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Brentwood Park Primary School NEWSLETTER

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TERM DATES 2026 TERM 1 28TH JAN - 2ND APRIL TERM 2 20TH APR - 26TH JUNE
TERM 3 13TH JUL - 18TH SEP TERM 4 5TH OCT - 18TH DEC

DATES TO REMEMBER

31ST JULY	GRADE 6 WATER SAFETY DAY AT CASEY RACE
04TH AUGUST	VISITATION BY JIANGSU UNDERGRADUATES
07TH AUGUST	PREP MYUNA FARM EXCURSION
11TH AUGUST	DISTRICT ATHLETICS
11TH AUGUST	SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING COMMENCING @ 6:30 P.M.

JIM BELL, PRINCIPAL JO-ANNE DORAN, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL JUDY ANDERSON AND JIM NARAYAN - ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

Senior School Production –Gross Busters

Last Thursday, 338 students from years 5 and 6 performed spectacularly at ***Bunjil Place*** before an audience of parents, family members and friends! The occasion was our annual senior school production entitled ***"Gross Busters"*** and, like previous productions, lived up the high standard which we have come to expect under the direction of performing arts teacher, ***Kenneth Mills***.

With auditions for the speaking parts undertaken in late February for which over 100 students applied, the weekly timetabled performing arts schedule enabled the huge ensemble of students the opportunity to commit song lyrics to memory and accompanying dance moves to refinement!

Our comprehensive specialist programs and their accompanying "elaborations" are well recognised as highlights of our school's curriculum by staff and students! Performing at a professional theatre such a ***Bunjil Place***, supported by its professional sound and lighting technicians, as well as the buzz of excitement within the ***studio***, the ***green room***, the ***dressing rooms*** and the ***corridors*** backstage in readiness for the performance onstage would certainly have contributed to a very memorable evening for our students!

A college of photographs in this week's newsletter provides a synopsis of the story and captures the occasion for review!

Senior School Production –Gross Busters

Over the course of this week and in the forthcoming weeks, the music and photographs taken to capture the production will be playing in our school foyer! The screening has already captured the attention of many of our students!

Keyless Entry—Additional Security Measure

As mentioned previously, the keyless entries to our external doors are in the process of being installed. This enables the electronic opening and locking of doors at specific times of the day which will be a major boost to our school's security! They proved ***very effective*** during our ***practice lockdown*** last Friday when all doors were able to be locked with one action on the administration's computer!

GROSS BUSTERS

Our amazing year five and six students took centre stage entertaining a full house on Thursday 23rd July at Bunjil Place, Narre Warren, with their incredible production Gross Busters.

Auditions commenced in term one and rehearsals gradually picked up frequency leading up to the performance date. Students learnt expressive skills and actions combining choreography to create dance sequences to communicate the telling of the story. Characters with spoken words or body movement gradually put their scripts to one side as they developed confidence, implementing voice and movement to create mood, and atmosphere, drawing attention to their dramatic action.

We are immensely proud of our students! Thank you to everyone for your support!

Welcome to Normsville, a picture-perfect paradise where everything's normal, and Norman Normal is proud to say he fits right in... except he's hiding a monstrous secret.

When a slime-wave swamps Normsville, and monster mayhem erupts, Norman's secret explodes into the spotlight and there's only one team to call - The Grossbusters!

Exposed and expelled, Norman is dumped down the rubbish chute of doom and dropped into a wonderful world of weird, - with freaky friends, talking burger buns and a rather famous, dustbin-dwelling diva. Together, they plunge into a slime-filled adventure to save the city and discover that different isn't dangerous — it's dazzling!

Oozing with catchy songs, crazy characters and comic chaos, Grossbusters is a monstrously hilarious musical that celebrates difference, champions individuality, and proves that being yourself is the bravest thing of all.

If you're looking for a show that's a guaranteed monster hit, who ya gonna call? GROSSBUSTERS!

WHO YA GONNA CALL?

GET SET FOR THE SLIME OF YOUR LIFE...

GROSS BUSTERS

THE MONSTER MUSICAL

GROSS BUSTERS
GROSS BUSTERS
GROSS 1

Term 3

YEAR 5 SOVEREIGN HILL CAMP

July 20-21st

Early on Monday morning the year 5 campers met at school while it was still dark. Parents and students were very excited and eager to depart. After a quick stop for a snack, we arrived at Sovereign Hill. The weather was cool but sunny! After lunch we participated in a variety of activities before heading back to camp to set up the cabins. After dinner we got to watch the Aura light show before heading to bed. On Tuesday we had more activities, then it was lunchtime and time to head home. After a long bus ride we finally got back to Brentwood Park and I think we were all ready for an early night.

