

Bell PS Newsletter

21 February 2020

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Principal: David Twite Assistant Principal: Emma Heywood

Bell Primary School is a caring community that fosters a love of learning in young people. At school and beyond, students are confident to think critically and empowered to thrive in a rapidly evolving world. We are grounded by our school values of **resilience**, **creativity**, **curiosity**, **collaboration** and **respect**.

Bell Primary School acknowledges the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation as the traditional custodians of the land the school is located upon, and pays respect to Elders past, present and emerging.



Phone: 9480 5622

From the Principal:

School Council Nominations

After the closing date of nominations on Monday, we had four parent nominees who are now duly elected to School Council. Congratulations to Kath Ballard, Charles Beaton, Vanessa Buck and Nadia Lusis.

As there were five vacancies, DET Election Guidelines requires the Principal to call for further nominations to fill the final vacancy. New nominations must be lodged by **4pm on Monday 24 February 2020**.

Nomination forms can be collected from the office or emailed upon request.

Arrival/Leaving Times and Yard Supervision

A reminder to families about the official times staff are in the yard supervising before and after school.

- <u>Before School</u>, teachers are on yard duty in the three designated areas **from 8.45am** each day.
- Students who come to school before 8.45am are not officially supervised and therefore create a contradiction in the school's responsibilities around duty of care.
- I urge all families to **not** drop off or send children to school before the official 8.45am timeslot.
- Before school care, via OSHClub, is an option for families in those situations when an early drop off is required.
- <u>After school</u>, there are teachers supervising the school yard **until 3.45pm** and have meetings or other classroom work to continue.
- Students who do not have a parent/carer with them after that time cannot stay in the yard and play.
- Yard duty teachers in the three areas (north oval, basketball/netball area and south oval/bike shed) will check
 for unsupervised children at the 3.45pm bell and an announcement will be made about unsupervised children
 still in the yard.
- Children waiting for a pick-up will need to go to the office if the parent/carer is running a few minutes late. We understand about traffic hold ups, etc and urge parents/carers to call the school if you are running a few minutes late.
- Children who live close by who wish to come back later and use our school facilities in a respectful way are more than welcome as long as their parents/carers know of that arrangement.

Ultimately, the tightening of these procedures is related to staff duty of care and child safe practices that we are committed to as a school.

Annual Privacy Reminder

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 <u>Schools' Privacy Policy</u>. For more information about privacy, see: <u>DET Schools' Privacy Policy – information for parents</u>. This information is also available in nine languages upon request. Bell Primary School's specific statement can be found on our website.

David Twite Principal

From the Assistant Principal:

Getting to Know You Meetings

A reminder that Getting to Know You Meetings will be conducted this term in Week 6 and are an opportunity for parents/carers to share information about their child with their classroom teacher(s). Getting to Know You Meetings will occur for year levels on the following days and times in your child's classroom.

Prep:	Monday March 2	(3:40-5:00pm, 5:30-8:00pm)
Year 1:	Monday March 2	(3:40-5:00pm, 5:30-8:00pm)
Year 2:	Wednesday March 4	(3:40-5:00pm, 5:30-8:00pm)
Year 3:	Tuesday March 3	(3:40-5:00pm, 5:30-8:00pm)
Year 4:	Monday March 2	(3:00-5:00pm, 5:30-8:00pm)
Year 5:	Wednesday March 4	(3:00-5:00pm, 5:30-8:00pm)
Year 6:	Tuesday March 3	(3:00-5:00pm, 5:30- 8:00pm)

<u>Please note our Specialist team will be available for Getting to Know You Meetings on Tuesday March 3 (3:40-5:00pm, 5:30- 8:00pm)</u>

Bookings are <u>now open</u> via Compass. A Getting to Know You Meeting notification has appeared at the top of your Newsfeed on your Compass Home Page. You may need to view this via a Browser. If you cannot see this Compass Home Page Newsfeed, we suggest refreshing your home screen. If you are still experiencing issues with making a booking, or any other aspect of Compass, please contact the school office and we will do our best to assist you.

A reminder that bookings will close at 4:00pm on Wednesday 26 February.

