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Wednesday 21st April 2021

Welcome back to Term 2:

I hope that all families were able to find some time for a break from routines over the recent holidays and chance to spend some time in the sunshine. It certainly went quickly! There are lots of highlights planned this term— so please watch this newsletter, our school website, or the calendar on the Sentral parent portal.

We also welcome Mrs Jane Rookes and Mrs Laura Hicks to our teaching staff at BVSPS. Jane is teaching in Gd 3&4 K/R on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and Laura is our PE specialist, teaching on Mondays and Wednesdays. We are delighted to have them both with us at Violet St PS.

There continues to be no requirement to limit the number or type of visitors to school premises, but the density limit of 1 person per 2 square metres must be applied to any spaces and activities being attended by parent/carers and other visitors. Unfortunately this still means that we cannot have external visitors to the MPRoom for our Friday assemblies—we wish we had a much larger indoor venue!

Anzac Day Commemoration Ceremony THIS FRIDAY 23rd APRIL 2—3 pm:

Our schools commemoration ceremony will be held outside, at the front of the school (old Violet St). The ceremony is conducted by our student leaders and this year will be followed with an unveiling of some new signage on our memorial wall. The construction of the wall was supported by a grant from the Department of Veterans Affairs and our own Violetarians group supported the purchase of the flag poles. *All families are invited to join us THIS Friday (for a 2pm start) for the ceremony. Density limits do not apply to this outdoor event, but visitors are required to sign in and socially distance please!*

Fathers' Project:

Craig Wallace and Mark White have kindly volunteered to assist with getting the Father's Group moving this term. In the interim, there are some resources available on the Parent Portal to access via the QR code in this newsletter. We are setting up an area on our school website with the QR code and resources that can be accessed also.

Pupil Free Day on Monday 26th April:

REMINDER: our Term 2 Pupil Free day will be NEXT Monday 26th April. OSHCare will be operating. Online bookings are essential.

Our students helping their community:

Saoirse, Charli and Ingrid (in Grade 3&4 K/R) are making and selling stress balls to raise money to go toward helping flying foxes. They will be selling the stress balls at lunchtimes on Fridays. Please look for their advertisement this week.



A very belated thanks to Paige and Grace Smith for the great piece of Art. It must have taken ages and certainly brightens up my office!

Mandy Costello Principal

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Be Your Best!

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Calendar of Events

Regular Events

Camp Aust OSHC

Every day, Monday to Friday

3- 6pm

Library Club

Every Monday, 8am- 8:30am

Yoga

Every Tuesday in the M.P.Room, 8am- 8:30am

Email Robyn Matthews for bookings:

robbybobby77@hotmail.com

Brekky Club

Wednesdays—8am- 8:35am

Cheese toasties and milo in the courtyard.

Students only please.

Fun Fit Thursdays

Meet at 8:15 at Garden Gully

Assembly

Fridays—8:45-9:15

Students and teachers only at this time.

Special Events

Friday 23 April

Gym Program starts (4 Fridays)

2-3pm ANZAC Day Ceremony

Monday 26 April

Pupil Free Day

School Council AGM- 6:30pm start

Tuesday 27 April

Foundation visit to Ulumburra
to see The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Friday 7 May

Mother's Day Stall

Tuesday 11 May

NAPLAN starts

Friday 14 May

Walk To School Day

Monday 17 May

School Council- 6:30pm start

Pre-loved Uniforms!



Louise Rodriquez is available to assist with selection on **Fridays from 2- 3 pm.**

Please email Louise to make an appointment: Louise.Rodriquez@education.vic.gov.au

Thank you!

All donations of pre- loved items welcome!



Maths

1/2 Wadley Room 7



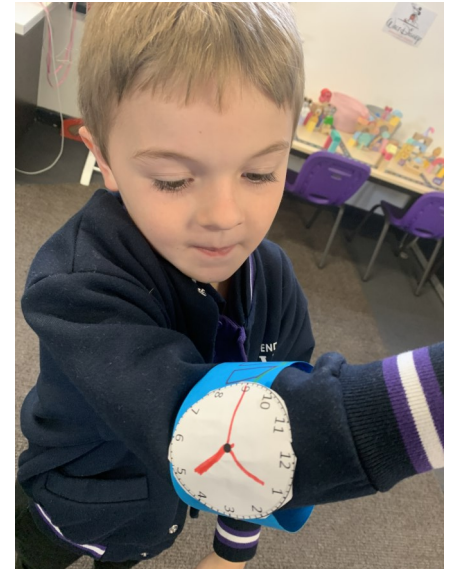
To begin this term in Maths, we are learning how to tell the time. We used playdough hands to make our clock show:

O'clock

Half Past

Quarter To and

Quarter Past



After this, we made some watches! Here they are :)

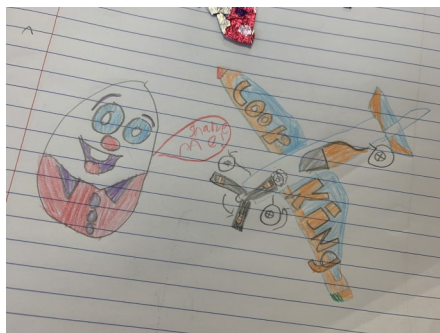
Remember you can access Mathletics at home at www.mathletics.com.au and Mathseeds at <https://mathseeds.com>

