



BENDIGO PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Wednesday 12th May 2021

Traffic management: As per my email last week to all school families, we have been advised that the operation of our 'fast drop off and collection lane' in Nettle St impedes the smooth flow of traffic. Thanks to everyone for quickly finding alternative parking arrangements in Webster and Nettle St again. Please also be conscious of the appropriate use of the No Standing and Disabled parking spaces. Everyone's safety is our shared responsibility.

Before school activities: We operate a range of activities (Before School Clubs) that *all operate 8am—8:30am*. Please see the calendar section for the sessions that require bookings or have explicit meeting points etc.

Schools Cross Country and Fun Run: All students in Grades 3– 6 are to be congratulated on their positive attitudes and participation last Wednesday. The co-ordination was a huge task for Mrs Hicks and well done everyone!

Our students helping their community: The Peters family (Abi and Jonothan) are also working hard to gain sponsors to support the MS May 50k walk—raising money for research into Multiple Sclerosis. <https://www.themay50k.org/st/6313/s>

Here's a message from Jono and Abi: "During the month of May, we are participating in the May 50k with our Dad and Step Mum to raise money and awareness for multiple sclerosis. We are going to walk 50 kilometres during the month! We would love it if you could support us by donating."

Education Week—Building Connections with our Community—starting Monday 24 May:

The flyer included again this week outlines our scheduled activities. On Friday 28 May, we invite all families to join us for lunch outside followed by a special school assembly on the Tiger Turf. We hope that you can join us! BYO chair!!!

2022 Foundation enrolments: Processes are currently underway for prospective families to attend Information Nights and tour classrooms etc. This is outlined in the calendar section. Please pass this information on to families that you know with a child starting school in 2022.

School Uniform: Please support 'pride in our school' by monitoring what your child is wearing to school and ensuring it is the correct school uniform. If you need assistance with purchasing school uniforms, please contact me.

Working Bee— help needed please: People power needed to spread soft fall **THIS Thursday 13th May—3pm start!** All equipment supplied—just bring your enthusiasm and energy!

Mandy Costello Principal

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Be Your Best!

Sharon.Frappell@education.vic.gov.au



Calendar of Events

Regular Events

Camp Aust OSHC

Every day, Monday to Friday

3- 6pm

Assembly

Fridays—8:45-9:15

Students and teachers only at this time.

BEFORE SCHOOL CLUBS—8am—8:30

Mondays

Library Club

Tuesdays

Yoga

Email Robyn Matthews for bookings:

robbybobby77@hotmail.com

Wednesdays

Brekky Club

Thursdays

Fun Fit Thursdays

Meet at 8am at Garden Gully

Special Events

Thursday 13 May

3pm—Working Bee to spread soft fall under the playground. Many hands make light work!

Friday 14 May

F-6 Gymnastics—last session

Monday 17 May

School Council- 6:30pm start

Monday 24 May—Celebrating Education Week

9-10:30—Open classes

Tuesday 25 May

6pm—2022 Foundation Information Night

Wednesday 26 May

8am—Brekky Club with guests

National Sorry Day

Friday 28 May

1:15—Special Persons Lunch

2:15—Assembly on the tiger turf

Parents and special visitors are welcome to attend.

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!



Working Bee

Thursday 13th May

straight after school

to help spread the soft fall under the metal and purple playgrounds. Lots of helpers needed please! It should not take us too long.

Sara Hill on behalf of School Council



Just bee-lieve in yourself! You can do it!



Education Week 2021



Monday, May 24th

9:00—10:30 AM

Open Classrooms—Come for a visit. Please be mindful that we will need to monitor density limits.

Tuesday, May 25th

6:00—7:00 PM

2022 Foundation information session:

Parents of Foundation students for 2022 are invited to an Information Session to be held in Room 10 (top building). Childcare will be available.

Wednesday, May 26th

8:00—8:30 AM **Breakfast Club**

- Join us for a healthy start to the day .
- Parents welcome. In the M.P.Room or outside if needed, followed by tours for prospective parents after

Friday: May 28th

1:15—2:15 PM **Special Persons Lunch**

Students bring a 'Special friend' to join them for a picnic lunch in the yard.

