PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Please see the flyer in this newsletter regarding the PFA Welcome BBQ on Friday 19th February from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. This event is for all school families and we extend a special invitation to new families to be welcomed into the Greythorn community.

As we recognise that clear communication promotes positive home - school partnerships, the following information is provided for parents.

- Our 2016 Parent Handbook is now available on the school website [here](http://www.greythornps.vic.edu.au) (under the Parent Information tab) and will be on Compass this week. We urge families to read the handbook as it contains some new and updated information. In particular, new families should find this document useful.

- We have purchased a communication module that will allow us to contact all families by SMS in the event of an emergency or need for urgent communication. As this will only be effective if we have your current mobile phone contact details, we recently emailed parents their child’s Student Information Details form. Please ensure you have returned the form with any changes (or phone these changes to our office) by Friday 12th February.

- Communication regarding your child:
  - Your questions or concerns can be addressed by contacting the appropriate staff member:
    - To discuss your child’s learning, behaviour, social or personal needs, please contact their classroom teacher.
    - For more serious issues regarding your child’s safety or wellbeing, please contact the Assistant Principal, Ken Darby.
    - If your concerns or questions have not been resolved by discussion with the class teacher, or for matters concerning the operation of the school, please contact Ken Darby or me.

- Reports and Parent Teacher Meetings:
  - The school follows a cycle of reports and meetings as follows:
    - Term 1 Meet the Teacher: Initial parent-teacher meetings will be conducted by most teachers on 17th and 18th February. These ‘getting to know you’ interviews provide an opportunity for you to meet your child’s teacher and share any relevant information about your child. Towards the end of this week, parents should receive information via Compass about these meetings and the online booking process.
    - Please keep to your allocated times. If you need to continue these conversations, make another appointment with your child’s teacher.
    - Term 2 and 4: Reports are sent home at the end of term. Between the Term 2 and 4 written reports, parent teacher meetings are held again.

If you have concerns at any time, please feel welcome to arrange a meeting with your child’s teacher. Appointments with all staff can be arranged by phoning or emailing our office.

- General communication:
  - The school newsletter, ‘Greythorn Reading’, is uploaded to the school website every Wednesday. Families can subscribe to an email alerting them that the newsletter is available [here](http://www.greythornps.vic.edu.au).
  - Class newsletters are distributed to parents within the first three weeks of each term.
Compass is used to email parents where we need to advise you of information quickly, or to inform you of excursions and incursions. Please check any emails advising you of these ‘events’.

School policies are uploaded to the website as they are ratified by School Council and can be accessed here.

The Parent Information tab on our website contains some useful resources, including the February-updated advice to parents on supporting children who have been exposed to trauma. Parents are encouraged to read this short document here.

Next week’s newsletter will contain formal notification of the 2016 School Council Elections. Please consider whether you are interested in nominating for one of our School Council vacancies.

Finally, a very big thank is extended to one of our Education Support Staff, Judi Bancroft. Judi has her last day with us tomorrow after 14+ years of service as an integration aide at Greythorn. On behalf of the Greythorn Community, I offer our appreciation to Judi for her commitment and care of some very special children, their families and teachers. Best wishes for the future Judi!

Kind regards,
Kim Dray

Compass News

Hopefully you have had time to settle in and have a look at the Compass Portal. We have placed some notices on Compass and it is important that you log in with the details that you have been provided and action these notices where required.

Absences
There are some reminder notes below on how to add a parent approval for absences.

Parent approved absence (If the student will not be at school)
If your child will not be at school for part or a whole day you are able to approve the absence without having to call the school. This can be done the morning the students will not be at school or if it is a planned event can be done before the day. To add a parent approved absence follow the below steps.

On the home page place your mouse over + Add Attendance Note/Approval (Approved Absence/Late) and then fill in the details.

Parent approval required alert (If the student was not at school)
If your child was marked as not being present or late to school for previous days, you will see an alert under “My Alerts”.

To approve these absences or lateness click “Click here for more information”.

You will be taken to the unapproved absence page. Here you can select the classes your student was not marked “not present” and provide a parent approval for the student not being at school.

Enter the reason for the absence and any details or comments required. Click Save.

There will be periodic requests sent home to follow up on explained absences if there are unapproved absences showing on Compass. Please take the time to approve any absences as they arise. If you have any queries regarding an absence, please contact the office.

Login Details
Please contact the office if you require a new password or assistance with your login details.

Compass Emails
We have been advised by Compass that there is a glitch in their system and only Parent A is receiving emails. They are currently working to fix this problem and apologise for any inconvenience.

Start of the Year Notices
Please print off these notices, complete as required and return them to school as soon as possible.
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Admin News

Student Information Details
An email was sent last week to all families with an attachment of your child’s Student Information. Could you please check this information and update any details and return to the office by Friday 12th February. If you have not received this email from the Greythorn email address, please contact the office and we will arrange a copy to be sent to you.

