

TERM  
TWO



# Brunswick South PRIMARY SCHOOL

*imparare insieme ♦ creare insieme ♦ vivere insieme*

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### our values –

the moral fibre which  
guides our culture

- CONSTANT LEARNING
- MUTUAL RESPONSIBILITY
- COMPASSION
- SENSE OF POSSIBILITY

*Brunswick South Primary School  
has zero tolerance to child abuse  
and actively works to respond to,  
listen to, and empower children.*

## ASSEMBLY DATES

- Mon 6 June 9am YR 1/2 Hosting
- Fri 25 June 2pm Foundation Hosting

## CALENDAR DATES

### MAY

Fri 27-Fri 3 June Reconciliation Week

### JUNE

Thurs 2 5/6 Quantum Excursion

Fri 3 Professional Practice Day

No School

Mon 13 Queens Birthday Public Holiday

No School

Mon 20 Wadjiny Whole School Incurion

### JULY

Mon 11 Curriculum Day No School

Tues 12 First Day of Term 2

Friday 3 June

Professional Practice Day

No School

# LE NOTIZIE DI TREVOR

*Can you believe we are already half way through Term 2? The weeks are flying by and before we know it we'll be half way through the school year.*

## SATURNALIA

This week we launched the promotion for Saturnalia – our 2022 spin on the Winter Solstice Festival. You might have also noticed the billboard on our school fence or the flyer sent home in your child's bag. This is the biggest community and fundraising event of our school year and this year is even more important when we look back at the long list of cancellations from 2020. Tickets and entertainment packs are now on sale and can be purchased from <https://brunwicksouthwintersolstice.com.au/>

Make sure you've marked in Saturday 18 June in your calendar from 5-8pm!

## IDAHOBIT Day

Last week we celebrated IDAHOBIT Day. International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Interphobia & Transphobia celebrates LGBTQIA+ people globally, and raises awareness for the work still needed to combat discrimination.



Our Inclusion Action Team led some fantastic whole school events for our students and it was heart-warming to see the amount of effort students put into wearing bright colours on the day. The highlight was definitely the badges created by our Inclusion Action Team, which sold out within minutes at lunch time. Celebrating events like IDAHOBIT Day go a long way to promoting and celebrating the culture of inclusion we have here at BPS.

## Election BBQ

Our school was transformed on Saturday as a polling station for the Federal Election. The crowds through the gate were the perfect audience for an Election BBQ and our democracy sausages sure hit the spot. We took in almost \$7000 on the day and, with expenses, we hope to make a \$6000 profit

for our school. Thank you to the parents, carers and students who helped out on the day and raised these important funds for our school.

## Art Room Opening

Big events are back at BPS, and another one we've hosted this week has been the official opening of our brand new Art Room. The refurbishment took place over the summer holidays and we've had to delay the official opening due to COVID and some delays in getting some of the new furniture in the space. On Wednesday afternoon, we invited Co.As.It, School Council, Staff and some students to attend a small ceremony to acknowledge the generous contribution from Co.As. It in transforming our Art Room. We also thanked Emanuela & Silvano Merlatti, Gabrielle Marchetti and John Hajek who took on this project way back in 2019 and set the wheels in motion.

## Working Bee

Thank you to everyone who came along and assisted at the working bee on Sunday 15 May. The new plants, tan bark and a good tidy have made the grounds look fantastic! We also thank the families who were unable to attend, but donated to the Building Fund. We really appreciate your contribution.

## Strategic Plan

After our very successful school review earlier this year, the Department of Education has endorsed our new Strategic Plan goals for the next four years. The new goals are a natural extension of the goals we had and the next period is a time for us to consolidate and further support our students to be active agents in their learning. Here is a sneak peak of our goals for 2022-2025:

- ◆ **Optimise student learning growth in literacy and numeracy and build the capability of students to be active learners.**
- ◆ **Empower learners to be actively engaged and connected to their learning.**
- ◆ **Strengthen the capabilities of students to thrive, contribute and respond positively to challenges and opportunities.**

The next stage is to work through the plan with our School Council and staff and we anticipate sharing the final plan before the end of the term. The next stage of work for us as a school is very student centred and aims to build our students as leaders of their own learning – and I am looking forward to the next stage of work for our community.