2:15— 3:00 PM **'Celebration' Assembly** on the Tiger Turf. Feel free to join us—BYO chair!

Join us as each of the classes showcase something they have been doing.

Let's Celebrate

B.V.S.P.S Program



Maths

1/2 Douglas Room 8

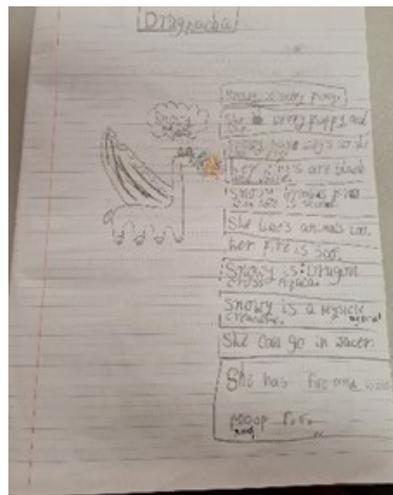
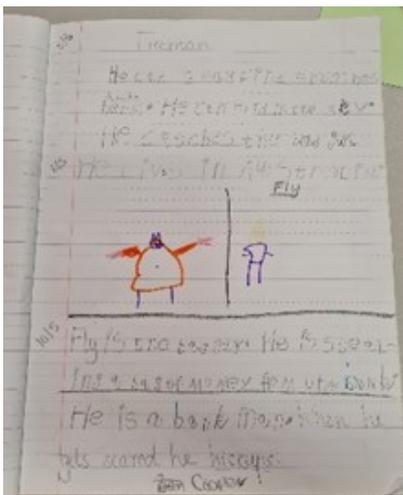


In 1/2D we have been learning about Time. We decided that we have two arms and hands just like a clock, so we put our bodies to good use! We used one arm for the minute hand and one arm for the hour hand. Miss Douglas called out what time we needed to show with our 'hands.' We're getting good at recognising where the hands will be when it's o'clock and half past and we are continuing to work on using language such as 'past' and 'to.'

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

Literacy

1/2 Douglas Room 8



In writing, we have been learning about the structure of narratives. It's important for a narrative to have characters in the book so the reader's interest is held for the entire length of the story. We have been busy creating our own characters to include in our narratives. We also wrote a description about our characters to help with extra details when we begin writing. Have a look at some of our characters that we have created.

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

Specialist Corner

Art

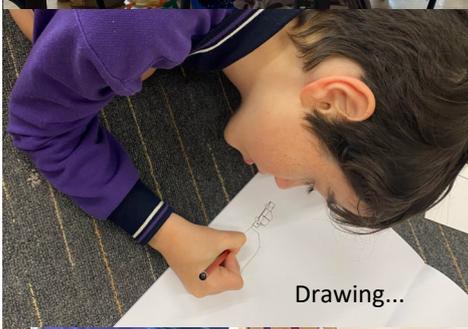
Everyone is different, and everyone enjoys different activities. Art is a place to relax and enjoy being creative in different ways...



Stamping with paint...



Sculpting with hashtag blocks...



