



# Burwood Heights Primary School



Primary Years  
Programme

Issue 11

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2022

Burwood Heights Primary School's goal is to educate the whole child.  
Our students are at the heart of everything we do.

MONDAY	18 <sup>TH</sup> JULY	SCHOOL COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY & TUESDAY	18 <sup>TH</sup> AND 19 <sup>TH</sup> JULY	FOOD HEROES – INCURSION – MIDDLE & SENIOR SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY	20 <sup>TH</sup> JULY	SCHOOL COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING
MON-FRIDAY	25 <sup>TH</sup> TO 29 <sup>TH</sup> JULY	PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS
MONDAY	25 <sup>TH</sup> JULY	INCURSION - "TALKING ABOUT MONEY" – SENIOR SCHOOL
MONDAY	1 <sup>ST</sup> AUGUST	SCHOOL COUNCIL
MONDAY	1 <sup>ST</sup> AUGUST	INCURSION - "TALKING ABOUT MONEY" – SENIOR SCHOOL
THURSDAY	4 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST	STAR GAZING EVENING 5.30PM
MONDAY	8 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST	ICAS – DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES
WEDNESDAY	10 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST	ICAS - WRITING
FRIDAY	12 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST	INCURSION – "PERFORM EDUCATION" – BOOK WEEK
TUESDAY	16 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST	ICAS- ENGLISH
MONDAY	22 <sup>ND</sup> AUGUST	ICAS - SCIENCE
WEDNESDAY	24 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST	READ IN BED DAY – BOOK WEEK
FRIDAY	26 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST	BOOK PARADE – BOOK WEEK
MONDAY	29 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST	ICAS – MATHEMATICS (MIDDLE SCHOOL)
MONDAY - FRIDAY	29 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST TO 2 <sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER	SENIOR SCHOOL CAMP - BEECHWORTH
MONDAY	5 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	SCHOOL COUNCIL
FRIDAY	9 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	DISTRICT ATHLETICS – KNOX ATHLETICS TRACK
THURSDAY	15 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	INTERIM REPORTS TO PARENTS LAST DAY OF TERM THREE – DISMISSAL AT 3.30PM
FRIDAY	16 <sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER	CURRICULUM DAY
MONDAY	3 <sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER	SCHOOL RESUMES



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## **FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

### **WELCOME BACK TO TERM THREE 2022**

I warmly welcome new families to our wonderful school and kindergarten and welcome back those families who are returning after the school holiday break. I hope you enjoyed not having to have your lives dictated by the “clock” and were able to take a more leisurely approach to each day.

Unfortunately, the shadow of another outbreak of the COVID-19 virus, albeit a different strain from the original coronavirus, is a current danger. According to the medical experts the new COVID subvariants BA.4 and BA.5 are the most contagious yet. The latest variants are masters at evading immunity – meaning previous infection and vaccines are unlikely to provide much protection against catching it and we all need to be as careful as we can to ensure Term Three can be an absent-free term for students and staff. These strains of COVID are expected to become the dominant strains in Australia in the coming weeks. A study has shown them to be almost six times more infectious than the original Wuhan strain of coronavirus.

The fear is that the increase in the number of people infected will lead to an increase in hospitalization and deaths.

As part of minimising the risk of coronavirus transmission, we will have the following in place until further notified of changes:

- Parents and carers may come on to school grounds to help their child to make their way to the appropriate line-up area or school building entry point; however, parents and carers must not enter school buildings at this stage.
- Staff will be at the main entrances of the building from 8:50am.
- Just like if you are out in public, it is advisable that you wear a face mask if entering the school.
- If parents would like to speak with their child’s teacher, they need to make an appointment with them via Class Dojo or by contacting the school.
- Parent/Teacher Interviews will be conducted on-site, unless otherwise requested by the parent. Staff will be able to accommodate one family at a time in the classroom. Masks are requested to be worn by parents.
- Student hand hygiene will continue to be promoted and students are encouraged to wear masks.
- Enhanced ventilation will continue.

It is important that we all adhere to the restrictions that are in place for everyone’s safety.

**By working together, we will minimise the spread of the new strain of coronavirus.**

### ***TERM THREE STAFF CHANGES***

**Ms Clare Matthews** will be commencing maternity leave in a few weeks as she prepares for the birth of her baby. I thank Ms Matthews for all that she has brought to the Senior School this year and wish her all the very best in this next phase of her life. We are all looking forward to meeting the new addition to her family when the time is right for a visit.

It is with pleasure we welcome **Mr Julien Miet** back from six months leave, where he and his wife, Jo, and their four children toured around Australia during this time. It was indeed an adventure for all. Mr Miet will resume his teaching responsibilities in the Senior School.

