

Brunswick East Primary School

Newsletter 5 | 27th June | 2024



Message from the Principal

Dear BEPS families,

I can't believe we are at the end of Term 2! What a huge term it has been. Thank you to everyone who has made me feel so welcome over that time. I have gotten to know at least most of the wonderful faces at BEPS and love walking around the yard seeing all the smiles and Taylor Swift t-shirts (as well as the Chickens of BEPS)

Thank you to all of our teachers who have stayed late over 3 nights to run 3-way conferences. There was an average booking of 1.42 bookings per household! (Siblings and Curiosita increase our numbers) which is an amazing turn out from families. This tells me just how much you all value your children's education.

Last week we held our camp information session which was well attended. The expression of interest (due back today) and the PowerPoint was also emailed to families afterwards. Staff also went through this with students so I am confident everyone is really well informed!

The production preparation continues, with rehearsals, costume fittings and prop making. Please note that due to production there will be no Gatherings for the first 4 weeks. Friday Markets will also trial a fortnightly setting in an effort to reduce stress on families.

You may have heard the announcement that Phonics will be taught across P-2 in 2025 in all schools. This was already a school priority for BEPS moving forward and we await further information in Term 3 on the professional learning and delivery format of this. We also will be implementing the Maths 2.0 curriculum from next term and the English 2.0 curriculum from the beginning of 2025. The first day back of term is a curriculum day for the staff to continue their professional learning on Maths 2.0 as well as learning around the BEPS instructional model.



Finally, a reminder that today is the last day of term. Monday 15th July is a Curriculum Day.

Have a safe and Happy Holidays, Erin



Gathering Dates

There will be NO GATHERING for the first 4 weeks of Term 3 due to Production
Thank you for understanding

Market Dates (Fortnightly)

19th July – COMBINED 456 Market
2nd August – Terra Verde Market
16th August – Bicicletta Market

REMINDER:

Students are to switch their mobile phones off during school hours. Wearable devices need to be in school mode.

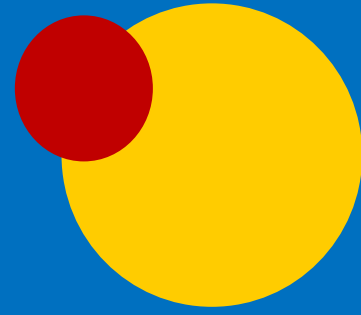
Fundraising Updates

Friday Market Totals Learning Communities

Triciclo Market \$543.45
Production Market (only \$100 to the school to cover BBQ Costs) \$1004.75
Plus a donation from a family of \$262



Prep Enrolments for 2025



Do you have a child starting at BEPS in 2025?

Please ensure you get an enrolment form from the office ASAP.

Enrolments for 2025 close on the 26th July.

Brunswick East PS Sustainability update

Brunswick East has recently re-joined the Resource Smart Schools Program. Resource Smart Schools is a program offered by Sustainability Victoria that supports Victorian schools to embed sustainability across their facilities community and curriculum, while saving resources and money. Here at BEPS we are learning and practicing ways to integrate sustainability.

We are currently working on our Resource Smart Core module. In Term 3 we will conduct a Biodiversity audit and work on creating a 4 year Environmental management plan for the school. Great work everyone. Here are some ideas to help everyone become more sustainable at home.



7 Ways to make your home more sustainable

1. Create a compost bin of kitchen scraps.
2. Plant locally native species. You can have a garden that works with your climate without compromising on style by using resilient indigenous plants.
3. Use cold water when washing your clothes
4. Line-dry your clothes
5. Switch to energy efficient light bulbs
6. Say “No” to single use plastics

OSCH UPDATE



Hello and happy last day of term from OSHC!

Thank you children, families and staff for an amazing term 2! Here are some photos of a few of our favourite activities from the term 😊

OSHC is running an upcoming curriculum day on the first day of Term 3 (teacher-only day) on Monday the 15th of July. We will be open from 8AM-6PM and the day will be full of lots of fun activities, including making air dry clay magnets, decorating your own pizzas, rising bikes and scooters, recyclable craft, watching movies and more! If you have any suggestions of activities you'd like to do on the day, please don't hesitate to reach out because we'd love to include them all! Please let Rena know as soon as possible if you'd like to book your child in for this day. Please contact 0409 380 202.

BEPS OSHC does not run school holiday program- but Merri-bek Council does, so if your child needs last minute care over the school holidays please head over to their School Holiday Program page on their website.

We hope you all have a wonderful school holidays and we'll see you back at OSHC soon!

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

The BEPS School Council had its final meeting for Term 2 on Tuesday, June 18th. It has been a busy and productive term for the School Council. Here are some of the key things the School Council, together with the subcommittees, have been working on:

Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP)

We discussed the ongoing valued work of the RAP subcommittee in advancing the development and endorsement of the school's RAP. It was agreed that all School Council members should undertake Culturally Responsive Training as part of the school's RAP. The School Council is also exploring the possibility of creating a community member position to provide First Nations people with a seat on the School Council.

Fundraising and Community Building

The Fundraising and Community Building subcommittee held an information session to encourage involvement in the Twilight Market on Monday, June 17th. It was great to see a positive turnout from both new and longstanding parents. Preparations for the upcoming production are also underway, including the T-shirt fundraising initiative.

Out of School Hours Care (OSHC)

The OSHC subcommittee is currently reviewing and updating various policies.

Building and Grounds

The Building and Grounds subcommittee is busy preparing a submission for the Victoria School Building Authority (VSBA) Capital Works Grant, focusing on redeveloping the 'Colourful' playground. Fingers crossed, everyone! Other grant applications in progress include the Healthy Harold and Bakers Delight Grant for the kitchen garden. Unfortunately, we were unsuccessful in our recent Victoria Schools Garden Program grant application, although we did receive a \$250 gardening voucher which can be used to fund some planting at the next working bee. We can try our luck again next year! The school is also in the process of initiating cleanup efforts along the Nicholson Street frontage, with Nelson Alexander generously agreeing to donate an enrolment/ school promotional board in addition to the board they already provided for the Twilight Market.

The School Council expresses its thanks to all those in the subcommittees and school community for their hard work and contributions.

The next School Council meeting will be on Tuesday, August 20th.

THE PYJAMA FOUNDATION

NATIONAL
Pyjama Day

**WEAR YOUR PYJAMAS TO
SCHOOL**

Bring a gold coin donation for
foster kids.

FRIDAY 19TH JULY

First Friday of term 3

WHAT YOU CAN DONATE

CASH

We accept \$1 or \$2 coins. Half of
the profits go to foster kids, and
the other half goes to the school.

THANK YOU

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