



Edition 1

From the Principal



Welcome to Beenyup Primary's first edition of Beenews for 2025. For all new and returning families, a warm welcome back to school!

We have a few new faces amongst our growing team of staff this term, starting with our Associate Principals, Dorinda Truscott and Sharee Viereck. We also welcome: Caroline Hooper, Colbi Murray, Jasmine Bennier, Caitlin Slob, Danika Turnbull, Lauren Espinoza, Courtney Garces, Hannah Aunese and Taryn Visic.

As a school, our core business is teaching and learning; and our team are committed to our moral purpose of empowering every student to achieve academic success. As part of building brighter futures through an intentional learning environment, a focus for the first six weeks of school is the implementation of whole school routines, transitions and expectations within and across each class to maximise student learning and success throughout the year. Our students have been engaging in daily Morning Meetings which aim to foster a sense of belonging at Beenyup and within the classroom community. Students have also been learning how to organise their thoughts and belongings which is an essential element across all learning areas.

Our team of staff engaged in our ongoing induction process and a range of professional learning and collaborative planning opportunities over the two days of school development held on 3rd and 4th of February. These School Development Days are vital to supporting all team members to continue their learning and to collaborate with their colleagues in order to achieve the strategic and operational priorities of the school. Ongoing induction enables all staff to support the smooth operation of the school. A huge thank you must go to our amazing team of staff for their efforts in the lead up to the start of the school year and in supporting our students in having a successful first half of the term.

On Entry Assessment is almost complete for our PP – 2 students. This testing provides valuable information about the current understandings and skills of each child which is used to inform the planning and delivery of targeted programs that address the needs of students. Over the next few weeks, our students in Years 3 and 5 will participate in NAPLAN assessments for literacy and numeracy. Our students have also engaged in a range of assessments this term to enable staff to inform teaching and learning plans.

Our senior students presented their speeches in Term 4 last year to the Year 3-5 students who then voted based on the leadership qualities we seek to further develop at Beenyup Primary. Staff also had the opportunity to vote. Congratulations to all of our students who nominated and delivered their speeches. Congratulations to Deegan, Mia, Javahn, Mason, Kai and Matilda who are our 2025 student leaders. Congratulations also go to our 2025 PBS student leaders, Lexi and Blake, as well as our faction captains – Jordan, Eli, Lexi and Mylah.

Our P&C recently held their AGM in which congratulations go to our new P&C office bearers:

President: Jess Gray

Vice President: Harmony Williams

Treasurer: Lisa Brazier

Secretary: Sam Tristram Howard

Thank you to all parents and community members who attended. Our P&C play a vital role in our school which includes fundraising to enhance the school's learning environment. I look forward to continuing to work in partnership with the P&C to build brighter futures together.

Our School Board met for the first time this year on 17 February. Items discussed and actioned included:

- Finance presentation by the Manager of Corporate Services, Mrs Teena Hind
- Attendance discussed
- Statement of Expectation reviewed
- Focus 2025
- Board Chair and Deputy Chair elected
- Annual Report approved
- Module 1 refresher – Board roles and responsibilities

Congratulations go to Shaye Mack for being elected as Board Chair for 2024.

Our School Board members this year are:

Board Chair - Shaye Mack

Deputy Chair - Leeann Eifler

Principal - Rebecca Instance

Staff representatives - Dorinda Truscott and Michelle Mader

Parent representatives - Chelsea Versaico, Simone Harvey, Leeann Eifler, Donna Covill

Community representatives - Rob Coales

In Week 9 of this term the school timetable will be suspended from 11:00am on Thursday, 3 April 2025 for the purpose of holding Parent Teacher Conferences. These conferences are a wonderful opportunity for teachers and families to discuss how their child/ren are settling in, their progress, achievement and goals moving forward as well any concerns about your child's learning. Bookings will be made in

On behalf of the Beenyup team, I would like to thank families for working in partnership with the school to support every child, every day to find joy, be challenged and experience success – what a wonderful start to the school year!

Important Dates Coming Up



- Wednesday, 12 March - NAPLAN Commences
- Friday, 14 March - Assembly 8.40am (Student Leadership)
- Friday, 21 March - Harmony Day
- Monday, 24 March - NAPLAN Finishes
- Monday, 24 March - School Board Meeting 3pm
- Monday, 24 March - **School Photos**
- Friday, 28 March - **School Photos**
- Wednesday, 2 April - Brilliant Kids Morning Tea 9.50am
- Thursday, 3 April - **Half Day Closure**, Parent Teacher Interviews 11.30am-7.45pm
- Thursday, 3 April - BSSA Summer Carnival
- Friday, 4 April - Assembly 8.40am (Room 16)
- Thursday, 10 April - Easter Hat Parade
- Friday, 11 April - **Students Last Day**
- Friday, 11 April - Anzac Assembly 8.45am

Feature Class - Room 6



In Room 6, we have been focusing on Social Emotional Learning, developing positive affirmations, and building self-belief. We encourage students to recognise that they are their own superheroes and that they can achieve anything when they believe in themselves. One of our key classroom values is "**Never Give Up.**" We explore these important skills through engaging stories and by modelling strategies that support resilience and perseverance.

In our Morning Meetings, we warmly welcome new students and each other while learning everyone's names through the game 'Knock Knock.'

Additionally, students have been learning to identify their **early warning signs**—the physical and emotional signals that tell them when they are feeling uncomfortable or unsafe. We have been practising a variety of breathing exercises to help calm the body and mind, ensuring we are ready for learning.