## Sibling Enrolments

With school tours back on the agenda, we are regularly showing off our school to prospective families. We already have 20 enrolments for Foundation 2023 and our tours are booked solid

into next term. For those families who have a younger sibling joining the school next year, please get your enrolment in ASAP so we can confirm your place.

### COVID Update

Whilst almost all the previous COVID restrictions are lifted, there are a few things that still remain. Please continue to notify us of a positive test result for your child or if they are a close contact. Students and staff with a positive result are required to isolate for 7 days and, while close contacts can still attend school, we ask you to notify us if this is the case. Close contacts are required to wear a mask.

### Cross Country

Last Thursday, some of our students attended regional cross-country. They did a stellar job of representing BSPS and we are very pleased to announce that 5 students were selected to go through to district and represent our school. Best of luck to Taylor, Clem, Miller, Darian and Henry W.K for the district event next Thursday.

### Professional Practice Day

Don't forget that Friday 3 June is a Professional Practice Day for our staff and students are not required at school. Team Kids still have spaces for enrolments on this day and will run a full day program for students.

*Phew... it's been a non-stop fortnight at BSPS and we've had some wonderful events that really highlight the compassion, constant learning, mutual responsibility and sense of possibility that underpin our school community. There is always so much to be proud of in our school!*

**Have a great weekend,  
Trevor.**

## BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS WORKING BEE SUNDAY MAY 15



## ELECTION DAY BBQ



# ART ROOM OPENING

## THANK YOU CO.AS.IT.



# STUDENT ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

On Monday 23rd May, the Student Environmental Leadership program were visited by Kate from CERES.

We spent the whole day involved in activities such as recycling t-shirts to make bags, sorting materials on a timeline of how long it takes for them to break down, (hard plastic takes 1,000 years to break down) and found out about what other schools are doing in Australia in relation to saving our planet.

The sessions helped us understand the importance of recycling, reusing, and rethinking the way we understand materials.

We also spoke about the huge amount of clothes that end up in landfill. We spoke about the issue of lost property clothing we have at school. Ours doesn't end up in land fill, it goes to opportunity shops at the end of each term; but what we would really like is for the owners to claim the clothing. Please check to see if your child has clothing in our lost property.

We came up with some actions of how we can make our school a much more sustainable community.

Actions:

- ◆ clear messaging and correct labelling of the bins around the school
- ◆ more bins around the school – compost, recycling (paper & mixed), land fill and soft plastics
- ◆ visiting local cafes and suggesting a discount on coffee if "keep cups" are used instead of take away

Our next steps are to put these actions into practice. We will give updates as our actions are put in place.

Hannah, Casey and Johanna



## 2022 Term Dates & Curriculum Days

<b>Term 1:</b> <b>Friday 28 January</b> (State-wide Curriculum Day) No school <b>Monday 31 January</b> – Years 1-6 commence <b>Tuesday 1 February</b> – Foundation commence  <b>Friday 8 April</b> – End of Term 1 (2.30pm dismissal)	<b>Term 2:</b> <b>Tuesday 26 April</b> (Curriculum Day) No school <b>Wednesday 27 April</b> – First day of Term 2  <b>Friday 24 June</b> – End of Term 2 (2.30pm dismissal)
<b>Term 3:</b> <b>Monday 11 July</b> (Curriculum Day) No school <b>Tuesday 12 July</b> – First day of Term 3  <b>Friday 16 September</b> – End of Term 3 (2.30pm dismissal)	<b>Term 4:</b> <b>Monday 3 October</b> – First day of Term 4  <b>Monday 31 October</b> (Curriculum Day) No school <b>Tuesday 20 December</b> – End of Term 4 (1.30pm dismissal)

