Yiayia (Grandma). She regaled us with stories of her time at school, the students fascinated to hear of classes with 40 children, single desks, starting at 8am... We used our first ever Venn diagram to record what has stayed the same and what has changed since those days.



In **Scienze**, we have been identifying the differences between living and non-living things (Esseri Viventi e Esseri Non Viventi), classifying the living as persone, piante e animali and exploring how they change (cambiamento). To observe this in action, we have planted our own bean seeds to observe how they change and grow throughout their lives.



Stimulating Science / Scienze

In Grade 1/2 we have been having an amazing time in our Stimulating Science unit of learning. We all participated in various experiments during our incursions with Bronwyn. We explored the world of physical sciences using different materials and objects to produce sound. Ask us how sounds are made! We also learnt all about the earth revolution and rotation.



YEARS 1/2

PE NEWS

Physical activity and dress

There have been quite a few recent studies demonstrating that when girls are required to wear dresses as part of school uniform it makes it more difficult for them to participate in active play. To read more visit "girls uniform agenda" website.

Both **Foundation** and **Grade 1/2** students are exploring colours, from talking about how colours make us feel to experimenting how colours change when mixed together.

The Foundies discovered that some very unusual things happen when you mix a little milk, food colouring, and a drop of dish detergent! They then tried to replicate the squiggly lines on a piece of paper by using oil pastels.



For the Grade 1/2 students the basic transformation from primary to secondary colours is not a new concept but it is still magical when you are making that change yourself! From a simple colour mixing activity the students learn heaps!



They used scientific thinking to observe, predict and compare. 'What will happen if we mix all three primary colours together?' 'How much yellow do you need to add to make green?' 'Can I make the exact same colour twice?'

At Brunswick South we don't have a uniform but there are times when clothing still limits students' ability to be active. This is a concern as many students, particularly girls, are not meeting the physical activity guidelines of 60 minutes moderate to physical activity per day.

Clothing that restricts students' movements such as long dresses, heavy boots and slip on shoes make it much harder for kids to run, jump, skip, play on the monkey bars, and just generally be active.

It would be wonderful to see all our children prepared to be active every day, not just on specialist PE days. Clothing they can move freely in and shoes they can run in are all they need.

ART

They used problem solving skills and came up with ideas for what to do when the colour they were mixing didn't turn out quite the way they had hoped.

They used mathematical concepts such as more and less, and devised ways to measure how much paint they were adding.

They used lots of descriptive language and creative thinking skills to come up with names for their colours. 'Sand storm red' and 'dead fish colour' were among my favourites!

Alice



S.T.E.M

Foundation Topic: Water

Last week the Foundation students made wetlands for their ducks. They had all the things ducks need, such as long reeds, old logs and stones to perch on, native trees, and lots of grasses, bugs and frogs for the ducks to munch on. Several snakes came to live in the wetlands too. They enjoyed sleeping on the rocks and swimming with the ducks.



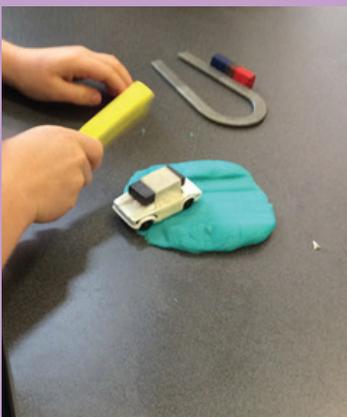
This week, the students continued their exploration of sinking and floating. We learned that heavy items usually float if they have a lot of air in them. We tried to make canisters sink by filling them up with different types of materials. When the canister was filled with sand or water it sank but when it was filled with marbles and magnets it still floated. This surprised us as the marbles and magnets sank when we placed them in the water (outside of the canister). We soon figured out that the air in the canister was holding the canister up despite the weight of the marbles and magnets – Wow!



1/2 Topic: Force

The Grade 1/2s had an awesome time using magnetic force to push and pull their cars around the tracks they had made. We made playdough hills and tried to pull our cars over the hills but they kept getting stuck. Then, someone suggested putting a ruler on the playdough to flatten the surface. When the surface was smooth it was easier to drive over and we were able to, ever so slowly, push and pull our cars over the hills.

Last week, we explored the power of wind – how it has the power to push and pull. We constructed wind obstacle courses and using a straw pushed a malteser and a marble through the different tracks. We thought that the malteser would be easier to push because it was lighter but the marble was actually easier because it was smoother and a perfect sphere. It was also easier to control because of its weight.



BSPS NOTICES

ATTENTION!

We are asking the BSPS community to help us create change for humanity and the environment by collecting bottle tops to create artificial limbs for people in need.

The Year 1 & 2 students have been thinking about problem solving, not just in the classroom, but in our world.

We are launching the Children Helping Children program via Envision Hands, and will be setting up collection boxes at the front office, in the 1/2 classrooms, and soon throughout the school.

The types of plastic lids we are collecting are HDPE LDPE & PLA. A short YouTube clip about the process can be found here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=6&v=E-KxuDRXOg

We know we will be successful when members of our community join us to make a change to our world.

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.

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.

Recycling bottle tops it's so simple, drop in the top



and don't forget to place the empty bottles in your normal recycle bin

This simple separation makes both items easier to recycle and stops them going to waste.



www.growwithjoe.org

BALL GAMES

All families are reminded that ball games are not allowed on the junior turf area before and after school. This is because of the large number of students, parents and family members in that area during busy times. Please remind your child to move their ball games to the oval during these times.