In Mathematics, we have been exploring how numbers are made up by combining digits. Using concrete materials such as **unifix blocks** and drawings, students have deepened their understanding of place value, recognising that the first digit represents bundles of tens. Drawing has been a valuable tool in reinforcing this concept and helping students make connections in their learning.

Room 6 is thriving with curiosity and determination, and we are excited to continue our learning journey!



Merit Certificates

Congratulations to our merit award winners from our assembly on Friday 21 February

Room 3: Duncan, Eva

Room 4: Ivvy, Miles

Room 5: Riley

Room 6: Amayah, Aliyah

Room 7: Sarah, Luna

Room 10: Carter, Atlas

Room 11: Thea, Sierrah

Room 13: Jayden, Chelsea

Room 14: Archer, RJ

Room 15: Violet, Tyler

Room 16: Noah, Makayla, Delilah

Room 17: Mason, Ekam



Star Award Winners

Nominations for Beenyup STAR Awards are given to students when they are making green choices and demonstrating any of the attributes of a Beenyup STAR:

S - Safe

T - Tough

A - Ambitious

R - Respectful

Each Assembly 4 children are drawn out of a raffle for each category, and we have 4 STAR Award winners.

Congratulations to our Beenyup STAR Award winners for our Assembly:

Friday, 21 February:

Arlo, Room 4

Archie, Room 7

Violet, Room 15

Tyler, Room 17

Class Trophy Award

Room 4 earned the most points and was awarded the STAR Point Trophy.



National Ride 2 School Day

Not only is active travel good for your health, it's good for the environment too! It means that there are fewer cars on the road, resulting in a reduction in noise pollution, energy use, and carbon emissions. At Beenyup PS, we will be participating in **National Ride2School Day on Thursday, 20th March**, where students will be encouraged to walk, ride, scoot or skate. We are very excited and look forward to sharing more details over the next couple of weeks, so stay tuned!



OSHCLUB





On Tuesday 18th of February, I made a HUGE change! I cut **40cm** of my hair for the **World's Greatest Shave!** ✂️ While I didn't go for the full shave, this was still a massive step for me, and I couldn't be prouder to be supporting the **Leukaemia Foundation** and the incredible work they do for families facing blood cancer.

Every single day, **53 Aussies** are diagnosed with blood cancer. That's 53 families whose lives are turned upside down in an instant. The funds raised through this event go directly towards providing critical support and funding life-saving research, and I'm beyond grateful to be part of that change.



BOOKMARKS!

Our talented OSH Club children have been busy crafting unique and colorful bookmarks for the library! With creativity and care, they have designed beautiful markers to make reading even more fun. From vibrant drawings to inspiring quotes, each bookmark is a special creation, ready to be used by book lovers of all ages.

Be sure to check them out next time you visit the library and grab one to mark your next great read!

Community News



Empowered Connections

Byford Peer Group Meet Up

Connect, Share & Support

Monday
9:30am - 11:30am

Dates
17th & 24th February 2025
17th & 31st March 2025
7th & 28th April 2025
5th & 19th May 2025
16th & 30th June 2025

Location
Byford Library - Makers Room
858 South Western Highway
Byford WA 6122

Contact
Jillian Sliskovic
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Are you a parent or carer of a primary school-aged child with developmental or physical disability?

Join us for a casual and welcoming peer group where you can connect with other parents and carers in our local community.

Share stories, insights and helpful information. Together be part of a supportive community that understands your journey and empowers each other through our shared experiences.

Come along, meet new people, enjoy a relaxed morning tea & a friendly chat. Everyone is welcome & we would love to see you there!

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Serpentine/Jarrahdale
Community Resource Centre
Your local connection

Serpentine Jarrahdale Community Resource Centre, as a registered Not For Profit Charity, is thrilled to announce, we have partnered with **FOODBANK** to become a supplier of referrals for food assistance at Foodbank Vans along with Foodbank Stores in Mandurah and Perth Airport.

If you are in genuine need of food assistance, you can visit the SJCRC for a free instant referral document where you can go and visit a Foodbank Truck or go to a Foodbank Store. When you visit a Foodbank truck, simply give them your referral from SJ CRC and you can shop that day.

FOR FOODBANK TRUCK SHOPPING
- The current nearest locations are;

Armadale Arena Carpark, 4 Townley Street, Armadale
on Thursdays WEEKLY from 12.15pm to 12.45pm.

Pinjarra Women's Centre, 14 Camp Road FORTNIGHTLY
on the first and third Tuesday from 10am to 10.45am.

You do not need to be an Australian Citizen to access this service.
SJCRC will require photo I.D. with a current address on it to generate the referral and Foodbank may also ask for this when you present your referral.

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9AM - 5PM
7DAYS**

Voluntary Contributions



Voluntary Contributions are used to supplement the resources received by the school through government grants and to support programmes that benefit your child's learning. Without this support from our parents and carers, the students from Beenyup Primary would miss out on opportunities, learning experiences and resources that support their education.

You can pay this in many ways:

Cash or EFTPOS available through our administration office or

Direct Deposit to:

Beenyup Primary

BSB: 066 040, ACC: 1990 5704 (Reference: Child's Name)

Thank you for your contribution and ongoing support.

Absentee Notification



All Attendance SMS messages will come from: **BeenyupPS.**

Parents and carers should use the link provided in the message to submit an attendance note regarding their child's absence.

Contact Us



Please contact our administration office for further information:

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