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Beeac Primary School



Beeac Primary School is a child safe school

7 February 2022

10 February: Council finance meeting at 3.15pm
15 February: last Council meeting starting at 7.00pm.
17 February: Rokewood Lagoon. Family fun day starting at approximately 10.00am.
18 February: last day to register your interest to become a school council member.
28 February: successful Council candidates announced
1 March: Prep Student Health Questionnaire's (SEHQS) for parental completion, return by date please.
14 March: Labour Day holiday, public holiday.
17 March: Polwarth Sports Day at Alvie with a fall back for inclement weather on Friday 18 March
24 March 2022: National NAPLAN test day including WA at 11.30am.
28 March: the Colac and District Athletics carnival.
30 March to 1 April 1 2022: **Beeac PS cluster:** Sovereign Hill grades 3,4,5&6 + three other schools
15 April: Good Friday, public holiday.
25 April: Anzac Day.
29 April and 1 September: Wide Smiles dental check ups
7 May: MSP whole school photographs
11 May: GRIP student leadership conference Geelong
13 May 2022: MSP photography
20 May: Colac Division Cross Country held at: Colac Golf Club
13 June: Queens Birthday, public holiday.
24 June. CSEF program closes
3 November: Melbourne Cup
4 November: school shut, whole school PD Day
26 November 2022: Victorian State Election, school voting centre.
26 - 28 July 2023: Beeac PS cluster Urban Camp Melbourne, Grades 4,5 and 6 students

Student of the week.
Will Milne: for voluntarily helping the new students with group task work. 29/01



Welcome back.

Welcome back to a fresh 2022 start to the year. We have 31 students and a very stable, experienced staff of ten including our library teacher and chaplain, most of whom are in our group photo. Covid 19 keeps reminding us that it hasn't yet faded away, but it has taught us some good lessons. Most of our communication now happens via the internet either via Facebook or COMPASS thanks to covid. I have published the basic intro for COMPASS elsewhere in this newsletter for new parents

and for those who still need to access it.

I am reminding present Council members that the Finance meeting is this Thursday at 3.15pm, and the last of our present Council meetings will begin at 7.00pm on Tuesday the 15th of February.

For a number of years, Beeac Primary School has been a school on the Bushfire At-Risk Register. This means that our school will be ordered to shut if there is an imminent danger of a bushfire. This order will not be changed even if the weather subsequently improves. As highlighted in red in the enclosed article, our school bus will also be cancelled. It is worth reading the article about what will happen on a code red day. It is enclosed with this newsletter.

In term one we expect all children to wear a broad brimmed or bucket sun hat at break and lunch time. We encourage children to wear sunscreen and it is available each day so that children can apply it when they go outside.

Finally, do please take the time to read the enclosed article: "Covid back to school plan". It is a repeat of an earlier COMPASS news item, and neatly summarises how we intend responding to the present situation.

Published elsewhere are the details of our annual family fun day at Rokewood. If you are a new parent, or haven't been before, we especially hope you'll take some time off and bring your children. It is a great opportunity to have some informal sharing. This year Kelly Sports will be available to answer your queries about OSHC. Out of School Hours Care will run from 6.00am to 6.00pm during week days and there will be additional sports events in the holidays.

Term one is always a busy term. Despite that, if you would like to pop in and say hello or if you have any concerns about your children, I hope you will take the time to come in and visit us.

Parents and Friends

Our first P&F meeting will be in the next couple of weeks, date to be confirmed. We always welcome new members and our meetings are child friendly.

Reporting a positive case and free rapid antigen tests for the first four weeks of Term 1.

I reprint below what was sent out on COMPASS at the start of last week.

Parents will know that our school supply of Free Rapid Antigen Tests has arrived and has been distributed to our students and parents from the 31st of January. Each student has been offered 1 pack containing 5 tests (for the first two weeks of term) and will receive an additional pack when further tests arrive (for weeks three and four of this term)

The Department of Health is strongly recommending that students complete a test twice a week to help identify cases, in order to reduce the risks of an outbreak. We are suggesting students do a rapid test on a Monday and Wednesday morning. Of course you may choose 2 times that suit your Family better.

Students and staff will do the tests at home; they only need to report their result if it is COVID-positive. As mentioned in an earlier article they must report a COVID-positive result to:

- the school ideally by phone - This is so that we can support students, record that they will be absent while in isolation, and let the rest of the school community know there has been a positive case onsite and that they should monitor for symptoms. (individual names will not be shared).
- the Department of Health via the [COVID-19 Positive Rapid Antigen Test Self-Reporting Form](#)
- the [VicEd COVID Portal](#). (we'll do this)

All information seems to get updated fairly regularly, so if you want the latest information, please go to <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/health-and-wellbeing>

SCHOOL BREAKFAST CLUBS



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**Beac's Garage,
55 Main St., Beac**
Servicing, break downs
and repairs to late model
cars, lawnmowers and
some machinery. Towing
cars available. Now
carrying out servicing on
vehicle air conditioning.