Emma Heywood Assistant Principal

From the Office: Outstanding Payments Reminder

Event	Who	Amount	Due Date	Payment Method
Essential Education Items	Prep-6	\$280	Sun 16 Feb	Qkr!
Gr4 Swimming	Grade 4	\$110	Mon 17 Feb	Qkr!
District Swimming	Various Gr4-6	\$20	Mon 24 Feb	Qkr!
Summer Sport	Grade 6	\$20	Wed 19 Feb	Qkr!
Marysville Camp	Grade 6	\$365	Fri 20 Mar	Qkr!

Please contact the office urgently if you are having problems making a payment via Qkr!

Bell PS Uniforms - PSW.COM.AU

All Bell Primary School uniform, including hats and bags, are available from PSW online at psw.com.au or from their store at 12 Strathalbyn Street, Kew East. PSW can be contacted on 9768 0381.

Bell's Second Hand Uniform Shop is open on Monday mornings from around 8.45am—9.15am, thanks to parent volunteer Nicole Galea.

Important Dates in 2020:

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-	Thu 21: District Cross Country, Bundoora Pk, 12.00-2.30
FEBRUARY (*please note new dates	Wood 27 Fri 20: Gre Comp. Warstah Bay
• Fri 21: Summer Sports v Fairfield (away	Wed 27-Wed 3: Reconciliation Week
• Fri 21: Eligible SC Candidates posted in Newslette	
• Tue 25: *Gr4 Swimming #	IIINE
• Tue 25: District Swimming, Northcote AC, 10.00-12.3	
 Wed 26: Compass Bookings for Getting to Know Yo Meetings Close @ 4pr 	
• Thu 27: *Gr4 Swimming #	
• Thu 27: Prep Info Night, 6.00pm, Learning Centr	
• Thu 27 (tbc): *School Council Meeting, 7pr	
• Fri 28: Summer Sports v Thornbury (away	
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	• Mon 13: First day Term 3
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• Thu 5: *Gr4 Swimming #	• Init 10: Division Athletics Meadowglen 4 30-3 00
• Thu 5: Cricket Blast, Doug Nichols Oval, 10.00-3.0	• Fri 1X: Final day Term 3 2 30nm dismissal
• Fri 6: Summer Sport v Westgarth (home	• Fri 1X. Kid's Movie Night
• Mon 9: Labour Day Public Holida	
• Wed 11: Curriculum Day #3 (student free	OCTORER
• Fri 13: Summer Sport - By	
• Fri 13: Ride To School Da	
• Mon 16-Fri 20: Neurodiversity Celebration Wee	-
• Tue 17: Regional Swimming, Watermarc, 11.00-2.0	···
• Thu 19: School Council Meeting, 7pr	
• Fri 20: Summer Sport v St Josephs (home	
• Fri 20: National Day Against Bullyin	·
• Fri 20: Young Leaders Conference (Gr5/6 JSC + Captains	
• Tue 24: Carnevale @ Be	
• Fri 27: Cup Cake Sta	
• Fri 27: Kid's Movie Nigh	
• Fri 27: Final day Term 1, 2.30pm dismissa	
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APRIL	• Tue 3: Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
• Tue 14: First day Term	Nov 6: Summer Sport v Preston
• Wed 15-Fri 17: Gr6 Camp: Marysvill	and the second s
• Sat 25: ANZAC Da	у
• Sun 26: Kid's View Conference (Gre	DECEMBER
	• Thu 3: International Day for People with a Disability
MAY	• Fri 18: Final day Term 4

Mon 11:

School Photo Day #1

Mother's & Special Person's Day Stall

Tue 5: Thu 7-Fri 8: Grandparent's Day

2020 School Captains:

At our school Assembly on Monday, our school captains Jo Money, Otis Williamson, Ilium Hernandez-David and Alice Macleod were given their official school captain badges. We wish them a very successful and happy year in their leadership roles for 2020. Congratulations!