A big thank you to Jim N, Dylan, Kim W, Nadee, Rylee, Beth, Courtney & Maryam, Kasuni, Bec, Ben and our parent helpers Craig, James, Tarana and Christine for giving up their time.

WHAT DID WE THINK?

On Monday morning I was really tired but excited at the same time. When we arrived everyone started clapping. When we went gold panning a lady taught us how to use the equipment and when I thought all hope was lost I finally found a small nugget. I was sooo happy!

Hannah

What I liked best was the mine. It was a very dark space and we could hear noises. I got really scared since I was at the front. I also liked the lolly shop. Everyone said that the raspberry drops were the best but I liked the cola drops.

Smaya

After a noisy and silly bus ride, we finally arrived at Sovereign Hill. We learnt about the treatment towards the Chinese miners and the 10-pound tax, the history of gold mining in Victoria, and how to pan for gold. The cabins were neat and the food was amazing. I bought lots of candy and some cool toys.

Benjamin

I was very happy when we got to our cabins as I was with all the people I wanted. Our first activity was candle making. It was interesting and I got to make one. After that we went gold panning and had to use shovels, plates and other tools.

Alona

My favourite part of camp was the gold pouring as they showed us how to smelt gold. Students got to hold a $500,00 ingot! I went gold panning and even found 5 pieces of gold, but they were very small.
Lear

The trip to Sovereign Hill was incredible. We made nicknames for the people in our cabin. We had spahgetti for dinner and toast and cereal for breakfast. We did gold panning, bowling and candle dipping. We also had a gold pouring demonstration, a gold mine tour and learned about the Chinese miners.
Annette

GOLD MINE TOUR

PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

VHAP
VICTORIAN HIGH-ABILITY PROGRAM

THE EDUCATION STATE

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VHAP Term 2

The Victorian High-Ability Program (VHAP) enables high-ability students in Years 5-8 , at all Victorian schools, to be challenged and extended in a supportive environment.

VHAP consists of ten-week online courses in Mathematics and English where they engage in synchronous online classes with their teachers. They also commit to completing independent tasks outside of the class time.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS FOR COMPLETING THE VHAP PROGRAM IN TERM 2, 2026:

English - Kushini 5KW, Evni 5KW, Sayon 5KW, Nuriyah 5CW, Kate 6LS

Mathematics - Yehansha 5CW, Ameya 5CW, Jazryn 5CW, Aditi 5RH

FOOD BANK

Tuesday and Thursday
8:30am – 8:45am

Breakfast Club – Starting the Day Together

There's nothing quite like the smell of breakfast cooking and the sound of happy chatter to start the school day! Our Breakfast Club continues to be a much-loved part of the Brentwood Park Primary School community, providing students with a warm welcome, a nutritious breakfast and a positive start to their day.

Our **Tuesday Sausage Sizzle** remains a crowd favourite! A heartfelt thank you to the families who have generously donated sausages throughout the term. The delicious aroma drifting across the playground each Tuesday morning is enough to tempt even the fullest stomachs and it's wonderful to see so many smiling faces enjoying breakfast together before the bell. **Warm Thursdays:** On these chilly Thursday mornings, a warm hot chocolate alongside a toasted sandwich is the perfect combination to help students feel warm, settled and ready for a successful day of learning.

How You Can Help

If you would like to support our Breakfast Club, we are always grateful for donations of:

Disposable gloves Margarine Dishwashing liquid Sausages Jam

Every contribution, big or small, helps us continue providing this valuable service for our students.

Thank you to our most recent families for your generous donations. A sincere thank you to the Mellican/ Taylor family, Ko/Lee family, De Silva/ Abeywickrama Gunaratne family, Zhang/Chung family, Arumugam/Ganapathy/Chelliah family, and the Manamperi/Galhenage Perera family. Your generosity helps create a welcoming environment where students can start each day feeling nourished, connected and ready to learn. Together, we're making a real difference to the wellbeing of our school community.

Any donations can be directed to Mel at Breakfast Club on a Tuesday or Thursday morning.
melanie.dennis@education.vic.gov.au

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S.R.C news

WHAT?
Brentwood Park Primary is now recognised as an official donation partner of the CDS Victoria's container deposit scheme.

WHY?
By participating in this scheme we are reducing litter, helping our environment and earning funds to improve our school community.

WE can help reduce litter, help the planet and be rewarded.

OUR recycling supports a circular economy and means new products can be made out of existing materials.

