## PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Dear Parents and Friends of BSW,

Around The World In Arty Ways was magnificent! Savouring the memory,* I need to say:

- Throughout their primary schooling, students must have the opportunity to develop their creative expression and artistic skills through a first class arts program. If only it were not necessary to choose between specialist programs!
- Our art exhibition was an example of the important role that our community plays in school life.
- Congratulations and thank you to our students, their exceptional art teacher, Felicity Kingsford, the art show committee, the numerous helpers, food and beverage coordinators, musicians, artists and businesses whose contributions made this event possible.
- On Monday morning Kellee Ireland, mother of Zoe, Eva and Leo in Years 5, 3 and 1 respectively, told me that Around The World In Arty Ways was a light bulb moment for her! The exhibition made it evident that visual art has a curriculum in the same way as maths.

### Saturday’s Working Bee

Do come! This is the last working bee for the year. As well as improving and maintaining our wonderful grounds, it will be a great social occasion. The main jobs will be installing some new seats near the oval, preparing the kitchen garden for the summer and general maintenance, such as clearing drains and gutters, sweeping and weeding. Today’s rain will make that easier. If

### CALENDAR

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*Note: The word “*” in the principal’s report indicates a correction or emphasis on the previous statement.
Weekly Collective Nouns:

A covey of quails
A flick of rabbits
A crash of rhinoceroses

possible, bring your own tools. Wheelbarrows are always useful.

Wear your old clothes. Bring your children; they usually have a kitchen/lunch job. Come for as little or as long as you like between 10 am and 2 pm, but make sure you’re there around 12:30 pm because lunch is always delicious! Parent Casey O’Farrell told me that lunch will include tortilla, enchiladas and quesadillas. Donations of cakes or anything else to add to lunch would be most appreciated; just bring them along on the day.

Phantom Mowers  This wonderful group cuts all the grassed areas of BSW, except the oval, which Moreland Council mows. The warm weather, plus the rain, will have the grass growing almost as one watches. The group is always looking for more volunteers. Mowing can be done at any time, day, evenings, weekends, except during school breaks. The school has two very good, well-maintained lawn mowers. If you are able to help with the mowing, please contact the office on 9387 6886. I hope to be swamped with calls. I hope to see you at Saturday’s working bee.

Yours sincerely,

Louise Chocholis
Principal

When lots of words that start with the same sound are used in a sentence it’s called ‘alliteration’. Make up some funny sentences about the members of your family, eg. “Jolly Jim jumps over jellybeans”.

Online orders close 9th November
Brochure Orders close 12th November.
The school encourages you to order online.
Ordering online is easy and quick, you don’t need to send anything back to the school. Your books will be sent home when the orders arrive at school.

Happy reading

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**A LITTLE SOMETHING ABOUT LITERACY**

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**FAMILY & FRIENDS EVENT**

**SAVE THE DATE! Friday 27 November**

Special BSWPS family & friends event planned for after school on Friday, 27 November. Loads of fun. Lots of surprises planned! More details to follow soon.
Prima, firstly, I’d like to thank the 13 children that had a two day Italian Experience with me on L’Esperienza Italiana. Everywhere we went the children were commended for their behavior and their efforts in trying to always speak in Italian. Bravi ragazzi!! We were also extremely fortunate with the weather as we had very pleasant mild days and were able to enjoy much of the lovely sunshine.

Before going to Daylesford on Friday 9th October, the children had their first stop over in one of Melbourne’s oldest Italian Regional clubs called the Fogular Furlan Club. Here the children took part in Italian cultural activities such as cooking, dancing, playing soccer and bocce. We continued our journey on that day to visit our partnering school, Spensley Street Primary where we enjoyed a wonderful Italian performance and a pizza dinner. The following day the children met again to journey onto Daylesford where i ragazzi, the children, were able to experience the historical nature of the Daylesford region and meet members of the Swiss Italian families who migrated to the region in the mid 1800’s. We met a 6th generation Italian family who make cricket bats as well as visiting and old Italian Lavandula farm, (Lavender Farm).

