### Principal's Message

#### Week 8 Term 4

#### Welcome to Week 8

It was lovely to see everyone get into the spirit of Book Week last Friday. As usual there were some well planned outfits and students looked amazing. It was great to see the school staff join in the fun with a 'Where's Wally' theme.

As previously mentioned Cam Pryce will relieve as Principal of Ben Venue in 2021 and I would like to congratulate Lana Howlett who was successful in her expression of interest to fill the Deputy Principal role. I have no doubt that they will both fill these roles with passion and dedication and ensure that Ben Venue continues to be a school of kind, safe learners where great things are always happening.

#### 2021

The opportunity for parent requests has now closed. Staff will be organising the 2021 classes in the next few days. Please be reminded that although requests are considered they cannot always be guaranteed. I maintain that teachers are best placed to determine suitable class placements that will support student learning.

Next year, students will begin in a trial class for the first two weeks. At the end of this two week trial period there may be some student movement. This will be based on observations of student learning and interactions. We want to set our students up for a great year of learning. Please note that this will not be a further opportunity for parent requests.

#### Step-up day

On Monday 7 December all students will be participating in a 'step-up' day. This means that all students will spend a day in the next year level classroom. Year 1 will go to Year 2, Year 2 will go to Year 3 and so on. It is hoped that this opportunity will relieve any concerns that students may have about moving to the next year level so they are able to focus on enjoying their school holiday rather than worrying about school.

#### **Fake Nails**

There has been a trend of wearing long fake nails to school among our senior girls. These are not appropriate for school and are very distracting in the classroom. The girls tend to play with them and also find participating in activities which require using fine motor skills difficult. Please support us by encouraging the wearing of these during the holiday periods.

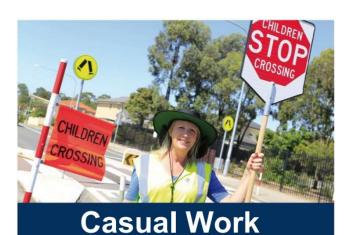
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#### **Triathlon News**



Congratulations to Oliver Belson, Caleb Flanagan and Lucas Flanagan who competed at the Hutchinson and Harlow Schools Team Triathlon Challenge on the weekend. The boys won the Primary School boys event with Lucas Flanagan swimming 100m, Oliver Belson riding 6km and Caleb Flanagan running 1km. Congratulations boys.

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Childs Name	DOB
2 Childs Name	DOB
3 Childs Name	DOB

Please circle: CAMP 1 MON/TUES CAMP 2 MON/TUES/WED CAMP 3 MON/TUES/WED

Any medical or other important information we should know about your child/ren?

mergency contact Name & Number:



# **FRIDAY ONLY**

6 nuggets and drink \$6.00 Orders must be phoned through by parents by Thursday afternoon

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TERM 4 2020 CALENDAR						
Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
8	30.11	1.12	2.12	3.12	4.12	
9	7.12	8.12	9.12	10.12	11.12 Kindergarten fire station excursion	
10	14.12	15.12	16.12 Last day of school	17.12	18.12	

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