



Fields Focus

Friday 19th April 2024

Week 1 Term 2

Principal's Message

Dear Berwick Fields Primary School community I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and thank you all for welcoming me to the Berwick Fields community, I have enjoyed my first week very much.

You may have noticed me on an entrance gate, seen me in the yard or had me pop into your classroom.


If you see me around please introduce yourself and tell me a little bit about you.

A little bit about me:

I have come to Berwick Fields Primary School after working previously in nearby secondary schools, teaching and leading in the City of Casey for nearly 20 years. I am really looking forward to the opportunity to work with younger students and their families.

I am a PE and Science teacher and am passionate about Health, Wellbeing, Learning and community. I have a background in sport coaching and have coached at junior and senior levels both locally and at a representative level.

I come to Berwick Fields with the intention to embed myself in the school community and work alongside students, families and staff to continue to make Berwick Fields a school that is caring of all, with a focus on supporting students to adapt to change and become effective members of the community.

April	Week 2	22 BFPS 9/10 Athletics Day School Council Meeting Prep Tour – 4:00pm	23 BFPS 12/13 yrs Athletics Day	24 BFPS 11yrs Athletics Day	25 ANZAC Day No School 	26 Curriculum Day No Students
	Week 3	29 African Drumming Incursion -Grade 3+5 session 3+4.	30 Whole school Incursion on Cyber Bullying- yrs. 1,2,3,5	1 Whole school Incursion on Cyber Bullying -yrs. Prep,4,6 St Margaret's Netball tournament	2 Regional Tennis Finals (Pakenham Regional tennis Centre) St Margaret's Netball tournament SEDA AFL Clinic Yr. 1	3 Prep Assembly 2:40-3:15 (PAC)



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Term 2, Week 1 has been action packed and filled with many highlights, showcasing the broad range of experiences on offer for our students .

A few highlights from this week are:

- We welcomed back all students. I wish to congratulate all students for returning calm, focused and ready to learn.
- We opened our new sensory garden, wetlands and the Grade 5 & 6 playground, all proving a hit amongst our students.
- We conducted a whole school assembly, welcoming back our community and acknowledging the ANZAC tradition.

A feature of our assembly was also the introduction of this terms focus value: RESPECT. Respect is showing positive regard for the abilities and worth of others. It is valuing the feelings and views of others. It is treating others the way you wish to be treated.

Next week we look forward to Senior Athletics Day (see Compass for more details), ANZAC Day celebrations and Breakfast Club.

We also have two classes being filmed by Monash University Research Project to showcase the excellent curriculum and work taking place in our Junior and Senior Maths classes.

It is a privilege to be the Berwick Fields Primary School Acting Principal, whilst Mrs McKenzie remains on leave and continues her important work at the Regional office.

I look forward to working and learning with you all.

'Together we achieve'

Health & Wellbeing Team
Berwick Fields PS

BFPS
Breakfast Club
Program

Wednesday's 8:30am-8:55am
In the Chill Out Zone (back of the library)

All students welcome!

Please contact a member of the BFPS wellbeing team for any questions

Specialist Sessions and Bells

- 09.00** **Morning Bell**
- Specialist session 1**
- 10.00** **Specialist session 2**
- 10.50** **Recess eating time**
- 11.00** **Recess**
- 11.20** **Specialist session 3**
- 12.20** **Specialist session 4**
- 13.20** **Lunch eating time**
- 13.35** **Lunch**
- 14.20** **Specialist session 5**
- 15.20** **End of Day**



DANCE OFF

During the last assembly of term 1, our Performing Arts Student Leaders (Ella S, Ella L, Shirley, Ruby and Harper) ran a 'Macarena Dance Off'. Congratulations to the PA leaders for planning this for us!



After all the moving and grooving,



Grade 1

were named the

TERM 1 DANCE OFF CHAMPS!!