The children also had the opportunity not only to introduce themselves to other children from a number of schools in the inner city region who also attended the camp but also practice speaking and conversing in Italiano. These opportunities continued to provide context, meaning and purpose to the children’s studies.

I too had an enjoyable time and it was a real joy to see Brunswick South West children having a wonderful time conversing with students from our neighboring schools.

I was also very emotional but also grateful to have seen this wonderful Italian program, (which has been running 12 years) providing our students the opportunity to mingle with other students of the Italian language and providing them with a real taste of Italy without leaving home.

Alla fine, lastly, our second rehearsal for the Italian Coro is at our school this Wednesday. The Italian Coro have been rehearsing fabulously and doing a magnificent job. The Italian Choir looks forward to working collaboratively with our neighboring schools and with Kavisha Mazzella, our in resident artist.

If there are parents that wish to come and have a sneak peak at our wonderful schools performing together, rehearsal begins at 9am to 11.30am in our hall.

Spero di vederti.
Hoping to see you
Signora Maria
Putting on an Art Show requires many hours of behind the scenes work: the lead up, the set up day, opening night, the Saturday gallery sit and dismantling the Show. The generous donations of art work to the silent auction help cover our costs and raise much needed funds for the school. I would like to thank the following people for all their hard work and generosity. We wouldn't have had such a successful Art Show without all your efforts!

Felicity

The Art Show Committee: Emily Benson, Chantel Scrimshaw, Maria Lyon, Caroline Wignell and Christina Dyson.

Tom Nicholson for opening the Art Show and generously donating a piece of his work to the silent auction.

David Clarkson and the school band for a night of great music ( Andrew Watkins, Greg Banova, Robert Martin, Chris Rowe, Judith Rowe and Alison Haeusler )

Jason and Mandy Dowling for running and organising the bar.

Casey O'Farrell and her team of Louise Jorritsma, Sachiko Tanaka, Bernadette Dooley for the delicious tortillas.

Kylie Moreland for organising the ever popular barbeque

Jennifer Sheridan for organising and running the cake stall

The artists who generously donated their work to the silent auction- Mathew Sleeth, Peter Nicholson, Hannah Chambers, Kim Scrimshaw, Joycelyn Moreland, Mic Looby, Robyn Stewardson, Christian Bishop, Craig Smith and Sue Graefe

The office staff: Nick Chambers (Who typed up all the labels and there were a lot!!), Heather McFarlane and Amanda Frittolini.

Lucy Williams for organising the big display boards and Chrissy Temple for all the typing up of notices and signs.

All the staff who helped out on Friday night.

The staff who produced artwork for “Guess the Artist” competition.

All the parents who baked a cake or biscuits for the cake stall.
All the parents who helped in one way or another mounting and labelling or putting their hand up to go on rosters -

Angela Storer
Robyn Stewardson
Sue Graefe
Anna Simic
Sonia Ingham
Donna O’Shea
Louise Jorritsma
Kylie Moreland
Tamsin Rhodes
Amelia Watkins
Alison Aust
Sachiko Tanaka
Rosie Nicholson
Helen Suzuki
Dee Zschunke
Jenny Baker
Julie Crouch
Monique Doney
Sarah Berry
Catherine Flower
Nikki Bagtha
Leena Kownden
Andrea Thomson
Sally Thomas
Catherine Pfabe
Mel Irwin
Fiona Cameron
Lenny Nash
Lisa Farrugia
Scott Barber
Helen Gatford
Lara Stockdale
Courne Passelegue
Renae Howard
Julie Avotins
Philip Carr
Ann Catchlove
Juli Wuliandari
Alice Gaby
May Gay
Kate Fryer
Tim Ruse
Shaileshni
Melanie Koinari
Maaike Wienk
Sonia Harford
Heath Ingham
Kath Navarro
Kim Anh Dang
Allison Berry
Fan Feng
Karen Seligman
Catherine Drimmel
Linn Asgautsen
Azam Behravesh
Dianne Martin
Elly Davis
Lynne Bonney

The Arts committee students (Ruby Grinter, Lucy Watkins, Catalina Llanos Salinas, Lola Sleeth, Aya Dardouri, Alice Riffkin, Emma Bagtha, Thea Edgar, Zoe Marsili).

