



Briar Hill
Primary School

Newsletter

20th February 2021

We have made a successful start back after our short lockdown and it is nice to have everyone's smiling faces back at school. There is always a small adjustment period and we have done that well. Our little preps are settling in well and this week we adjusted their outside play a little further to help with the sometimes overwhelming larger playground and also to assist with understanding the areas and the rules. Sometimes it's the little things like walking back to class, knowing where to go when it's toilet time and not having the same teacher to talk too. A big thank you to our prep team who have nurtured the children as they have settled back in.

On Friday last week we had a very successful swimming sports. It is always nice to be a part of these events and notice the things that make our school great. It's the parents who come along and cheer on the community of kids even when their little ones are too scared to go in. It's the incredible humbleness of our experienced swimmers as they touch the end and turn to cheer their friend on who finds swimming a greater challenge but yearns to feel that success too. It's the equal firsts that end with a hug. It's the kids who struggle to get to the end, but turn back and keep going. It's the little one you taught in prep who was too scared to get into the water in swimming lessons, whose parents entrusted us and now they swim a lap with the biggest smile. It's getting off the bus, lugging the massive tents and 10 hands come to the teacher's aide. That's what makes Briar Hill great! Thank you so much for contributing to such a beautiful day and good luck to those who made it to the next level.

As you are probably aware our little school has grown in numbers and next year we will only take 2 prep classes. We are seeking all families who have younger siblings at our school to get their enrolments in. Friday was enrolment day and we have many enrolments. As a state Government School we have to take those who reside in our catchment area and siblings of current students. To help us with numbers we would appreciate any families enrolling little ones to let the office know ASAP and complete the enrolment form.

Class carers are usually established by this time of year and we run a small meeting to meet and greet with everyone. If you are a class carer, could you please email your contacts to Michelle in the office so she can collate the email list.

We hope you all have a restful weekend and catch some sun, go for a walk and fill someone's bucket.

Bridy Fitzpatrick

Prep Time Capsules: Note to 2020 prep families

Families who had a child in prep in 2020 were given a keepsake book to fill as they wished to create a time capsule of their very - very! - special first year at school. For those who would like to return their time capsules to the school for safe keeping, please drop them in to the office as soon as you can. They will be stored in a secure box until graduation - in 2026! For ideas on how to create a time capsule, see <https://www.joincake.com/blog/time-capsule-ideas/> Queries to Kay Are (Arlo's mum) kay.l.are@outlook.com

Dates :

February

19th Assembly - Leadership Badges Presentation - 4 AB Performance

24th District Swimming Carnival

26th Assembly 2.45pm 4MN Performance

March

3rd Preps here full time!

5th Assembly 2.45pm Class 1-2P Performance

8th Labour Day

12th Assembly 2.45pm Class 1-2C Performance

19th Assembly 2.45pm 1-2 JR Performance

23rd Parent Teacher Interviews

April

1st Last Day of Term 2.30 Finish

3-6 Swimming Carnival

A fun day was had by all at the annual Briar Hill 3-6 Swimming Carnival. Firstly we would like to thank all the helpers that assisted on the day. You are the reason the day was such a success. We had so many helpers come along and assist in many different ways – there are too many people to mention but please know that we are VERY appreciative of all of YOU!



Giving it a go!



Team Spirit!



Well done to all the students who competed in a race and thank you to all the students who cheered on your team!

By Evie Patton

I stood by the edge, I jumped in. Grabbing my pool noodle, I started. Jumping randomly along until I reached the deep end. My skin felt cold and chlorine was splashing over my face. Anais on one side of me was moving fast, but I stayed right next to her. People were yelling, "CORREAL COREA!" I couldn't let my team down. She got ahead of me again! Not far from the end, I leapt and touched the edge of the pool, at the same time as Anais. We drew for first!! I pulled myself out of the water, pleasant cheering filled my ears. Even though it was only a fun-race, and it didn't mean much, I felt a million bucks! I had never won a sports event before.



Congratulations to Sollya House winners of Swimming Carnival 2021





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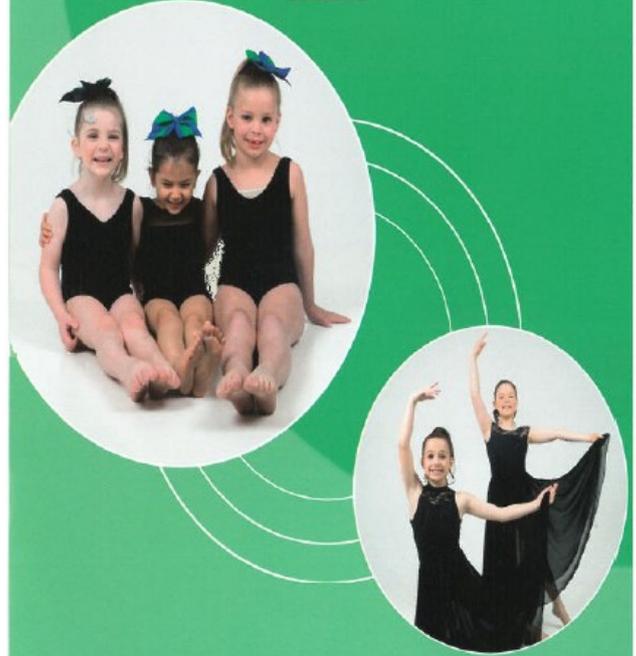
Year 7 2023 applications close August 20th 2021

Thursday 25 February 9.15am – 11.15am (On campus)	Tuesday 23 March 9.15am – 11.15am (On campus)
Thursday 4 March 9.15am – 11.15am (On campus)	Tuesday 20 April 4.30pm – 5.30pm (Virtual Principal Q&A)
Wednesday 17 March 4.30pm – 5.30pm (On campus)	Tuesday 27 April 9.15am – 11.15am (On campus)

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Open Night

Wednesday 17th March

4-6pm and 6.45-8pm **School Tours**
6.15pm **Information Session**

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School Tours on
Wednesdays

Warrandyte High School has a designated bus parking zone inside the school grounds with school bus services running from North Cropton, Warranwood, Park Orchards, Wongai Park, Research, Kangaroo Ground and Eltham. This is in addition to the regular National Bus Service which stops just outside the school.

