

Banyule Bulletin

Newsletter Date:

From the Principal

Sharon Marmo...Who is she?

Most people know who I am but very few people would be aware of how I got here and why I am the way I am. My mother and father had five girls in a seven year period (Yes, there are four more of me out there!) and my mother was 20 when she had the first one. This might explain why I was married at 20 (and am still married to the same man). This just doesn't happen anymore does it?

(In reality, my parents had 8 cats and I remember saying, I am going to marry the next man who walks in the door just to get away from the cats... and I did!)

I think my father was a bit disappointed he didn't have a boy so he took us all to Judo lessons (Yes, I have my black belt so be careful with me!). I can kick a footy and gut a fish. I can build a billy cart (remember those days) and build cubby houses. Hand me a hammer and I can do anything!

Unlike my mother, I waited until I was 33 to have my first child so I had the advantage of watching what my sisters did with their children, and then I did the opposite! (I also got their hand-me-downs so it was cheaper!)

Both my daughters are primary school teachers now, but let me tell you, I had to be a bit manipulative to get them on board. After years of me dragging them to working bees and to school on weekends and holidays, there was no way they were going to do that. They thought this was 'normal' (spending all your time at the work place) because they didn't know any different. Kids often follow their parents' footsteps but they decided it was all in the too hard basket and they wanted a life!

Even though my girls are 3 years apart, they both decided to do Event Management after year 12. They were under the illusion that life was going to be one big party! They both lived and worked in Florida for a while at Disneyworld but then reality kicked in and they realised maybe *MOTHER DOES KNOW BEST!* I agreed to let them volunteer at Banyule PS until they both got their act together.

This is when they fell in love with teaching. Being part of a supportive, passionate, dedicated staff and working with divine children who were eager to learn, inspired them to go to university and become teachers so they could make a real difference in children's lives. (Yes, mother does know best!) They now teach using the Banyule philosophy of 'Happy Kids Learn' but I will tell you more about that philosophy in the next newsletter.

Up until a couple of years ago, we have always had dogs in our family. Before I had children, the dogs were my kids. I took them to obedience training every Sunday morning and that's when I realised that teaching children (or bringing up children) and dog obedience have a lot in common!



DIARY DATES

Pupil Free Days:

Tuesday 15th March Tuesday 14th June Monday 31st October

School Photos:

Wednesday 16th March

REMINDERS

- Icy poles every Thursday— \$1
- Term 1 and 4

When training a puppy, we give them a small treat when they are learning a new trick. This soon becomes a pat on the head and then just verbal praise. If you do this, that dog just wants to please you. No more rewards are needed. BOOM! Light bulb moment. I thought to myself, I bet this works with kids. Yes, you are correct, when I had children, I did the whole dog obedience training on them! Catch them doing the right thing and reward them rather than wait until they did something wrong and punish them.

I'm not saying take your kids to dog obedience school, but I'm saying it works!!! (Just quietly, I use this method on my husband too shhhhh!) My husband and I have never had a fight (because he does what he's told he!he!) and I pat him on the head now and then!

Bottom line, Try not to take life too seriously. Look for the bright side in things and adopt the positive attitude that gets us through life. It's a shame we often need a very serious problem in our lives to realise we should savour every day we are here.

A positive attitude goes a long way in helping us realise how lucky we are (even though it doesn't seem that way sometimes) Hang in there. You are all heroes:)



From the Assistant Principal

The new school year is well and truly underway and the students are all happy and engaged in the learning program. All classes have begun the year with our Start-up learning program, focusing on building connections, developing relationships, and setting expectations for the year ahead.

The staff are also happy to be back on deck and looking forward to a great (uninterrupted) year of learning. The Education Department has set two key goals for schools in 2022:

Learning - Support both those who need extra support and those who have thrived to continue to extend their learning, especially in numeracy

Wellbeing - Effectively mobilise available resources to support students' wellbeing and mental health, especially the most vulnerable.

In addition to these goals, we have two of our own school based goals documented in our Annual Implementation Plan for this year.

Develop teachers' Numeracy knowledge and teaching capacity through collaboration, reflection and evaluation.

Implement evidence—based Numeracy teaching strategies to support, challenge and engage students in their learning.

Our School Improvement Team has been busy planning for our focus on Numeracy as we look to enhance and refine our current approaches. Teachers will be involved in a range of professional learning activities across the year to firstly build their knowledge of evidence-based approaches and then support each other to implement the new teaching approaches. Three key areas of focus will be;

Explicitly teaching mathematical vocabulary. Words like mean, plane and product have very different meanings in mathematics than they do in everyday language. It is essential our students understand this terminology so that they can comprehend questions and explain their thinking.

Implementing Number Talks. This is a short activity at the start of a lesson designed to foster mathematical thinking and build conceptual understanding. Students are encouraged to ask big questions, come up with ideas, look for answers and talk about their learning with others.