VICTORIA'S CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME

Please help your SRC to raise funds for our school.

Check for the 10c mark

VICTORIA'S CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME

You can bring your drink containers with the 10c refundable mark to school.

Please leave them in the tub outside Daryl's shed. The tub will be there before school each day.

Your Zone ID Barcode.

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Our nearest reverse vending machine is located at:
Berwick Springs Hotel
288 Clyde Rd, Berwick

Or you can take them to your nearest container deposit location.

Just enter our BPPS ID barcode or scan it and donate to us directly.

Term 3

Week ending 24th July, 26

STAR OF THE WEEK

0MB	Jiyaan	well done for working so hard to improve your handwriting. Your effort is making a big difference.
0EP	Mikael	trying your best in your writing tasks and asking for help. Well done, superstar!
0LP	Miraya	for using your FANTASTIC listening skills during our phonics sessions this week. Well done, Miraya!
0RC	Riaan	for making such a great start with us in 0RC. We are so happy you joined our class.
0TL	Shreya	for trying her very best in all her learning tasks.
1AU	Carter	for his amazing work during inquiry and phonics this week!
1CM	Adhvicka	for trying so hard during our phonics and reading classes. You are a helpful and caring member to others in our class.
1NG	Nando	for your hard work in maths this week!
1KM	Marlee	for working hard on your handwriting.
1SL	Sirat	for writing an amazing recount in our class shared writing books. Keep up your great work!
2SM	Kristinean	for making huge improvements in your multiplication skills!
2SY	Jahaan	for showing the school values in the playground. Keep it up!
2LD	Shania	for showing the school value of persistence by trying your best, asking for help and not giving up when doing challenging tasks.
2LM	Isala	for approaching all learning tasks with a positive attitude and consistently making mature and responsible choices in the classroom.
2AL	Aashriya	for representing equal groups as repeated addition.
2CH	Ray	for your excellent concentration during CAFÉ reading and your enthusiastic participation in learning multiplication. Keep it up!
2JL	Adil	for a cracking start back into 2JL.
3AM	Nethalya	for the use of descriptive verbs and adverbs in her procedure writing.
3BC	Thomas	for terrific work in maths this week! You did an excellent job solving division problems with and without remainders using short division.
3JR	Joanna	for working hard in your learning and showing excellent behaviours.
3GA	3GA	for their great effort with their group WOW sorts. Keep up the fantastic spelling!
3AJ	Shanaya	settling into 3AJ so nicely.
4SA	Jayden	for writing a fantastic persuasive text that showed a strong opinion. Well done!
4MS	Zac	for your excellent persuasive writing in the style of the author of 'The Tale of Despereaux'. Well done!
4NH	Chi	for an exemplary persuasive essay that was outstanding in clarity, persuasion and analysis.
4TC	Isabeau	for great participation in discussions and giving your best effort.
4VK	Keshvi	for applying herself diligently to speak to the class about the topic 'feeling'. Excellent effort.
	Samanvi	for being a respectful and responsible student who applies herself diligently in her learning.
4CR	Hareshwa	for your fantastic effort with your homework responses.
5CW	5CW	for being respectful and representing our school values while on our camp at Sovereign Hill.

STAR SOF THE WEEK

Term 3

Week ending 24th July, 26 .

5NR	Praabhdev	for your positive attitude throughout the production, you showed responsibility, resilience and teamwork.
5RH	5RH	for approaching every challenge and learning experience at Sovereign Hill with curiosity and confidence.
5MT	5MT	for showing BPPS school values during our year 5 camp. Each of you were amazing and I am so proud of you. Well done!
5BM	5BM	for representing our school with respect and responsibility during camp at Sovereign Hill. Your willingness to learn, support one another and the make the most of every opportunity was truly commendable. .
5KW	5KW	for showing the school values during the Sovereign Hill camp and the 'Grossbusters'' production.
6EK	6EK	for the outstanding and incredible talent you demonstrated on the night of your production. I am so immensely proud of you all!
6MB	6MB	for your dedication and hard work during production rehearsals this week. Your performance was outstanding! Well done.
6ED	6ED	for your incredible performance of 'Grossbusters'! You sang and danced your hearts out and did yourselves and me proud!
6KR	Selina	for her excellent collaboration at division tee ball and showing exceptional school values at our production.
6LM	6LM	for their superstar performance of 'Grossbusters' - The Monster Musical.
6SM	Uday	for doing your absolute best during our cartesian plane session. Well done!
6LS	6LS	for your positive attitudes and cooperation during 'Grossbusters'. What superstars!

