

TERM  
ONE



# Brunswick South PRIMARY SCHOOL

*imparare insieme ♦ creare insieme ♦ vivere insieme*

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**Open Day**  
Thursday 3 May  
9:30am - 11:00am

29 march 2018 issue 4  
**NEWSLETTER**

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

CONSTANT LEARNING  
MUTUAL RESPONSIBILITY  
COMPASSION  
SENSE OF POSSIBILITY

## ASSEMBLY DATES

THUR 29 March Foundation

## CALENDAR DATES MARCH

THUR 29 END OF TERM 1 2:30pm finish

## APRIL

MON 16 Curriculum Day (no school)

TUES 17 Term 2 commences

MON 23 Year 5/6 Swimming

TUES 24 7PM Body Safe  
Parent Information Session

## SCHOOL COUNCIL

**President** Gabrielle Marchetti  
**Vice President** Jeremy Schreurs  
**Treasurer** Jeremy Schreurs  
**Community** Gabrielle Marchetti,  
James Henry  
**Building and Grounds** James Henry

**OSHC** Monique Dawson  
**Policies** Marg Weymouth  
**Community Partnerships** Monique Dawson,  
Jane Scammell  
**Members** Madeleine Aikenhead, Petra Stock  
**DET** Marg Weymouth, Trevor Strolla, Ivana D'Aprano

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## LE NOTIZIE DI TREVOR

**Where does the time go? A quarter of the year has simply flown by—but we can all take great comfort in the fact that this term has been a productive, focused and energetic one at BSPS!**

### STUDENT LED CONFERNANCES

Our first ever Student Led Conferences proved to be a positive beginning to a new chapter here at BSPS. One of the **key improvement strategies** in our new strategic plan is to embed learner agency and student voice. Our aim for our students is for them to be actively involved in their own learning rather than learning 'happening to them'. The format may have felt a little strange and some of you have indicated that you would have preferred time to speak alone with your child's teachers. Please note our teachers are always available for those chats, both formally and informally and regularly meet with parents during the term. We have created a survey to get feedback on the whole process and I thought you might like to hear some of the comments we've received so far:

*"I loved the positive role the children took to think about and speak up about their own learning journey."*

*"It was nice to see the kids talking about what they are learning and what their goals are. I also think it was a nice challenge for the kids to present to their parents in that way so in itself was a learning experience for them."*

*"Students had to articulate their learning goals and what they need to work on. I think this was good for them to take the lead and have it come from them. I think it was a very positive experience. It also helps develop their confidence in what they do and themselves as a person. I liked the initiative."*

The survey is still open for feedback, please follow this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KTZWR3G>

### STAFFING UPDATE

Today we say farewell to Fabio, who has been successfully appointed to teach LOTE Italian at Frankston Heights Primary School. You may not know this, but Fabio lives in Berwick and travels to and from Brunswick each day on public transport. That's almost a two hour journey each way! A position much closer to home will be a much easier commute. Thank you Fabio for your commitment to our school over the past year.

Liz has taken leave this term and recently requested further leave until the end of the year. We look forward to seeing Liz back at BSPS in 2019.

We are currently advertising Fabio and Liz's position and hope to appoint new staff for the beginning of next term

### SCHOOL COUNCIL

On Tuesday night our new council met for the first time. We welcomed our new members Jane Scammell, Madeleine Aikenhead, Petra Stock and James Henry alongside our existing members Jeremy Schreurs, Gabrielle Marchetti, Monique Dawson, Ivana D'Aprano, Marg Weymouth and myself.

Gabrielle Marchetti was elected as President and Jeremy Schreurs as Vice President/Treasurer. The sub-committee conveners were also elected with Monique and Jane for Community & Fundraising,

Jeremy on Finance, Monique on OSHC and Marg on Policy. Buildings and Grounds is still to be confirmed.

Our council is a productive, trusting and highly active professional learning community in our school and I look forward to working with you all over 2018 and beyond.