## BSPS SCHOOL COUNCIL

- ◆ **President** Madeleine Aikenhead
- ◆ **Vice President** James Henry
- ◆ **Treasurer** Dan Ziffer
- ◆ **Parent Members** Romina Beltrame, Oliver Mann
- ◆ **Community Members** John Hajek, James Henry
- ◆ **DET** Trevor Strolla, Marg Weymouth, Sarah Pavlidis

## SUB COMMITTEES

- ◆ **Building and Grounds** James Henry
- ◆ **Policies** Marg Weymouth
- ◆ **Community and Fundraising** Annaleise Ronzan
- ◆ **Bilingual** Romina Baltrame
- ◆ **OSHC** Oliver Mann

# RECONCILIATION ACTION TEAM

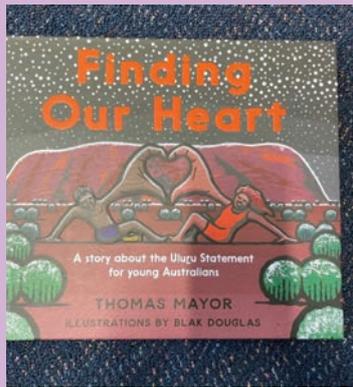
## National Reconciliation Week

27 May to 3 June is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

At school, we will continue to learn about our shared histories and cultures and acknowledge the significant days during Reconciliation Week.

## 17th of May

IDAHOBIT (International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia) day by inviting all students to come dressed in rainbow colours!



**BE BRAVE.  
MAKE CHANGE.**

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2022  
27 MAY - 3 JUNE #NRW2022



RECONCILIATION AUSTRALIA

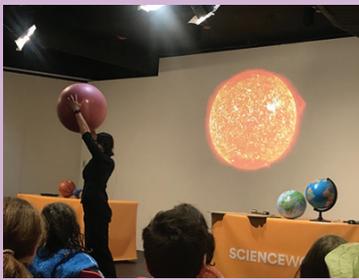
# INCLUSION ACTION TEAM

# YEARS 3/4

**Journalists: Hyeonwoo, Ramona, Katelyn and Seamus**

## **Our Out Of This World Trip to ScienceWorks !**

The 3/4 's went to Scienceworks on Wednesday, Week 2 of Term 2. We saw a supreme show about the Earth, Moon and Sun. We learnt about how far away the Earth, Moon and Sun are from each other using different sized spheres. We also went to Sportsworks and Think Ahead. Some of our favourite activities were designing a futuristic eco car, racing Cathy Freeman, virtual wheelchair racing and designing our future selves! We had an amazing trip to Scienceworks and we are very grateful to the teachers for a great time!



## **Maths - Creating and Interpreting Maps**

We have been learning about maps! We had to help Ash, a pokemon trainer to find Pikachu in a grid. It was hard to do! We had to use the grid reference and coordinates to move Ash around the space. We learnt that you always read the x axis before the y axis! Next we are going to create our own maps using grid references, cardinal directions and scale!



## **Humanities - The Blue Marble**

In Humanities we've been creating a slideshow about endangered animals. Using WWF Endangered Animals we selected our animals and then we researched and designed a presentation that we will share with our class. The Grade 3/4 community are also planning to raise money to donate to WWF. Stay tuned for more information. world environment day social media template [world environment day social media template \(2\).pdf](#) - link to poster



## **SEL - Character Strengths**



In Social Emotional Learning we have been learning about character strengths. Character strengths are bravery, leadership, kindness, perseverance, curiosity, love of learning, teamwork, zest among others. We have also been exploring our emotions and what we can do when we feel really strong emotions. Some of the strategies we use are: breathing deeply, mindfulness, forgiving people, having alone time and doing one of your hobbies.

