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Brunswick South PRIMARY SCHOOL

imparare insieme ♦ creare insieme ♦ vivere insieme

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

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NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR DATES

AUGUST

Thurs 8 Kaboom Incursion

Mon 12 Science Week

Fri 16 Bullying No Way Day

Mon 19 Book Week

Tues 27 Student Led Conferences

1-7pm

Students dismissed at 12pm

SEPTEMBER

Thurs 13 R U Ok Day

Student Led Conferences

Tuesday 27 August

12.00pm Finish

ASSEMBLY DATES

Mon 5 August 9am YR 5/6 Hosting

Mon 26 August 9am YR 3/4 Hosting

Mon 9 September 9am Foundation Hosting

Fri 20 September 2pm YR 1/2 Hosting

LE NOTIZIE DI KRISTIE

*What a huge couple of weeks it's been! We've had our Year 5/6s rehearsing their play, the Italian choir practising their piece for the Zecchino D'Oro competition and students across the school writing poetry in both English and Italian. Art classes have been buzzing with students designing and sculpting their own vases and STEM classes have made solar ovens to melt (and eat) chocolate. It's wonderful to see the joy in our students as they take part in these expressions of creativity and collaborating with their peers. **Imparare insieme!***

Principals Conference

Sarah, Toby and I attended the Victorian Principals Conference on Monday. It was a great opportunity to network with colleagues from other schools and to hear from a range of inspiring speakers. One session in particular resonated with me, which explored the power of growth mindsets, forgiveness, trusting relationships and gratitude in fostering a culture of continuous learning. One provocation was to consider what 'forgiveness' really means in practice; that is, when we acknowledge some form of error or wrongdoing, we need to genuinely give ourselves/ others the opportunity to leave that moment behind and provide the support needed to return to the best version of ourselves. This applies in our work and lives as adults, but also in the way we model this with our young people at school and at home as well.

As humans, we're naturally wired to scan the world around us for the negatives and to filter for information that is important to us. If we make a conscious effort to retrain this natural disposition toward a positivity bias, we realise how much we have to be grateful for. A simple change we can all make is to make it a habit to share the three "best" things that happened during our day when we sit down together at the dinner table. It's often the smallest things that brighten our day, and when we're more attuned to noticing these things, they're actually everywhere! Grazie Chiara for holding the fort whilst we were out.

Soccer Goals

Students were very excited at lunchtime on Thursday when we cut the ribbon on our brand new soccer goals and Mary kicked the very first one! It was lovely to hear students saying thanks and demonstrating their gratitude as they tried them out for the first time. We'll be trialling a few different approaches over the next week or so to ensure all

students have fair access and get a turn to use the goals and the oval in general. Presently, the goals are set up "half-pitch" to allow basketball, footy and other games to be played as well. We'll soon be trialling a "full-pitch" set up to see which approach will work best. Thanks to those families who have contributed to our fundraising efforts -you have made this possible!



100 Days Of School

Today our Foundation students and families celebrated 100 days of school! Many dressed up as nonnas, nonnos and little old folks, and everyone had lots of fun taking part in special activities including counting, threading and then eating 100 Fruit Loops! Certificates were presented at an assembly where students posed proudly for photos to mark this important milestone. Thanks to Nancy, Ivana, Jarrod, Lucretzia and Liz for all their efforts in making it so special.

Congratulations

On behalf of the BPS community, I'd like to congratulate our very own Mackenzie Dunlop, who proudly represented our school at the School Sport Victoria regional and state cross country championship! Mac is an impressive athlete and is very passionate about sport. He is an excellent role model, showing great determination, outstanding sportsmanship and encouragement of others. It was an amazing achievement to reach the state level. Well done Mac! A future Olympian?!



2025 Enrolments

Applications for 2025 Foundation enrolment were due on Friday. We are currently expecting 55 Foundation students next year! If you have a child currently at the school and will be enrolling a sibling for next year, we'd appreciate it if you could please return your application form as soon as possible to assist us in our planning. Grazie!

**Have a wonderful weekend,
Kristie**

COMMUNITY AND FUNDRAISING

Ciao Down Friday

Term 3 has seen the triumphant return of Ciao Down Friday with a new format! Each Friday, classes take it in turns to host Ciao Down Friday. This involves each family from the rostered class providing treats (if possible), and volunteers from the class manning the stall. The first two Ciao Downs have been a massive hit, raising over \$300 each! The kids have really loved it, and it's provided a chance for parents to catch up! The schedule for the next few weeks is below:

2nd August - 1/2C

9th August - 1/2D

16th August - 1/2E

23rd August - 3/4A

Remember to pack gold coins for your kids every Friday so they can join in!



Fathers and Special Persons Day

Friday 30th August will be the day where the kids will celebrate all the dads and other special people in their lives.

