Beverford District Primary School Newsletter

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April 22, 2026
Term 2, Week 1

What's On at BDPS?

Term 2, 2026	
Monday April 20	Term 2 Begins
Wednesday April 22	Anzac Day Talk – Woorinen RSL
Saturday April 25	Anzac Day (March in Swan Hill)
Tuesday May 5	P-6 Cross Country at Riverside Park
Friday May 8	Mother's Day Morning Tea
Thursday May 14	GRIP Leadership Conference Bendigo
Friday May 15	Divisional Cross Country – Gr 3-6.
Mon May 18 – Fri May 22	Education Week
Wed May 20 – Fri May 22	Gr 3-6 Log Cabin Camp - Creswick
Friday June 5	2027 Prep Come & Try Session 1
Monday June 8	King's Birthday Public Holiday
Friday June 12	Gr 3-6 Winter Sports – Swan Hill P-2 Fun Day - Nyah
Wednesday June 17	Divisional Winter Sports
Friday June 19	2027 Prep Come & Try Session 2
Friday June 26	Term 2 Ends

Easter Hat Parade

The Easter Hat Parade was again a huge success with a very big crowd in attendance. Thank you to our families and friends who assisted with making hats and attending the event.

The Easter raffle was a big hit, with 7 Easter Hampers being raffled off. The school raised $600 which was donated to the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal. Thank you to everyone who sold and purchased tickets and donated goodies for the raffle.

The Junior School Council ran some fun activities, including an easter egg hunt.

LUNCH ORDERS & ZOOPER DOOPERS

Lunch Orders will begin this week on Friday April 24.

The Junior School Council has ceased zooper doopers sales until Term 4

Principal's Report

Welcome Back to Term 2!

Welcome back to everyone! We hope you enjoyed your Easter break and that the Easter Bunny found you safe and sound. The students have hit the ground running with a great first few days of Term 2.

Last term finished with the annual **Easter Hat Parade** and drawing of the Easter raffles. The students looked great in their amazing hats and certainly enjoyed the Easter egg hunt around the school. Thanks again to everyone who donated items for the raffles and sold tickets.

Speaking of running, we have begun training for the **Cross Country** this week, which is on in a fortnight on Tuesday May 5 at Riverside Park. Students will compete against students from Woorinen, Swan Hill Christian College and Lake Boga. The times and distances of the events are listed below. The age group is the age that a student turns in 2026, in other words the age of the child at 31/12/26. Parents are welcome to attend, please arrive 10 minutes before your child's event in case the day is running ahead of schedule. Students will travel to and from the event on a school bus. Permission notes will be sent home soon.

Time	Age Group	Distance
10:00am	12+ year olds	3,000m
10:20am	11 year olds	3,000m
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10:50am	10 year olds	2,000m
11:10am	9 year olds	2,000m
11:30am	8 year olds	1,000m
11:50am	7 year olds	1,000m
12:10pm	5 & 6 year olds	500m (one way starting at the bridge)
12:30pm	Tug of War	N/A
12:45pm	Presentations	N/A

Some of our student leaders will be attending the **GRIP leadership conference** in Bendigo on Thursday May 14. We look forward to these students building their leadership skills and sharing this with the rest of the school. Parents will be sent more information in the coming weeks.

Anzac Day is this Saturday April 25. All students are invited to be involved in the Anzac Day March wearing full school uniform. Students are to meet staff at 10.05am at Dunlop (corner of McCrae & Curlewis Streets) before marching to the Cenotaph for the Service. Captains Ella & Oscar will lay a wreath on behalf of the school community and Ella will recite "The Reality of War" poem. Parents are welcome to stand with the school students during the service.

Over the next few weeks our teaching staff will be **observing each other's teaching practices**. This is great professional development and ensures consistent practices across the school. Teachers will be observing elements of explicit teaching with a focus on scaffolding approaches to enable learning for all students.

We will be having a **Mother's Day Morning Tea** and classroom activities between 10.30am and 11.30am on **Friday May 8**. This will be a lot of fun and is open to all of the special people we have in our lives such as grandparents and aunties also. We ask that families supply a "share plate" for the morning tea.

The school will be celebrating **Education Week** in Week 5 of Term 2 (May 18 - 22). During Education Week the school will have an open session for current families, community members and prospective parents **to tour classrooms and grounds.** If you know a family with a Prep starting in 2027, please let me know and I will invite them to tour the school.

During the holidays **security cameras** around the outside of the main building were installed. We were encouraged by the Police and also the Department of Education to undertake this work.

I will be **away on leave** from Wednesday April 22 to next Friday May 1 after a medical procedure. Mrs Cleeland will be the acting principal during this time but will continue her teaching duties.

Thanks Phil

Easter Egg Hunt

Anzac Day Appeal

The Junior School Council are running the Anzac Appeal this year. Friday will be the final day of sales. Please send cash in with students.