## **Displaying Character Strengths at the Cross Country!**

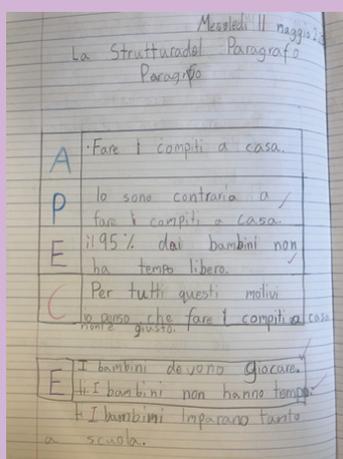




We had lots of fun at cross country! There were 44 students from BSPS that made it to the Districts and 5 then went on to make it to Division! The 9, 10's and 11 year olds did 2km and the 12 and 13 year olds ran 3km. At cross country there were six other schools who attended. We had to use bravery and perseverance to run against the other children that we didn't know.

### Scrittura

In Scrittura, we have been learning about how to structure persuasive paragraphs. We use the structure APEC. A - argument, P - point of view, E - evidence and explaining, C - conclusion. This is an easy way to remember the structure of a persuasive paragraph. We have been writing a persuasive text about why students must not have homework. We hope our persuasive text will work!



### onPsych is available at our school!



Do you find that your child is having emotional or behavioural issues? Are they struggling socially, academically? Brunswick South Primary School now has a registered mental health care social worker to support your child via Telehealth.

Raquel Ugarte is a registered mental health care social worker who specialises in child and adolescent mental health. Her services are provided at the school at **NO COST** through Medicare bulk billing or NDIS. She will work collaboratively with you, your child, and the teachers to maximise opportunities for positive growth.

If you believe that this might benefit you or your child, please contact the school office to request a Parent Pack for further information.

### National Sorry Day

On May 26th it is National Sorry Day. We have been learning about why it is important to remember this day. We listened to the Apology and made a sorry sun to honor the importance of this day.



### Year 5/6

Notizie dall' Environment leadership program

Ciao a tutti,

We are a group of students from grade 4 to 6. We are part of the Environment Leadership Program.

On Monday we had the privilege to spend the day with Kate from CERES.

In this workshop we brainstormed ways to make a more sustainable future, we watched some inspiring videos and learnt some important facts. We made an audit about our school rubbish and we are very proud to say we are doing really well.

We are minimizing our waste production.

We truly enjoyed the whole experience of testing our knowledge in how long it takes for rubbish to decompose. We can't wait to learn more about this and apply our knowledge to what we do at school.

**YEARS 5/6**

# PERFORMING ARTS

In teatro, students are exploring and improvising characters from a well-known story, 'Nel Paese Dei Mostri Selvaggi'.

Attenzione ci sono Mostri Selvaggi dappertutto in 1/2.



The BSPS community recently attended the District Cross Country event at Coburg Athletics Track last Thursday. 44 students caught the bus out to the track, full of nervous energy and excitement. We had a great day out cheering on all our runners. It was wonderful to see all the parents in attendance who could make it as well.

Our runners who represented the school at the event did themselves and the school proud. A massive congratulations goes to Taylor, Clem and Miller in the 9/10's age group, Darian in the 11's age group, and Henry W.K in the 12's age group for qualifying for the next event. The BSPS community wishes these 5 students all the best at the Divisional Cross Country event next Wednesday!

Thank you to all the students who participated in the try-outs at school. All the students' energy and engagement in our PE lessons at school so far has been outstanding.

For the remaining PE lessons this term, the 3-6 students will be completing an athletics program run by a coach from Athletics Australia. This will be a fantastic way to begin training and build excitement for the different sports of Athletics as we move towards our District Athletics event in term 3.



# PE

# STEM

Extreme Weather Unit - Grade 3/4 and Grade 5/6

This term, I am delivering a STEM unit on extreme weather in partnership with a visiting meteorologist, named David Crock, who is attending the school at different intervals to answer student questions and explain the causes of extreme weather events such as tropical cyclones, bushfires and floods.