## STRATEGIC PLAN

I promised to deliver you a draft School Strategic Plan (SSP) by the end of term and I'm pleased to say I can deliver on my promise. The new SSP has been drafted with the close support of some regional staff, in conjunction with our leadership team. On Tuesday night I shared this with school council and you'll find a copy on our school website under the 'about' section. Our work over the next four years will be centred on three very clear strategic goals:

- 1. To optimise student learning and learning growth across the curriculum, particularly in Literacy and Numeracy.**
- 2. To foster intellectual engagement and self-awareness consistently in all learning areas across the school.**
- 3. For all staff, students and parents see themselves as active participants in our school learning community.**

The strategic plan spells out the key improvement strategies we will implement in order to achieve these goals and what specific actions we will take. These actions are, by nature, very big picture and somewhat general, but will be fleshed out in more detail in our Annual Implementation Plan which will follow early next term.

As the SSP is in draft format, it is open for community comment. Please submit this to me via the school email address [brunswick.south.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:brunswick.south.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) by Monday 9th April.

## BODY SAFE AUSTRALIA

The school has engaged **Body Safety Australia** to run sessions with our students, staff and families next term. Keep **Tuesday 24th** April free from 7-8pm to find out a little more about the program and how it will run in the learning areas. This is part of our involvement in **Respectful Relationships** as a chosen partner school.

## CELEBRATIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Last Friday the school was a little quieter and 'less Italian' than usual. Our Italian teachers spent the day at the VATI Conference (Victorian Association of Teachers of Italian). The day full of professional learning and networking allowed our teachers to enhance their skills and further build their capacity.

Perhaps the highlight of the day was BSPS's own presentation from Ivana, Lucy and Nancy to groups of teachers on our bilingual model. There was a theme of audience amazement during the presentation and people were genuinely in awe of what we do. Thanks Ivana, Lucy and Nancy for the work that went into preparing this presentation.

Tuesday was a busy day at BSPS and in the morning we hosted our **Commonwealth Games** event. Luke and the infectious energetic team from Kaboom Kids Sports, once again, set up a colourful, engaging and active event for our kids. They loved being introduced to new games and the music created a high energy and exciting atmosphere.

The **Community and Fundraising Sub Committee** finished off Tuesday with our first ever **COLOUR RUN**. Our traditional Fun Run didn't go ahead last year as we couldn't find the volunteers to support the event, but in 2018 it's back... bigger and more colourful than ever! There certainly were some excited students running through the course eager for another spray of colour. Thank you to Monique, Shane and Rachel for coordinating the event and the wonderful volunteers who gave up part of their day to help make the event so enjoyable for our kids. This event helped raise over \$5000 which is money we are raising to go towards our senior playground upgrade.



Please remember that term two resumes on Tuesday 17th April.

Have a safe, happy and relaxing break, Trevor.

### ACCESS TO SCHOOL GROUNDS

Please remember that our school yard is supervised from 8.45am – 9.00am in the morning and then from 3.30pm – 3.45pm in the afternoons. Any child in the yard outside of these times needs to be in Out of School Hours Care (OSHC). Our 3.45pm bell is a reminder that all students in the yard who haven't been collected need to go to reception.

### SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

Please remember the various forms of communication we have at BSPS. There are many official channels of communication including; Twitter, Facebook, learning area newsletters, Parent Carers, e-mail, telephone, assemblies, information nights and our main form of communication our BSPS Newsletter. These newsletters come out fortnightly on a Friday (the alternate week to assembly). It's crucial that you read each newsletter to ensure you are up to speed on all the fantastic things happening at BSPS. Please see the office if your details need to be updated.

## CONGRATULATIONS LEARNING LEGENDS!



### TERM 1 - WEEKS 8 & 9

- ◆ Foundation - Giulia, Owen, Amaya, Lucinda, Davina, Francesca
- ◆ Grade 1/2 - Astrid A, Bonnie, Yaman, Mietta
- ◆ Grade 3/4 - Benji, Kiran, Ezra, Elliott,
- ◆ Grade 5/6 - Samara, Rosie, Alessia, Joshua, Huon, Otto, Bangcheng

