



Principal Report

Wanderings.....

I've been wandering around the school in the last two weeks and this is what I see.

- Children engaged in their learning.
- Great displays up and down the corridors.
- A greater consistency of teacher practice in classrooms.
- Our new initiatives, Soundwaves and Essential Assessment being used to improve spelling and maths outcomes across the school.
- Digging, planting and tending to the garden.
- The sounds of song, rhymes and verses traveling through the corridors, not only in the morning but also when Rin is running through the classrooms.
- Play rehearsals with children laughing and singing.
- Parent helpers working with children in craft sessions...(crafternoons is the new name!)
- Craft during German sessions.
- Science experiments making a mess.
- Soccer clinics out on the oval.
- Viking shields being painted.
- Winter festival lanterns being assembled.

Student learning outcomes in Literacy and Numeracy are a given. I truly believe that the notion of developing the whole child exists in a practical way at our fantastic little school. I attended the state-wide Principals conference last week on Thursday and Friday. I attended a session with John Hattie who is one of the most influential educational consultants of the past decade in Australia and New Zealand. I admire his work. I first worked with him in 2012 and have heard him speak on 4 occasions. He has broadened his message these days to include ensuring that we are doing more in schools than just increasing learning outcomes for children. He challenged the Principals in the room to go back to their schools and ask the question... "Is your school an inviting place to learn?" It was an easy one for us to answer. Soon all schools will be operating this way!!

Dates to Remember

JUNE

10th Queens Birthday Holiday
20th Winter Festival
27th Last Day of Term 3:30pm dismissal
28th June Curriculum Day

JULY

15th First Day of Term 3

Winter Festival

Come one, come all to experience our Winter Festival at Edendale farm this Thursday 20th June beginning at 5.00pm. I thought last year's night was very special and the creek walk was certainly a highlight. I will be so rugged up this year you may not recognise me but I am determined to at least have some blood flowing to my fingers. The program is attached to the Newsletter and will be available on the night. There will be some soup Chai and some baked goods for sale but this will be limited in number so you may need to get in early. The class 6 have been rehearsing and are looking forward to their important role in the night. See you all there.

Have a great Weekend

Rowan Kayll

Principal

IS YOUR CHILD EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTIES?

Briar Hill Primary School has partnered with Play Therapy Melbourne to offer parents and carers a trusted referral for children's counselling.

Play Therapy is a gentle, evidence based approach to counselling that allows children to work through difficulties in their 'language' - play. In play therapy, toys are like the child's words and play is their language (Landreth, 2002).

Play Therapy Melbourne can help many issues, including:

- School and social difficulties
- Anxiety
- Family breakdown
- Grief and loss
- Low self-esteem
- Low self-confidence
- Anger and aggression
- Autism Spectrum Disorders



If you are interested in play therapy for your child, please see Mr. Kayll for a referral.



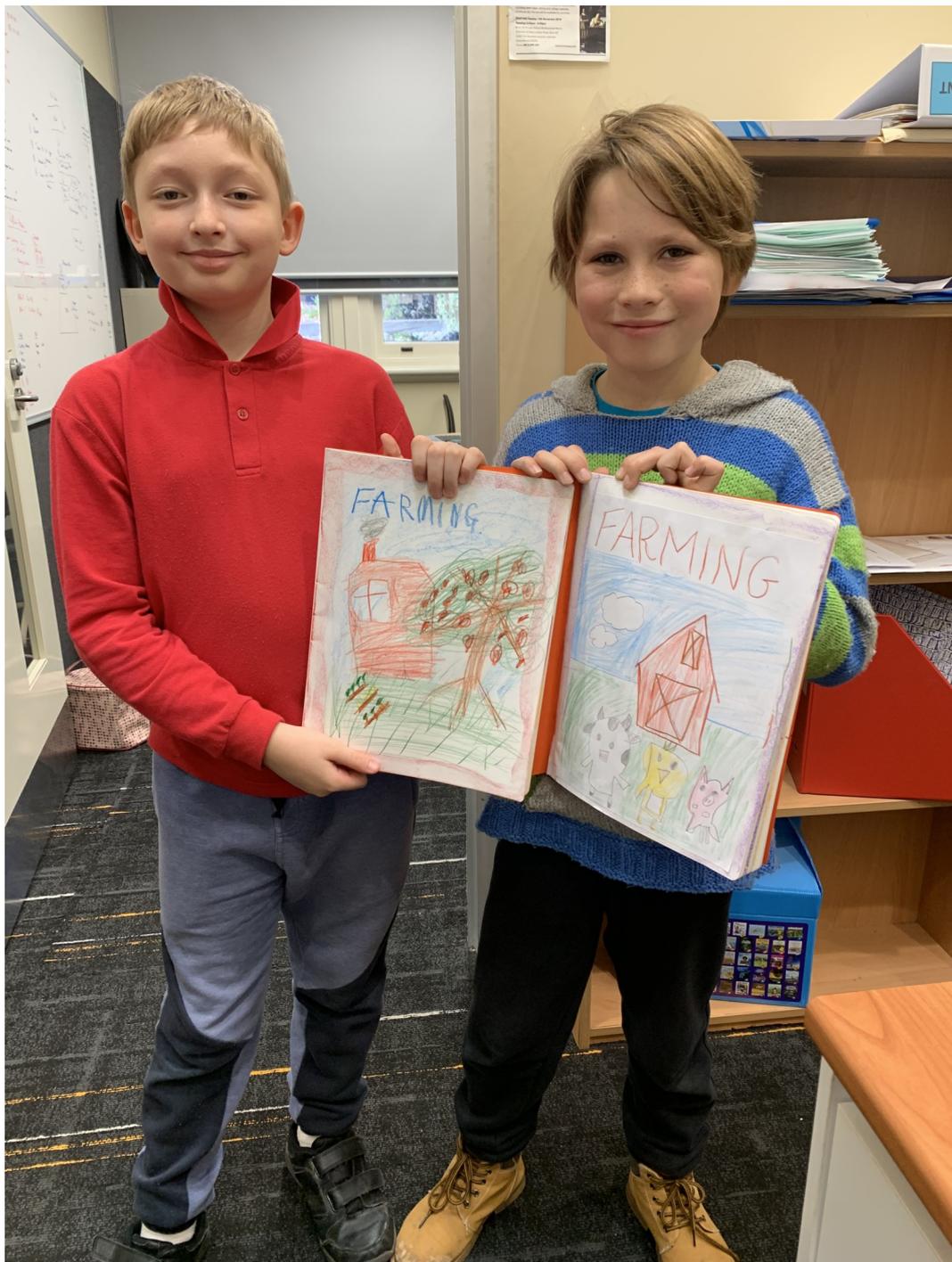
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Class 3 Bundoora Farm Excursion