Last week, the students tested their cyclone proof houses which they designed to withstand cyclone force winds. The students were given limited materials (particularly sticky tape) with which to build their houses, so they had to think creatively about the best way to use their resources. To test their houses, the students used a leaf blower to produce cyclone force winds, holding it at different distances from their house to create cyclones of different severity. Most of the students' houses survived a Category 1 cyclone (the least severe) but a lot of roofs and in some cases, exterior walls, were lost during the Category 5 cyclone (the most severe).

This week, the students switched their focus to the theme of bushfires. They considered what fire needs in order to start (heat, fuel and oxygen) and tested a range of different materials to see how flammable they were. David is also coming in on Friday to speak to the students about how bushfires start, the weather conditions that affect the spread of bushfires and Victoria's bushfire rating system.



# BSPS NOTICES

## ITALIAN CLASSES FOR PARENTS AT BSPS

Keep up with your children's Italian with classes for parents starting in Term 3!

So as we can tailor classes to suit, please complete the survey in the link below.

<https://airtable.com/shrkgLAdm4il1wtfd>

## ITALIAN NATIONAL DAY



The Committee of Italians in Victoria and Tasmania invites you to a community celebration for the 2022 Italian National Day.

**When: Sunday, 5 June 2022**

**Where: Brunswick South Primary School**

**Time: 11am to 4pm**

Plenty of engaging activities and entertainment will be on offer, including

Italian regional cooking demonstrations, music, dance, and performances.

Come and try some delicious Italian food and drinks and celebrate with us!



# SATURNALIA

## THE BEST OF TIMES

The Brunswick South Festival of light and merriment!

- ◇ amazing food ◇ open fires ◇ Ancient Roman competitions ◇
- ◇ dance parties ◇ roving entertainers ◇ stage show ◇
- ◇ Parade of Light ◇ Roman bar ◇ music and more! ◇

Tickets can be purchased at

[www.brunwicksouthwintersolstice.com.au](http://www.brunwicksouthwintersolstice.com.au)

**5-8pm Saturday**  
**June 18 2022**



**Adult**  
**tickets**  
**just \$5!**

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## Come and discover Capoeira in Brunswick South Primary School.

Capoeira is a Brazilian art form involving martial art, dance, acrobatics and musical elements. It was created by African people brought to Brazil as slaves in the 16th century and emerged from the need the slaves had to disguise their fight into a dance to the eyes of the unsuspecting slave masters.

From the abolition of slavery in 1888 until 1937, Capoeira remained illegal in Brazil. From the 1940s until the end of the military dictatorship in Brazil, while no longer being illegal, capoeira was badly seen by the Brazilian society. From the 1980s onwards, Capoeira has progressively been restored in the society to be inscribed as intangible cultural heritage by UNESCO in 2014.

Being a multi-disciplinary martial art, Capoeira's many benefits include:

- ◆ Increased self-esteem and self confidence
- ◆ Increased flexibility, motor coordination and body awareness skills
- ◆ Exposure to a new language and culture
- ◆ Rhythmics and music skills
- ◆ Sense of community, growing together in a helping and respectful environment

Capoeira is open to all, as a famous Capoeira master said: "Capoeira does not have creed, does not have colour, does not have flag, it is from the people, it will run through the world". - Mestre Canjiquinha

Our headmaster and advanced students all have valid Working with Children Checks.

**Classes are held as follow:**

**Wednesday:**

- ◆ Adults Capoeira Music from 6pm to 7pm,
- ◆ Adults Capoeira Movement from 7pm

**Thursday: Adults Capoeira Movement from 6.30pm to 7.30pm**

**Friday:**

- ◆ Kids Capoeira Movement from 5pm to 6pm
- ◆ Adults Capoeira Movement from 6.30pm to 7.30pm

**Saturday:**

- ◆ Kids Capoeira Movement from 10.30am to 11.30am
- ◆ Adults Capoeira Movement from 11.30pm to 1.30pm
- ◆ Adults Music from 1.30pm to 2.30pm

