

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER TERM 4 • ISSUE 19 • 9TH DECEMBER 2022

Dates & Events

TERM 4, 2022

Monday December 12

School Council

Tuesday December 13

Christmas BBQ (from 5:30 to 7:30 pm)

Monday December 19

Last Day of Term 4 (3pm finish)

Tuesday December 20

Curriculum Day (No Students)

TERM 1, 2023

Friday January 27

Curriculum Day

Monday January 30

First Day of School for Students

Friday March 3

PSG Day (No Students)

Monday March 13

Labour Day (Public Holiday)

Thursday April 6

Last Day of Term 1

Friday April 7

Public Holiday (Good Friday)

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I can't believe that we have just over a week of the 2022 school year ahead of us.

It is with much reflection, celebration and pride, that we share with you our final newsletter for the year. A huge thank you to everyone who has been involved with our school this year-parents, staff, community members and other professionals. We are grateful for the input everyone has contributed in making BSDS a wonderful place for teaching and learning.

To our students, we would like to thank you for showing us just how much can be achieved and gained, for making us proud to have had the honour of teaching you. I am continuously inspired by the energy and enthusiasm that is felt as soon as we enter our school grounds.

Next week you will receive a special end of year pack, complete with our 2022 Year Book and your child's December report. I hope that you enjoy taking a moment to read through all of the documents with your child to celebrate with them their successes across our school year.

CHANGE OF PLANS FOR 2023

Please let us know as soon as possible if you plan to leave BSDS next year and will not require a place at our school. Accurate enrolment numbers are crucial when it comes to planning for 2023.



IMPORTANT DATES

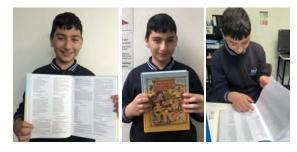
As our final curriculum day will be held on Tuesday, December 20th, students will have their last day of the term on Monday, the 19th of December.

Principal's Award

Jamal Makieh

We have our first ever published author at BSDS. Congratulations Jamal!

Earlier in the year, Jamal entered his story "The Car Shop" into the Writing 4 Fun national competition. There were over 5,000 entries and Jamal was awarded an achievement certificate for being in the top 5% of entries. His story has also been included in the annual National Treasures book. We are incredibly proud of Jamal's efforts!



Susi Wirth Principal



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CHAMPION'S CORNER - DIMBOOLA

ALANA KALUGAMPITIYA

for working so hard on developing her independence. She has recently started to help to prepare her lunch by heating it in the microwave! We are so impressed with how well Alana can use her mealtime ALD to request to use the microwave and then take her lunch to the kitchen and help staff to heat it up. Well done, Alana!





ALEXIA MORELLI

for showing pleasing progress this semester with her ability to identify rhyming words. She has particularly shown an interest in the rhyming story books 'The Wonky Donkey' and 'Frog on a Log?' where she anticipates words that could rhyme with any given word. Amazing work, Alexia!



ZOYA VOHRA

for showing exceptional growth in her communication skills this year. She has made her teachers so proud. It's so lovely to see her happy, smiling face in Room 18. Fantastic!





ADAM MAKIEH

for working exceptionally hard to achieve all his learning goals in various programs across Literacy, Numeracy and Science. Adam is a positive and active member in Room 17, ensuring all his classmates are looked after. His positive attitude towards learning and reaching out to help his classmates and staff members in the yard and in the classroom. We cannot also forget his impressive 'Gordan Ramsay' cooking skills. Way to go, Adam!







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CHAMPION'S CORNER - SORRENTO

ANDRS FASHA

for constantly impressing us with his determination and willingness to learn. Andrs has also demonstrated amazing progress at writing his name.

Well done, Andrs!



ALI ESAT KUS

for an amazing year in Room 7S. He has worked really hard in literacy and has blown us away with his ability to label every day items and learn new words. He is a great role model to other students in the class. Great work, Ali Esat!



YASMIN ABOUCHI

for her fantastic work in P.E this year. She has worked so hard at trying all activities independently and seeking help when required. Her confidence has grown so much and her can-do attitude is fantastic. We're so proud of you, Yasmin!



BRODY AUSTIN

For bringing in some of his fantastic artwork from home to share with his friends and teachers! Check out his incredible work!