**Mrs Jo Miet** is joining us on staff once more and will be teaching students in the Junior School.

**Mrs Rebekah Volz** has returned in a part-time capacity (as well as “Pippa”).

### ***FREE KINDERGARTEN IN 2023***



The introduction of a FREE Three-Year-Old kindergarten for fifteen hours per week as well as a FREE Four-Year-Old kindergarten programme means more children will hopefully have opportunities to participate in a programme led and delivered by a Qualified Teachers for two years, and fewer will miss out due to financial barriers.

Families will need to consider when the right time is for their child to attend as children are only eligible for one year of funded Three-Year-Old Kindergarten. This needs to be in line with the school starting age in Victoria, which stipulates children born between January and April can start school at four years of age.

Children who are still two years of age at the beginning of the year, will be unable to commence Three-year-old kindergarten until they turn three-years-of age (before 30<sup>th</sup> April).

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the school on 9803 8311.



## **THANK YOU FOREST HILL LIONS CLUB**

The Forest Hill Lions Club has supported our school in a myriad of ways. Our first washing machine and dryer were donated by the Lions Club, when we commenced our Homecrafts Programme over two decades ago. Recently we received a most generous donation and have purchased an outdoor student setting.

The Forest Hill Lions Club is fifty-two years old. Currently the Club has nine members and hopes to build their membership by at least six more. Over time the number of members has diminished significantly and recently it was thought the Club would have to close, but due to the commitment of these few, the Club will continue to support the community into the future.

Recent fundraising projects have included the traditional Bunnings Barbeques, a Golf Day and the sale of Christmas Cakes and puddings. Care Packages have been donated to residents of Retirement Villages, Encouragement Awards and Camps for students, donations to Macular Degeneration and other medical research projects and numerous other areas of need in our local and wider community. **The future of the Forest Hill Lions Club is looking brighter than it did a short time ago, but more volunteers are still needed to join this most worthy of Clubs.**

**Please make enquiries to President Marguerite by phone or text message on 0425 708 732.**

### **REMINDER - PARKING RESTRICTIONS**



Having **school crossings** are extremely important in providing a safe environment for our students. To support the school crossing supervisors and to improve pedestrian safety outside our school, several parking restrictions are in place, including “**No Stopping**” areas. The “**No Stopping**” areas are in place to improve sight lines for motorists and school crossing supervisors to maximise the crossing’s exposure and safety of pedestrians.

**The two-minute signs mean TWO MINUTES between the following times 8.30am to 9.15 am and 3.15 pm to 4.00pm.** Your child should be “dropped off” and you should not need to alight from the car. If you need to enter the school, please do not park in the two-minute parking area.

Please be aware that **you must always park legally**. We have been advised that authorised officers will be patrolling school crossings.

## ***MARKET DAY STALL WAS A HUGE SUCCESS YESTERDAY!***

The Market Day Stall commenced in 2018 when our school decided to join United World Schools (UWS) and become a partner school with a school in the remote village of Gufa in Nepal, through the Global Citizenship Award programme.

The United World Schools (UWS) is an organisation which assists countries to provide an education for their children and young people. There are currently one hundred schools running across three countries due to the support of other countries. Over 18,000 children have now had access to free primary education and over five hundred teachers are delivering lessons on everything from the importance of hand washing, teaching Nepali and English to Mathematics and Science.

Gufa village is in Eastern Nepal in the Sankuwasaba district in the foothills of the Himalayas. It is incredibly remote and, before UWS arrived, the community had no power and no access to any form of education. This photo is of the children having a lesson in their natural environment, when we first partnered with them.



Gufa is the largest village within a network of four hamlets. Unlike villages in England, the communities in Eastern Nepal must be quite spread out to ensure that they have enough land to grow their own food. The people who live in Gufa are predominately Buddhist or Hindu, while Tamang is the community's local language.

How the students and the community have assisted Gufa is by raising funds. We had set a realistic fundraising target of \$1,200, in 2018. To achieve this, students were set a research task that formed part of the 'learn' section of the Global Citizenship Award.

The Award part of this project (bronze award), students must show that they have 'shared' and 'acted', the acting part relating to our fundraising goal. For example, students can bake a cake for a cake sale, take part in a sponsored run round the school, help a neighbour by mowing their lawn and many other fundraising activities. Here we have all our Senior School students participate in holding a “Market Day Stall” to raise the funds. Each year we have surpassed our fundraising goal. Yesterday \$2,500 was raised. The response by all the students was overwhelming. Memories were created yesterday that will last a lifetime.

***WELL DONE TO OUR INCREDIBLE SENIOR SCHOOL STUDENTS AND STAFF***

## *DONATION TO GUIDE DOGS VICTORIA*



The Student Representative Council donated \$380.10 to the Guide Dogs Victoria in June. A letter, on behalf of everyone at Guide Dogs Victoria was received thanking the students for this generous donation, which will help towards changing a person's life, who is living with low vision or blindness. The training of a Guide Dog helps provide safety, independence, and confidence for a person with limited or no sight.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!**

## *CAMPS, SPORTS, AND EXCURSIONS FUND APPLICATIONS*



Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports, and Excursions Fund (CSEF) will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational, and fun activities. CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps, and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student will be:

1. \$125 for primary school students
2. \$225 for secondary school students.