For all enquiries and
bookings call Jason on
0417 412 152

Dental screening.

Colac Area Health are wanting to get organised with their dental screening process for this year. They plan to visit us on the 26th of April and the 1st of September. When the dental team visit they will screen your child for oral health, and apply a fluoride varnish if early signs of dental decay are detected. The form was sent home last week. There is a copy enclosed with this newsletter. Do please contact us if you want one and didn't receive it.

Council election: vacancies.

Beac Primary School depends strongly on its parent volunteers. Our School Council, especially, fulfils a most important role in many areas. School Council's are responsible for:

- establishing the broad direction and vision of the school within the school's community
- participating in the development and monitoring of the school strategic plan
- approving the annual budget and monitoring expenditure
- developing, reviewing and updating school policies
- raising funds for school-related purposes
- maintaining the school's grounds and buildings
- entering into contracts (such as for cleaning or construction work)
- reporting annually to the school community and to the Department
- creating interest in the school in the wider community
- informing itself of and taking into account the views of the community.

In 2021 our Council members were: Kim Beani, Kim Drape (Treasurer), Grant Keating, Kate Kennedy (President), Paul Maddern, Amye Milne(minutes), Shelley Ohrwalder and myself. Each councillor holds their position for two years. As readers can see from the table below we can expect another change of Council members this year.

Two of our councillors have reached their two year limit and whilst they are able to nominate again, their positions will become vacant at the end of our next meeting. Those two councillors are Amye and Grant. In addition Kim Drape and Kate Kennedy will no longer have children at our school, so they will both no longer be eligible to serve on our Council. . As you can see there are potential and real vacancies existing for those interested in nominating.

If you are interested in becoming more closely involved with our school do consider nominating yourself for our school council. Please talk with one of last year's Council members about how you can begin the process. Also, if you can find the time, do please talk to me. The Schedule 5A form in this newsletter is available for any parent or guardian of our school community wishing to nominate themselves to join our school council.

Council members	Start date	Current term ends
Kim Beani	2021	March 2023
Amye Milne	2020	March 2022
Grant Keating	2020	March 2022
Kate Kennedy	2021	March 2023
Kim Drape	2021	March 2023
Shelley Ohrwalder	2021	March 2023
Paul Maddern	2021	March 2023
Andrew Rogers	2021	March 2023

Event	Date
Notice of Election	Newsletter 7/2
Closing date for nominations	Close of business Friday 18/2
Date by which list of candidates will be prepared and ballot papers sent out	Monday 21/2 if needed
Close of ballot	Close of business Friday 26/2 if needed
Vote Count	Monday 28/2 if needed
Declaration	Monday 28/2
Tentative date for first Council meeting to elect office bearers	Tuesday 15/3 (no later than 30 th March)

Term Dates	Start	Finish
2022 Term 1	31/1	8/4
2022 Term 2	26/4	24/6
2022 Term 3	11/7	16/9
2022 Term 4	3/10	20/12

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Farmers Arms Beac

Mondays and Tuesday
nights– kids eat half
price with full paying
adult

Sunday \$17 Sunday
Roast, served with roast
vegetables, warm roll
and sauces to compli-
ment.

For all enquiries and
bookings call 5234 6341.

Piano lessons.

David Stewart will again be offering half price piano lessons at our school this year. A letter will shortly go home and is enclosed with this newsletter. The termly cost will be \$345. 50% of this cost will be covered by our school. At present there are two students enrolled. If we



get a further two students, then the program will run from our school.

Preps and Wednes- days

Pictured here are our preppies. Welcome to our school! This is a quick reminder to prep families that we expect their child to stay at home on Wednesdays until the end of February whilst they get used to the pace of being at school full time.

Responsible use of computers agree- ment

Our School Council has approved a process by which our senior students in Grades 3,4, 5 and 6 will sign an agreement. In the agreement they must undertake to use their computers responsibly. Whilst this is a formality, it does create an important opportunity for parents to talk to their children about how to be safe on the internet and what to do if unwanted incidents such as cyber bullying do occur. A copy of this letter will be sent home shortly, and is enclosed with this newsletter.

New uniform and Grade 6 tops.

Thanks you to our Parents and Friends who have paid for this year's Grade 6 tops. They will shortly be handed out .

Our new uniform price list is enclosed with this newsletter. From the beginning of 2022, new uniforms can be purchased from our new supplier, Hip Pocket Workwear & Safety in Colac. There will be some old stock that can still be bought from our uniform shop at school. In particular our new school shirt and soft shell jacket will only be available at Hip Pocket Workwear and Safety.

Brought to school at Owner's Risk.

I am reminding parents, guardians and staff that the Education Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property.

A recent email from the Department states, "Private property brought to school by students, staff or visitors is not insured and the Department does not accept any responsibility for any loss or damage".

This can include mobile phones, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. I am reminding parents and students to think twice before bringing valuable items or items of personal value to school. As you can see, they will not be covered by insurance at our school.

Student accident insurance arrangements.