Start of the Year Notices - Compass
Just a reminder that “Acceptable use of Technologies Agreement” and the “Student Code of Conduct” forms need to be completed and returned to school as soon as possible. These were emailed to families at the start of term through Compass. Hard copies are available from the office.

Medical Matters

We are currently updating student medical information. If your child is asthmatic, anaphylactic or has an allergy plan, you may receive new forms to complete as your child's current information is out of date. Please return these at or before Parent/Teacher meetings next week. Should you have any queries, please contact Jenny Culshaw.

School Photos

School Photo day is Tuesday 23rd February 2016.

School Photo envelopes have been sent home. Each student needs to have a separate envelope filled in or complete the order on line. Details on how to order the photos are on the flyer further in the newsletter. Please ensure that if you are ordering by envelope that this is handed to the class teacher before photo day.

Sibling Order envelopes (Family photo) are available from the stand outside the office. Please return the Sibling Order envelope to the office not to the class teacher.

NO CHANGE can be given by Advanced Photography so please organise your payment to be the correct money.

Music News

GYPSIES
Our school orchestra, the GYPSIES began rehearsals this week but its not too late to join. GYPSIES is open to anyone who has some experience playing an orchestral instrument and rehearsals are held on Mondays from 4:00 – 5:00pm in the school hall. If you are interested in joining or continuing in the GYPSIES, please see myself or the school office for an enrolment form.

Joy Odou
Music Teacher

TeamVic Trials (Football, Netball, Soccer, Basketball) – Applications now open
School Sports Victoria runs trials for selection of their state teams. If your child excels in any of these sports, you are able to register online for the opportunity to trial. Your application requires a signature from Greythorn PS to verify that they do in fact have a high ability level.

If you’re unsure whether or not this process is suitable for your child, please speak with Mr. Zito.

Further information on applications, including upcoming dates for other sports can be found at https://www.ssv.vic.edu.au/TeamVic/Pages/default.aspx

Sport News

We are currently updating student medical information. If your child is asthmatic, anaphylactic or has an allergy plan, you may receive new forms to complete as your child's current information is out of date. Please return these at or before Parent/Teacher meetings next week. Should you have any queries, please contact Jenny Culshaw.
Our Canteen operates everyday and provides students with a range of meals, drinks and snack food. Hot food is available all year round and a price list can be found at the office or on the school website under the Parent Information tab.

If ordering your child’s lunch please use a paper bag labelled as follows:

- **Student’s Name:**
- **Grade:**
- **Lunch Order: [List itemised prices]**
- **Amount enclosed:** $ 

Volunteers are always required and your help is appreciated. Please complete the attached Canteen Volunteers form if you are interested or contact Lynne in the Canteen.

Please find below the Roster for Canteen duty for Thursday 11th February to Wednesday 24th February 2016.

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**School Banking**

Join School Banking on an outback adventure!

Every year the School Banking program launches a new savings theme and 8 new exclusive School Banking reward items.

This year’s program is themed the **Outback Savers** and School Banking is taking students on a wild adventure through the Canyon of Savings, where they’ll learn to master smart savings habits.

There are **8 new reward items for 2016** from the Outback Savers range:

- Flying Snake Tail
- Wildlife Writer Set
- Mud Splat Handball
- Outback Pat Bag Tag
- Backtrack Eraser Pen
- Jump and Skip Rope
- Bush Fly Fan
- Wriggly Glow Worm

Every deposit earns your child a Dollarmites token, and once they’ve collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for a reward.

Congratulations to 1W who were the winners of last week’s School Banking Trophy. Who will it be this week?

**SCHOOL BANKING DAY IS CHANGING!!**

Please note that from Week 4, School Banking day will change from Friday to Wednesday. Banking for the next month will be as follows:

- 12 February – Friday
- 17 February – Wednesday
- 24 February – Wednesday

Thank you for your assistance with this change of day.

School Banking Co-ordinators.
Sports Reports

Boys’ Softball
Last Friday the softball team played against M.A.P.S in round one action. The boys won 12-0. It was a great start to the season! By David 6N

Girls’ Softball
The girls unfortunately lost after not having much time to prepare. The score was 14-8. We played well in the second half of the game and are looking forward to our next match. By Isabella 5P

Volleyball
We played our first game of the season against Mont Albert in volleyball. Everyone was working together and encouraging both our team and Mont Albert and we all played well. The girls got off to a good start, winning both sets: 20-11, 20-10. The mixed team were really close to winning, but just lost: 15-20, 19-21. We all tried our best and did a really good job and had a lot of fun, especially since it was the first game of volleyball that a lot of us have ever played. We look forward to playing our next game and doing our best!
Philip H – 6M and Kayla R – 6K