Implementing Challenging Mathematical Tasks. Challenging tasks are thought-provoking mathematical problems that aim to include students of all abilities in the lesson (open-ended) and foster sustained thinking, decision-making and risk-taking by the students.

The Department has continued to fund the Tutor Learning Initiative this year. We are fortunate to have two teachers returning from family leave to take on Tutor roles this year (Danni Christofis and Jane Place). We are currently in the process of coordinating and timetabling all of our intervention programs and support groups to ensure student needs are being met. Jane and Danni will work alongside classroom teachers to support identified students in small groups and in the classroom.

Natalie Shanahan

Student Work and Activity Showcase

Colour Fun In Prep!

The Prep
students got
creative in
Art this week
as they
explored
colour mixing
to help
decorate Mrs
Nedelkos'
white dress!
What messy
fun!















Prep - 2 Gymnastics

The Prep-2 students have had a fantastic time learning lots about gymnastics over the past couple of weeks. It was a great way to start the year off with a positive.





Banyule Awards



The following students have received a Banyle Award for demonstrating our school's social and learner values.

Class	Student Name	Class	Student Name	
PRB	Flynn M (STEAM)	MMW		
	Jemima J			
	Isaac E			
PAM		MCN		
PDJ		MII	Jensen C (LOTE)	
			Aaron L	
PNB	Kyana A	MNS	Annabel G Elise C (Visual Arts))
1NT	Kaavya V (LOTE)	MRS	Cara McE (Perf. Art	s)
	Navy K			
CIT	Jarvis C	MDM	11 11	
1CH	Maxwell C Katherine P	MDM	Harry N	
1KD	Anay S & Sabine B	STM	Layla G	
	Ari R & Olivia L			
1FP	Tosha (PE)	SDG	Sarah I	
	Nick W		Jax A	
	Kiara B			
2NS		SSD		
2CJ	Mateo C	SSN	Elroy N (PE)	
	Noah T			
2KB		SMW	Ayla K (LOTE)	
			Tala A	
7.5.			Samuel J	
2MA	Hinami Y & Zahra A (STEAM)	SMG	Oliver M (PE)	
2WG	Jack W (Perf. Arts) Evie (PE)	SJM	Ryan F Nishi D A (Visual A	rte)
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MJS	Natalia C	SMT		
247.77	Jack S			
MLH	Naomi P			
	Finley C			



Photographing, Filming and Recording students

Annual Collection Notice and Opt Out form

During the school year there are many occasions and events where staff may photograph, film or record students participating in school activities and events. We do this for many reasons including to; celebrate student participation and achievement, showcase particular learning programs, document a student's learning journey/camps/excursions/sports events etc.

This notice applies to photographs, video or recordings of students that are collected, used and disclosed by the school. We ask that any parents/carers or other members of our school community photographing, filming or recording students at school events (e.g. concerts, sports events etc) do so in a respectful and safe manner and that any photos, video or recordings ("images" of students are not publicly posted to a social media account) without the permission of the relevant parent/carer.

If you do not understand any aspect of this notice, or you would like to talk about any concerns you have, please contact our school.

Use or disclosure within the school community

<u>Unless you tell us otherwise below,</u> images of your child may be used by our school within the school community, as described below.

Photographs, video or recordings of students may be used within the school community in any of the following ways:

in the school's communication, learning and teaching tools (for example, emails, classroom blogs or apps that can only be accessed by students, parents/carers or school staff with passwords eg Compass, Seesaw etc)

for display in school classrooms, on noticeboards etc

in the school's newsletter

to support student's health and wellbeing (eg photographs of pencil grip to assist in OT assessments)

Use or disclosure in publications/locations that are publicly accessible

<u>Unless you tell us otherwise below</u>, photographs, video or recordings of students may also be used in publications that are accessible to the public, including:

on the school's website

in the Year 6 school magazine

Your child may be identified by first name only in these images (or not named at all).

We will notify you individually if we are considering using any images of your child for specific advertising or promotional purposes.

PRIVACY

Photographs, video and recordings of a person that may be capable of identifying the person may constitute a collection of 'personal information' under Victorian privacy law. This means that any images of your child taken by the school may constitute a collection of your child's personal information. The school is part of the Department of Education and Training (**the Department**). The Department values the privacy of every person and must comply with the *Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014* (Vic) when collecting and

managing all personal information. www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/sc	For further information see <u>Schools' Privacy Policy</u> (hoolsprivacypolicy.aspx).	ttp://
OWNERSHIP AND REPROD	UCTION	
	ly owned by the school. This means that the school may uring, acknowledging or compensating you or your child.	se the images in the ways
OPT OUT		
use photographs, video or recording. If you have read this notice and are scribed above, <u>you do not need to tal</u>	comfortable with the school using photos, video or record se any further action. ou do not want images of your child to be collected or use	ings of your child as de-
OPT OUT FORM		
(named below) to appear in the follow ☐ Use within the school display around the school use in publications school's social media according to the following school in the f	consent to Banyule primary school using photos, video wing ways: community (eg in the school's communication, learned only in the school's newsletter) /locations that are publicly accessible (eg on the counts, in promotional material for the school)	ing and teaching tools, on
public domain.	oth or only one type of use. Phool to amend past publications or to withdraw images to be in the Photographing, Filming and Recording Students	,
Name of Student		
Name of parent/carer		
Signature		
Date	/	





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VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

Our Rosanna Op Shop is looking to expand it's volunteer team!