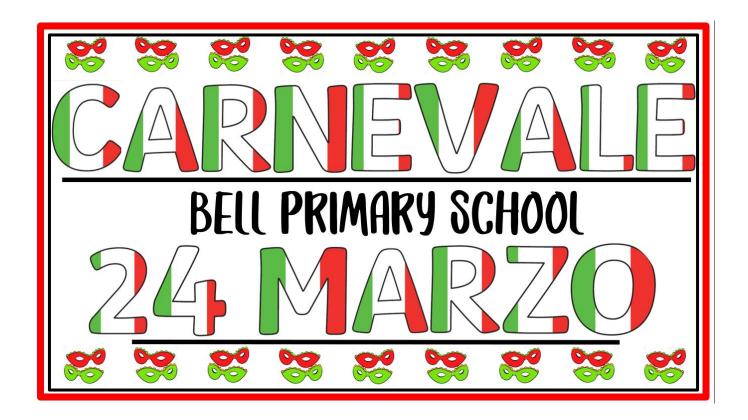




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From the Bell Fete Crew:

Call for Captains!

The 2020 Fete is coming in November and the committee are now calling for stall captains. Being a captain involves leading a small team to plan, prepare and run the stall on fete day. Captains with new stall ideas are welcome, or jump in to run one of the classics. Any parents who are interested, please email Mel Regan and Mel Roberts at bellprimaryfete@gmail.com. Starting early in the year means a lighter workload, and we are here to support you and have some fun!



From the Wellbeing Office: Child Safe

Bell Primary School is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. This will be the primary focus of our care and decision-making.

Bell Primary School has zero tolerance for child abuse.

We are committed to providing a child safe environment where children and young people are safe and feel safe, and their voices are heard about decisions that affect their lives. Particular attention will be paid to the cultural safety of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and children from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds, as well as the safety of children with a disability and children who are vulnerable.

Every person involved in Bell Primary School has a responsibility to understand the important and specific role they play individually and collectively to ensure that the wellbeing and safety of all children and young people is at the forefront of all they do and every decision they make.

On arrival at Bell Primary School, all volunteers, visitors and contractors *must* make contact with the office, sign in at the front desk, and wear a visitor's badge while on site.



From the Wellbeing Office:

Reducing Separation Anxiety in Young Children

In the early years some clinginess, crying and tantrums are normal when a child is separating from parents/guardians. While a great deal of separation anxiety disappears with age, some young children will continue to experience anxiety when going to pre-school, childcare or other care arrangements. This anxiety can be distressing for parents/guardians, and become an unnecessary source of guilt, further fuelling a child's anxiety. Many children who experience separation anxiety are biologically predisposed to anxiousness, shying away from new or novel situations. Here are some ways to support an anxious child at drop-off:

Become practised at separations

Help your child become used to separations by leaving them with caregivers for short periods at first and gradually increasing the length of separation.

Get your child separation-ready

Tired, hungry kids are generally clingy, cranky kids. Similarly, rushed kids are often stressed kids. If your child continues to cling to you when you leave them at pre-school or with carers, check your home routines. Are they going to bed early enough to get sufficient sleep? Are they waking in time to complete their morning activities without being rushed? Are they getting an energy-boosting breakfast such as porridge or an egg to provide the fuel to put them in the right mood? Sometimes simple adjustments to home routines can make a big difference to how a child reacts when leaving their parents in the morning.

Develop a regular quick goodbye ritual

Rituals, like routines, are both reassuring and personal. Develop your own special good-bye ritual, which can be simple such as a special wave or kiss. Alternatively, a fun good-bye ritual such as a high five, low five, and fist pump bursting into a hand explosion can be something a child enjoys. Once you have said good-bye leave quickly without stalling or looking back. Avoid making leaving a bigger deal than what it is.

Stay confident

Kids will often take their cues from their parents/guardians so a calm, reassuring approach can give your child the confidence they need that they will be okay.

Involve your child's teacher or carer in the drop-off

Discuss separation with the pre-school teacher, primary school or carer and involve them in the transition. Settle your young child with the other carer, preferably being involved in an activity before saying good-bye and making a quick exit while your child is in the care of another adult.