FORM 3: SELF-NOMINATION FORM FOR PARENT MEMBER CATEGORY

(Formerly Schedule 5A)

I wish to declare my candidacy for an elected position as a parent member on the

..... council.

Name

Residential address

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Contact phone (mobile or landline)

Email

I am the parent/guardian of who is/are currently enrolled at this school.

Statement

I am an employee of the Department of Education and Training.	Yes / No (please circle)
I am an employee of the school council.	Yes / No (please circle)
I am engaged in work at and for the school.	Yes / No (please circle)

I am prepared to serve as a Parent member of the above-named school council. I hereby declare that:

- I am not, and have ever been, insolvent under administration
- I am not of unsound mind
- I have not been found guilty of an offence that is, or would if committed in Victoria be, an indictable offence
- I am not a registrable offender within the meaning of the *Sex Offenders Registration Act 2004*.
- I am not suffering from any medical condition that would affect my ability to perform the role of member of a school council.

Signature of candidate..... Date / /

You will be notified when your nomination has been received.

The personal information provided in this form is collected as part of the school council election nomination process. The information may be used to determine your eligibility as a candidate. Your personal information may be disclosed as a result of inspection prior to the commencement of voting or at any time up to one year from the declaration of the poll.

Your name will be included in a list of school council candidates and nominators (where applicable) posted in a prominent position at the school and for candidates, on a ballot paper (where applicable). Further, the name, membership category, gender (optional), term of office, office held (if any) of school council members and notification whether the member is an employee of the Department will be forwarded to the Department of Education and Training by the principal by 30 April each year as a record of council membership and may be used for statistical purposes.

You can access your personal information by contacting the principal on:

If you choose not to give some or all of the information requested your nomination may not be accepted.

If you have any queries about the school council nomination process, please contact the principal.



Steiner Craft Support Position

Briar Hill PS is a Government Primary School that delivers its daily program with a Steiner Influence. As part of this influence Steiner Craft is a regular part of the classroom program. We are looking for a person to help implement craft in the classroom working side by side with the classroom teacher. At this stage the hours being offered are limited with a review of the program to take place towards the end of 2021 with a view to expanding it in 2022.

The applicant will need a strong background in delivering and organising craft in 3 classrooms each term. Skills in knitting, crochet, stitching and sewing will be an asset. Knowledge of and/or experience of teaching craft in Waldorf/Steiner schools would be preferable. A very strong commitment to working collaboratively will be essential.

This position is a contracted position until the end of 2021

The Steiner Craft contractor would deliver craft lessons for 3 x 50 minutes classes per week They will be paid for 4 hours work. The rate of pay per hour would be dependent on relevant knowledge, expertise, qualifications and experience. The program will be delivered 9 days per term. (This would allow for a week off each term for excursions, public holidays etc.)

Responsible to: The Principal

DUTIES

The Steiner Craft Teacher will be responsible for supporting classroom teachers to teach and implement craft that supports a Steiner Influenced Curriculum.

The Craft Teacher will work in 3 classrooms per term from Prep to Class 6 supported by the classroom teacher.

ESSENTIAL SKILLS, UNDERSTANDINGS AND EXPERIENCE

- Teaching year levels Prep to 6 Steiner related craft.
- Confidence lead the craft in a classroom setting
- Skills in knitting, crochet, stitching and sewing and a proven ability to work collaboratively
- Being open to a Steiner approach to Craft education
- Excellent communication skills with both children and adults
- A passion for craft education
- effective behaviour management skills

PERSONAL QUALITIES

- Commitment to professional development
- Love for teaching and children
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Ability to work closely with colleagues
- Flexibility

QUALIFICATIONS:

- WWCC
- VIT current registration preferred but not a necessity

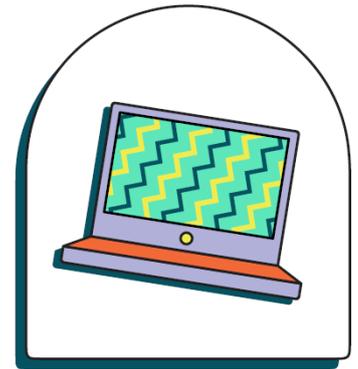
Virtual Information Sessions

Find out everything you need to know about Outside School Hours Care.

We've organised informative and interactive sessions that ensure you get the most relevant information for your family. These sessions will be run by our leaders in the OSHC community and will answer questions on programs that are offered, registration and booking process, billing, Child Care Subsidy and more.

If you would like more information regarding Camp Australia's services but cannot attend any of the above sessions, please feel free to visit your service and speak with your friendly Coordinator.

Alternatively, you can send us an email at oshc@campaustralia.com.au and one of our friendly Customer Care representatives can answer your questions.



Session 1
Tuesday, 16 February
12:30pm (AEDT)

Session 3
Tuesday, 23 February
8:00pm (AEDT)

Session 2
Thursday, 18 February
8:00pm (AEDT)

Session 4
Thursday, 25 February
12:30pm (AEDT)



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