

**“AIM HIGH”**

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#### Term Dates for 2009

2<sup>nd</sup> Feb – 3<sup>rd</sup> April  
20<sup>th</sup> April – 26<sup>th</sup> June  
13 July – 18<sup>th</sup> September  
5<sup>th</sup> October – 18<sup>th</sup> December

#### Dates to remember:

May 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> MIDDLE UNIT  
CAMP  
May 20<sup>th</sup> – Open Morning for  
Education Week  
May 21<sup>st</sup>-District Cross Ctry  
May 26<sup>th</sup> –Bush Dance  
June 8<sup>th</sup> – Queens Birthday  
Long Weekend.  
June 12<sup>th</sup>- Report Writing Day  
July 29<sup>th</sup> Middle/ Senior Aths

Welcome back to school for our second term. We trust our school families enjoyed a restful holiday with lots of fun family time and perhaps a few Easter treats! The staff at Bellaire PS enjoyed their break and we especially congratulate Mrs Lauren Rau and Mrs Cynthia Jago on their recent weddings.

Works done over the holidays included the re asphaltting and line marking of the Middle/ Senior court area. This has removed the tripping hazards and provided students with a much smoother surface for ball games. Drinking taps were also installed near the Middle/ Senior play area. Other works included some internal painting, finishing touches to the new SLU space and preparation of spaces for 3 new interactive whiteboards to be installed in the coming weeks. New artificial turf will also be laid around the play shed in the near future.

#### Building The Education Revolution update:

Bellaire PS was lucky to receive \$200,000 in the first round of the National Schools Pride program. This funding is for refurbishment of our learning communities and general maintenance. Our intent is to do some refurbishment of the south wing, including the Prep and Junior toilets. This is a great opportunity to for our school to continue to develop our learning spaces.

We also submitted for a \$3 million project in round one to build a new learning community, incorporating six classrooms. The school has worked with an architect firm in Geelong to establish sites for the new classrooms and to ensure we meet all of the requirements. We are hopeful that our round one application is successful and will be notified in the coming weeks. A copy of the new learning community and possible sites will be placed on the principal's office window so it can be viewed by our school community.

#### Hats or No Hats!

Term 2 is not a Sun Smart term so hats are not compulsory. However, often the days are still sunny and students engaged in outdoor activities may catch some sun, especially if they have fair skin. Therefore we encourage students to keep their hats in their bags so if the day is hot and sunny they can wear their hats outside. We encourage parents to chat with their children about this so they know to have hats on hand if needed.

#### Welcome Rebecca Witte, our new student teacher from the US.

Miss Witte will be in Middles over the next term and we also welcome 5 other student teachers from Deakin for the next few weeks.

#### DATES TO REMEMBER:

**OPEN MORNING 9 – 11 on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> May for Education Week.** Families are welcome to visit the classrooms and join staff for morning tea at 11:00 if they wish to celebrate Education Week and the great teaching at Bellaire.

Also prior notice that Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> June is a state wide report writing day so students are not required at school .

**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

<b>PREP B</b>	<b>Kayla</b>	<b>For focusing on achieving her learning goals in writing and making new friends in Prep!</b>
<b>PREP C</b>	<b>Ryley</b>	<b>For his dedication to his learning goals and improved work habits. Keep up the great work Ryley!</b>
<b>PREP F</b>	<b>Chace</b>	<b>For working so hard to get his writing completed on time. Well done Chace!</b>
<b>PREP H</b>	<b>Aiden</b>	<b>For doing such a fantastic job of initials sounds in his writing. Excellent work Aiden!</b>
<b>JUNIOR B</b>	<b>Tom</b>	<b>For persisting with his handwriting and doing a fantastic job during writing sessions</b>
<b>JUNIOR H</b>	<b>Isaiah</b>	<b>For his improvement in working independently during maths sessions. Well done, Isaiah!</b>
<b>JUNIOR L</b>	<b>Jialin</b>	<b>For her excellent attitude towards her school work.</b>
<b>JUNIOR N</b>	<b>Jesse</b>	<b>For actively using her 'getting along' skills during the lunch and recess times.</b>
<b>JUNIOR R</b>	<b>Kleo</b>	<b>For taking on a positive attitude and improving in all areas.</b>
<b>JUNIOR S</b>	<b>Felicity</b>	<b>For wonderful reading in class and with Mrs Scarlett!</b>
<b>JUNIOR T</b>	<b>Isabella</b>	<b>For beginning her work independently every day this week. Well done!</b>
<b>JUNIOR W</b>	<b>Mia</b>	<b>For being such an enthusiastic learner. Well done Mia!</b>
<b>MIDDLE A</b>	<b>Tess</b>	<b>For her enthusiastic approach to all activities.</b>
<b>MIDDLE J</b>	<b>Lachlan</b>	<b>For conscientiously working on all his tasks</b>
<b>MIDDLE L</b>	<b>Amelia</b>	<b>For always doing her best and being a happy, friendly member of Middle L.</b>
<b>MIDDLE M</b>	<b>Emily</b>	<b>For being a kind and caring member of Middle M!</b>
<b>MIDDLE R</b>	<b>Jake</b>	<b>For having such a positive attitude towards all areas of his learning.</b>
<b>MIDDLE S</b>	<b>Harry</b>	<b>For his excellent answers in comprehension reading activities.</b>
<b>MIDDLE W</b>	<b>Keely-Shay</b>	<b>For concentrating hard in class and always doing her best.</b>
<b>SENIOR B</b>	<b>Matt</b>	<b>For being a great role model for his peers, inside and outside the classroom. Also for his fantastic effort at the kinder visit this week.</b>
<b>SENIOR C</b>	<b>Helen</b>	<b>For her passionate and creative approach to her blog this year.</b>
<b>SENIOR H</b>	<b>Shelby</b>	<b>For focussing on achieving her learning goals in writing and making new friends in Prep!</b>
<b>SENIOR J</b>	<b>Nicola</b>	<b>For a fantastic term 1 and being so dedicated to all her school work.</b>
<b>SENIOR K</b>	<b>Rowan</b>	<b>For finishing off the term with gusto! Rowan shows initiative and sets personal goals to achieve. Go Rowan!</b>
<b>SENIOR W</b>	<b>Annalise</b>	<b>For her persistence in her work and always having an excellent attitude.</b>