Special mention to April Chen for ALL the extra hours of help she offered me in the artroom during her lunch breaks!

Sincerest apologies if I’ve forgotten anyone!!

Successful winners of the class masks in the Art Show Silent Auction
(Some still need to be collected and paid for)

Meg's Class Mask- Julie K
Ashley's Class Mask- Dee
Maurice's Class Mask- Lily
Chris's Class Mask- Harry Walker
Chantel's Class Mask- Dave Palmer
Cathy/Jacqui's Class Mask- Leo Marsili
Kay's Class Mask- Kai
Carly's Class Mask- Ava
Sharon's Class Mask- Declan SB
Mathew's Class Mask- Oliver Reeves

Emily's Class Mask- Prue
Damien's Class Mask- Gabriel Baines
Any's Class Mask- Yvonne
Caroline/Lucy's Class Mask- Sue Ruse
Italian Room Mask- Toby
Tom's Class Mask- Jenni S
Barb's Class Mask- Tim
Satellite Room Mask- Zoe.M
The School Office Mask- Janet Beck
Teddy Bears Picnic

What did you do?
On Tuesday we went to Wylly Reservoir.
I played soccer. It was so fun, and I brought watermelon and half fun.

Teddy Bears Picnic
By Oliver

Yesterday we went to Teddy Bears Picnic. We played frisbee. We ate biscuits.

Teddy Bears Picnic
On Tuesday we went to Wylly Reservoir. I had some fruit and cookies.

Julian
Are you interested in being a home stay host?

Brunswick Secondary College is proud to have International Students from all over the globe – China, Korea, Vietnam, Indonesia, India and Bangladesh. These students add value to our school and school community. We are currently looking for expressions of interests from families who would be willing to invite an International Student in to their homes and share their culture and learn about a new one. We are seeking home stay hosts from term 1, 2016.

The benefits of being a home stay provider can include:

Learning about different cultures, helping a young person succeed in their education, a weekly board payment, companionship, eating delicious, new foods and much more - it’s really what you make of it.

What you need to be a home stay host:

An open-minded attitude to another culture’s habits, food, festivals, costumes, a willingness to involve the student in your family activities, a willingness to oversee the student’s education, a Working With Children Check (this can be organised if you don’t currently have one), a spare room with a bed, desk and lamp for the student.

Brunswick Secondary College has found that our ‘quality’ home stay hosts find their reward in ongoing contact with students long since they have returned home, and sometimes an invitation to visit the student in their home country.

If you are interested, or would like to know more about being a home stay host please email the International Student Program Coordinator, Anne Siciliano on 9387-6133, or siciliano.antoinette.a@edumail.vic.gov.au

The Digital Shift

For school students aged 10 and up
4 pm, Wednesdays during school term at Brunswick Library

Share ideas and skills with new friends in a weekly computer space for students at Brunswick Library.

Take over the library computers, play, create and learn with online games and homework resources.

All participants are required to hold a current Moreland City Libraries membership card with internet access.

Register online: childrensactivitiesMCL.eventbrite.com.au or phone 9389 8600.

Bookings essential as spaces are limited.