In the morning, from 8:30 there will be the coffee cart and a bake stall. We would love all our dads, step-dads, grandfathers, Nonni and other special people to be there, so please put the date in your diaries!

Following this will be the stall for the kids to buy a gift for their special person. Volunteers are needed from 0900-1200 to help with the stall. If you can help for all or some of the time, please email your availability to Cordelia crrussell@zoo.org.au

Festa di Primavera

The Festa di Primavera (Spring Festa) is locked in to happen on Saturday 19th October from 2-6pm. We will be calling out for helpers on the day closer to the date, but in the meantime we would love you to start collecting the following:

- Glass jars of all shapes and sizes (washed)
- Clothes, books and toys that are pre-loved but still in good condition
- Seedlings (further info on seed raising is available here: <https://www.abc.net.au/gardening/how-to/seed-raising-101/9438448>)

Want to help? The CAF committee is a small but committed group of parents. If you'd like to join the committee, please contact Stef stefanie.zugna@gmail.com

Stefanie Zugna

Community and Fundraising



Festa di Primavera

Save The Date
Saturday 19th October
2-6pm.

FOUNDATION

Our Foundation students have reached an exciting milestone— **100 days of school!** They've explored new concepts, built strong friendships, and grown in both academic skills and social-emotional learning. Their enthusiasm and progress have been truly inspiring. Here's to celebrating their achievements and looking forward to many more wonderful days ahead!

We asked some of the kids about their favourite memories of school life so far:

"My favourite class is Sport. We went on the big oval and had a race and you go run, run, and run." - **Talie.**

"My favourite thing I've learnt is Mathematics. I like playing Mathematics games." - **Ada**

"I like Stem. We played games and made pipe rockets." - **Gil**

"I've learnt how to read small words and how to read the title of the school." - **Otto**

"We've learnt how to put stuff in order and writing and how to do clay." - **Anouk**

"I've liked learning about teen numbers and I like that I get to see my friends." - **Scarlett**

Foundation's 100 Days of School Celebration

Yesterday we celebrated our 100th day of school at Brunswick South, and what a **fantastico, magnifico, eccellente** day it was! We started the day with a wonderful assembly for our Foundation families and finished it with a memorable reflection of all our learnings and achievements.

We can't wait to see what's in store for us during the next 100 days of school!



Literacy:

In YR 1/2 the students have been exploring, reading and writing poems. The students have discovered that poems can have rhythm, rhyme, and certain rules as well as some features we have explored in literacy earlier in the year like alliteration, repetition and onomatopoeia.

We have written poems about our beloved pets and favourite colours. Even this week, some students have attempted writing haikus which has been a lot of fun.

Math:

This week, we have started our new unit on Multiplicative Thinking. A lot of students are enjoying the new challenge and relishing the chance to use our math manipulatives to show their understanding of equal groups and sharing fairly.

We also just completed a week of identifying and using 2D shapes. The students completed some great shape art by the end of the short unit.

Unit of Work: Celebrating Differences

Our Unit of Work focus for this term is 'Celebrating Differences'. We will be exploring (and celebrating) everything that makes us different, how Australia is a multicultural society and looking around the world at some of the biggest and most interesting cultural events like Carnivale, Chinese New Year and Ramadan. Expect a few questions to come home from the students about your cultural heritage as we share all the amazing differences within our own classes!



YEARS 1/2

MATHS

Maths in the Junior Area—**Anthony Vanzella 1/2E**

In Maths today we are learning about 2D shapes. The 'D' stands for dimensional. They are 2D since they only have height and length. On shapes there are corners and sides.

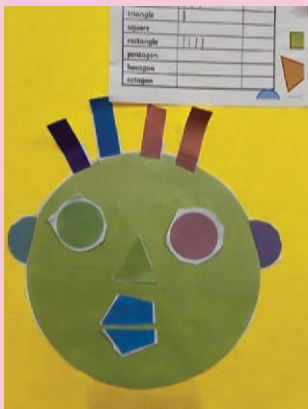
We can show our thinking by drawing a picture, doing quizzes, spotting 2D shapes around the school, writing number sentences and using strategies.

We know that we have had a good lesson when we have learnt new things, when there is something new in your brain.

Our favourite thing about our Maths lessons are that you get to have fun with numbers and shapes. The teachers always make a way to make it interesting and sometimes fun. Sometimes teachers will make stories with the Maths problems in them. It is also fun to play with Maths materials.

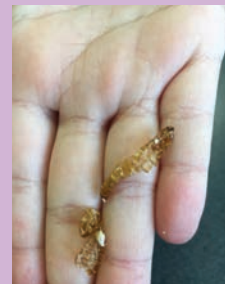
Something we find challenging about Maths is when we get frustrated by not knowing things yet!

