



Belmont Primary School News

12 March, 2021

Issue # 03

Coming
Events

**Thursday
18 March**

Interschool Solar
Car Challenge

**Friday
26 March**

Assembly—Room 7
Citizenship Awards

**Friday
26 March**

Interschool
Swimming
Competition 10am

**Quote of the
Fortnight**

“A smiling face
is a beautiful
face. A smiling
heart is a happy
heart”

Anon

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

3 weeks of Term 1 left—where does that time go?

SHOUT OUT BOARD: to celebrate students’ achievements outside of school, I have started a “Shout Out” Board in the entrance hallway. If your child has received a trophy or certificate or any acknowledgement of achievements outside of school (sports, dance, music, community involvement, etc) send a photo and a short summary of the achievement and I will post it on the board. I look forward to seeing what our students are doing out of school hours.

P&C MEETING: Our first meeting was held last Wednesday and it was great to see 4 new faces at this meeting. Remember, the P&C works in collaboration with the school, for the benefit of the students,. Our next meeting will be our AGM (Annual General Meeting) and it would be great to see more parents come to this meeting.

Thanks to the Executive Team—Tabitha, Olivia, Tiffany and Laura—for their ongoing efforts to ensure our P&C continues to grow.

ATTENDANCE:

Did you know:

- missing half a day of school each week equates to one month of missed learning each year
- the attendance habits set by children when they first start school continue throughout their school life
- if children miss half a day of school each week between Pre-primary and Year 10, they would miss almost one full year of learning

Learning is cumulative – if children miss a day, it is harder for them to catch up.

If one of your children is unwell and unable to go to school, let the school know straight away by telephone or by the school app if they have one. If they miss a day it is important you talk with their teacher to find out how you can help them catch up. If your child cannot attend school because of their mental or physical health contact your school to see what options are available for your child.

LATE ARRIVALS:

All students arriving to school after 8:50am are required to sign in at the front office. A reminder that gates open at 8:30am and this gives the children to prepare for the day and ensure a smooth and calm start to the school day.

I also ask that all students are picked up by 3:15pm—or that you notify the

school if you will be delayed in picking your child/ren up. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated.

ASSEMBLY:

Thanks to Room 9 for your great assembly this morning—and to Mrs Baxter for your organisational skills. It’s great to see the musical talents on showcase at the school.

THE BELMONT WAY:

Don’t forget to ask your children what the Belmont Way is. It’s great to see the students take this on board, and I’m thrilled when they greet staff in the morning with their full name. Thanks, everyone.

3rd PARTY ONLINE PROGRAMS:

More paperwork. We have gone through all the on-line programs that students have access to at school, and once again, require you to give your consent so the students can access these programs. Without your consent, your child will not be able to use these programs. Can you please return the completed forms to the class teacher—making sure you tick the Consent / Do Not Consent box. Sincere thanks.

Enjoy the weekend—don’t forget to vote. Until next time—stay safe and happy.

Stephanne Dann—Principal

Congratulations

Merit Certificates

The following students were awarded Merit Certificates at last weeks assembly.

Congratulations!

- Mia T Kindergarten
- Ella P Kindergarten
- Zachary Y Year 1
- Ameliah P Year 1
- Zaid A Year 4
- Imogen C Year 4
- Bonnie B Year 5
- Sari W Year 6



Class News

Kindy/Pre-Primary—Room 1 have been working hard on our literacy skills. We have started learning some single sounds and are beginning to blend them together to make words.

In HASS we have been learning about all our families and how they are the same and different.

We can’t believe how fast this term is going!

Year 1—Room 3 are learning about families in History. We have been discussing who is in our immediate and extended family. We will be looking at how families are the same and different and the roles and responsibilities within the family.

In Health we are finding out what being healthy is and why this is important.

Year 3/4—Room 7 are working on persuasive techniques, pronouns and phonic patterns.

In English and Mathematics, we have been consolidating our understanding of place value and various problem-solving techniques.

In HASS, we have been learning about Australia and early European exploration.

Year 5/6—Room 9 have used digital technologies on Pic Collage to complete a display piece themed “I Am”, we wrote and selected pictures, fonts and emoji's that represented who we are.

We have learnt how to use a protractor properly and measured angles with it.

We went on an excursion to Construction Futures and learnt about different trades with the help of Virtual Reality displays and interactive games.



Science Corner

Science News

On 4 March the Year 6 group competed with their solar cars they made. The winners were the best of three races. Sari and Khadija won the 3 races outright, to decide the team who was second it came down to the third race which Fatima and Aya came second twice. This means that the 4 girls are Belmont Primary 's team for the Interschool Synergy Solar Car Competition which will be happening on 18 March at All Saints College. Well done and good luck!

On Thursday 4 March the whole school (K to Year 6) took part in the Schools Clean-up day. We collected 5kgs. A little more than I expected but we have had many extra workman renovating the school and some of their rubbish filtered through to our grounds. The new fence has stopped some of the illegal dumping that we found in the past. Next year our goal will be to try to lower 5kgs. Keep up the good work keeping our litter reduced.

After School Science will be happening next term with Scitech's STEM Club. The workshops will run for 8 weeks and only available to Years 4 to 6. I have managed to win a competition and the price for 8 weeks and 1hour long will be \$50 per student (a reduction of 50%). The workshops will be 4 weeks -Simple machines and 4 weeks- Take to the Skies. The students will take home what they make each week. The workshops will be on Wednesdays from 3.10pm to 4.10 pm starting 5 May 2021.