# YEARS 5/6

## ***When the Carnival tradition meets our creativity...***

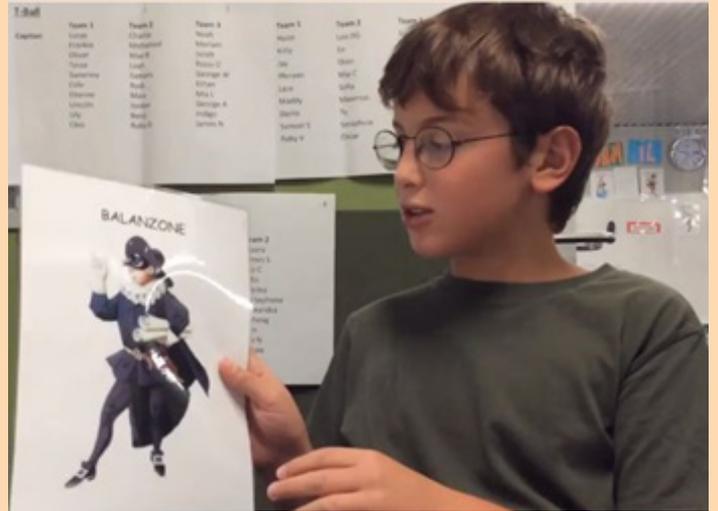
In Italian literacy, Leonardo and Fen have introduced the traditional characters of the Carnival helping us to express our opinion.

Mi piace o non mi piace Arlecchino?

Perchè? Mi piacciono le maschere?

Some of the better known commedia dell'arte characters are Arlecchino, Gianduaia, Balanzone, Meo Patacca, Capitan Fracassa. Do you know them?

All of them wear a mask. And so: why don't we get to create our masks out of paper plates? Take some inspiration and create yours!



# YEARS 5/6

## ***Being leaders at the Commonwealth games by Jack, Bridie and Fen***

On Tuesday we had the opportunity to participate to a whole school event: The Commonwealth games.

The Commonwealth games were very fun, but it was also challenging being a leader. Some of the students didn't cooperate but we figured it out and in the end they were much better. Being a 5/6 and a leader responsible for your group was also a good experience for high school.

On the afternoon we also participated to the colour run. We loved it!



# YEARS 3/4

## **Colour Run**

We are very proud of the way our children participated in the BSPS Colour Run – with enthusiasm and endless energy, they lapped the oval and Park Street course multiple times. We appreciate the time families have taken to raise money for our school.

## **Fabio**

We wish to thank our 3/4 colleague and teacher, Fabio! He has brought joy to us with his sense of humour, dedication to our learning program and his love of all things Italian!

We have celebrated him this week with a picnic and soccer match. We presented him with a book of our letters, poems, drawings and memories of the past year. We also signed a soccer ball for him to keep with him on his future travels!

Thank you Fabio



# BSPS NOTICES

## LUNCH ORDERS

Lunch orders are available Wednesday - Friday and are ordered through the **QKR by mastercard app**. The lunch orders are delivered to the school from a local cafe D1Uno. Please follow the step by step instructions to register your child



**coles SPORTS for SCHOOLS 2018**

## SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL AND GET COLLECTING

We would love your help collecting Coles Sports for Schools for our school. Tell your friends and family to get involved as well, because the more vouchers we collect, the more sports gear our school will receive.

## 2018 ESSENTIAL EDUCATION SCHOOL FEES

Just a friendly reminder, 2018 Essential Education Items/Activities School Fees were due and payable at the start of the school year. If your fees are still outstanding, please make payment at the office.

### 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/Vol/Build



### Step 1 Download Qkr!

on your Android phone or iPhone. iPad users can download iPhone app



### Step 2 Register

Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register

### Step 3 Find our school

Scan the QR code or search for our school name. Our school will also appear in "Locations Nearby" if you are within 4kms of the school

### Step 4 Register your children

When first accessing your school menu, you will be prompted to register your child. This allows you to make school orders on their behalf.

# COMMUNITY NOTICES



## **PENCILS COMMUNITY**

**HELPING CHILDREN TO COLOUR THEIR WORLD**

**Pencils Community** is a social enterprise that takes your new, used and discarded pencils, pens, crayons and other stationery items, re-bundles them and gives them to children in need in Australia and around the globe. Every year, thousands of pencils and stationery items are thrown in the bin – we aim to recycle these items before they become landfill and help get these second-hand educational items to disadvantaged children around the world.