Term 2 2024

Keep this handy calendar on your fridge for upcoming events at school. Remember to check out Compass, Facebook, or our website: www.berwickfieldsps.vic.edu.au

April	Week 1	15 Students First Day of School	16	17	18	19 Whole School Assembly
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May	Week 4	6 Prep Tour – 4:00pm	7 District Cross Country (Toomuc Valley Reserve)	8 Grade 3 Excursion- Project Rockit Mother's Day Stall	9 SEDA AFL Clinic Yr. 1 Mother's day Stall Grade 6 Excursion- Lysterfield Lake	10 Mother's Day Morning Tea Grade 1+2 Assembly 2:40 – 3:15 (Gym) ISS
	Week 5	13 Grade 4 Assembly (PAC) 2:40 – 3:15	14 EAL Morning Tea 9:15am District Cross Country Backup (Toomuc Valley Reserve)	15 Cultural Infusion Incursion Grade 5	16 Prep Tour – 9:30 am	17 Grade 3 Assembly- (PAC) Walk to school Day ISS
	Week 6	20 Prep- PrimeSci Incursion Grade 6 Assembly (PAC) 2:40 – 3:15	21 Prep PrimeSci Incursion	22 Girls AFL Football (Sweeney Reserve, Berwick)	23 	24 Grade 5 Assembly 2:40 – 3:15 (PAC) ISS
	Week 7	27 Prep Tour – 5:00pm School Council	28 Maths Community Night 5:30pm – 6:30pm	29 Division Cross Country (Toomuc Valley Reserve)	30	31 Division Cross Country Backup (Toomuc Valley Reserve) Prep Assembly 2:40-3:15 (PAC)
June	Week 8	3	4 Gala Day ISS	5	6 Prep Tour – 10:00am	7 Grade 1+2 Assembly 2:40 – 3:15 (Gym)
	Week 9	10 Kings Birthday- No School	11 Grade 4 Excursion- Melbourne Museum	12 Grade 3 Assembly (PAC) 2:40 – 3:15 Regional Cross Country Carnival (Hastings Foreshore)	13	14 Grade 4 Assembly 2:40 – 3:15 (PAC) Grade 5 wheelchair basketball program
	WEEK 10	17 Grade 6 Assembly 2:40 – 3:15 (PAC) Prep Tour – 4:0pm	18 Gala Day Backup	19	20 Grade 2 Science Incursion	21 JSC Event Grade 5 Assembly 2:40 – 3:15 (PAC) Grade 5 wheelchair basketball program
	WEEK 11	24	25 	26	27 Prep Tour – 9:30am	28 Whole School Assembly 1:30 – 2:30 Last Day of Term 2:30 pm finish



Parenting Today - Online Group

Free Weekly program for Mums, Dads, Step-Parents, Grandparents and carers.

Tired of screaming with the kids?

Come along to one or more sessions to discuss concerning and challenging issues about parenting today.

DATE: Wednesday 24
April-29th May

TIME: 10-11 am

WHERE: Online via
Zoom

COST: Free

- Setting positive rules and consequences
- Managing Tantrums
- Dealing with Feelings
- Managing Anxiety
- Other topics that you come up with



PARENTS BUILDING SOLUTIONS DEALING WITH FEELINGS

MANAGING OUR OWN, OR OUR CHILDREN'S, EMOTIONS POSITIVELY IS DIFFICULT!

- Do you, or your child(ren), feel worried and anxious?
- Do you recognise your own, or your child(ren)'s triggers?
- Would you like to stop yelling (you and/or your child(ren)?)
- Would you like strategies to help your children manage their big feelings?

If your answer to any of these questions is "Yes!", please join us for this parenting session.

DATE: Wednesday, 24th April

TIME: 9.15 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.

WHERE: Cranbourne Carlisle Primary School
15 Silky Oak Drive
Cranbourne

COST: FREE!

For more information, contact:

Carey Cole - 0437 428 281
carey.cole@anglicarevic.org.au
OR

Register using the QR code or this link:

<https://events.humanitix.com/pbsproniaterm2-positivestrategiesforparentingchallenges>



PARENTZONE

Registrations welcome on the day

**BETTER
TOMORROWS**

Respectful Relationship Program Term 2



This term Berwick Field students will be focusing on topic 6 – “Help Seeking”:

Learning activities in this topic area are designed to help students discuss the importance of seeking help and providing peer support when dealing with problems that are too big to solve alone. This helps to normalise and destigmatise help-seeking behaviour.