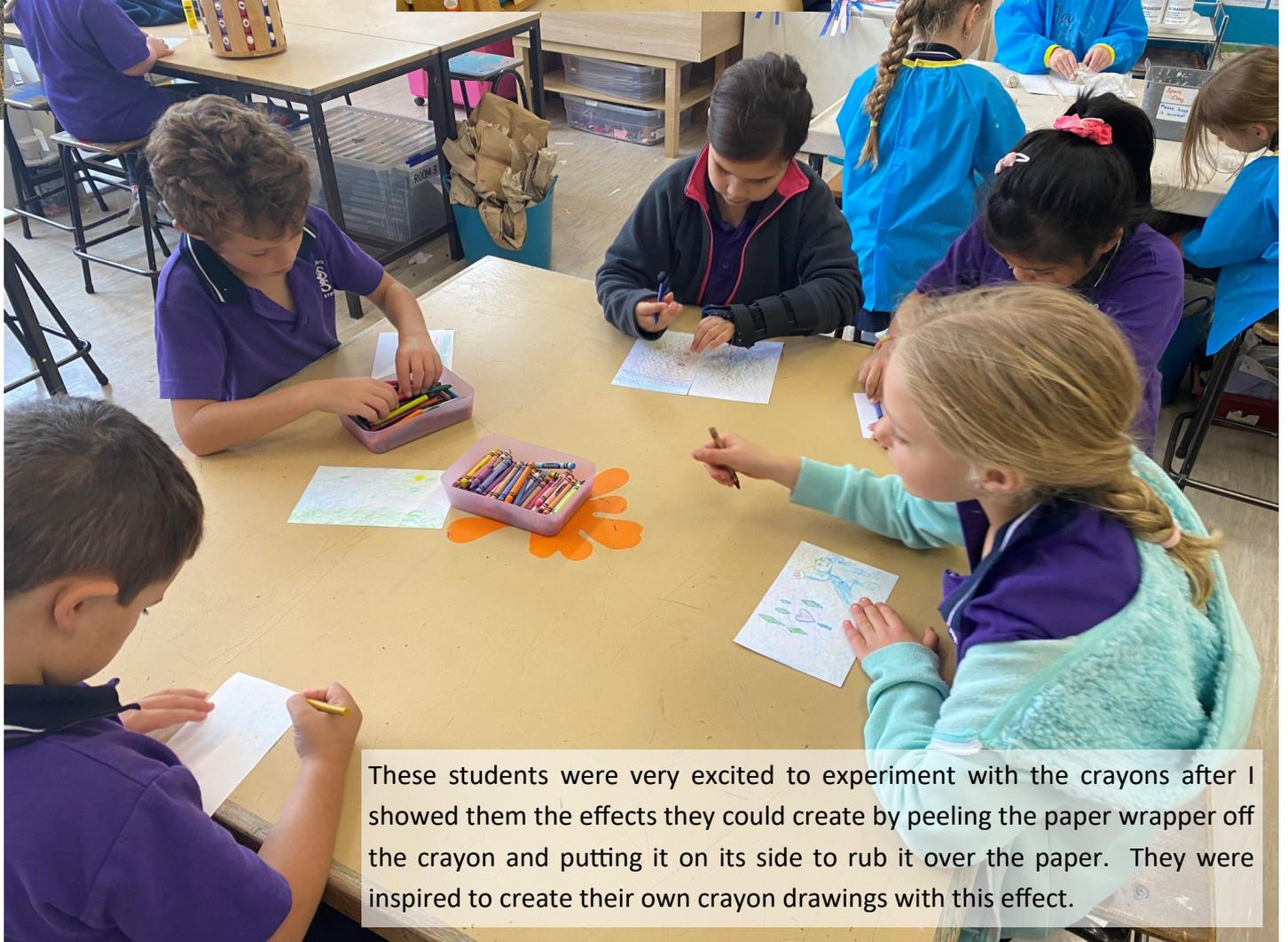
Drawing...



Creating a collage...



Sculpting with clay...



These students were very excited to experiment with the crayons after I showed them the effects they could create by peeling the paper wrapper off the crayon and putting it on its side to rub it over the paper. They were inspired to create their own crayon drawings with this effect.



Wilson Corner

Last week I outlined the Wilson Pathway to Empathy virtue of good manners. To follow on from that here is an excerpt from an article about manners from www.headspace.com, an online source for meditation and mindfulness.



Good manners cost nothing. These are wise words that we probably remember being taught as children, and those who are now parents probably repeat to their own kids.

But while these gifts are free to give, the simple offerings of being polite and kind — like saying please and thank you, listening carefully, and making eye contact with people — can bring huge benefits to ourselves and those around us.

They can help us appear more confident, maintain more fulfilling personal relationships, lead to us prospering at work and generally enjoying happier and healthier lives.

But what we probably didn't realize when we were being taught to be well-mannered as children — and perhaps those teaching it didn't recognize either — is that when we were learning about good manners, we were often learning about mindfulness.