SPECIALISTS

PE—DYLAN		
	n/a	
PE-JIM		
	n/a	
PA-SARAH		
	FRC	for demonstrating outstanding confidence and enthusiasm while exploring rock music and dance. Your 'School of Rock' inspired band truly rocked the stage!
ART-JESS		
	2JL	congratulations on the teamwork you showed while helping and encouraging each other to get started on your dream catchers.
ART-BREE		
	4SA	for demonstrating good joining and creative designs when working with clay.
CHINESE-DAISY		
	6LS	for your amazing job researching a China trip travel itinerary.
CHINESE-CHUN YAN		
	4NH	for your excellent engagement in learning numbers from 1—100. You are all superstars!
DT-LISA		
	4CR	you are learning to use your iPad safely and securely. You took detailed notes about internet safety.
DT-SARAH		
	1NG	for confidently exploring and identifying the different parts of an Ozobot robot. Your curiosity and enthusiasm for learning has been outstanding!
PA-KENNETH		
	All 5/6	for your participation and phenomenal performance of 'Grossbusters'. Well done.
MEDIA-DAISY		
	5NR	for your awesome job on Minecraft Education play this week.
LIBRARY-ANNETTE/JO/VERONICA		
	5KW	thank you for being such a beautiful and respectful class during your library session. Keep it up!

Brentwood Park Primary School has been fundraising since the 1990s to support the school garden by selling the **ENTERTAINMENT BOOK.** The book is now an app and much bigger. It is full of discount vouchers that make purchasing something small to anything big a little more affordable. When purchasing a 12-month digital subscription online, you select BPPS as the school you wish to support, and 20% of your purchase goes towards the school. You can also participate in their competitions for extra bargains! See their offers at www.entertainment.com.au and visit their Youtube channel at https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=entertainment+book.

You can get discounts for airfares, holiday accommodation, theme parks, clothing, food, attractions, social activities, entrance fees, car hire, wine, gift cards, retail for appliances, petrol, tours, cruises, travel insurance, camping, and much, much, more. Have a look and see!

Support our school garden with the Entertainment Book App.

Cheers Vicki Kromlidis

Victoria Police

Casey PSA Neighbourhood Policing Forum

VICTORIA POLICE

The Victoria Police Neighbourhood Policing Forum welcomes local services and community members to talk with police about what issues are important in your community.

The forum will explore topics including:

- Current crime trends and crime prevention
- Young people
- Family violence
- Road policing
- Drugs and drug related crime.

The Neighbourhood Policing Forum will be run by a Victoria Police panel and questions will be taken from the audience throughout the event.

Registration is a must.

To attend, please register by sending your details to:

CASEY-CEC-MGR@police.vic.gov.au

or scan the QR code.

To submit a question prior to the forum:
CASEY NHP questions

Event details

Date:
20th August 2026

Time:
6:00pm – 8:00pm
(Doors open 5:45pm)

Location:
Bunjil Place,
2 Patrick Northeast Drive,
Narre Warren 3805

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DATES
Wednesdays

July: 29th
August: 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th
September: 2nd

TIME
10am until 12:30pm

VENUE
Kurmboon Child and Family Centre
297 Pink Hill Blvd, Officer

Light refreshments will be served

Bookings Essential
REGISTER HERE:
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August Activities for dads & kids in Casey

AUGUST 07 7.00 PM *The Meetup men's group*	**AUGUST 09** 10.00 AM - 11.30 AM *Plant a Tree With Your Children*
AUGUST 15 10.00 AM - 11.30 AM *Gardening Together*	**AUGUST 21** 7.00 PM *The Meetup men's group*
AUGUST 22 9.00 AM - 11.090 AM *Breakfast & kick-a-ball fun*	**AUGUST 22** 9.30 AM -11.00 AM *First-time Dads Community Catch-up*
AUGUST 24 6.30 PM - 7.00 PM *Blokes & Bubs Evening story & play time*	**AUGUST 25** 7.30 PM *Forum for Men & Fathers*

The community-led groups are supported by: VICTORIA State Government | City of Casey | Dads Matter

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2026 FORUM FOR MEN & FATHERS

For all men across Casey.

Join us for a free buffet dinner, hear from the panel and share your thoughts.

A FREE EVENT

When: **Tuesday 25 August 2026**
7:00pm - 9:30pm

Where: **Bunjil Place Function Centre**
2 Patrick NE Drive, Narre Warren

RSVP: www.trybooking.com/DLVMW

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Fatherhood

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Dads Matter

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