Scenario-based activities help students identify situations in which help should be sought, identify trusted sources of help, and practice seeking help from peers and adults.

In Prep -2 for this topic, students will: identify communication skills that enhance relationships with people in the classroom...

- build positive relationships
- learn who can help them when they have questions or a problem at school
- identify people who they can go to for help
- identify people who they share their good times with
- practise help-seeking conversations

In 3-6 for this topic, students will:

- identify communication skills that enhance relationships for particular groups and purposes
- describe characteristics of cooperative and uncooperative behaviour and identify evidence of these group activities
- identify sources of help for children experiencing a range of problems
- differentiate between the different levels of problems
- plot a range of problems on a problem scale
- explore the notion of trust and how they know they can trust someone
- list five trusted people who they would seek help from
- practise clear communication in help-seeking
- recognise they may not always get the help they want when they ask for it
- identify the importance of persistence in help-seeking

Please feel contact your classroom teacher if you have any general questions regarding the Respectful Relationship program or alternatively contact Chrissy Clode (Wellbeing and Inclusion Leading Teacher).



Sticks & Stones

On the 30th of April and 1st of May Brainstorm Productions will be presenting their student wellbeing performance 'Sticks & Stones' Preps – Gr.6. 'Sticks & Stones' is a live educational theatre performance that promotes resilience, cyber safety and positive connections. **The school will be covering the cost of the performance so that all students can attend.**

When things go wrong at home, at school or online, Toby's body goes into fight/flight. He feels angry, frightened and confused and responds in the only way he knows how – with aggression and antisocial behaviour. When Toby meets Joe, he learns to be assertive and respect boundaries. He deals with negative online experiences by reporting and telling an adult, and learns more positive ways to deal with anger: he stops, breathes, puts his hands in his pockets, walks away and talks about his feelings. Toby cooperates with other kids to create a circus routine with acrobatics and juggling.

This exciting live theatre experience provides students with practical social and emotional skills, and encourages students to build positive connections at school, at home and online.

Brainstorm Productions is one of Australia's most experienced and respected theatre in education companies, performing to over 260,000 students every year. They offer a range of programs to help schools nurture healthy and harmonious environments, addressing issues such as mental health, online safety, bullying and resilience. Brainstorm Productions are endorsed by the eSafety Commissioner as a Trusted eSafety Provider and listed as an evidence-based bullying prevention program on the Victorian Schools Mental Health Menu. Learn more about Brainstorm Productions by visiting their website (brainstormproductions.edu.au), or following them on Instagram ([@brainstormproductions](https://www.instagram.com/brainstormproductions)), Facebook ([@Brainstorm.Productions](https://www.facebook.com/Brainstorm.Productions)) or LinkedIn ([linkedin.com/company/brainstormproductions](https://www.linkedin.com/company/brainstormproductions)).

Year 7 2025

Transition Information Evenings

Thursday 18th April, and Tuesday 23rd April

Time: 4:15pm-7:00pm

Location: Kambrya College's Theatre

Kambrya College would like to invite prospective parents and carers of 2025 Year 7 students to attend **one*** of our Transition Information Evenings.

The night will provide the chance for attendees to learn about the excellent education and opportunities the school provides to all our students. In addition, information will be provided on the exciting programs we have available for students in 2025.

Further information regarding the programs will be provided at the start of Term 3 on our website:

www.kambryacollege.vic.edu.au/year7-transition/

To attend **one** of the Transition Information Evenings - **Bookings are essential, each family member attending the session must have a ticket (up to 4 tickets per family)**

As spaces are limited, please carefully choose the date you wish to attend and **only book 1 session.**

Bookings can be made via our website and using this link: <https://compasstix.com/e/izowrlsqyp>

Session Timetable:

- 4:15-5:00pm School Tours
5:15-6:00pm Formal Presentation
6:00-7:00pm Program Presentations
- Athlete Development Program (ADP)
 - Musician Development Program (MDP)
 - Select Entry Accelerated Learning Program (SEAL)