I am reminding parents, guardians and staff that the Department does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents and guardians of students, who do not have student accident insurance/ambulance cover, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance or transport as well as any other transport costs.

An email from the Department makes this point, "It is the responsibility of parents or guardians to look into their preferred options in this regard. The Department cannot provide advice to parents or guardians on the purchase of individual student accident policy or ambulance cover".

Annual privacy reminder for 2022

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' Privacy Policy.

Please take time to remind yourself of our school's collection notice, found on our website [Policies – Beeac Primary School \(beeacps.vic.edu.au\)](https://www.beeacps.vic.edu.au). For more information about privacy, refer to: Schools' Privacy Policy, also to be found on our school's website..



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Rokewood lagoon: our annual family get together.

We hope that everyone, especially our new prep families, will find the time to join us for a family fun day at Rokewood Lagoon on Thursday February the 17th. A letter has gone home and has been uploaded to COMPASS and is included in this newsletter with the details of how to get there and what to bring. The day will be a great opportunity to have

informal chats with old friends and new teachers. When you drive to the lagoon please don't forget to bring your own food. Unless we have inclement weather we expect the day to begin at about 10.00am. Let us know if you wish to attend but have difficulties getting to the venue. We can help.

Financial assistance: camps, sports and excursions fund (CSEF).

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. There is also a special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families.

If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

If you would like to apply for the first time, the application form is **enclosed with this newsletter**, and can be lodged with Tammy Coysh, our Business Manager, for processing. Printed copies of the form are also available at school.

You can also download the form, and find out more about the program and eligibility, on the Department of Education and Training's Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund web page.

Check with the school office if you are unsure, and please return completed forms to the school office as soon as possible.

If you would like more information about eligibility or assistance with filling in the form, come in and talk to our business manager Tammy when she is in on Mondays, Wednesdays and also Thursday mornings. There is more information on the website [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund \(education.vic.gov.au\)](https://www.education.vic.gov.au/camps-sports-excursions-fund)

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'Borrowing' your computers.

If your child attended our school in 2020 then the Department provided you with a lap top for off-site learning. These computers belong to your child, but every family, without exception, agreed to lend them back to our school. They are used on a daily basis by our children. Do please be aware that you are most welcome to "borrow" back your laptop for the holidays. When children exit our school for the final time, for example at the end of grade 6, students will take their computer with them.

Staff movements

We welcome Leanne Corkran to our school in 2022. Leanne will be teaching our Grades 2 and 3 students on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. On Mondays and Fridays these students will be returning to Kara, who will also be teaching our prep and Grade one students.

Trista Hale has sadly left our school after making great progress with some of our students in the little room. She will be sadly missed by our staff and students. Parents will be familiar with Tess Wood. She worked in the big room during term 4 and returns this term to replace Trista and will be working in the little room with Kara Wishart.

And finally a big welcome back to Karen Cherry who took some well earned long service leave in term 4. She rejoins us to coordinate the Barking Spiders project, the funding she successfully applied for last year.

Breakfast Club.

Yes it's back again, with a nutritious breakfast including eggs, toast, baked beans a variety of cereals, fruit and spreads including honey and vegemite. We serve it every day of the school week..

SCHOOL BREAKFAST CLUBS



A Victorian Government initiative in partnership with Foodbank

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Polwarth Sports Day.

Our students will start practising during our Sporting Schools program for Polwarth Sports Day. We have hired a coach who will begin work with all our children this Wednesday. Our school expects families to make their own arrangements for children to get to and from Alvie on the day. The date has been set for Thursday March the 17th, and families may want to consider sharing transport arrangements to make sure everyone gets there for the day. We ask parents to ensure that their children are at Alvie by 9.15am for the start of the day. The day will finish by 3.30pm.

If we have inclement weather, the day will be called off on the previous day. The fall back date will then be Friday March the 18th. Students who are successful at this meet can expect to be invited to the Divisional Athletics Sports Day in Colac later this term. That date for the Colac and District Division/Athletics Carnival is Monday the 28th of March

We intend having some supplies of sun block for students, but do request that parents supply their own sun protection including a protective hat. Alvie will not be organising lunch orders this year, although I understand that there will probably be cakes, slices, icy poles and a coffee van. Therefore all children and adults will require adequate food for the day including a cut lunch and a drink.

Our Parents and Friends Association have bought sports shirts for every student to wear when they are participating at Alvie. These light blue shirts with the school's insignia will shortly be sent home for each child to wear on the day.

Barking Spiders.

Penelope Bartlau arrived last Friday to resume her Victorian Arts funded 20 days of work with our students around the theme of, "Kids Country". She led our students through a series of two workshops: collaborative installation and nature's art, firstly with our big kids and afterwards repeated the sequence with our little kids. The quiet and respectful way that our children worked with Penelope was a good indication of how her work was received.



A richer explanation of Penelope's work can be found at the following blog, which will be progressively filled in as our students progress through their work during February and March.

<https://kidscountry756104295.wordpress.com/>

Covid back to school plan.

The following guidelines have been put in place:

Both classrooms will have air purifiers. There will be a further air purifier in the sick bay.

Students in grades 3-6 must wear masks while inside their classrooms. Students must wear masks even if vaccinated. Students are not required to wear masks outside. For students that are unable to wear masks due to their disability, medical or mental health please contact me at school or on my mobile 0409146274.

Students in Prep to grade 2 are strongly recommended to wear a mask indoors, especially when they are working in a composite class..

All visitors aged 8 and above must wear a mask indoors.

All students will have good hand hygiene when they enter their classrooms and before eating by using hand sanitiser.

All students will **voluntarily** conduct Rapid Antigen Testing twice a week at home for the first 4 weeks of term 1. These testing kits will be provided free of charge to families.

If there is a positive case in your child's classroom you will be notified by Compass.

Parents / carers coming inside buildings need to check in via the QR Codes displayed at the entrance to the school. There is no need to check in if you are coming on to school grounds to collect your child/ren.

We ask that parents / carers avoid entering classrooms as much as possible. Please ask a staff member if you need to retrieve something from a classroom. We would be happy to help.

Parents / carers who are unvaccinated will be unable to enter any building at this stage.

Thank you once again for your continued support and if you have any questions please do not hesitate to ring me on 0409 146 274. I may not have answers to your queries, but I will make every effort to find answers for you..



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**KELLY
CLUB**
OSHC PROGRAMS

Kelly Club OSHC 2022.

Starting today Monday the 7th of February our out of school hours care program will run from 6.00am to 6.00pm for children who live in the Beeac/Cressy area which makes up our school's catchment.

Our picture shows Annelie Ohrwalder who is the human face of the care centre. She is contactable at any time on her mobile 0427072054

Kelly Club provides Beeac Primary School Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) program. Kelly Club provides before care, after care and holiday programs throughout Australia and New Zealand. Their aim is to provide not just a "childcare facility", but to run programs in a safe environment that entertain and inspire children. Kelly Club is closely aligned with Kelly Sports.

Kelly Sports has been providing a range of curricular and extra-curricular sporting programs for children in Australia since 1994. The Kelly Club OSHC programs are focused on sports, cooking, art and craft activities as well as structured 'free-time' around a busy day at school. These activities are incorporated into themed subjects each week that give children the opportunity to extend their learning outside of the school classroom. Kelly Club believes it is important that children have the opportunity to enjoy play and en-



gage with friends, while being under the supervision of quality staff, during out of school care programs.

Our Program Activities

Before Care Program – 6.00am – 8.45am

The program will offer opportunities for children to choose between a range of art and craft activities, games, Lego, books and free play equipment. Staff will lead a variety of small projects each term.

After Care Program – 3.15pm – 6.00pm

The program will be focused around sports, cooking, art and craft activities as well as structured 'free-time' after a busy day at school. These activities will be incorporated into themed subjects each week that give children the opportunity to extend their learning outside of the school classroom.

Find out more about the program at our school, including fees and how to register by contacting us on 0411 934 521





Sitting in the staffroom on Wednesday the conversation turned to zucchini and yes, the inevitable glut that happens around about now. This year is the first time I have had my own veggie garden and been fully responsible for its cultivation. It's a satisfying feeling... planting a seed, watching it shoot, watering it and tending to it. Then one day you have a plant with beautiful deep green leaves and bright yellow flowers followed by zucchini. The more you tend the plant the more and more zucchini grow until you have more zucchini than you know what to do with!

All those zucchinis from one little seed!

Worries are a little like zucchini in that you can make them grow simply by paying attention to them. Little worries can soon become an outstanding pile of worries that you don't know how to get rid of. It doesn't matter whether you big or little, if you focus on your worries, they can grow pretty fast and cause you lots of trouble. But the good news is that you also have the power to make the worries go away...you do. If you have any worries that you are concerned about, feel welcome to catch up with me for a chat...**your chaplain, Sue.**



ZUCCHINI Loaf...

- 1 cup nuts or sultanas
- 1 ½ cups sugar
- 1 tspn vanilla
- 2 cups grated zucchini
- 2 ½ cups plain flour
- 3 eggs
- ¾ cup oil
- 1 tspn bi-carb soda
- 1 tspn cinnamon

Mix all together, adding sultanas (or nuts) last. Pour into two loaf tins or one slab tin.

Bake in a moderate oven for approximately an hour.

ENJOY!!

Great to be back...

Here are some of our wonderful students hanging out in the playground at lunchtime.

Not letting the chill hold them back!



Parent nomination for School Council.

Schedule 5A - Nomination form for Parent Member Category

The persons whose names appear under Nominator and Seconder, nominate:

Name (print full name)	
Residential address	

For election to the Parent member category of the School Council of

Nominator

Seconder

Name (print)	Name (print)
Address	Address

I am a* (please tick):

(a) parent of a student at the school

(b) parent of a student at the school and a DoE employee to whom note 2(a) below does not apply

I am a* (please tick):

(a) parent of a student at the school

(b) parent of a student at the school and a DoE employee to whom note 2(a) below does not apply

Signature

Signature

*You may only nominate or second a candidate for election to the Parent member category if you are a member of one of the categories of person listed in (a) or (b) above. If you nominate or second a candidate and you are not a member of one of the categories of person listed in (a) or (b) above, then the nomination form will be invalid.

CANDIDATE TO COMPLETE

I accept the nomination and I am prepared to serve as a Parent member of the above named school council. I hereby declare that I am/I am not a DoE employee that I have not nominated or seconded a candidate for election to the DoE employee member category that I have not accepted a nomination to stand for election in the DoE employee member category that I am not an undischarged bankrupt and that I am not currently serving a sentence for an indictable offence

Delete as appropriate

Signature of candidate

Date:

Notes:

1. To nominate or second a candidate for election to the Parent member category, or accept a nomination for election to the Parent member category, each of the nominator and seconder and candidate must be either -
 - (a) a parent of a student of the school; or
 - (b) a parent of a student at the school and a DoE employee, to whom paragraph 2(a) below does not apply.
2. If you are a parent of a student of the school and a DoE employee and -
 - (a) you have nominated or seconded a candidate standing for election in the DoE employee member category, or accepted a nomination to stand as a candidate for election to the DoE employee member category, then you may only nominate or second a candidate or accept a nomination to stand as a candidate for election to the DoE employee member category, and you may not nominate or second a candidate or accept a nomination to stand as a candidate for election to the Parent member category;
 - (b) you do not fall within paragraph (a), then you may nominate or second a candidate to stand for election, or accept a nomination to stand for election, to either the Parent member category (using this Schedule) or the DoE employee member category (using Schedule 5B), but not both categories.
3. "DoE employee" -
 - (a) means a person employed for eight hours or more per week in either an ongoing capacity or a fixed term of at least 90 days -
 - (i) under the *Teaching Service Act 1981*; or
 - (ii) by the DoE under the *Public Sector Management and Employment Act 1998*; or
 - (iii) by a school council of a State school; or
 - (iv) under section 5 or 5A of the *Education Act 1958*; or
 - (v) under more than one of the paragraphs (i) to (iv) above, and
 - (b) does not mean a person employed under a contract for service or the employees or the contracted personnel of such a person.

CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

School Name

School REF ID

Parent/carer details

Surname _____

First name _____

Address _____

Town/suburb _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Contact number _____

Centrelink pensioner concession **OR** Health care card number (CRN)

- - - **OR**

Foster parent under a temporary care order* **OR** Veterans affairs pensioner (Gold Card)**

*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH).

**Applicants must provide a copy of the Veteran Affairs Gold card

Is this an application for special consideration (no CRN needed)? Yes No

Student details

Student's surname	Student's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- DFFH will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DFFH and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
- Information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the DFFH and /or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant _____ Date ____ / ____ / ____

CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below are the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 – General eligibility

To be eligible for the fund, a parent or carer of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one
 - on the first day of Term two
- a) be a holder of one or more of the eligible financially-means tested cards **OR** be a temporary foster parent and;
- b) submit an application to the school by the due date.

For the list of eligible financially-means tested cards refer to the CSEF Policy:
<https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund/policy>

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with the above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Special Consideration

A special consideration category exists for

- Families on a bridging visa, temporary protection visa, in community detention or are asylum seeker families
- Students in temporary out of home care arrangements, including statutory kinship care

For more information, see <https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund/guidance/eligibility>

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/carer concession card being validated successfully with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (31 January 2022) or term two (26 April 2022).

PAYMENT AMOUNTS

CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see:

www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents/carers so please register your interest at the school.

HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/CARER DETAILS section.
Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
If you are claiming as a temporary Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.
If you are seeking special consideration, mark this in the form and provide a copy of the relevant documentation.
2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. The CSEF program for 2022 closes on the 24 June 2022.

Get started with Compass



Compass is a web-based system, which allows you to access up-to-date and meaningful information about our school and your child's progress.

- Monitor your child's attendance, and enter an explanation for absence or lateness
- Communicate with your child's teachers, and update your family contact details
- View your child's timetable and the school calendar
- Monitor your child's homework and assessment tasks
- Download and view your child's academic reports
- Book parent-teacher conferences
- Pay and provide consent for events and school fees

Our school will advise parents when each of these features becomes available for parent use.



1. Download the app

Download the **Compass app** from Google Play or the App Store on a compatible phone or tablet. Then enter your school name and select it from the results. Enter your login details provided by your school to finish set up.

App Store is a service mark of Apple Inc, registered in the U.S. and other countries.



2. Access the Compass Parent guide

Visit compass.education/guide to access our online parent guide with step-by-step instructions on how to use Compass and the Compass app.

For any support inquiries, like password resetting, visit compass.education/parent-support

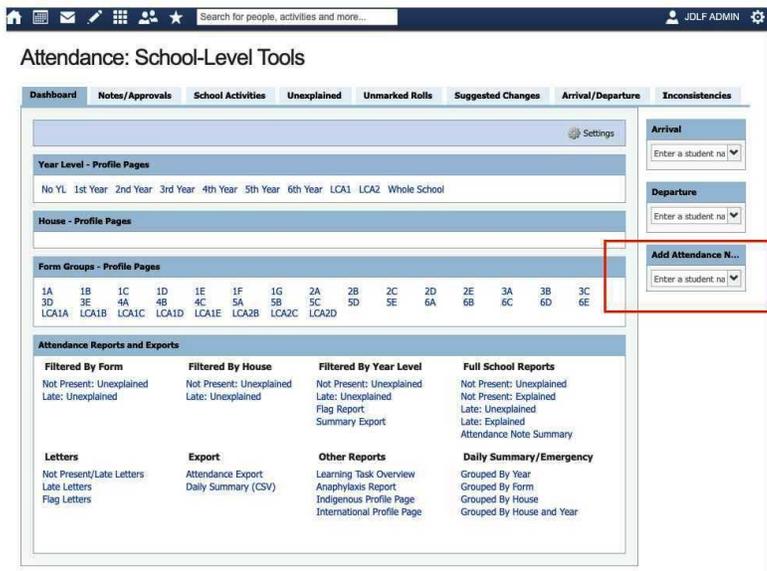
How to: Add Notes / Approvals

Notes/Approvals are created when a parent provides written or verbal consent to the school for their student to be absent from class.

Step 1: First you will need to navigate to the Attendance Section of Compass. This can be located through the Grid icon at the top of the page.



Step 2: Click in the Add Notes/Approval box and begin to type a students name, alternatively, click on the drop down arrow and select the relevant student.



Step 3: Once you have clicked on a student's name, you will get a pop-up to be filled in.

The screenshot shows the 'Attendance Note Editor' window. It is divided into two main sections: 'Note Details' and 'Potentially Affected Sessions'.

Note Details:

- Person:** Travis LEWANDOWSKI (Add More Students)
- Reason:** Enter a reason... (dropdown menu)
- Details/Comment:** (text area)
- Start:** 11/11/2020 (calendar icon), 07:30 AM (time dropdown), Select a period... (dropdown)
- Finish:** 11/11/2020 (calendar icon), 04:30 PM (time dropdown), Select a period... (dropdown)

Potentially Affected Sessions:

Activity	Start	Finish
1ENGC (English Yr1)	11/11/2020 09:00 AM	11/11/2020 09:40 AM
1ENGC (English Yr1)	11/11/2020 09:40 AM	11/11/2020 10:20 AM
1IRIC (Irish Yr1)	11/11/2020 10:20 AM	11/11/2020 11:00 AM
1HISC (History Yr1)	11/11/2020 11:20 AM	11/11/2020 12:00 PM
1REC (Religion Yr1)	11/11/2020 12:00 PM	11/11/2020 12:40 PM
1FREC (French Yr1)	11/11/2020 01:55 PM	11/11/2020 02:35 PM

At the bottom of the window, there are three buttons: 'Audit', 'Save', and 'Cancel'.

You will need to select the Reason for the Note/Approval as well as write a description/Comment and click save.



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Piano lessons 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Once again, David Stewart is offering his services as a piano teacher at Beeac Primary School for 2022. I'm reminding parents that David has been teaching piano in the Colac Otway Shire in excess of 20 years.

Children will be withdrawn from lessons for small group or individual tuition throughout the day. The total cost will be \$345 per term, and our school will provide a 50% subsidy for this program.

David will contact you via email to organise the process. Please fill in the details below and return them to the school as soon as possible.

Andrew Rogers
Principal
Beeac Primary School

Piano lessons 2022

Please strike out one of the following statements and return as soon as possible:

I am interested in my child being involved in the 2022 piano program.

Names of student(s) interested _____

Name of parent/ guardian _____

Signature of parent/guardian _____

Newsletter article: Schools on the Bushfire At-Risk Register and Schools at Risk of Grassfire: Beeac Primary School.

School procedures for the bushfire season

Fire danger ratings and warnings are used in Victoria to provide clear direction on the safest options for preserving life.

Schools and children's services listed on the DET Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR) and those at risk of grassfire (Category 4) will be closed when a Code Red fire danger rating day is determined in their Bureau of Meteorology district. **Our school has been identified as being one of those at high bushfire or grassfire risk.**



Where possible, we will provide parents with up to four days notice of a potential Code Red day closure by letter and/or by phone. A Code Red day will be determined by the Emergency Management Commissioner no later than 1.00 pm the day before the potential closure. Once we are advised of the confirmation of the Code Red day we will provide you with a notice before the end of the school day.

Once confirmed, the decision to close will not change, regardless of improvements in the weather forecast. This is to avoid confusion and help your family plan alternative care arrangements for your child. It is also important to note that:

- No staff will be on site on days where the school is closed due to a forecast Code Red day.
- School camps will be cancelled if a Code Red fire danger rating day is determined for the Bureau of Meteorology district in which the camp is located.
- **All bus routes that travel through the Code Red area (our school) will be cancelled.**

On these Code Red days families are encouraged to enact their Bushfire Survival Plan – **on such days children should never be left at home alone or in the care of older children.**

For those of us living in a bushfire prone area, the Country Fire Authority (CFA) advises that when Code Red days are forecast, the safest option is to leave the night before or early on the morning of the Code Red day.

As part of preparing our school for potential hazards such as fire, we have updated and completed our Emergency Management Plan.

What can parents do?

- Make sure your family's bushfire survival plan is up-to-date and includes alternative care arrangements in the event that our school is closed.
- Ensure we have your current contact details, including your mobile phone numbers. Keep in touch with us by reading our newsletters.
- Most importantly at this time of year, if you're planning a holiday or short stay in the bush or in a coastal area, you should check warnings in advance of travel and remain vigilant during your stay.

- If your child is old enough, talk to them about bushfires and your family's bushfire survival plan.
- You can access more information about children's services closures on the Department of Education and Training website—see <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/health/pages/closures.aspx>

Multiple sources that offer information on emergencies are listed below:

- VicEmergency app—that can be downloaded on your android and iOS mobile devices
- VicEmergency Hotline (1800226226)
- Website <https://emergency.vic.gov.au>
- Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/vicemergency>)
- Twitter (<https://twitter.com/vicemergency>)
- ABC local radio, Sky News and other emergency broadcasters

Beeac Primary School safe use of technology agreement: acceptable use policy

When I use technology, both at school and at home I have responsibilities and rules to follow. I agree to:

- be a safe user whenever and wherever I use that technology.
- be responsible whenever and wherever I use technology and support others by being respectful in how I talk to and work with them and never write or participate in online bullying. This includes forwarding messages and supporting others in harmful, inappropriate or hurtful online behaviour.
- report to an adult if I feel unsafe or uncomfortable online or see a friend being unsafe or being made to feel uncomfortable by others.

When at school I agree to:

- behave in a way outlined in the schools' Code of Conduct when online.
- keep myself and my friends safe by not giving out personal details including full names, telephone numbers, addresses and images and protecting my password
- use the technology at school for learning, use the equipment properly and not interfere with the work or data of another student
- not bring or download unauthorised programs or files
- not go looking for rude or offensive sites
- remember that the content on the web is someone's property and ask my teacher / parent to help me get permission if I want to use information or pictures
- think carefully about what I read on the Internet, question if it is from a reliable source and use the information to help me answer any questions (I should not just copy and paste the information as my answer).
- talk to my teacher or another adult if:
 - I need help online
 - I am not sure what I should be doing on the internet
 - I come across sites which are not suitable
 - someone writes something I don't like, or makes me and my friends feel uncomfortable or asks me to provide information that I know is private
 - I feel that the welfare of other students at the school are being threatened

This Acceptable Use Policy also applies to students during school excursions, camps and extra-curricular activities.

I acknowledge and agree to follow these rules. I understand that my access to the Internet and mobile technology at school will be renegotiated if I do not act responsibly.

Student Name:.....

Student Signature:.....

Parent Permission

I agree to allow my child to use the Internet at school. I have discussed the scenarios, potential problems and responsible use of the Internet with him/her as outlined above. I will contact the school if there is anything here that I do not understand. If there is a situation which concerns me, I will contact either the school or ACMA Australia's Internet safety advisory body on 1800 880 176.

Parent/Guardian Signature :.....

Date:

Beac Primary School Uniform

AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE FROM HIP POCKET WORKWEAR 62 Queen St, Colac Ph: (03) 5231 1911			
Price	Sizes	Description	Color
\$20.00	4,6,8,10,12,14	*NEW* Legend S/S Polo - PS53K	Royal/White
\$22.00	XS,S,M	*NEW* Legend S/S Polo - PS53	Royal/White
\$22.00	4,6,8,10,12,14	*NEW* Legend L/S Polo - PS69K	Royal/White
\$25.00	XS,S,M	*NEW* Legend L/S Polo - PS69	Royal/White
\$63.50	6-8,8-10,10-12,12-14	*NEW* Hooded Soft Shell Jacket - JK33K	NAVY
\$70.00	S,M	*NEW* Hooded Soft Shell Jacket - JK33	NAVY
\$23.00	6,8,10,12,14,	Crew Sweat Top - FLO1K	NAVY
\$27.00	S,M	Crew Sweat Top - FLO1	NAVY
\$33.00	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	Double knee Pants with cuffs - TPA29044	NAVY
\$20.00	4,6,8,10,12,14	Track Pants with cuff - 3PFC	NAVY
\$25.00	2XS,XS,S,M	Track Pants with cuff - 3PFC	NAVY
\$30.00	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	School dress - G3250SD	Royal/White
\$33.00	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	Rose Girls Pleat Gab Short - 3886BP	Navy
\$20.00	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	Rugby Knit Short - 5270SZ	NAVY
\$22.00	XS/S/, S/M, M/L, L/XL	Surf Hat White Print - SH4333	NAVY
\$13.00	Fits All	Winter Beanie with logo - HW4243	NAVY
\$50.00		School Bag -White Print - JO86BP	NAVY

AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE FROM SCHOOL UNTIL SOLD OUT (some sizes may not be available)			
Price	Sizes	Description	Color
\$21.00	4,6,8,10,12,14,16,XS,S,M	Fleecy Windcheater -5310CN	NAVY
\$20.00	4,6,8,10,12,14,16	Double knee Pants with cuffs - 4310DP	NAVY
\$18.00	4,6,8,10,12,14	Fleecy Track Pants with cuff - 5310TP	NAVY
\$19.00	6,8,10,12,14,16	School dress -G3250SD	Royal/ White
\$21.00	4,6,8,10,12,14	Rose Girls Pleat Gab Short - 3886BP	Navy
\$14.00	6,8,10,12,14,16	Rugby Knit Short -5270ZS	NAVY
\$12.00	S, M, L	Bucket Hat White Print	NAVY
\$12.00	Fits All	Winter Beanie with logo	NAVY
\$35.00		School Bag -White Print	NAVY

Family Water Activity Day Rokewood, Thursday February 17th.

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Beeac Primary School is again holding its annual water activity day at the Rokewood Lagoon.

This is essentially a family picnic day beside an inland waterhole. We ask families to transport their children to the lagoon and bring a picnic lunch, some seats and bathers to enjoy the day.

Beeac Primary School parents usually start arriving at about 10.00am.

This year KellyClub our OSHC provider will join us to play some fun games with our children and be available to talk to you about the service they provide.

There will be no Covid restrictions or requirements placed on us, during this day of fun.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on the day. Please contact me at school if you would like me to clarify matters further.

Regards

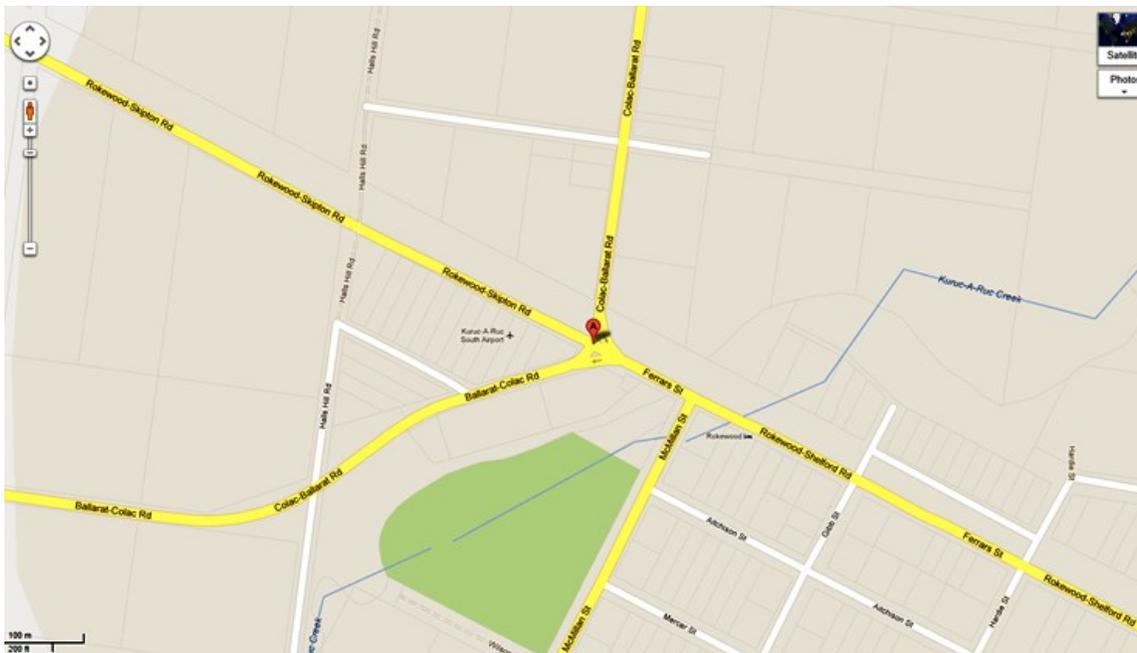


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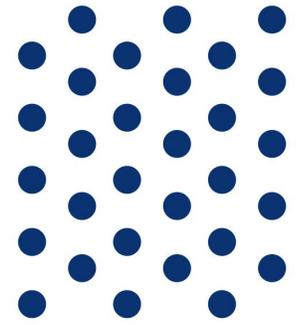
Email: andrew.rogers2@education.vic.gov.au



Directions: From Cressy proceed to Geelong on the Hamilton highway. Turn left at the Ballarat sign. Follow the signs to Rokewood. Turn right in to the main street of Rokewood turn left at the waterhole sign.

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