MUSICALLY SPEAKING

Congratulations and well done to the Thursday Trillers for their performance at the Victorian Schools Music Festival. They were awarded a Silver with very good feedback. Part of performing at the Festival is not only to perform the pieces which the children had been practising, but also to take part in an onstage workshop. Guest Clinician Dr. Soo Han came on stage to take the workshop. The children responded beautifully and I hope that they carry away with them great memories of their experience. Thank you also to Natalie for coming along and helping on the day. We did manage to have one broken string, which was better than last year's broken bow, where one of the children had to use a spare cello bow to play Viola!

And to finish off, some housekeeping. Please ensure that your fees are paid and up to date. Invoices have been sent out. It might be a good idea to check through instrument cases, as I usually ask the children to put them in there.

Music Mary



Compass

Sushi order forms: can be found in school documentation. Go to Community tab (2 people icon) and select School Documentation. You will be able to print these.

Upcoming events can be viewed on the School Calendar. To access this, go to the calendar icon (second across tabs at top).

Newsletter: the school newsletter is uploaded to Compass each week. It will show in your newsfeed. Later this term we plan to distribute the newsletter by Compass only – you will receive an alert when it has been uploaded



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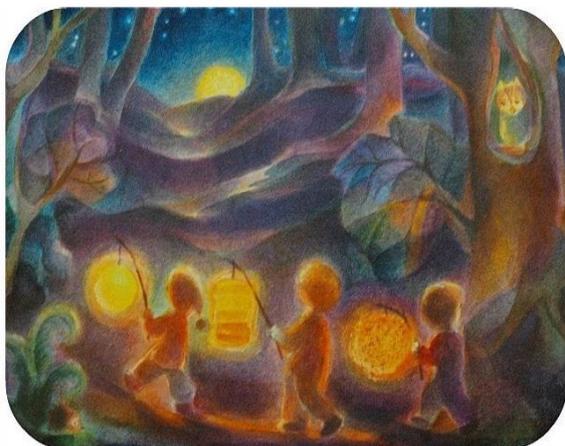
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Briar Hill Primary Winter Festival

Thursday June 20th 2019, Edendale farm



“Let’s join with our children in celebration of human warmth at the darkest time of the year”

- 5pm** Gather at the amphitheatre outside the Mummery Education Room (see map)
*Vegetable soup, chai tea & baked goodies will be available for purchase,
BYO cups & gold coins*
- 5.25pm** Assemble in class groups with parents
- 5.30pm** Welcome (Rowan Kayll)
Lighting of the lanterns
- 5.45pm** Whole school singing - Call and response
- 6pm** Whole School Diamond Creek Lantern Walk
Reassemble @ amphitheatre
- 6.15pm** Class 6 songs & Firestick formation
- 6.30pm** Close

On-site parking: Enter from Gastons Road. 28 spaces available, including two disabled spaces.

Park at the Eltham North Reserve Adventure Playground, Wattletree Road, Eltham. Walk to Edendale following the signs on the walking trail which leads across the Diamond Creek to the northern entrance of Edendale Community Environment Farm.

Remember your lanterns to guide you on your way.

community environment farm

Getting to edendale

↑
TO ELTHAM NORTH
ADVENTURE
PLAYGROUND
AND CAR PARKING

Edendale Gastons Road,
Eltham Victoria 3095
Telephone 9433 3711
(Melway 22 A2)

Ride or walk

Bike ride or walk along the bike trail that links Diamond Creek to the main Yarra Trail.

Bus

Walk from the following bus stops

- 578 Eltham to Warrandyte via Kangaroo Ground
- 579 Eltham to Warrandyte via Research - Warrandyte Rd
- 582 Eltham to Research
- L580 Eltham to Eltham South

Train

Get the train to Eltham station, then ride bike or walk along the path to Edendale Farm (20 minute walk).

Car parking

Eltham North Reserve Adventure Playground: Follow the signed path across the Diamond Creek to the northern entrance of Edendale Farm. This takes 5 minutes and is the closest car park to the Indigenous plant nursery (Melway 22 A1)

Front Gate: Park at the Front Gate car park and walk up the pedestrian only driveway. Enter from Gastons Road (Melway 22 A2)



Onsite parking: 28 spaces available, including 2 disabled spaces. Enter from Gastons Road (Melway 22 A2)

