



"I'd like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land upon which we meet today, the Gunai Kurnai land and pay my respects to elders past, present and emerging as well as any Aboriginal people here with us today"

Important Calendar dates				
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
18 Prep-2 Onsite	19 Prep-2 Onsite Grade 3/4 Return on site	20 Prep-2 Onsite Grade 3/4 Return on site	21 Prep-2 Onsite Grade 5/6 Return on site	22 ALL STUDENTS RETURN To Onsite Learning
25	26	27	28	29
1 st November Report Writing day No STUDENTS	2 Melbourne Cup Holiday	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12

Breakfast Club Monday-Thursdays 8.00am-8.30am in the BER building.

A word from Mrs Skee...

As this newsletter goes to print we are only one day away from welcoming ALL of our students and staff members from grades P-6 back to onsite learning. Whilst things might look a little bit different, the commitment that we all have to ensure that NEPS is a safe, collaborative, inclusive and engaging place to learn remains unchanged. I would again like to sincerely thank the whole NEPS school community for the way they have demonstrated ongoing resilience, support, flexibility and understanding during this time.

Whilst we know that there will be a number of changes to end of year activities (due to the current COVID restrictions) we are continuing to work on ways to make the end of the year positive for all. We thank-you for your understanding and patience during this process.

Report writing day and Melbourne Cup Public Holiday...

Please be reminded that **Monday the 1st of November** is a School Council Approved student free day. Staff will be busy working on end of semester report writing and assessment requirements on this day. **Tuesday the 2nd of November** is the Melbourne Cup Public holiday with all schools closed on this day.

Planning for 2022

Parents if your child/children will not be returning to NEPS in 2021 could you please let Mrs Skee know as soon as possible.

Email Julie.skee@education.vic.gov.au

This information is important for planning grades for next year. **Or, if you (or someone you know) is yet to enrol their child for 2022. I request that you do this ASAP** please call the office and speak to Denise Siinmaa so that they are included in our planning this year.

If you have any requests for 2022 which will affect grade placements decisions for your child(ren) please email me directly at Julie.Skee@education.vic.gov.au All requests need to be received to me prior to **Friday 19th November 2022**.

Unwell Students

Children may have prolonged post-viral symptoms such as a runny nose or cough and may return to school following a negative COVID-19 test even if they are not completely free of symptoms. They will need a medical certificate from their GP to confirm they are otherwise well or have recovered from their acute illness. Students with a negative COVID-19 test whose symptoms have completely resolved do not need a medical certificate to return to the school.

Respectful Relationships Learning in Term 4.



As students come back to school in term they are finishing off the topic Gender and Identity. During this topic they have reflected on their own identity, and how they interact with those of the same or different gender, including adults. They've developed their understanding of gender norms and actions that underpin respectful gender relationships.

As the term moves on, students will begin the topic of Positive Gender Relations. In the early years they will develop an understanding of unfair or hurtful behaviours based on ideas about being a boy or a girl. They will be able to practise respectful and gender friendly behaviours. In the upper years, they will begin to identify different ways that gender-based violence might appear in face-to-face interactions and in the digital world. They will demonstrate the use of behaviours to maintain safety and dignity of themselves and others.

These topics support the NEPS Respect values towards, self, others, learning and community, and support our students to develop lifelong respectful behaviours towards others.

Term 4

Don't forget as we are now in term 4 hats will be needed to be worn outside at recess and lunchtimes.

If you need to purchase a new hat Beleza School wear are open at:

26 B George Street Moe (03) 51261399

Website <http://storebeleza.com.au/>

Hours are:

Monday: 10.00am - 5.00pm

Wednesday 10.00am -5.00pm

Friday 10.00am -5.00pm

CANTEEN

The canteen will be operation as normal on Thursdays and Fridays. All students on-site for these days are able to order lunch from the canteen as per normal procedures.

Breakfast Club

Will resume normal operations from Monday 11th October at 8.00am (Monday- Thursday)

Any students at school prior to 8.30am must go to Breakfast club