

Bellaire Primary School

2024 Prep Parent Information Night (March)

Welcome!



Principal	Assistant Principal (P-2)	Assistant Principal (3-6)	Learning Specialist (P-2)	Learning Specialist (3-6)	Inclusion Leader
Mrs Suzanne Prendergast	Mr Ben Raidme	Mrs Abbey Loney	Mrs Lauren Rau	Mrs Amanda Galluccio	Mrs Alex Forssman



2023 Prep Teachers

Miss Tamika Moor (Leader)	Mrs Hannah Herman	Miss Matilda Fitzgerald	Mrs Heather McArthur
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School Captains

Tonight we are lucky enough to have our School Captains here who will also assist with the school tours.



2023 School Captains			
Ryan	Molly	Owen	Maddie

Our School in 2023

Prep → 4 classes

Year 1 → 4 classes

Year 2 → 5 classes

Year 3 → 4 classes

Year 4 → 4 classes

Year 5 → 4 classes

Year 6 → 5 classes

Total → 644 students



Specialists - Art, PE, French, Music and STEAM (*Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Mathematics*)

Our School - continued...

- Strong focus on student wellbeing
- High expectations for student learning
- Strong relationships between school and home
- Wide range of educational and extra-curricular opportunities
- Collaborative learning communities



Our day - example included

8:55am	Music to signal start of day begins
9.00am	Session 1 - Reading
10:00am	Session 2 - Writing
11:00am	Recess
11:30am	Session 3 - Maths
12:30pm	Session 4 - STEAM
1:30pm	Eating Time
1:45pm	Lunch
2:30pm	Session 5 - Inquiry
3:30pm	End of School Day

Victorian Curriculum

- English (Reading and Writing)
- Mathematics
- Inquiry
- Values and Relationships
- Learning to Learn
- Physical Education
- Art
- STEAM
- French



Student Wellbeing

- We take time to get to know student's interests, build strong relationships, and develop a love of learning
- Whole-school approach to promoting and explicitly teaching appropriate and positive behaviours - linked to our school's values. Teaching, modelling and reinforcing positive social behaviour.
- Values (Values Tree) - *Responsibility, Integrity, Resilience, Respect, Confidence, Compassion, Acceptance*
- Restorative Practice - we work with students about situations and discuss their feelings, the impact their actions have on others, feeling and how we can resolve it together.
- Assistant Principals - Student Support / Wellbeing
- Inclusive Practices Learning Specialist - Mrs Alex Forssman (coaching teachers to strengthen inclusive practices)



Student Support - some examples

Classroom
Teachers



Health &
Wellbeing
lessons 1 hr
per week

Instructional
coaching



At Bellaire we have two
Goodles that are
trained well-being /
therapy dogs (Lead the
Way Institute) within
the school.

Transitions

Referral
Processes

Oral
Language
development



Link and Vinnie visit the
school regularly, we ask
parents to contact the
school if parents do not
want the dogs to be in
contact with their child.
We will also not take to
dogs near students who
do not wish to touch
them.

Buddies

All of our Preps are paired with a Year 6 Buddy.

The Year 6 buddies are so excited to meet their buddies.

This happens during the Transition sessions (later on in the year).



School Communication

We have a number of different forms of communication in order to cater to the different needs of people.

At Bellaire PS we have the following forms of communication:



SEESAW - the Seesaw App allows us to share student work through a private and secure platform.



SENTRAL – Sentral is an administrative program which allows us to update our calendar, monitor attendance, publish student reports, and log First Aid concerns. Once your child starts at Bellaire, you will receive a login for Sentral. Sentral is also available in app form.

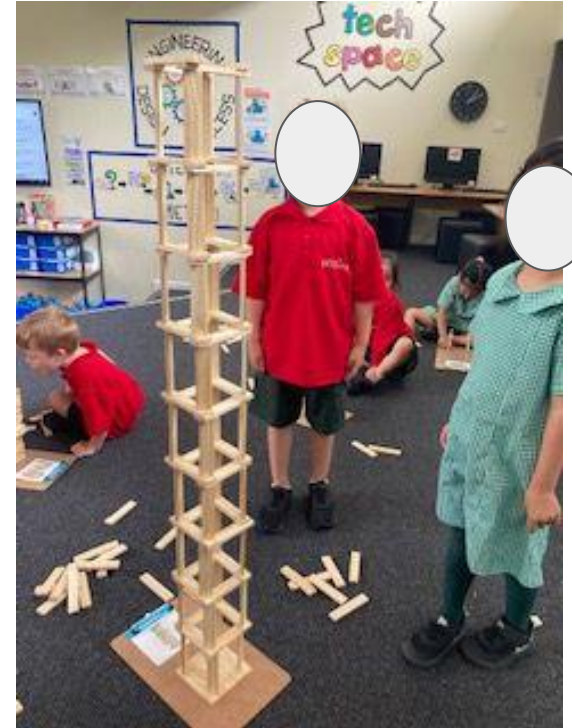


WEBSITE – our school website holds whole school information and a school calendar. This is where you will find our fortnightly newsletter.

Uniforms

We expect all students at Bellaire PS to wear the uniform every day.

- Comfortable school shoes (runners allowed)
- School hats when the UV Index rating is >3 (Term 1 and 4)
- Please label your child's clothing with their full name. Especially their hat!
- Pack a change of clothes especially underpants and socks.



School Build

In 2020 we received funding to improve the classrooms in the school.

The building works start this term. We aim to minimise the impact on our Prep students in particular.



OSHC: Out of School Hours Care

OSHC operates from Monday to Friday each week.

- **MORNING SESSION:** 7.30AM – 8.45AM
- **AFTERNOON SESSION:** 3.30PM – 6 PM

We have a dedicated staff who love to do different activities with the students - including games, cooking, sewing, computer based activities and much more. We offer a planned, flexible and balanced program which will respond to children's interests, needs and stages of development.

If you are interested in enrolling your child in this service, please contact the School Office.



We have a wonderful parents group within the school. We encourage parent and community involvement in the school. Our Parents group will speak at our information night in Term 4.



Zoning and Enrolment

Information about school zones please use the website - <https://www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au/>

IN ZONE - if you live within our school zone you are guaranteed acceptance to our school.

OUT OF ZONE - if you are not in our zone you are still able to submit an enrolment form.

At the start of Term 2 we will send out acceptance letters to all families confirming enrolment at Bellaire Primary School. Depending on numbers, *some students* who are not in our zone may be accepted.

Find my School

Enter your address to get started:

Enrolment year:

2022 2023

School type:

Primary Secondary Specialist

Search for school:

Transition: Kinder to School

Moving from Kindergarten to school is an exciting time for children and their parents - but it can also be a bit daunting.

The more informed and involved you are in your child's preparation, the more likely the transition will be positive.

We look forward to making the transition a positive experience for you and your child.



Transition Dates: Term 4

Montpellier PS, Highton PS and Bellaire PS all hold their transition times on the same day.

This year the transition dates are -

- Wednesday 1st November
- Thursday 9th November
- Friday 17th November

the exact times on these days are yet to be determined.



TOUR & other options

We will now go for a **tour around the school** if you wish. Please feel free to ask questions about the school as we go.

If you require further information or a tour / meeting with me please contact the office.

All information regarding enrolment and also other information about the school can be found on our website.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME TONIGHT