We work with Schools, Community Groups, Individuals, Businesses, Not-For-Profits and Corporate Social Responsibility companies to grow Pencils Community and help as many children in need as possible. We strongly support: **Education, Sustainability and Humanitarian issues** and we believe it takes just one pencil for a child to learn, create, write, read and ultimately help educate and change the world as we know it.

**We get your new, used & discarded pencils to kids in need in Australia and around the world**

**We accept:  
Pencils, Textas,  
Crayons, Pens,  
Rulers, Erasers,  
Sharpener, Pencil  
Cases, Calculators,  
Art Supplies, Craft,  
Paper, Exercise  
Books & more**

A parent from our school Atalanti Dionysus is a 'pencil ambassador' for the 'Pencil Community' organisation and is gathering the donations and items for the organisation.

Please leave donations at the school office or feel free to hand to Atalanti in the schoolyard.

She will be collecting donations for the next 4 weeks.

Thank you for your support and for your wonderful donations!

PO Box 203, Seaford, 3198, Vic. AUSTRALIA  
0437 094 049 - [info@pencilscommunity.com](mailto:info@pencilscommunity.com)  
[www.pencilscommunity.com](http://www.pencilscommunity.com)

**ENGAGE**  
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**TRUST**  
**FITZROY HIGH**  
**OPENDAY 2018**

**OPEN DAY:** Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April

Morning and Afternoon Sessions

**INFORMATION SESSION\*:** Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April

7:30pm – 8:30pm

**BOOKING ESSENTIAL FOR ALL**

**SESSIONS @:** [trybooking.com/UNYJ](http://trybooking.com/UNYJ)



[fitzroyhs.vic.edu.au](http://fitzroyhs.vic.edu.au)

\*Reserved for prospective 2019 Year 7 students and their families



**FITZROY  
HIGH SCHOOL**



The school holidays are fast approaching - are you ready? We are! We will have heaps of activities, with something for every child.

**Feature theme days these school holidays include:**

#### Home Tweet Home

*It'll be a hoot when we build our very own bird mobiles, feeders or houses.*

#### Gearing up For The Games

*Design and decorate your own sports jersey and get ready to wear it for the any sporting occasion.*

#### Games On!

*Are you ready for a day full of exciting games that put your skills to the test? We are!*

#### Plate Creations

*We're opening our minds and getting creative by painting our own magnificent mindfulness plates.*

#### Book Into A Holiday Club Program

To discover more about a Holiday Club program at your school and to book visit:

[www.campastralia.com.au/holidayclub](http://www.campastralia.com.au/holidayclub)

We look forward to seeing you and your family in the school holidays.

From the Team at Camp Australia.



# NORTHCOTE AQUATIC AND RECREATION CENTRE

“Do you want to work with children and young people?”



“Do you have a passion for swimming?  
Are you looking for work during school hours?”

At the Northcote Aquatic & Recreation Centre we are looking for swim teachers who share our passion for teaching swimming and water safety to school students, to join our friendly and supportive team.



Please email [sandra.torcasio@ymca.org.au](mailto:sandra.torcasio@ymca.org.au) to enquire about becoming a swim teacher



Northcote  
Aquatic  
& Recreation  
Centre





# NORTHCOTE HIGH SCHOOL

## Open Morning

**Monday 30 April 2018**

**9.15am - 12pm**

Presentation and Principal's address: 9.20am & 10.20am

Student led tours

Presentation (repeated): 7.15pm

Booking not required

## ACE program

Advanced Curriculum Extension (ACE) program applications now open for 2019

Closing date for applications: **24 April 2018**

Apply via <http://www.nhs.vic.edu.au/teaching/ace>

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# MOVEfit

## EXERCISE CLASSES

*Designed to help  
keep parents fit*

MON @ 9:15am

M, W, F @ 6am

- Been thinking of joining an exercise class for some time?
- Have you tried but haven't quite found the right fit at your gym?

Join our group of committed parents who do this fitness thing together. The 50 min classes are highly effective, diverse full body workouts that cater to all fitness levels.