Maths is so fun because you get to play around with numbers and shapes

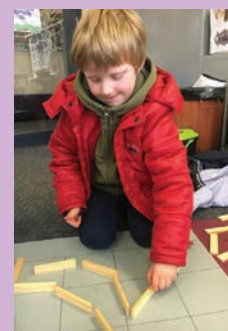


This term the Year 1/2 students are studying Biology/ living things.

The students were very excited to meet their new STEM pets, the mealworms. Each student received 2 mealworms and a baby book to record any changes that occurred in the mealworms. They weighed their mealworm in milligrams and measured their mealworm in millimetres. The largest mealworm was 37cm in length with a mass of 30 mg. The students also observed their mealworms shedding their exoskeleton and growing a new one. Do you know that mealworms can shed their exoskeleton up to 20 times?



This term, the Foundation students are studying movement and force. They are learning that force is a push or a pull on an object and are participating in a series of activities that demonstrate the many different ways an object can be pushed and pulled. They have launched rockets with air pressure (their breath) and used air pressure to push a marble and pom pom around an obstacle course. They have also attached magnets to toy cars and used magnetic force to push and pull the cars around the room. They learned that magnets can repel and attract and that this creates force.



STEM



COMMUNITY NOTICES



You're invited to join the party! I will be attending All Girls Auskick in term 3 and I want you to join me!

This is a 5 week party full of footy and fun with lots of giveaways, prizes and awesome Auskick activities.

let's party!

Carlton ALL GIRLS Auskick Centre

August 15th - September 12th

Thursdays 4:30pm - 5:30pm

Princes Park, Carlton

Brunswick South PS discount code 24D2536C for \$10 off!

To register, scan the QR Code at the top of the page or click here!



play.afl/auskick

Sunday

Artisan Market

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

MARGADH

A Place to Buy & Sell

Sunday 8th December 11am - 4pm

Lomond Hotel

225 Nicholson St Brunswick East

24 stalls for creators, makers, designers & producers.

Contact: mandi@lowielive.com



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COASIT

Italian Assistance Association Melbourne

<https://www.coasit.com.au/>



Supporting young people with transition from primary to secondary school

A free online webinar for Parents and Carers

headspace Schools & Communities would like to invite you to attend a Mental Health Education session for Parents and Carers.

This session will cover:

- Mental health and wellbeing in adolescence
- How to have conversations with young people about their mental health and wellbeing
- Noticing signs that a young person might be going through a tough time and struggling with their transition out of school
- Identifying strategies to connect and communicate with young people
- Increasing knowledge about how to support them during this transition period and where to access professional support.

Where: Online via Zoom

When:

- Session 1: Tues 3 Sept, 6 - 7PM AEST
- Session 2: Thur 5 Sept, 8 - 9PM AEST

How to register:

Click [here](#) or scan the QR Code below to register by selecting your preferred date and time through Eventbrite.



After registering, you'll receive a confirmation email from Eventbrite which will include the Zoom meeting link to access the webinar.

Need more information?

Email us: MHEP@headspace.org.au



COMMUNITY NOTICES



THANKS TO THESE BUSINESSES FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL



PREVENT BULLYING & EMPOWER CHILDREN

FREE WEBINAR

THU 29TH AUGUST
7:30-8:30PM

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

- THE SOCIAL PHENOMENA BEHIND BULLYING**
Gain insight into underlying social factors that contribute to poor behaviour and bullying in schools, moving beyond simply labelling specific children as 'the problem'.
- EMPOWERING STUDENT SOLUTIONS**
Discover practical strategies to allow children to identify issues affecting them, and actively develop their own impactful solutions to prevent and respond to poor behaviours.
- EFFECTIVE BULLYING RESPONSES**
Learn to engage and support children who are either experiencing or witnessing bullying, equipping yourself with the tools needed to create positive social change.



DR ZACH GREIG
THE STAND UP PROJECT

Dr. Zach Greig holds a PhD in Community Empowerment, and has nearly 20 years of experience researching and working with community members. He founded The Stand Up Project (SUP) in 2019 – a student leadership program designed to reduce discrimination, harassment, and bullying. Dr. Greig helps to foster positive social change through Upstander Training, which empowers young people to stand up for themselves and others.

thestandupproject.com

FREE SESSION



ENROL TO ATTEND

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★★★★★
"SUP's student leadership and empowerment model is an important part of the solution in addressing poor behaviour in schools."
Principal

★★★★★
"Dr. Zach Greig has created a truly ground-breaking and impactful program. His approach and guidance are so simple, but make so much sense."
Sam Hoath, TeamKids Founding Director

★★★★★
"The Stand Up Project is amazing. I can't wait to teach others how to be an Upstander."
Grade 6 Student

Team Kids

SCIENCE WEEK

12-16TH AUG

EDUCATORS
PARENTS
CHILDREN