Tennis Hot Shots
The Greythorn Interschool Hot Shots Tennis team played Mont Albert Primary School last Friday. It was a great experience and everyone showed sportsmanship and great skill. After lots of matches Greythorn finally won both the girls and boys.
Girls: 127 to 125
Boys: 155 to 142
A great start to the season. Thank you to Mr Zito for coaching.
Alex B - 6N

Cricket
On Friday 5th February the Greythorn cricket team played Mont Albert at Macleay Park. We beat Mont Albert by 8 runs. A few of the star batsmen were Jacques W making 25, Sam W making 16. A few of the star fielders/bowlers were Elias for taking a good catch and Liam C for running someone out but overall it was a team effort.
Jacques W - 6S

Girls’ Rounders
On Friday the 5th, the Girls Rounders team played Mont Albert. It was a great way to start the season with a fantastic win of 13-11. Everyone showed great team spirit. Well done girls, keep it up!
Lia K - 6S

Mixed Rounders
The Mixed Rounders had a great match against Mont Albert P.S. A great thanks to Chantelle M for stepping up and playing with the boys. She did a great job on first base. Our team includes William, Isaac, Henry, Joss, Kevin, Ollie, Nick, Hazim, Raphael and Theo. The end score was 17-14 with a win. Everyone did a great job in batting and fielding. Nearly everyone got at least one run each. Mont Albert was beating us at the start, but we got ten runs in one batting innings which put us in front.
William C - 6K

The Rounders Teams
Swimming Trials

Greythorn Swimming Trials
Yesterday Greythorn held its annual swimming trials at Boroondara sports complex. Congratulations to all who participated and took the opportunity to compete in one or more events.

The top 4 swimmers in each event were:

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A special thank you to teachers and parents who helped to run the day so smoothly.

We now look forward to the district swimming carnival next Monday 15th Feb.

Daniel Zito
PFA MEETING TONIGHT Wednesday 10th February at 7.30pm in the staff room.  All parents welcome.

Greythorn Primary School is fortunate to belong to the Dough Raiser Program at Bakers Delight Balwyn.

**How the Dough Raiser Program works**

1. Each time a family makes a purchase with Bakers Delight Balwyn, simply tell the bakery staff **AT THE START OF THE TRANSACTION** that they are from Greythorn Primary so that the sale can be recorded electronically. The sales attributed to our school are totalled at the end of each year and **5%** is then given to the school via cheque or electronic payment.

This Program is on all Bakers Delight products and has no time limit.

This is a great fundraising opportunity for Greythorn Primary and we appreciate the support of our local school community by Bakers Delight Balwyn.

Greythorn Primary PFA
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

HOW TO APPLY
Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

MORE INFORMATION
For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef
CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

School Name

School REF ID

Parent/legal guardian details

Surname

First name

Address

Town/suburb ____________________________ State ________ Postcode __________

Contact number ____________________________

Centrelink pensioner concession  OR  Health care card number (CRN)

[ ]  OR  OR  OR  OR

[ ] Foster parent*  OR  [ ] Veterans affairs pensioner

*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

Student details

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I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Human Services (DHHS) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- DHS will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DHS and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.

information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and /or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant ____________________________ Date __/__/____

VICTORIA State Government
CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student’s eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 – Eligibility
To be eligible* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

• on the first day of Term one, or;
• on the first day of Term two;
  a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
  b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
  c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 – Be of school age and attend school in Victoria
School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date
For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian’s concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (27 January 2016) or term two (11 April 2016).

PAYMENT AMOUNTS

CSEF payment amount
The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

• Primary school student rate: $125 per year.
• Secondary school student rate: $225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child’s school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student’s date of birth. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.

HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.
   Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
   If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.

2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.

3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.
28th January 2016

Dear Parents

The Chess Club will commence in its regular Wednesday lunchtime (1pm to 1.45pm) slot in Term 1, 2016.

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The fee for the 5 sessions will be $50.00 per student.

If you wish your child to be involved, please complete the form and return to school with payment by:

Wednesday 10th February, 2016

New members welcome.
The Chess Club will operate in the Year 5 classrooms.

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CHESS CLUB 2016
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Term 1, 2016 – Fee $50.00 per child

Child’s Name: .......................... Grade: ............

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Total amount enclosed: $............
Canteen Volunteers Needed for 2016

Dear Parents

The Canteen needs your help to fill our roster commencing March 2016. If you would like to volunteer your time, we have lots of vacancies available.

Please fill in the form below and return either to the office or the Canteen.

Name.................................................................................Phone No......................................

Email Address........................................................................................................................................