The Fete

SUNDAY
NOV 8TH
6 HOURS OF LIVE MUSIC!
RIDES • FOOD STALLS • ACTIVITIES & MUCH MORE
10AM - 4PM
FERGIE ST
NORTH FITZRO

Friendly Music Morn • Toffee Delight • Red Rooster
It’s on again! Come when you can between 10am and 2pm

- Meet at the School Hall to sign up.
- Bring gardening tools, wheelbarrows and gloves, if you have them (wheelbarrows especially are needed).
- Children welcome.
- Main job will be making some seating near the oval.
- Lunch provided at 12.30pm. Be assured this will be healthy and tasty and that aspiring young cooks will be needed to help on the working bee morning. If people would like to bring something along to share, it would be most appreciated.
- General gardening jobs

Other jobs include the usual weeding, sweeping, drain-clearing and general maintenance.
Brunswick South West Primary School
Pupil Free Day

Date: Monday, November 2, 2015
Friday, November 20, 2015

Program Times: 7.30am - 6.00pm

Cost: $51.00 per child per day
(Child Care Benefit is available to reduce this fee)

Phone enquiries: The OSHC number 9389-3329

Please note that we can only offer childcare if we get a minimum of 20 students. If there is a lack of interest and the day is cancelled, you will be contacted by telephone.

The following children will require care for:
(please indicate which date)

- Monday, Nov 2nd, 2015
- Friday, Nov 20th, 2015

Child/ren name: ………………………………………………………………………………..……..

My child/children will attend between the hours _______am - _______pm

For your child’s safety all children must be registered with the OSHC program in order to attend. If your child/ren are not currently registered, please contact the Coordinator for an enrolment form.

All bookings are required by: Monday, 26th October

The cost for the program will be added to your next invoice.
Fee Reductions are available through the Child Care Benefit for families registered to the service. For further information on CCB please contact the FAO on 136150

Submitting this form confirms your child’s attendance in the Curriculum Day Program. Please note 7 days notice is required to cancel your booking otherwise without a medical certificate the full fee will be incurred.

PARENT/ GUARDIAN/ AUTHORISED SIGNATORY__________________________________________

DATE ____________________
PEPPERTREE PLACE

A volunteer powered, local, green initiative

COBURG TRAIN STATION

COBURG TRAIN LINE / BIKE PATH

GARDEN FIESTA!

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 7
10am - 4pm 512 SYDNEY RD, COBURG

Festivities include:
- Plant nursery brimming with spring seedlings and local plants
- Community info and markets stalls
- Local goods and handmade treats available all day
- Live music and storytelling for the whole family
- Locally grown, organic, tasty food and handmade treats available all day
- Sit In Knit In space - BYO knitting crochet or stitching projects and revel in the beauty of our garden surrounds
- Family entertainment with free kids outdoor activities
- Garden workshops and talks throughout the day with renowned experts
- Kitchen Garden and Berry Patch
- Pavilion Lawn and Courtyard
- Community Nursery
- A shared community space
- Hatchery Classroom
- Shared Country
- The Retreat

UNITECARE
Coburg

Yarra Valley Water
Children's Week is an annual event celebrated in Australia during the fourth week in October. Children's Week celebrates the right of children to enjoy childhood. It is also a time for children to demonstrate their talents, skills and abilities.

**KIDS DAY OUT**
A day of free fun activities including entertainment, workshops and games.
10 am – 2 pm, Saturday 24 October
C.B. Smith Reserve, Jukes Road, Fawkner.

**CHILDREN’S ART EXHIBITION**
Lake Park Kindergarten and Shirley Robertson Children’s Centre present an exhibition of their children’s work at Coburg Town Hall Gallery. Open during business hours 27 – 30 October.

**LIBRARY ACTIVITIES**
Each of Moreland Libraries will be having special storytime sessions during Children’s Week. There will also be stickers and awards that children can give their friends. Join us for an evening storytime at Brunswick Library and a family fun night at Glenroy Library. Check our website: moreland.vic.gov.au/childrens-week for details.
Manage like a cat, nurture like a dog

Here’s how to get the mix of firmness and nurturing right when communicating with young people.

When speaking about raising teenagers I make the planned observation that parents should ‘manage like a cat and nurture like a dog’. So what does this mean?