*There is NO harm trying, who knows, you might end up loving it!*



Contact Kristal to  
**BOOK A FREE TRIAL**

0435 605370 or

[kristaldecourssou@gmail.com](mailto:kristaldecourssou@gmail.com)

# Nature Art Workshops for kids (Ages 6-12)

Lygon Street Nursery is pleased to offer our Nature Art workshops for kids at The North Carlton Railway Neighbourhood House.

## Dates:

Saturday the 24th March at 2.30 - 4.30pm +  
Saturday the 21st April at 10.00am - 12pm



**Location:** North Carlton Railway Neighbourhood House  
20 Solly Avenue, Princes Hill (in the Hardy Gallagher reserve)

**Cost:** \$12 per child and workshop or \$21 for two children or \$21 if you would like to book one child in for both workshop dates.

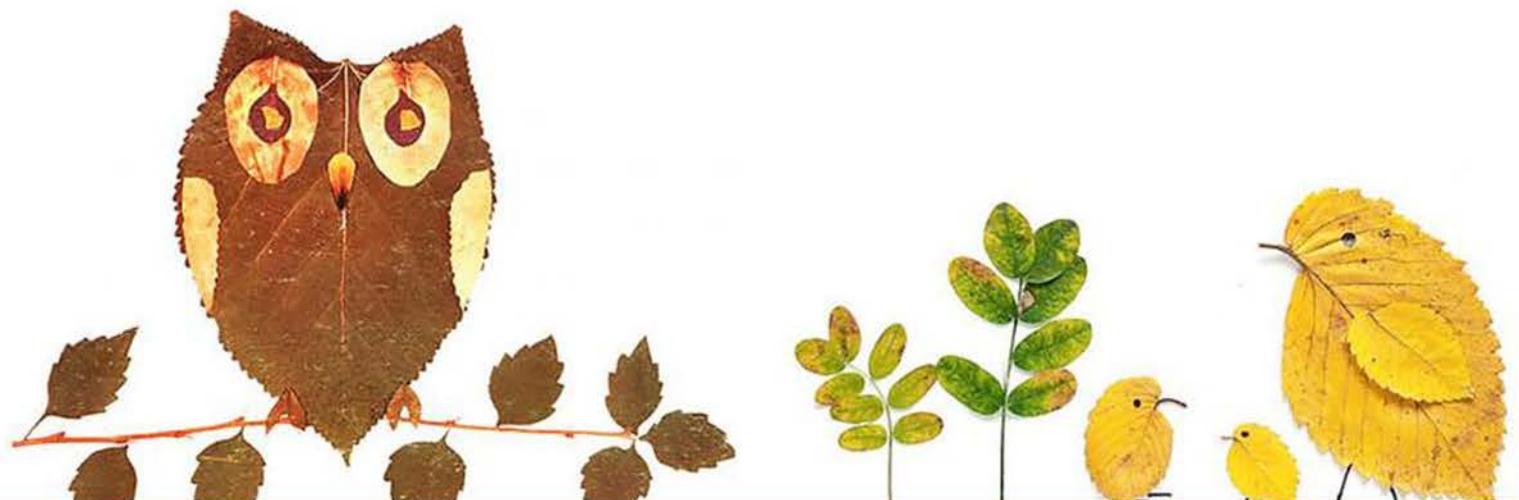
**Bookings:** tara@lygonstnursery.com or come in and visit/phone **The Lygon Street Nursery** (03) 8388 7245, 135 Lygon St, Brunswick East. Places will be limited so book your place early.

## The Workshop:

During the workshop, our teachers will introduce the children to ideas about the importance of the natural environment in this growing urban world. They will read them stories before leading the children on a guided discovery walk around the Hardy Gallagher Reserve to collect items for making some simple creative art pieces to take home with them.

## The Teaching Team:

All our workshop team have a love of working with children and nature. Tara Cull is a passionate Primary School Teacher + landscape architect with a love for the environment, nature, children's education and art! Olivia Jones is an early childhood educator and horticulturist with a passion for introducing children to the wonders of nature. Pdraig Clancy is a horticulturist who loves introducing people and kids to the importance of discovery in the natural environment.



We can't wait to see what you create

Parents are welcome to stay to join in the fun