Child’s Name.................................................................................................................................Grade

Please circle the appropriate day:

I am available: Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri

We especially need help on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

If you have any queries I can be contacted via the following:

The Canteen (School Hours)
Telephone: 9898 3649 (After Hours)
Email Address: lynnescraft@hotmail.com

Many Thanks
Lynne Archdall ~ Canteen Manager
2016 Photo Day
Envelope and Order Instructions

Dear parents and students,

Greythorn Primary School PHOTO DAY IS 23/02/2016
School photo order envelopes have been or will be distributed to every student and it is important that the order instructions (below) are followed.

ONLINE ORDERING  Your child’s school photos are now available for secure online purchase, please note if you are ordering online, you do not need to return an envelope to the school
4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING
   Step 1: Easy Access Link: Click on this link if you are using a supported device:  Click Here
   - OR - Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code [BKZ YKQ X5D]
   Step 2: Enter your student's details
   Step 3: Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be returned to the school for collection)
   Step 4: Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page)
   Please Note: Late fees will apply once orders are closed (5 days after photo day)

FAMILY / SIBLING PHOTOS  No envelope required if ordering online
4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING
   - Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code [BKZ YKQ X5D]
   - Family/Sibling photo orders online close on 21/02/2016
   - Orders can be placed by returning an envelope up until photo day with cash or cheque enclosed

ORDERING USING AN ENVELOPE
ENVELOPES WILL BE HANDED TO EACH CHILD, PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED ONE
   Step 1: Student Details: Complete the student details section on the front of the order envelope.
   Please use black or blue pen.
   Step 2: Purchase Details: Complete the purchase details on the front of the envelope.
   Step 3: Payment Method: Select your payment method.
   Credit Card – Online Only at www.advancedlife.com.au
   Cash – Please enclose correct money – no change is given under any circumstances
   Cheque – Make payable to Advancedlife Photography with your name & address on the back of cheque
   Please allow 60 days for your cheque to be finalised - a $25 fee will apply to any dishonored cheque payments

Please feel free to contact us via email or phone should you have any queries
in regards to your child’s school photo order.
info@advancedlifevic.com.au or 03 9852 1133

Advancedlife Team

42 Greenaway Street, Bulleen VIC 3105  |  03 9852 1133  |  info@advancedlifevic.com.au  |  www.advancedlife.com.au  |  ABN 65 008 279 936
Hello Everyone,

The OSHClub team hopes you all have had a great first full week back! We certainly had a fun week here at OSH with lots of cooking, sporting activities and art and craft.

Our morning program consists of breakfast, inside and outdoor sport activities, and a group meeting before heading off to class. In the afternoon we serve yummy afternoon tea, cooking, arts and crafts, sports, and nature and science activities along with structured free play outside. We also provide quite time for homework, groups games and discussions. We are really focused on suggestions provided by the children so we can ensure they are enjoying their time here.

Next week our goal is to get to know each other, routines and rules at OSHClub so everyone feels safe and included. This week is our Sports Week so we have heaps of great ideas and activities planned for the children.

We take extra care with new preps starting this term, picking and dropping them off to class until they are confident on their own.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:
As part of OSHClub policy it is our procedure to follow up the location of your child if they have been booked in to the program and not cancelled and if they are not at the program within 15 minutes of the schools finishing time. If you can please let us know as soon as possible if your child is not attending the program on that day that would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for understanding.

Thank you and have a great week,

Kind regards,
Lucy

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Parent Information
OSH program phone: 0411 392 707
Coordinator: Lucy Bissels, Rashmi G.
Assistant: Grace Holland, Kate and Helen
OSH Club Head Office: 03 85649000
All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.
The 11th Boroondara
VOLUNTEER EXPO

Wednesday 16 March 2016
1pm to 6pm

Discover how YOU can make a difference.
Talk to community organisations about the volunteer opportunities available to you.

Main Hall, Hawthorn Arts Centre
360 Burwood Road, Hawthorn (Melway 45 D10)
No RSVP necessary - just come along on the day

For more information contact the BVRC on
9278 4550, email bvrc@boroondara.vic.gov.au
or visit www.bvrc.org.au
On Sunday, 28\textsuperscript{th} February 2106, Kew Swimming Club is holding its 10\textsuperscript{th} Annual Encouragement Meet.

The emphasis is on “Encouragement” - the event is designed to introduce swimmers to competitive swimming and get a feel for how much fun they might have within a friendly club environment.

Events are over a distance of 50m and cover all strokes and age groups.

To participate, please complete an entry form, available under the Competitions / Upcoming meets" tab of the club's website at www.kew.swimming.org.au/page.php?id=3387 or contact any of the Kew committee members.

Location: Boroondara Sports Complex, 271C Belmore Road, Balwyn North (Melway 46F5)

Please come along and join in the fun!