By living more mindfully, it can lead to us naturally having better manners and help us to live a more prosperous life — without spending a cent.

By practicing basic good manners, we are showing those around us that we respect them and are considerate to their feelings. This makes them feel better, and us too.

Most of us have heard the old adage: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." This wisdom is so ingrained in our life lessons, it has become known as "the golden rule."

Examples of good manners can manifest themselves in seemingly small actions and rewards — like holding the door open for someone and receiving a silent smile of recognition in return. But it can also make or break crucial relationships and be the difference between harmony and conflict at home, at work, or even between countries and cultures on the world stage.

Like any rule, there are some exceptions, and we must appreciate that others' experiences, needs, and boundaries can be different from our own.

But if that moral sense of respect and fairness is already built into us, let's look at how to unlock it naturally to benefit ourselves and others around us.

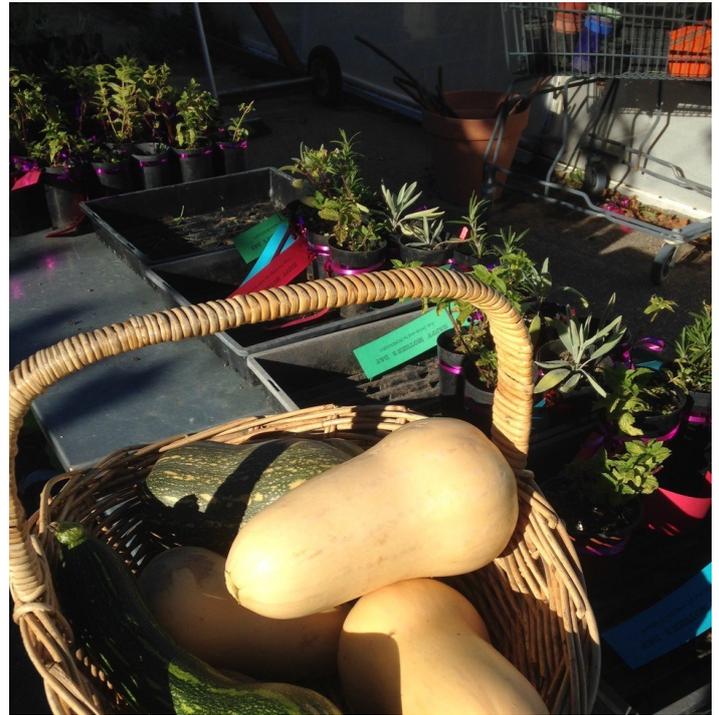
For more information, please visit: <https://playistheway.com.au/>

Our school values: Integrity, Respect, Honesty and Inclusion. We are a Child Safe school.

Gardening



The Fun Flowers from 1/2D had some practice removing Marshmallow weed from the playground area. It was a challenge to get them out as they have very deep roots!



We continued to harvest some lovely butternut pumpkins and prepared herb seedlings for Mothers Day. Thankyou Miss Leversha for the punny labels and Jane for helping tie them on!

Our discussion topic this week was about insects in the garden, both pests and helpers. During our discussion we learnt some interesting insect facts.

Did you know that some species of ants farm aphids? They herd them and treat them like dairy cows! They collect the honeydew that aphids exude and even move the aphids to tastier leaves.



While we are on ants, some even grow fungi in their homes to eat, as do some species of termites. These tiny six legged creatures are really clever farmers! Look up leaf cutter ants and fungus growing termites if you'd like to learn more.

Happy gardening,

Sara

Victoria Karen Youth Friendship Soccer Tournament. Saturday 15th of May.

Organised by
**Bendigo Karen
Youth Network**
In collaboration
with
AKP.
&
**Karen Empathy
in Action
Network.**



Matches Start: 9 AM
Team Registration Fee:
\$70

Fundraising for Internally
Displaced People (IDP's)
in Burma will be
supported by:

- * Stalls offering a selection of food and drinks.
- * Family fun, games and activities.
- * Raffle tickets and prizes.
- * Cash or eftpos accepted

Location: White Hills Primary School

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Scan QR
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directions