ANZAC APPEAL

Poppies: 50c, $2 & $5
Wrist Bands: $3
Bag Tags: $4
Key Tags: $4
Pens: $5
limited stock available

Easter Egg Hunt

WELLBEING

Beverford

with Mrs Blackmore

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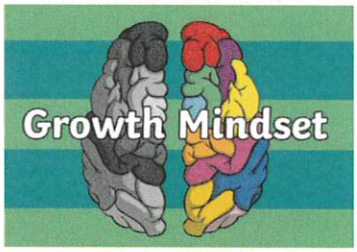
Mental Health in Primary Schools

Learning About Growth Mindset

Over the next few weeks, we'll be learning about having a Growth Mindset!
Our mindset is the way we think about our abilities — it's not about what we can or can't do, but how we approach learning and challenges. Research shows that our brains can grow and change, which means we can always improve and learn new things!
A Fixed Mindset is when we believe our abilities can't change, while a Growth Mindset is when we understand that with practise, effort and the right attitude, we can get better at anything. Mistakes aren't failures — they're learning opportunities!
At school, we've been using the phrases "I can do hard things" and the "Power of Yet." Whenever we say "I can't," we add "yet" to the end — reminding ourselves that with time and effort, we can get there.

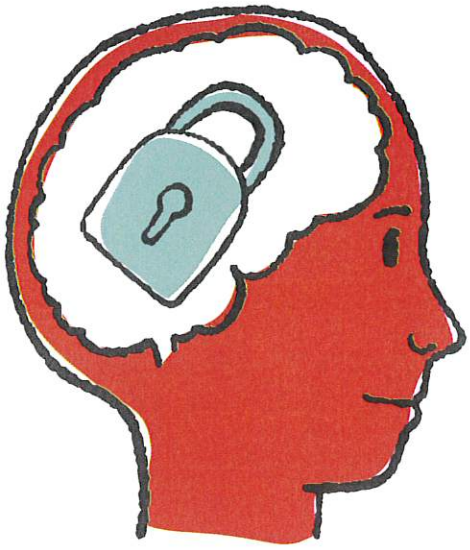
I can't ride a bike... yet!



Great picture books about having a growth mindset

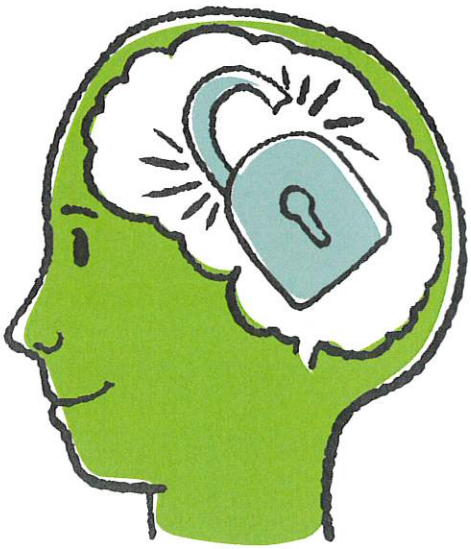
- *The Most Magnificent Thing by Ashley Spires: A young girl sets out to build the most magnificent thing, but when she fails repeatedly, she learns from her frustration and eventually completes her project with determination.*
- *The Girl Who Never Made Mistakes by Mark Pett and Gary Rubinstein: Beatrice is known for her perfection, until she makes a mistake and learns that it is okay and not the end of the world.*
- *Jabari Jumps by Gaia Cornwall: A boy who is afraid to jump off the high dive finds his courage and jumps after taking a moment to prepare.*
- *Flight School by Lita Judge: A penguin who is determined to fly despite his natural limitations learns to achieve his dream*
- *The Magical Yet by Angela DiTerlizzi: This book introduces the idea that when you can't do something, you simply can't do it "yet," encouraging a growth mindset and perseverance.*
- *The Dot by Peter H. Reynolds: A teacher encourages a student to make her mark, and the student learns that her mistakes can be the start of something beautiful.*
- *Ish by Peter H. Reynolds: A story about learning that it's okay to not be perfect and that creativity doesn't have to be perfect to be good.*
- *The Book of Mistakes by Corey Tabor: A story about a child who learns to embrace their mistakes and turn them into something wonderful.*

What Kind of Mindset Do I Have?



Fixed Mindset

- I'm either good at it, or I'm not.
- If I fail, I'm no good.
- I don't like to be challenged.
- I feel like feedback is personal.
- If you succeed, I feel threatened.
- I give up if I find something difficult.
- My abilities determine everything.



Growth Mindset

- I can learn anything I want to.
- I learn from my failures.
- I want to challenge myself.
- I feel like feedback is constructive.
- I am inspired by the success of others.
- I always persevere, even when I'm frustrated.
- My effort and attitude determine everything.

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