When separation anxiety is not normal

Most separation anxiety is a normal part of your child's development. Some children will experience separation anxiety that is outside the normal range, which may require professional intervention. It can be difficult to determine whether a child's anxiety is normal or can be considered a disorder as many of the behaviours are the same. Consider seeking professional help if some or all of the following occurs:

- the intensity of the anxiety is outside the normal range for their age
- your child becomes agitated at the mention of being separated from you
- they withdraw from normal activities at home, pre-school and primary school
- the separation anxiety continues regularly for four weeks or more

Your child's local pre-school, primary school or your general practitioner are good places to start when looking for professional assistance with separation anxiety.

Michael Grose

From the JSC:



Use your extraordinary superpowers to take a stand against blood cancer!



Once again, some of our amazing Bell students have put their hand up to raise funds for the "World's Greatest Shave." JSC will help support these students by running an afternoon event on Friday 13 March, on the Astroturf, to watch them bravely shave their beautiful hair. How you can help:

- Please donate generously to help stamp out blood cancer.
- If you know of a hairdresser that may be willing to help, can you please let Dimi know.

REGISTERED STUDENTS:

William Wagner-Dunford - 6B

https://secure.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/registrant/FundraisingPage.aspx?RegistrationID=781062

Lily Matijas - 5A

http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/lilymatijas

Hector Walshe - 5B

http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/hectorwalshe

Coco Dempster - 5C

https://secure.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/registrant/FundraisingPage.aspx?RegistrationID=777477#&panel1-1

Lachlan & Paddy Bird 6C & 4C

https://secure.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/registrant/FundraisingPage.aspx?RegistrationID=781313

Scout Ballard - 5B

http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/scoutballard

Hazel King 6A

http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/hazelking1

Dorothy King 4C

http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/dorotheaking

Remi Nicolazzo - 4A

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Oscar Birney - 6C

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Ben Nadachowski - 6C

https://secure.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/registrant/FundraisingPage.aspx?RegistrationID=781147

Milos Stoikovich - 6C

https://secure.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/registrant/FundraisingPage.aspx?RegistrationID=761824

Rory Lyall – 4A

For the Community:



Bell Primary School

Monday, 30th March to Friday, 10th April 2020

Building Brighter Futures Together

NOTICE - ALLERGY - Please ensure all food is nut free





Monday 30 March

CELEBRATE THE NATIONS

Where in the world will you travel today? Grab your backpack as we head off on a whirtwind trip around the globe!



Monday 08 April

(III) + \$23.00

SPACE STATION ODYSSEY

INCURSION - AIRBRUSH WORKSHOP Learn the art of airbrushing and airbrush your very own piece to take home.



Tuesday 31 March

PLAY THAT FUNKY MUSIC

Wear your dancing shoes and practice your best dance moves today!



Tuesday 07 April

FITNESS FOR FUN

IN-SERVICE

Learn new ways to have fun and keep fit together today!

Children will learn the importance of stretching before there fitness course



Wednesday 01 April



3D ART

INCURSION - AUSTRALIAN REPTILES: FROGS, LIZARDS & FIERCE PREDATORS

Today you will get to meet and touch insects, frogs, lizards, snakes and even a Saltwater Crocodile! What is your favourite reptile?



Wednesday 08 April



(EX) + \$21.00

SPOTS, STRIPES AND CAMOUFLAGE

EXCURSION - WERRIBEE ZOO

Go on an adventure with us as we get up close and personal with the animals at the Werribee Open Range Zoo today!



Thursday 02 April



THE MAD SCIENTIST

EXCURSION - SCIENCE WORKS

Today we will get to explore all matters of science and see a show in the planetarium.



Arrive by 8.30am

Thursday 09 April

MOVIE MANIA

Get the Popcorn ready and gather with your friends for a day of movie themed celebrations



Arrive by 8.30am

Friday 03 April

COOKING UP A STORM

IN-SERVICE

Get creative in the kitchen and cook up some delicious goodies to share with your friends!



Friday 10 April

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

SERVICE CLOSED





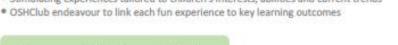
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Junior Adventures Group continues to pioneer the OSHC sector, building stronger communities and brighter futures for more than 70,000 children, 50,000 families and more than 450 schools across Australia.