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CHAMPION'S CORNER - LITERACY

ISMAIL ALDAINY

for showing great improvement in Literacy sessions this year. He is now segmenting and blending words with speed and accuracy during Soundcheck activities and reading texts with the Stage 1 &2 sounds. Way to go Ismail! Keep up the good work!





AMARTHYA DEVANGI AMOGHA

for his amazing effort in reading and comprehension tasks during Term Four. Amarthya has practiced his reading to improve his accuracy and fluency. Following reading he has been answering 'who', 'doing' and 'what' questions about his book using a whiteboard or worksheet. We are so excited to hear what you will read next Amarthya! Well done!



SHAKER ALYASSERY

for working so hard this year on creating CVC words using his Little Learners Love Literacy Stage 1 sounds. He has shown great perseverance as he has practiced this skill and is now using these words to read Little Learners books. What amazing work, Shaker! We love to listen to your great reading.



SAMANTHA PANDEY

for her amazing effort in segmenting and blending words ending in 'at'. It has been so exciting to watch Samantha explore these words using playdough, stamps, stickers and other mediums. We can't wait to learn more words with you, Sam! Such great work!



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2022 SENIOR GRADUATION



What a special night it was on Tuesday as we celebrated the wonderful achievements of our 2022 graduating students. Everyone cheered as each student was called to receive their certificate and photo frame from Susi and Rob. We then shared delicious food and amazing cake, took memorable photos in the photo booth, and celebrated with very proud family, friends and staff.











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PREP GRADUATION





We had so much fun celebrating the Prep's graduation with parents, siblings and carers. We are so proud of how much progress the students have made during their first year of school.



Congratulations to our 2022 Prep cohort!























PREP GRADUATION































LUNCH ORDERS IN ROOM 23



Students in Room 23 have been really enjoying ordering different snacks from the students at the Sorrento Street Campus.

Akash loves to order the jelly and to try the different flavours, his favourite so far is strawberry flavoured jelly.

Elliana picked some different things to try, including the jelly and the churro bites. She even had a vegetable quesadilla for the first time!

Georges likes to order lots of different things, such as the Cheerio treats.

He also always helps out by collecting the orders and bringing them to the office.













LET'S MOVE TOGETHER





Lets Move Together is a combined program for Rooms 12S and 14S where they work on fine and gross motor skills following a movement based sensory story. In this story it promotes fitness, motor control, balance, coordination and strength. Over the course of Term 4, these students have also been building their confidence in communication and friendship building through the demonstration of exercises with their peers.















CUPS AND CONES



This semester, students in Room 7S was lucky enough to visit the 'Cups and Cones' cafe. Students in Room 19S have been doing an amazing job as hosts and baristas for their customers. Room 7S students practised ordering from the menu and waiting at their table for their drinks. It was great to see our students chatting to each other and asking questions. What a fantastic end to the year!













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FRACTIONS IN ROOM 19





Students in Room 19 have been focusing on fractions during our Numeracy sessions. During our wholegroup activity, students got the opportunity to use rice and break down a whole circle into different fractions. Play-dough was also used on fraction mats to assist students knowledge and learning.























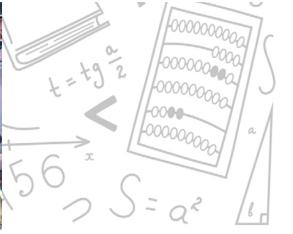












COOKING WITH ROOM 12S



The students of Room 12S have been utilising there senses to cook a coconut chickpea curry this term. Students are encouraged to look at, smell, touch and taste different ingredients and to communicate their likes and dislikes. The students have been doing a fantastic job of working as a group and waiting for their turn while preparing the food. Cooking this curry has been a great way to explore concepts such as Hot and Cold temperatures and Spicy and Mild foods. The students have really enjoyed making this curry especially chopping the onions using the chopper.













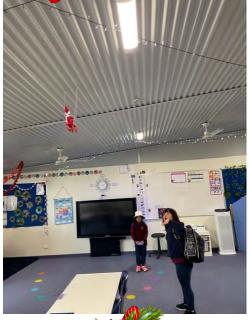
ROOM 20 CHRISTMAS FUN!

Students in Room 20 have been getting into the Christmas spirit this year! They have enjoyed baking gingerbread cookies, making Christmas wreaths, decorating a Christmas tree and designing a gingerbread house.