Literacy

1/2 Wadley Room 7



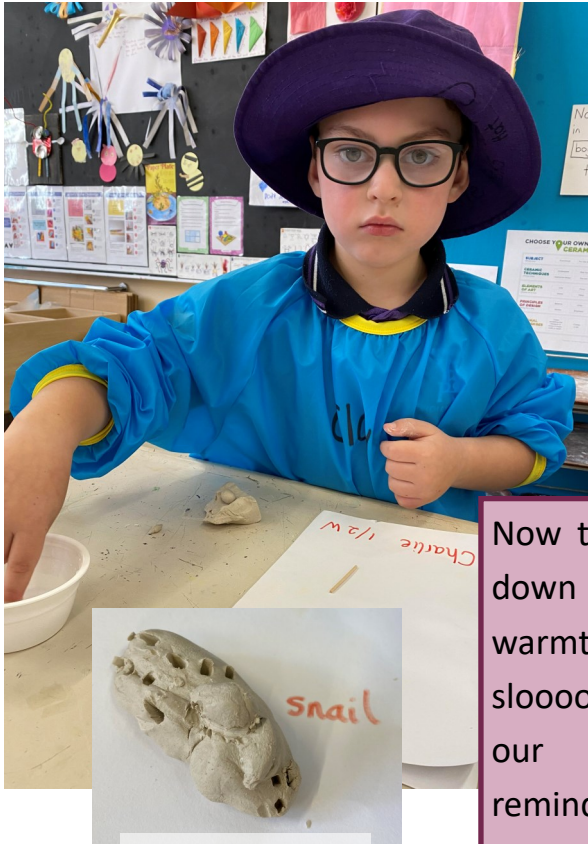
Over the holidays, Miss Wadley asked students to collect photos and memories over the break to add to our writer's notebook. A place to help build all of our ideas for writing. Here are some of the pages from our notebooks:



Remember you can access Reading Eggs at home at www.readingeggs.com

Specialist Corner

Art



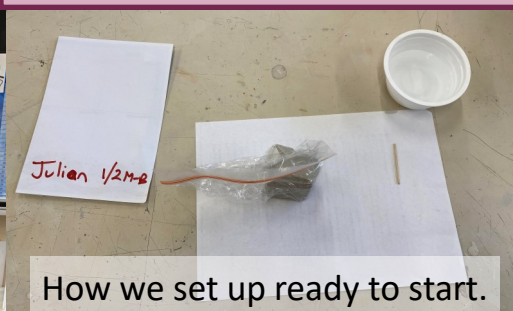
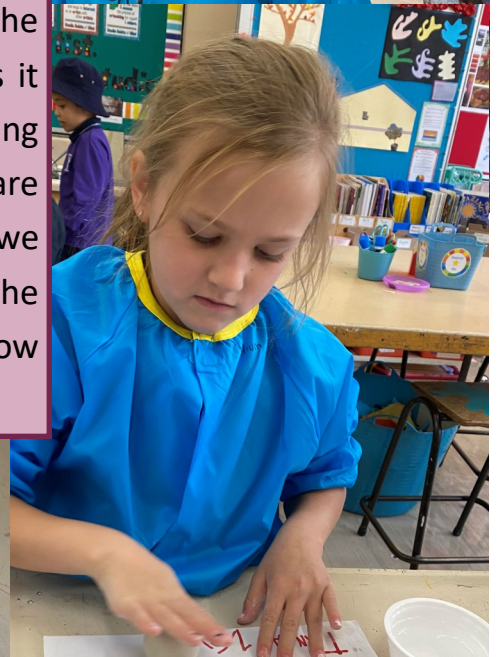
Charlie's snail



Helping each other to put on their Clay Smocks. Great teamwork!



Now that the weather has cooled down and we will welcome the warmth coming from the kiln as it sloooooowly cools down after baking our clay overnight, we are reminding ourselves of the skills we learned last year, and the procedures that we need to follow when creating with clay.



How we set up ready to start.





Mothers Day is fast approaching and the P&F committee will be holding our annual Mothers Day Stall!!

This year we asking if families can please donate \$5 per family.

The school will purchase gifts for the stall, to keep us within Covid Safe Standards.



Date of the Stall will be Friday April 7.



BREADTAGS FOR WHEELCHAIRS

Our school has been invited to support the breadtag recycling program "Breadtags for Wheelchairs". <https://ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au/>

The breadtags are recycled in Robe, raising funds for disadvantaged people in South Africa.

Havilah Road Pre School (a local Pre School) has been a collection point for 2 years. They usually have the breadtags collected twice per year by a local community member who takes them to Robe SA for Recycling.



It is great initiative from our local community and also supports a worthy cause.

We encourage our BVSPS families to please help. We will have a jar for you to drop your breadtags into in the lobby of our school, next to the hand sanitiser and sign in form.

Thanks on behalf of the staff at Havilah Rd Pre School.



Attendance counts EVERY day at school!
If your child is absent from school, parents are required to contact the school to provide a reason for the absence.
Our school wide attendance goal is a minimum of **85% attendance!**

FEELING STRESSED?

Stress Balls

Hi, feeling stressed?

Our stress balls can do the trick!



We are selling stress balls to raise money to help Flying Foxes (Fruit Bats). The extra money that we make will be sent to the Flybynight cause:

www.flybynight.org.au

Come and see Saoirse, Charli and Ingrid at the Library on Fridays at lunch time only!

Buy one of any kind of stress ball and get a bat sticker for free!

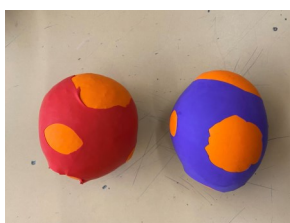
We will be selling the stress balls for Term 2 only!

Prices:



Big smiley face: \$2-50

Small smiley face: \$1-50



Two colour stress balls: \$2-50



Tiny Plain stress ball: 50 cents



Small Plain stress ball: \$1-00

ALSO- we have some Bat Books for sale for only \$10-00 (bargain!). These books have been donated to us to sell too!

Please help us to raise some money for our cause and thank you for reading this!

From: Saoirse, Ingrid and Charli