The values we share guide our behaviour as we work towards our vision to build brighter futures together.

What we offer

- · A healthy, safe, respectful and engaging environment
- · Caring, enthusiastic, fun and friendly team
- New and popular excursions, incursions and theme days
- Stimulating experiences tailored to children's interests, abilities and current trends





Vacation Care

SHClub

We are a child safe organisation



What Does My Child Bring?

Please bring breakfast, morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and a refillable drink bottle. If bringing food please make sure it's nutritious and doesn't require heating or cooking.

Please be mindful of the planned incursion/excursion and ensure your children are dressed appropriately. Don't forget your sun smart hat, comfortable clothes, closed shoes and a drink bottle.

To avoid loss or disappointment, please leave your valuables, money and electronic toys (including tablets and smartphones) at home.



Healthy Eating

OSHClub follows the Australian dietary guidelines which can be found at https://www.eatforhealth.gov.au

Activity Changes

If an excursion or incursion (due to unforeseen circumstances) is cancelled, the activity will either be postponed or an alternative activity of equal value will be provided where possible.



Before making your booking & cancellations

All children must be enrolled with OSHClub prior to booking via oshclub.com.au. Bookings made within 5 days for a Vacation Care session will incur an extra charge of \$4.00 per day per child. 7 days notice is required for cancellation of a Vacation Care booking to ensure you will not incur out of pocket costs. Please note that bookings cannot be made online within 5 days of the session commencing. In order to book within this period, you will need to contact the service directly, the Customer Service and Billing Team on 1300 395 735 or by emailing oshaccounts@junioradventuresgroup.com.au.

Child care subsidy

Our services are registered with Centrelink, so you will be able to claim Child Care Subsidy on your fees. For further information please visit https://www.education.gov.au/newchild-care-package-frequently-askedquestions.

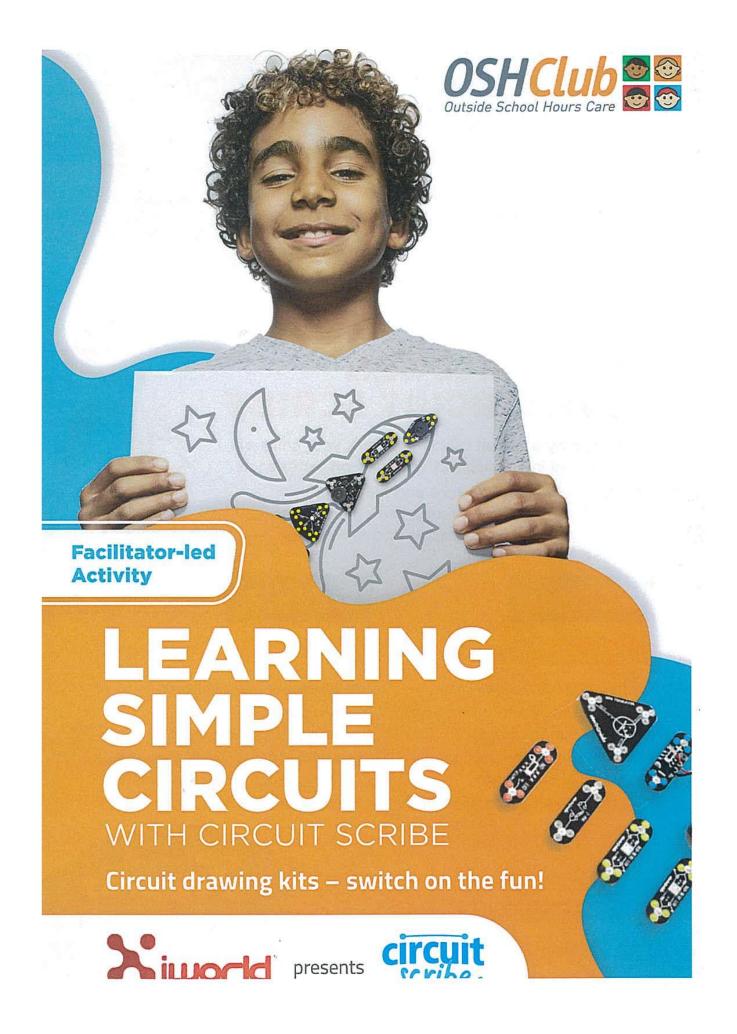


Children with additional needs

We support all children including children with additional needs. If you would like to provide additional information about your child and his/her needs or require inclusion support funding, please contact us 6 weeks prior to program commencement on 0413 123 119 for staffing purposes.