We have also had a special visitor in the room! Her name is Mia. Mia is an elf all the way from the North Pole. Mia keeps an eye on the students in Room 20 and awards them with certificates when she sees the outstanding work they have been doing. Well done, girls!















FAMILY DAY AT RDA



Mason, Jacob and Hani invited their families to RDA to watch the progress they have made across the year. They were delighted to show them the relationships they've built with their ponies, the volunteers and, of course, their coach Fiona. Mason made sure he waved to every single one of his family members who attended, Hani put on a ball show showing everyone just how amazing his throwing skills are, and Jacob took great pleasure in our quiet time at the dam, showing everyone how he enjoys patting his horse Stuart's neck and mane.

The boy's families were amazed at just how well they balance and all of the wonderful skills we have learnt. A big thankyou to our coach Fiona, the volunteers and Jadey for the photos.













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PHYSICAL EDUCATION AT BSDS



This term, the P.E. department has been running a number of different programs to incorporate the different levels and abilities of every student.

A partnership between the P.E. and Speech therapist staff has allowed for the development of a 'tiggy social story'. This story is read and played out during the P.E. session where students are supported to play the game correctly. Much to our delight, two of the students then transferred this knowledge into the yard and played a game of tiggy with each other. A big shout out to Gabe and Caine from Room 6S!

The Work Out program, is an interval training where students complete 3 sets of exercises twice. They have a break after each set where they can choose a 'Just dance' music video. Students participate in exercises such as squats, push ups, high knees, arm circles, mountain climbers, and butterfly kicks, to name a few. The music is usually pumping during these classes.

There are a number of movement based social stories which the students participate in - "Dear Zoo", "Luna Park" and "Dear Santa". These stories incorporate locomotor skills such as walking, running, jumping, hopping, and marching which is matched with different types of equipment such as ribbons, bubbles, spin dish, scooter boards. These actions are then paired with a different song.





















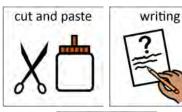
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BSDS Occupational Therapy





Fine Motor Skills

- Fine motor skills determine a child's ability to precisely control muscles in their hands, thumbs and fingers.
- Fine motor skills are important for many tasks in daily life, such as holding smaller items, buttoning clothing, eating, turning pages of a book and more.
- Fine motor skills are also important for writing, cutting and pasting. At BSDS, students participate in fine motor activities in the classroom to develop these skills.

Developing a child's fine motor skills involves working on a range of skills such as:

- Isolation of each finger
- Pincer grasp (using the tip of thumb and pointer/ middle finger to pick up items)
- Pinch grip
- Hand strength
- Thumb joint movement
- In hand manipulation
- Bilateral Coordination
- Wrist Stability
- Hand Dominance



Below are some activities students at BSDS can participate in at home or school to further develop their fine motor skills:

- Rolling and making shapes with play-dough
- Finger painting
- Manipulating pipe cleaners
- Stringing beads
- Folding paper
- Games jenga, connect four, pick up sticks
- Using pegs
- Popping bubble wrap
- Building blocks or lego
- Puzzles
- Sand play



Fine motor activities should be lots of fun for students! It's important to find an activity that each student enjoys.

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Key Word Sign Christmas Calendar 13 19 16 17 23 24 25 26 22 Key Word Sign is a communication strategy that can be helpful 31 29 30 for adults and children with a disability. Find out more about Key Word Sign on our website www.kwsa.org.au Follow us on Facebook and Instagram (@kws_aus) for Key Word Sign tips, resources and videos! Key Word Sign Australia stralia is a business unit of Scope Aust. Key Word Sign line drawings 🛭 by Key Word Sign Australia. Victoria. Incorporated: All Rights Reserved. Used with permission

Yooralla's Summer School Holiday programs offer a range of group activities

young adults with disability. Bookings are required by 9 December 2022

and outings across Melbourne, suitable for children, young people and

familiar faces and take part in fun social activities – like spending the day at Scienceworks, a scenic train ride on Puffing Billy or cruising down the Yarra

Yooralla's Summer School Holiday programs for people with disability are

back and bookings are now open! Your child can meet new friends and

Summer School Holiday Program 2023

Ooralla

View the full program, meeting points, important information and book your spot using the link below.

https://www.yooralla.com.au/summer-school-holiday-program-2023/



WELCOME!