**CONGRATULATIONS** to **Kyle (J/R)** who won “Auskick of the Week.” Kyle will play at half time this Saturday night at Etihad Stadium and be interviewed live on Channel 10. He will then play at half time at the Grand Final in September and present a premiership medal to a player.

One of the 22 Auskickers of the Week will then be selected as “Auskick of the Year” and win \$5000 and have Joel Selwood as a mentor next year.

Well Done Kyle and we look forward to seeing you next Saturday night!!

**PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE**

If you have completed the Reading Challenge and entered the books on the

website

[www.education.vic.gov.au/prc](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc)

print off the list of books and return it to school. Books have to be verified by the school co-ordinator.

Congratulations to **Ebony, Lily, Jake, Tess, Jasper, Sarah, Chace, Sophie, Zoe, Annabelle, Ruby, Emily, Isaiah, Paige, Holly**, who have recently completed the Premier's Reading Challenge

**CONGRATULATIONS** to **Sophie and Chelsea** who over the holidays, competed in and won the Corio Bay Basketball Association Under 14 Girls Basketball Final. Both girls received a fantastic trophy and were thrilled with their win. Well done girls!!

And **CONGRATULATIONS** to **Tom (S/H)** on winning the section 12 Tennis Grand Final. Tom won his singles 6-1 and doubles 6-0 to help his team at Geelong Lawn Tennis Club defeat the previously undefeated Portarlington. Tom has now won a grand final in each of his three seasons of tennis.

**FUN RUN**

Please return all sponsorship for the fun run by the end of April. Thanks to those who have supported this major fundraiser.

**WANTED IN THE ART ROOM FOR "CRAZY SOCK CREATURES"**

I'm sure that if you scrounge through your drawers you'll find odd socks, matchless ones, or a pair or two you can part with for a creature. If you can, please send them to the Art Room. There is a box inside the door.

Thankyou  
Edna Sweetten  
Middle/Senior Art Teacher.

**FOR SALE - \$25 LAP TOP CARRY BAGS**

(14 in total) Brand New Lap Top Bags – Leather Look – available at the office.

**ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS**

The 2009/2010 Entertainment Books have been sent home to families today. We ask that you either return the book immediately if you don't want it or pay the \$50 for it by the 27<sup>th</sup> April.

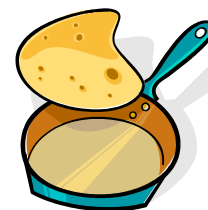
We thank all families who support this fundraiser so generously.

**HELP! Host family required**

We are in desperate need for a host family to volunteer to host a US student teacher whose placement in Darwin has fallen through. The host family needs to provide a separate room and meals. The student teacher contributes a nominal amount to cover board each week. Please contact Chris Eddy asap if you can help.

**CANTEEN –TERM 2 SPECIAL – PANCAKES** and a bottle of water for **\$3.50**. Choose from Maple Syrup/Strawberry Jam/Icing Sugar and Lemon Juice.

The Roster for Term 2 has gone home – if you didn't receive yours – please contact Liz.



**ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL** thankyou to families who kindly donated to this great cause. Bellaire families donated a total of \$232.00

**MISS VERTIGAN IS NOW MRS JAGO**



*Congratulations and Best Wishes to Cynthia and her new husband Adam Jago*

**Tennis Coaching at Bellaire**

Starts Friday May 8<sup>th</sup>  
8.25am – 8.55am  
6 week term  
Cost = \$60.00  
Phone Tony Brushfield on 52440040  
or 0408524898



**FRIDAY 15 MAY 2009**

**SAFER KIDS**



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For more information about safe travel to and from school, read Streets Ahead  
the Vic Health website: [www.vichealth.vic.gov.au](http://www.vichealth.vic.gov.au)

Thank you to the many families that completed the travel survey towards the end of last term. The  
incentive to complete the survey was a \$100 Myer voucher. This was won by Mark Tizard –  
congratulations Mark!