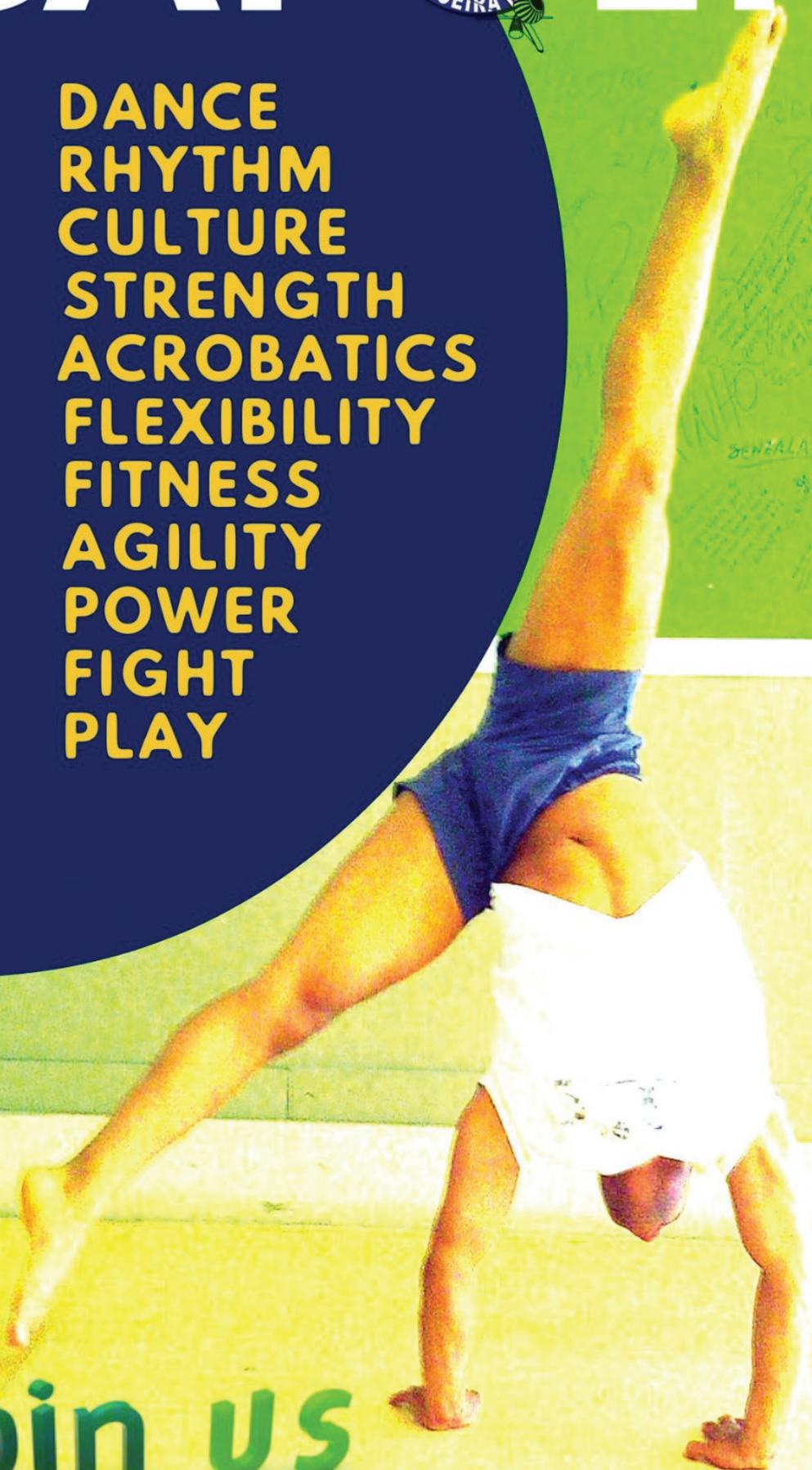
From the 3rd of June and until the end of Term 2, Brunswick Primary School students and their parents can attend one free trial class. Please register you interest via SMS at 0448801192 or via email at [mestreal@gmail.com](mailto:mestreal@gmail.com).

Students from Brunswick Primary School enrolling for Term 3 can benefit a 15% discount on their term fee.

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