Book now at oshclub.com.au | be quick as places are limited

Customer Service 1300 395 735



WHAT IS CIRCUIT SCRIBE?

Circuit Scribe connects the joy of drawing with the electric world of science, mixing in some fun along the way. The Circuit Scribe pen is filled with non-toxic, conductive silver ink that makes drawing electrical circuits as easy as doodling!



WHY CHILDREN LOVE CIRCUIT SCRIBE

Facilitated by a Circuit building expert, your child will be immersed in a collaborative hands-on experience.

Through guided instructions and play, your child will learn to draw circuits, switch on power, activate lights, buzzers, motors and more.

WEEK 1:

Introduction to Circuit Scribe

- What is Circuit Scribe?
- » How the Circuit Scribe Pen works
- » Making your first circuit
- » Learning about electric currents
- » Learning about voltage
- » Learning about a complete circuit

WEEK 2:

Design and create your own circuitry

- » Building your name in lights
- » Building switches
- » Learning about basic logic
- » Learning about switches & resistors
- » Learning about blinker modules
- » Making a flashing light circuit





KEON PARK CLUB OPEN DAY FREE, FAMILY, FUN

WHEN

Sunday, 23rd February 10.00am to 12.30pm



WHERE

Keon Park Tennis Club

2A Wagga Rd, Reservoir, Victoria (Donath Reserve)

GIVE AWAYS • BBQ Lunch • Membership Specials • Competition Info • Coaching Specials • Tryout the range of Wilson Racquets • Social Tennis • Coaches are trained to host wheelchair tennis & in working with autistic children • Play on Hard Courts or Clay Courts







WWW.KEONPARKTENNISCLUB.COM.AU

ALL AGES EVENT

FREE ENTRY

Try Tennis & Netball Equipment Provided FREE Coaching Match Play

TENNIS

Social Tennis Formats Hot Shots clinics Cardio Tennis

Coaching Ball Machine

NETBALL

Suncorp NetSetGo for ages 5-10 Rock Up Netball for ages 12-17 Competitions Info

RSVP

Jacqui 0430 505 101 Ashlea 0423 917 978

or contact us via email, facebook, instagram





ACHIEVING ENGAGING CONNECTING



THORNBURY HIGH SCHOOL invites you to our

OPEN NIGHT

THURSDAY 12TH MARCH
7.00 - 8.30pm // Register at 6.45pm

Enter via Matisi St or Collins St gates and head to the new Performing Arts & Sports Centre to register.

- Outstanding VCE results
- Innovative, engaging curriculum
- Renowned music program
- Wide-ranging sporting opportunities

FOR ENROLMENTS 2021 AND BEYOND

Take a guided tour of the school with Principal, Michael Keenan. Bookings available every Tuesday throughout the year.

PH.03 9480 4066



Play soccer with Darebin United Soccer Club



Darebin United Soccer Club is a family friendly club.

Training and home games take place at Mayer Park, Corner of Normanby Avenue & Leinster Grove, Thornbury.

To try out for the teams: Please call the Team Managers – Bill (0419726943) & Melanie (0401992316) or send an email to duscjuniors@gmail.com expressing your interest.

WINTER 2020 BASKETBALL REGISTRATIONS



PANTHERS

BASKETBALL

We are looking for new players for our upcoming winter season which begins after term 1 holidays. Our expression of interest is open to boys and girls of all ages. We are specifically looking for some under 8's (mixed), u12 (girls) and u12 and u16 (boys)

Panthersbasketball20@gmail.com