GRADE 6 TSHIRTS

Grade 6 students if you have not placed an order for your Grade 6 tshirt please return your order forms and payment to the office by Monday 27 May.

FAMILY ACCOUNTS

Just a friendly reminder, 2019 Essential Educaiton 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;
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Brunswick East 3057

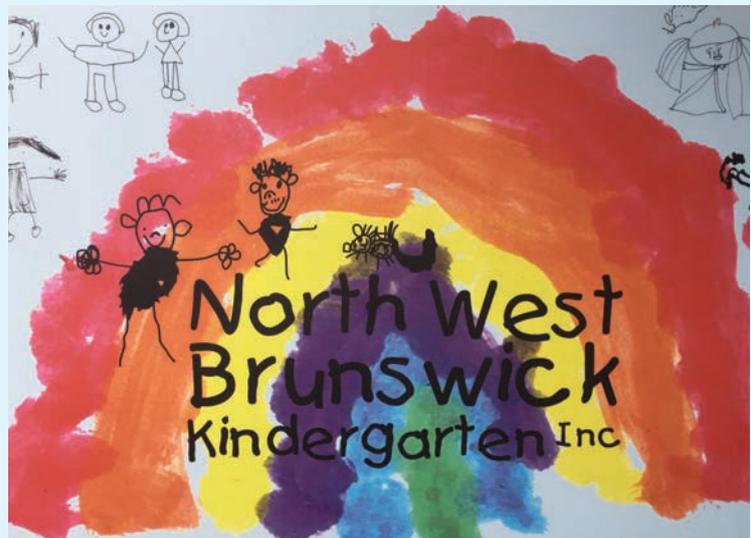


Electronic Payment

- Direct Deposit
- BSB: 063 228 Acct No. 10018837
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Enter description:
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COMMUNITY NOTICES



Italian Language Kindergarten

3 Year-Old Program

- Introductory Italian
- Language and Culture interwoven in play-based learning
- 4 hours weekly
- Suitable for children with little or no exposure to Italian

4 Year-Old Program

- Bilingual Preschool Program
- Language and Culture interwoven into play-based curriculum
- 15 hours weekly
- Taught by Native Italian Speaker

We are one of ten bilingual kindergartens in the Victorian State Government's Early Childhood Languages Program. This means we get additional funding and support to deliver our unique bilingual program.

If you would like to know more about Italian Kindergarten, please email nwbrunswick@try.org.au or call 03 9386 5676. You can also contact Moreland Central Enrolments directly for 4-year-old enrolments.

North West Brunswick Kindergarten
34 Rose Street, Brunswick, Victoria, 3056, Australia

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.

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



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To book online visit moreland.vic.gov.au/shp or call Moreland School Holiday Program at 9240 1111.

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العربية	9280 1913		
Tiếng Việt	9280 1914	All other languages	
	9280 1915		

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Program Dates: 1-12 July 2019
Booking opens: 20 May 2019
All venues open 8am-6pm





Moreland City Libraries Free Events



Registrations essential online at moreland.vic.gov.au/read-more or phone 9353 4000

To register for eNewsletters email: readmore@moreland.vic.gov.au

Fortnite: the pros and cons of screen time 7 pm, Wednesday 22 May, Coburg Library



With 125 million players worldwide Fortnite is the latest hit game with today's youth. But not everyone is a fan! Join our panel of experts to discuss online gaming through the phenomenon of Fortnite, including questions of how much screen time is too much, are online games safe and why is it so compelling?

The Year of the Farmer

7.45 pm, Wednesday 29th May, Brunswick Library



Best-selling local author, Rosalie Ham, author of The Dressmaker will discuss her latest novel, The Year of the Farmer. This darkly satirical novel about a small country town battling the elements and one another will keep you enthralled with its brutal honesty.

Jazz in the library

7.30 pm, Thursday 30 May, Glenroy Library



Enjoy a night of jazz with John Perri and friends, featuring Yvette Johanson on vocals.

Reading the stars: the science of Aboriginal astronomy

7.30 pm, Thursday 6 June, Glenroy Library

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people developed a number of practical ways to observe the sun, moon and stars to inform navigation and calendars, predict weather, and inform law and social structure. Learn about the science that is encoded in these oral traditions and material culture with Dr Duane Hamacher – an astronomer and Senior Research Fellow at the Monash University Indigenous Studies Centre – who specialises in Indigenous astronomical and geological knowledge in Australia and the Pacific.



Decluttering your digital photos

7 pm, Friday 7 June, Coburg Library

7 pm, Thursday 13 June, Brunswick Library

Get your free cheat sheet that will guide you through every step of a printed photo decluttering and sorting process.

Year of the Beast

7.45 pm, Thursday 6 June, Brunswick Library



Steven Carroll, Miles Franklin award winning author of the acclaimed Glenroy series, shares his latest and final novel of the series, The Year of the Beast. Set in Melbourne during the First World War, the novel tells a compelling story of mothers, families, and what it means to be an individual, standing against the surge of the crowd.



JOIN US THIS JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS FOR SPORTS CAMPS!

Melbourne University Sport welcomes your children to join us for multi-sport and sport specific programs during the school holidays. These programs take place in Parkville at the Melbourne University Sport Precinct.

Date:

1 July - 12 July

Drop-off is from 8am

Activities from 9am - 3:30pm

Aftercare from 3:30pm - 5:30pm

Sports include:

Athletics Tennis Cricket

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