Visit our website to find out more: www.kidsfirstaustralia.org.au

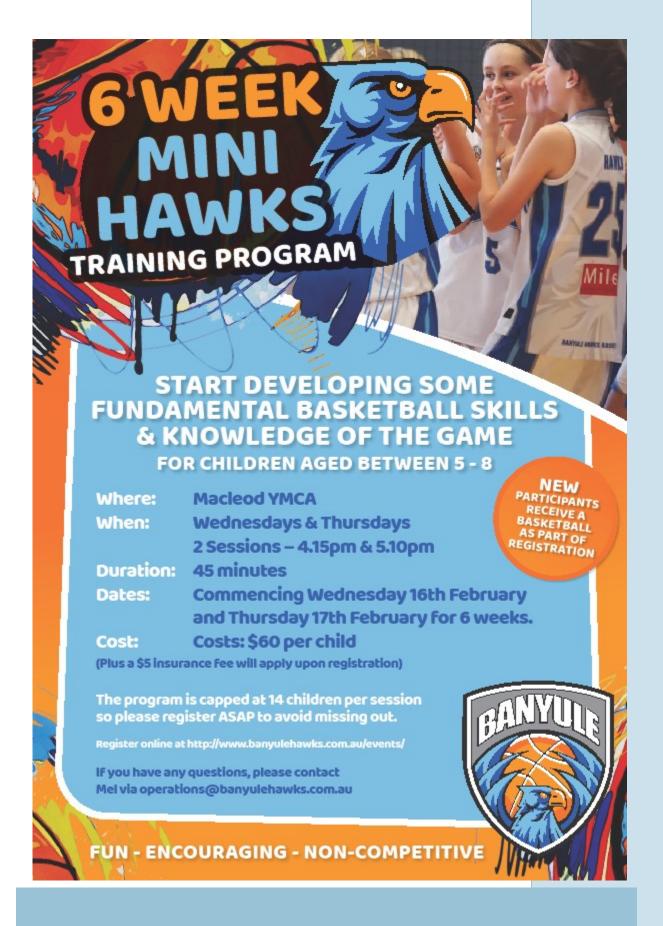


Volunteer at our fabulous Op Shop in Rosanna! The Retail Support role assists with the daily operations within the Kids First Op shop by providing hands-on support to staff, excellent customer service and keeping our shop looking beautiful.

No prior retail experience needed, we're looking for warm and friendly people who enjoy helping others and being part of a team!

For more information contact Emily (Volunteer Coordinator) on 0408 401 775 or email

volunteer@kidsfirstaustralia.org.au





Training Open Night & Free Sausage Sizzle after Training

- Under 13's
 - Wednesday March 2, 5:30pm 6:45pm
- Under 9's , Under 10's & Under 11's
 Tuesday March 8, 4:30pm 5:30pm

Bring along a mate and if they sign up, receive your 2022 Membership for free*

*Offer available to existing members only, no cut off date

mail westivanhoeiuniorfootball@gmail.com for details

Auskick to soft-start last weekend of Easter School Holidays

Macleod Men's + Women's Tennis Program

5 WEEK PROGRAM 45 MIN SESSIONS

MAX 4 PER CLASS

\$95

PLUS

GET 5 FREE COFFEE'S AT CAFE ABERDEEN ONE FOR EACH LESSON

AUSTRALIAN OPEN SPECIAL! 1/2 Price Child Group Lessons

PLUS Free Junior Racquet for
every new enrolment
Offer expires Feburary 11th 2022
Conditions Apply

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Contact: Andrew Wright TA Club Professional Coach 0421 064 459 email: andrew@wrighttennis.com.au



OUR VALUES

SOCIAL VALUES

RESPECT

Respectful people treat others as they would like to be treated.

RESPONSIBILITY

Responsible people say, "It's up to me."

CARE AND COMPASSION

Caring and compassionate people make Banyule a safe and happy place.

DOING YOUR BEST

Always strive to become the best possible version of yourself.

LEARNER PROFILE

EFFORT GENERATORS

Effort matters much more than talent or intelligence.

MISTAKE MAKERS

The best learners are not afraid of being wrong. Mistakes grow the brain.

CURIOUS CREATURES

Curiosity is the wick in the candle of learning.

FEEDBACK SEEKERS

Good feedback has the single most positive effect on your achievement.





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