2025 Kambrya School Zone

(School Zones are subject to change by DE at any time in Term 1 each year):**

Priority enrolments are provided to students within our current School Zone** as set out by the Department of Education. We foresee that students living within our school zone or with older siblings enrolled for 2025 will most likely bring the school to full capacity in Year 7 for 2025. Those living outside our school zone are still invited to attend the transition evening for more information, however due to our current Enrolment Implementation Plan, enrolment applications from outside our zone are unlikely to be successful. **This applies to all students, including those wishing to apply for specific curriculum/sporting/other programs (SEAL, ADP, MDP).**

For additional information please refer to the following websites:

<https://www.kambryacollege.vic.edu.au/zone/>

<https://www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au>

Grade 6 only school tours in Terms 1 and 2: Bookings are essential and places limited. Please refer to our website for details:

<https://www.kambryacollege.vic.edu.au/school-tours/> or use this link to book: <https://compasstix.com/e/ellvzeqju2>

* As each session is identical please note you will only need to attend **one** session to gain all the required information.

**BERWICK FIELDS
PRIMARY PRESENTS...**

MATHS COMMUNITY NIGHT

**TERM 2 THEME:
FUN WAYS TO
EXPLORE MATHS
AT HOME**



**TUESDAY 28TH MAY
5:30PM – 6:30PM
BFPS STAFFROOM**

**PRESENTED BY
NICOLE BOYD &
MATH SPECIALIST
WAYNE SPILSBURY
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

An opportunity for you & your children to share in some maths learning that you can explore at home!
Questions welcome!

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
nicole.boyd@education.vic.gov.au
8786 9988



Maths at Berwick Fields



A GUIDE FOR PARENTS OF PRIMARY AGED CHILDREN HELPING YOUR CHILDREN WITH MATHEMATICS

SOME SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES

The following are some activities that you can do with your children. Some are general and some relate to specific aspects of the mathematics curriculum.

LENGTH

We often compare objects and distances by length and height. Children can first do this without using units, then using informal units (like paces). Then they learn about metres, centimetres and kilometres. Also:

- When you are measuring with sewing or building materials, ask the children to estimate where a particular mark would be
- Put up a height measurer marked in centimetres on which the children can record their height at progressive intervals, such as once every two months. The children take an interest in the way that they grow, and it also provides a language for describing how their height is changing.
- Discuss lengths, heights, distances, angles which arise in sporting events (e.g., the Olympics)

WEIGHING

Children learn first to compare things by hand, and by using balances. Later they learn about kilograms, and grams. You can:

- Talk to children about different ways of weighing things
- Talk about containers in terms of how much they weigh
- Compare the size and weight of items in the supermarket
- Using language of heavier or lighter when comparing the weight of items
- Ask them to find something that might weigh the same as a packet of rice, for example
- Weigh ingredients when you are cooking (learning to cook is helpful in many ways).



WANT TO READ MORE? CHECK OUT THIS ARTICLE:

[You don't need to be "good at maths" to help your children with their maths - ABC Education](#)

EXPLORING MATH GAMES AT HOME



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BFPS Maths Leaders 2024



Jessica Cargill



Mani Rajapakse



Ovin Master



Tennessee LaBrooy

To end this term our Maths Leaders have an Eggstimation Challenge running in the front office where all students & staff can guess how many eggs are in the jar, with the closest winning the entire haul of eggs!



Our Maths Leaders will lead the school in Problem Solving, with three opportunities for our Junior, Middle and Senior students to explore their reasoning & thinking!

Our Maths leaders will also be running a Maths Club for year 3 – 6 next term connected to playing maths games. This will be on Wednesdays at lunchtime in the Senior Corridor!

UNIFORM

The wearing of school uniform is compulsory at Berwick Fields Primary school. For our full uniform list, please see our Website or contact PSW- 407 Princes Hwy Officer- 03 9768 0382.



Polo Shirts
Blue or White



Jumper



Polar Fleece
Jacket



Summer Dress



Black Pants
No Jeans



Black Shorts



Blue Hat **Compulsory** from
1 September till 30 April



Winter Skirt (Tunic)



Socks –
White, Black, Navy



Sport Shoes or Black Shoes



The following items are not permitted as a part of our uniform:

Jewellery



Long Earrings



Nail Polish



Make-Up