Teenagers need a mix of firmness and nurturance from their parents. Like toddlers many teenagers wear L-plates when it comes to navigating their expanding world. Of course, the world a teenager inhabits is far broader than that of a toddler so the risks are multiplied hundredfold. They still need to be managed, but not necessarily in controlling or confrontational ways.

Due to physiological changes most teens will revert straight to their reptilian brains when they feel threatened or experience angry, aggressive discipline. They will fight you all the way, or escape conflict by going to their rooms or withdrawing into themselves. Better to manage like a cat so they hear your message rather than pick up your vehemence.

Finding your inner cat
We all have some cat and dog in us. It’s just a matter of accessing those parts and bringing them out when we need them. The cat is the credible side we all have, but find difficulty accessing. It is always expressed through your non-verbals – that is, your tone of voice, your posture and your head.

A cat speaks with a flat, clipped voice. His or her head is very still and body upright and confident. The quickest way to access your inner cat is to speak with you palms facing the ground. You can try this now. Stand up with both hands in front of you with your palms facing the ground. Now start speaking. You’ll find you’ll naturally speak like a cat – clipped voice, still head and body and more serious expression. This is your credible (and calm) side.

When you speak from your cat side people will usually believe what you have to say. It gives you authority. Australia’s foreign minister Julie Bishop is a good example of using cat behaviour.

Using your inner dog
We also have a dog side to our nature. This is the approachable, conversational, relationship-building side. When you access this side you’ll speak with lots of inflection in your voice.
... Manage like a cat, nurture like a dog ...

Your head will bob up and down. You’ll probably lean forward as you speak and you’ll smile a lot. The quickest way to access your dog nature is to speak with your palms up. You can try it now. Stand up; put your hands out with your palms up and start speaking. You should notice a big difference in how you deliver your message from when you spoke with palms facing down. If not, alternate speaking with palms up and down until you see a difference.

The dog side of our natures is what many of us feel more comfortable with. If you are in a management position there is a fair chance that you spend more time accessing your cat then your dog. Although effective managers will move seamlessly between the two accessing their dog when networking and relationship-building then finding their cat for negotiations or when making decisions.

Actor Hugh Jackman is an example of a public figure who is dog-like as he usually speaks with lots of cadence in his voice, a big smile and open body language. However, I’ve seen him switch to cat mode in interviews when he talks about something serious. He will invariably speak quietly, calmly and his head will stay very still. We believe him when he speaks. He’s no lightweight. It’s his ability to switch from cat to dog and back again that makes him so charismatic.

**Bringing cat and dog to your parenting**

From experience I’ve found that effective parents nuance their communication. That is, they alter their style to suit the situation rather than let their moods dictate their communication styles. This is not necessarily conscious. However do it often enough and switching from cat to dog and back again becomes a habit.

My challenge for you is to bring your cat to the table when you want to manage teenagers and access your dog side when you encourage them, build relationships and listen to them.

**Get your cat and dog wrong and you’ll be ineffective. Manage like a dog and you’ll do one of three things:**

1. Whine at your kids
2. Use an angry voice
3. Do nothing because you don’t want to offend them.

Build relationships like a cat and you’ll be distant, stiff and unapproachable. Get the mix right and you’ll be able to give your young person exactly what they need. That is, the leadership and safety that cats provide and the nurturance and encouragement that comes naturally to dogs.

So does the cat side or the dog side come more naturally to you? Think about it. When you discover what you default to then you need to be aware of two things. First, you will need to work a little harder to access the other side. Second, make sure you don’t rely on one side of your nature to do the work in your communications with your young people. If you do then you will more than likely either manage or nurture well but rarely do both well. However get the mix right and your parenting (or leading of any group of people) and you’ll have discovered the key to charismatic parenting and leadership.

‘Manage like a cat, nurture like a dog.’

Who would have thought it’s that simple!

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