### **How to Apply**

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef). Closing date is 12<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

**HIGH IMPORTANCE**

***“BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE SERVICE - “THEIRCARE”.***



“TheirCare is our “Before and After School Care provider” and all students who are at school before 8.35am and after 3.45pm must attend this service unless a parent/guardian is in attendance with the student.

Staff members are on yard duty from 8.35am and until 3.45pm.as required by Department regulations to ensure your child’s safety.

**Please contact TheirCare if you need to have your child booked into Before or After School Care on 0487 004 078 during session times and, for all other times, 1300 072 410.**



Congratulations to the following students who will receive an award at assembly on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July:

Prep M	Ellie Yip and Harper Zwagerman
Prep S	Prisha Choudhary and Ezra Polomack-Barber
Prep T	Zoe Karim and Raeden Stewart
1/2D	Ava Bradac and Shaurya Panchal
1/2F	Zoe Bradac and Owen Montesano
1/2M	Mayumi Guzman and River Li
1/2S	Elizana Baalbaki and Aaryan Mule
1/2W	Arjav Singh and Dyon Nakandalage Don
3/4A	Alexandra Liouliakis and Joseph Kapellakis
3/4P	Lekshu Palaka and Ryder Suckling
3/4S	Jeremiah Prior and Shaaz Karedia
3/4W	Russell Ng and Jordan Singh
5/6C	Brandon Tan and Tilly Benson
5/6L	Zoe Clarke and Eddie Forrester
5/6M	Beatrice Tran and Francesca Baeppler
5/6P	Asher Lobb and Lachlan Sultana

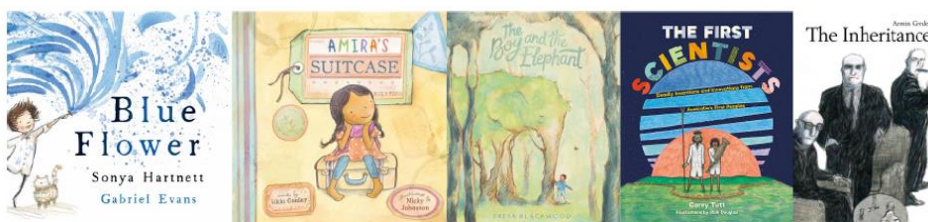


# Book Week Celebrations 2022

Each year, across Australia, the Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) brings children and books together celebrating CBCA Book Week. Throughout the year, the CBCA works in partnership with authors, illustrators, publishers, booksellers, and other organisations to bring words, images and stories into the hearts and minds of children and adults.

## Friday August 12<sup>th</sup> 2022 - 'Perform! Education' Book Week Performance

Join Marley on her new **STORY QUEST** adventure as part of **CBCA Book Week 2022** and celebrating the **CBCA Book Week 2022 theme: "Dreaming With Eyes Open..."**. Students will be immersed into the storytelling and interaction with the books featured from the **CBCA 2022 shortlist** woven into an engaging, original narrative filled with music, adventure and intrigue! **Featuring these CBCA Shortlisted Books:**



## CBCA BOOK WEEK

20<sup>th</sup> -26<sup>th</sup> August 2022

Burwood Heights Primary School and Kindergarten will be celebrating Book Week with many fun events, including:

### Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2022

#### *Read in Bed Day*

Students can attend school in their pyjamas! They will be reading Book Week books and sharing stories with their buddy classes.

### Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2022

#### *Book Parade*

Students come to school dressed up as their favourite character from a book. Students will be able to show-off their costumes to their peers through a special book parade. Prizes will be given for the most creative costumes.



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# Homecrafts Kitchen

## Winter Soup

This soup is quick easy to make and is ideal for those days when time is running short!

### Ingredients

- 1 tbs olive oil
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 long red chilli, seeds removed, finely chopped
- 1 celery stalk, chopped
- 1 carrot, chopped
- 1 tsp ground cumin
- 1 tsp ground coriander
- 1 cup red lentils, rinsed, drained
- 1L (4 cups) chicken or vegetable stock
- Low-fat natural yoghurt, to serve

### Method

1. Heat the olive oil in a large saucepan over medium heat, add the onion, chilli, celery and carrot. Cook for 2-3 minutes.
2. Add cumin and coriander and cook, stirring, for a further minute.
3. Add the red lentils and chicken or vegetable stock, bring to boil and simmer for 8-10 minutes or until lentils are tender.
4. Season with salt and pepper.
5. Serve in bowls with a dollop of yoghurt.

Enjoy!