You're invited...



ONSITE CAMPUS TOURS 2022

campuses and find out more about what Onemda can offer to help We are delighted to invite you to join us for an onsite tour of our you achieve your goals!

of 2022. By attending, you will be able to view our facilities, be introduced There will be tours available at each Onemda campus, for the remainder to some of our Onemda team and of course, your fellow Onemda community members.

WHERE: All Campuses

Multiple tour dates are available for the remainder WHEN:

of 2022 at EACH campus.

the 'Enrol Now' button, or scan the QR code shown. Register by visiting onemda.com.au and clicking RSVP:

We are so pleased to be able to offer these onsite tours once again, and we look forward to seeing you in person soon!

The Onemda Team







HUME CITY COUNCIL **LEISURE CENTRES**

To celebrate International Day of Disability we are hosting a JUNIOR Inclusive Dance Party for our community.

DJ Bruce will keep you dancing through the night.

Friday 2 December - Dress in red/white and be creative When:

as we will be giving away prizes on the night.

Splash Aqua Park and Leisure Centre 50 Central Park Avenue, Craigieburn Where:

10 to 17 years Age:

6.30pm-8pm Time:

Free event Cost:

Bookings must be made by the 28 November via Eventbrite:

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/international-day-of-disability-junior-inclusiv party-tickets-410976390447

FOR MORE INFO EMAIL: Leannec@hume.vic.gov.au











B-Street Short Term Accommodation Service

Did you know MCM provides Short Term Accommodation to children and young people aged 6-18 years old?

Did you know B-Street - MCM STA has current vacancies?



What is B-Street?

 $B-Street\ is\ a\ four-bedroom,\ PURPOSE\ BUILT\ short-term\ accommodation\ for\ children\ and\ young\ people\ aged\ 6-18\ years\ old,\ living\ with\ a\ disability.$

Overnight accommodation in our purpose-built house could really help your young person to thrive.

We support children and young people to develop new skills, increase independence, develop positive interpersonal relationships, and increase community participation. We can provide positive behaviour support services if required.

We are open 3pm-9am Monday-Friday

24 hours a day during weekends and school holidays

We are closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, Good Friday through to Easter Monday

Who can use B-Street?

NDIS participants aged 6 to 18 years of age can use the NDIS line items Core Supports and/or Capacity Building Supports to access this service.

If you would like to know more or discuss your individual circumstances, please contact:

B-Street Program Manager: MCM Customer Support Team:
Jason Hoggan 1800 343 287
jhoggan@mcm.org.au support@mcm.org.au

www.mcm.org.au

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UNIFORM ORDER FORM

ITEM		PRICE	SIZE 4	SIZE 6	SIZE 8	SIZE 10	SIZE 12	SIZE 14	SIZE 16	TOTAL
Polo Shirt Short Sleeve	Maroon	\$18.00		1						
Polo Shirt Long Sleeve	Maroon	\$21.00								
Bomber Jacket	Navy	\$38.00								
Windcheater	Maroon	\$25.00								
Polo Collar Windcheater	Navy	\$24.00								
Polar Fleece Vest	Navy	\$23.00					4 60			
Skort	Navy	\$18.00								
Shorts Rugby	Navy	\$14.00								
Trackpants Reinforced	Navy	\$18.00					6			
Summer Dress	Navy	\$34.00								
Winter Tunic	Navy	\$44.00								
Parka Lightweight	Navy	\$32.00								
Hat (Bucket) S M/L L/XL	Navy	8.00								
ITEM		PRICE	SIZE 18	SIZE 20	SIZE 22	SIZE 24	SIZE 26			TOTAL
Polo Shirt Short Sleeve	Maroon	\$22.00								
Polo Shirt Long Sleeve	Maroon	\$26.00								
Bomber Jacket	Navy	\$38.00								
Windcheater	Maroon	\$30.00								
Polo Collar Windcheater	Navy	\$30.00								
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Shorts Rugby	Navy	\$18.00								
Trackpants Reinforced	Navy	\$25.00	7							
Summer Dress	Navy	\$38.00								
Parka Lightweight	Navy	\$35.00								
				7					TOTAL	

Name of student:	Class:
Date of order:	Payment Method: Cash Card Card
Credit Card Details:	Expiry Date: