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# THE BRIDGE

Selby Primary School Newsletter



## Principals Report

*Scott Burton*

The school holidays flew by and we are already at the tail end of Week 2 Term 4! Term 4 has started smoothly with all students enjoying their swimming program over the past two weeks. This term is already shaping into a very busy time at Selby with lots of fun and exciting learning adventures planned.

Our Prep 2024 Transition and Orientation Program commenced today with the first meet and greet session. Please ensure if you have a child beginning Prep next year, that you grab an enrolment form from the office to confirm your child's placement in Prep.

### Japanese Day

A reminder that this Friday is Japanese day and all students are encouraged to dress in Japanese-inspired costumes. We will be having a fashion parade at 9.30 am in the hall. Parents are welcome to attend.

### Staffing updates

I would like to welcome back Alex from maternity leave. Alex will be working on Wednesday and will focus on supporting students in various classrooms.

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## School Improvements Buildings and Grounds Update

As a school and school council, we continue the careful upkeep of our school, ensuring our buildings and grounds are maintained to a high level for our students. There have been several building and grounds updates over these past weeks, including:

- New landscaping at the front of the school. Including plantings and replacements of the timber edging with mudstone boulders
- Wiamea Grove retaining wall has stalled as we await soil testing results. These have now been completed and we should see the project start up again soon. The new end date is the start of December.
- Replacement of the lower section of the playground is scheduled for 15th November so we will hopefully have the new playground installed and ready for use by the end of the year.

## Hats are back

Summer must be around the corner, because it's that time of year when we ask students to wear their SunSmart hats from Term 4 to the end of Term 1, per our [SunSmart Policy](#).

## Bushfire Preparedness

Selby Primary School is classified as a Category 2 School - considered to be at very high risk from bushfire.

Category 2 schools relocate or close in accordance with their pre-approved plan on a day forecast Extreme FDR for their **Local Government Area (not Fire District)** The public can now access the fire rating for LGA's- <https://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/warnings-restrictions/total-fire-bans-fire-danger-ratings/central-fire-district>

As per current arrangements, all schools on the BARR (Category 1-3) and Category 4 list, regardless of risk category, must close on a forecast Catastrophic FDR day under the AFDRS in their weather district. All other buses which travel through the Catastrophic FDR area will also be cancelled.

## Specific Arrangements for Selby Primary School

Where possible, we will provide parents with as much notice as possible of a potential Extreme or Catastrophic day closure through our Compass Portal. In the event of an Extreme Fire Day, the school will relocate to

Heany Park Primary School  
81 Buckingham Dr,  
Rowville VIC 3178

# CALENDAR

## Friday 13th October

Japanese Day

## Friday 27th October

Working Bee

## Tuesday 7th November

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

## Sunday 12th November

Selby Spring Fair

## Wednesday 29th November

Year 3/4 Camp departs

## Friday 1st December

Year 3/4 Camp returns

## Thursday 7th December

Year 2 Sleepover

## Monday 11th December

Year 6 Graduation



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Before/After School Care: 0434 422 455 1300 105 343



# *The Selby Fair*

The Selby Fair is fast approaching on the 12th of November! Students have been excitedly preparing activities, performances and items to sell at their stalls...



If you are available to support your child's class during the fair, please scan the QR code:





# ***Get involved with The Selby Fair!***

## **Parents**

- Help support your child's class by scanning the QR code to volunteer on the day.
- Hold your own stall
- Come along and participate in the activities on the day!



## **Kids**

- Help to run your class activities/stall
- Sign up to perform!
- Submit your artwork to sell in our gallery.

For more information please keep an eye on  
Seesaw and Compass updates.



# Good Book Awards

## **Prep B - Astrid- Confidence**

Astrid, I am so proud of the confidence you have been showing in your learning this week. It is a delight to see you embracing your learning with joy and confidence. You did a great job at writing this week's sentence and answering chance questions in Maths this week.

Outstanding work Astrid!

## **1/2M - Seren D- Personal Best**

Seren, what a strong engaging start you have to your 6 Sentence Narrative. I can't wait to read the rest of your writing and find out about the adventures of kind farmer Bob and all the animals. Well done!

## **1/2R - Kane S - Confidence**

Kane, we are so proud of the confidence you have been showing in Maths. You are so confident in telling the time using analogue and digital clocks. We love the way you share your knowledge and teach the class with enthusiasm. It's so nice to have another teacher in the classroom! Well done!

## **3/4J - Paityn K - Resilience**

Paityn, you showed amazing resilience this week when you found it challenging to find endangered and extinct animals to add to your 'Almost Gone' booklet. You persevered, finished the activity and produced some amazing discoveries.

Well Done.



**Respect Confidence Resilience Personal Best**



# Good Book Awards

## **3/4J - Edward C - Personal Best**

Edward, you are consistently showing your personal best during every lesson in class and it is a delight to see you so engaged. Keep up the great work superstar!!

## **3/4H - Ollie G - Personal Best**

Ollie, your description of your home habitat was some of the best writing you've done so far this year! You jumped right into the activity with focus and determination and your efforts really paid off with your fantastic work being published in the newsletter. See what this kind of concentration and effort can lead to. Awesome work!

## **5/6D - Alexa G - Confidence**

I have been very impressed with your confident attitude in Financial Maths this week. You have been having a go at answering questions, contributing to discussions, solving problems and requesting help when needed. Keep up the fantastic effort Alexa!!

## **5/6S - Lamont H - Confidence**

Lamont, I was so impressed with the confidence that you demonstrated during our Maths lesson on percentages. You took your time, asked questions and grasped the concept with ease. What amazing things you can achieve. Well Done!



**Respect Confidence Resilience Personal Best**

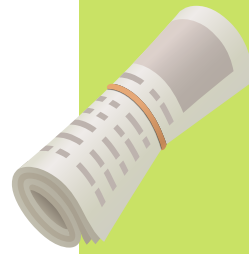
# PREP NEWS



The Preps have been off to a busy start to the term. They have been investigating their five senses and have enjoyed practising writing the letters and sounds they have been learning.



# 3/4 NEWS



This term the 3/4s are learning all about Biodiversity. While investigating the properties of a 'habitat' they created a short, creative writing piece about their own habitats and homes. You can see all of these fantastic pieces in the 3/4 corridor!



**My Own Habitat**  
My own habitat is my home where I spend most of my time sleeping and playing.

**Family**  
I'm a family of five I have two brothers and two parents my smallest brother is called henry and my other is called Elijah.

**Food**  
For breakfast I have vegemite toast. For snack I have BBQ crackers. For lunch I have a vegemite, ham and cheese roll. For dinner I have one pan dinner.

**Shelter**  
My home in my home I have 9 rooms there are 3 bedrooms 1 playroom 1 toilet room 2 bathrooms 1 laundry and a studio I have a huge lounge room to. I have a single bed in my bedroom that I spend a lot of my time in I have a small but big bedroom.

**Entertainment**  
My entertainment is my brothers and devices such as Nintendo, Wii, iPad, tv and Xbox 360.  
My home is my favorite place to be all the time.

*Ed*

**My Habitat**  
I live in a house, and I am explaining most of the things I have in my habitat and I need to live with.

**Food**  
Breakfast: Toast and orange juice. Lunch: Sandwich and fruit. Dinner: Soup and toast.

**Family**  
Mother, father, little brother, 2 guinea pigs, and 3 dog.

**Shelter**  
Brick house with sliding door, a backyard outside the house, I have a bedroom with a bed and deck in it. + 40 soft toys.

**Entertainment**  
Board games, card games, Horse, cat and guinea pig books, and drawing stuff like pens, pencils, paper and textes...

**Bedroom**  
Bed, desk beside table, books, little plant on the window sill, and a pencil case full of erasers.  
And that is most of the things I have in my habitat!

*Lucy*

**My Own Habitat**  
My habitat is where I live which is my house.

**Family:** I have one brother, no sister because I'm a sister to my brother. I have no pets but I really nice parents.

**Food/Water:** I have all my food and water at a certain table outside and sometimes I drink while I'm playing. When I wake-up I usually have a bowl of weet-bix and some water, for lunch I usually have wrap or sandwich, a lolly, mandarin and some water. For dinner I mostly have sausages and vegetables and for desert I have fruit and custard.

**Shelter:** In my house one shower, one toilet, one bathroom, four rooms, one kitchen, one wood room and one workshop. I mostly stay in my bedroom.

**Entertainment:** I have lots of toys, lots of books and mostly play with electronic devices and books which is fun.  
I spend most of my time in my habitat which is my house.

**MY OWN HABITAT**  
In this writing piece you are going to read all about my habitat.

**FAMILY**  
In my house lives my family there are five people in my family. My two annoying brothers Flynn and Elijah me and my mum and dad. I also have three chickens Chick, Goldy and Frank-Hen-Stine. I also have a puppy named Jimmy.

**FOOD**  
I have weet-bix for breakfast, a salad sandwich for lunch and usely have ravioli or something for dinner.

**WATER**  
I like to drink water strait out of the tap using one of my favourite cups or using a metal drink bottle to keep it cold.

**SHELTER**  
The main rooms that I go in at my house is my bedroom, the dining room drawing or something and in the familyroom.

**ENTERTAINMENT**  
For entertainment in my house I play in my backyard on the trampoline or practicing soccer. Sometimes I play in my bedroom or play with my dog.  
And that is my habitat it is what I do, eat and who is in my family.

*Audrey's house*



# 3/4 NEWS



## The habitat of the Asta!

*In the depths of the forest there's a farm, in the depths of the farm there's a house, in the depths of the house there's the Asta's habitat.*

### Climate

*It is about room temperature- just the way the Asta likes it.*

### Habitat

*The Asta is often found in the kitchen foraging for food or outside feeding the chickens. Her habitat, her room, smells of her pet fish. At night she can hear crickets from the property.*

### Needs

*She has a love of eating things and reading books.*

### Behavior

*The Asta's behavior is a lot of anger often found yelling at her siblings. When she cool down, she might go outside with the chickens feeding them warragal greens.*



## Asta

## My habitat

My habitat is in the ecosystem of Selby

My habitat is warm and welcoming and has the smell of the of the humidifier bringing out a strong scent of lavender and a hint of frankincense in the air.

I have a desk that is really messy the has a white chair with a backrest and a big whit fluffy pillow, a white swing that looks out my window to a beautiful weeping tree and some flower and then there's my have a double bed which has white rails and most of the time has an aboriginal bed cover because it is my favorite.

It's like living on a white cloud.

Then I have the kitchen, it's full of snacks and lollies and fruit and vegies and that's where we have breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Then I have the backyard, I have a tramp, monkey bars, a vuly, a big round swing, a cubby and underneath is a mud kitchen a really muddy mud kitchen and them my favorite... the zipline it takes up my hole backyard.

And I have heaps of BIODIVERSITY!

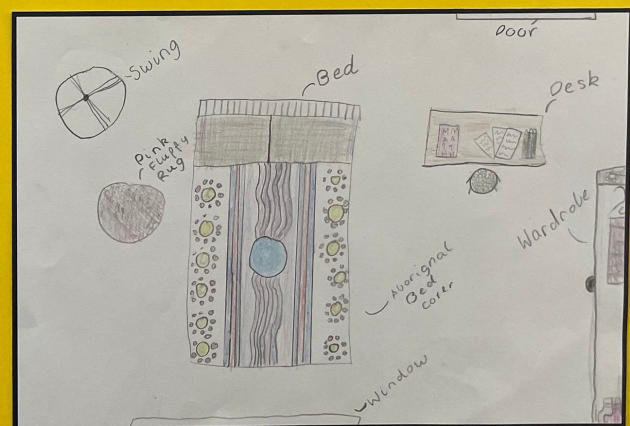
My parents Gemma & Ben

My 2 most of the time annoying sisters Matilda and Pippa,

And then the cutest of all...

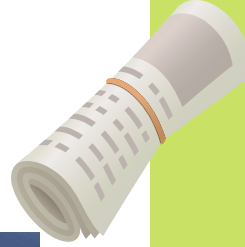
My-Dog-Named-Molly-She's-Super-Cute

I LOVE MY HABITAT I NEVER WANT TO LEAVE IT!



## Macey

# 3/4 NEWS



## My habitat

### PART 1

#### THE HOUSE.

The room and the mysterious and undiscovered house are the home to the unknown Jamieson species, in the room the Baxter Jamieson has its toys and PC, and his most favourite BOOKS!!!! SHEESH!!!! LETS GOOOOOOOOOO!

### PART 2

PROBABLY THE COOLEST THING IN THE WORLD.

the legendary Baxter Jamieson lives in here, he is a very endangered species with only one of its kind.

### PART 3

#### ANIMAL LIFE.

It is accompanied by the Roscoe and the Chloe, and its ominous predators, the Amelia and the Carter.

### PART 4

#### DIET.

It survives with the Chloe's delicious pasta and pizza,

### PART 5

#### PLANT LIFE.

and its luscious plant life is ivy, mushrooms and cottage cheese flowers that the Chloe makes its pasta out of. The habitat of Baxter Jamieson needs help, and you can help him.

By baxter



## Baxter

## The Habitat Eva

Eva lives in Melbourne. Eva lives most of the day in her room. She loves her bed which is her natural habitat.

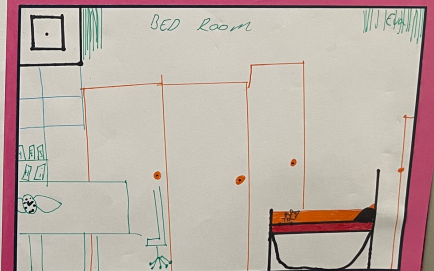
### Biodiversity

Eva has a lot of biodiversity in her house including the Eden the Ella the mum and the dad. Other creatures in the habitat include the Angel, the Ark, the Leo, the Uno, and all the 7 fish called frank. That's Frank, Frank, Frank, Frank, Frank, Frank, and Frank.

### Food

The Eva eats chocolate if you say chocolate I will want to eat some.

We must protect the habitat of the Eva!



## Eva

## My Habitat

The home of the Winifred is also accompanied by the levi, the Jeronoimo, the Lorelei and the Jeremy.

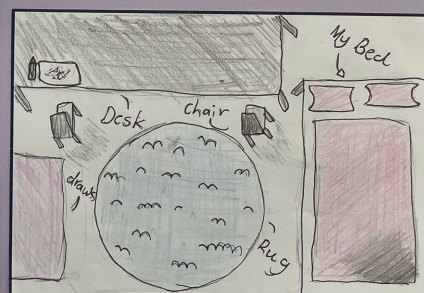
### FOOD

The kitchen of the Winifred is home to the pizza, the strawberries, the cheese and usually the Jeronoimo looking in the fridge for the food.

### LOCATION

The home of the Winifred is located in the Dandenog Ranges.

It incudes: Places that the Winifred likes to rone: like the pool, the bedroom and the bedroom of the Jeronoimo.



## Winifred

# SUSTAINABILITY NEWS



## SSS TIP

Buying just 1 white cotton shirt produces the same emissions as driving 56 kilometres in a car. Buying second hand clothing not only saves you money and gives you a unique look, it also helps conserve natural resources like water, energy and land!

October is Buy Nothing New Month this global movement started here in Melbourne. It's a one-month challenge to buy nothing new (with the exception of essentials like food, hygiene and medicines).

"Consumers have not been told effectively enough that they have huge power and that purchasing and shopping involve a moral choice."  
ANITA RODDICK, BODY SHOP FOUNDER

Thanks to Adara and Ollie for taking all of our unwanted mobile devices to a Mobile Muster collection point. (See photos below!) The collection box is back at the office if you would like to add any unwanted mobile devices or accessories!



**We are a ResourceSmart School**



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# **FAIR**

**2023**

**Sunday  
12 November**

**10-2pm**

**Parent Stall: \$20**

**Kids Stall: \$5**

**Trestle Table Hire: \$5**

Payment at the Selby PS office. All stalls can be located inside the hall unless you indicate you prefer an outside stall.

For more info please call (03) 9754 2675



# CLOUDY FOREST FARM

A sustainable Christmas workshop is being held at local Permaculture Property Cloudy Forest Farm. This collaborative and hands-on workshop is all about planning and creating your more sustainable Christmas this year.

The Earth will be front and centre as we generate sustainable Christmas ideas, guided by the Permaculture Ethics of Earth Care, People Care and Fair Share.

**Bookings:** <https://www.trybooking.com/CMETD>

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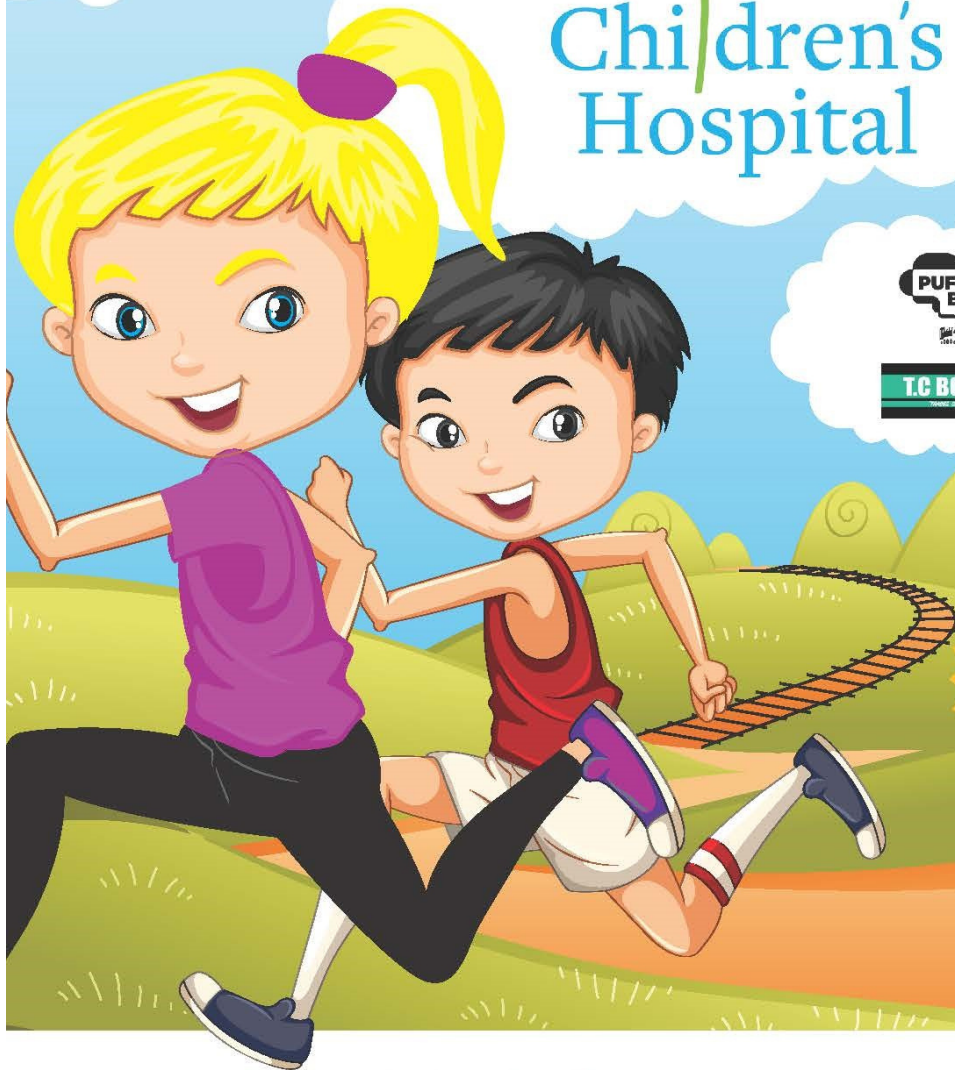
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Kids Fun Run with Puffing Billy

Artwork by James Padgett, Yr 9

# Monbulk College

# Arts & Technology Exhibition



**Thursday, November 2nd, 5-7pm**

T-9751 9000 David Hill Rd Monbulk

[www.monbulkcol.vic.edu.au](http://www.monbulkcol.vic.edu.au)



# Come & Try Scouts!

**Local Scout Groups welcome young people to join their groups.**

Scouting actively engages and supports young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

Your local Groups are

Belgrave : 28 Station St, Belgrave

Selby : Menzies Creek Recreation Reserve

Joey Scouts (ages 5-8)

Cub Scouts (ages 8-11)

Scouts (ages 11-15)

For more information or to join contact Keith on 0401 714 777.



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