Forms and more information will be sent home soon.

Waste Wise

The recycling station is outside Room 3. Many classrooms are using the recycled items that you send to the Recycle Centre Please keep sending the



items in to replenish our stock.

Remember to bring in your old batteries for recycling and place in the container in the classroom. We thank you for your support.

Fact—By recycling one tonne of paper you save 13 trees, 2.5 barrels of oil, 4100kWh of electricity, 4 cubic metres of landfill and 31,780 litres of water.

Crunch&Sip®



Put some CRUNCH into your day!

Western Australian children are not eating enough vegetables. Primary school aged children need between 4 ½ and 5 ½ serves every day. Eating vegetables will benefit:

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- skin
- vision

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Sunsmart

Ultraviolet radiation can penetrate clouds so do not be fooled when it's overcast.

Protect yourself from the sun when the UV Index is 3 or above

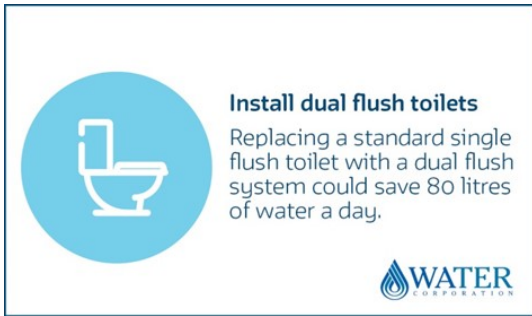


A big thank you to most of our students and staff who are wearing the correct hat. Well done, keep up the great effort!

Water Wise

Fact—Hot water freezes faster than cold water.

Tip—



Volunteers

Strong Parents Needed

Please get in touch with the school office if you are able to help shift our old benches from the undercover area to along the school oval.....



They are quite heavy to move.

We also have some to give away if you would like them. First in first served :)

Thank you.

National Ride 2 School

How do you get to school each day? On Friday March 19, our school will be participating in National Ride 2 School Day! On this day we will be adding our travel statistics to the national total to see the most common way students get to school in Australia. On this day, we encourage as many students as possible to ride a bike to school!

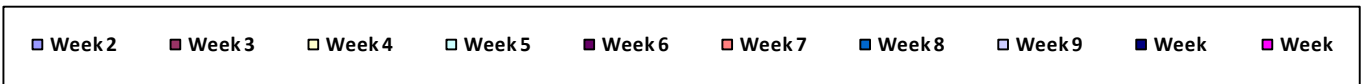
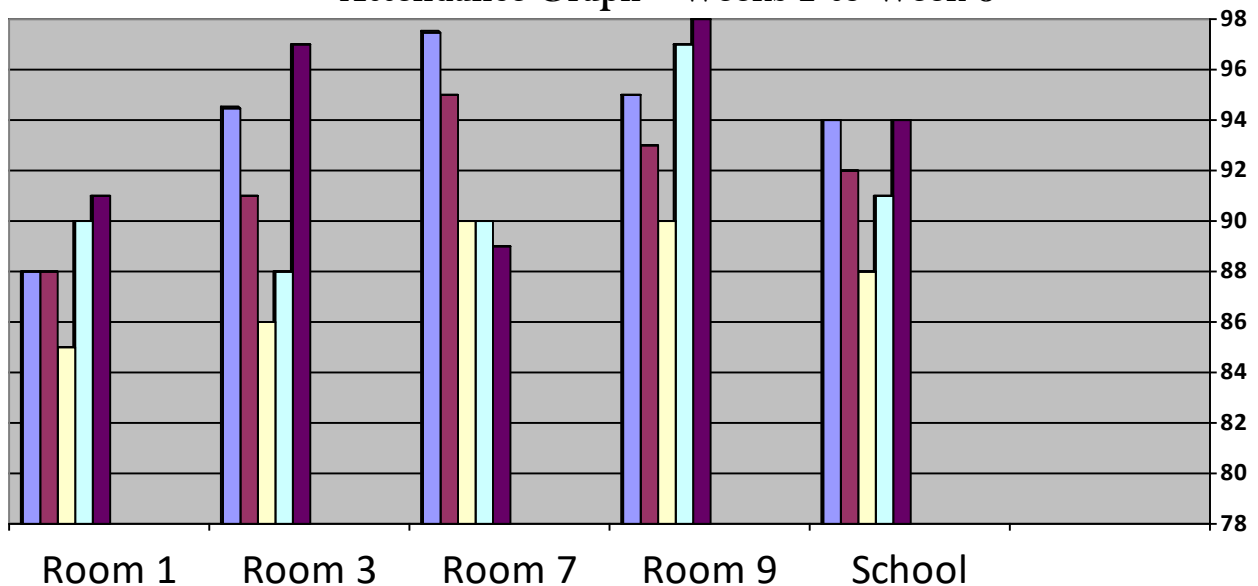
The school oval gate will be opened at **8:15am for this special day** and an obstacle course will set up on the oval for students to ride their bikes around. Students who ride a bike (or scooter) will also receive a raffle ticket, giving them the chance to win some prizes kindly donated by The City of Belmont.

Students who don't ride a bike will be invited to contribute to the school transport data in the categories of 'Walk', 'Private Car' or 'Public Transport'.

Looking forward to your participation in this event!

Mrs McDonald.....Phys Ed Teacher

Attendance Graph—Weeks 2 to Week 6



NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY

Friday 19 March 2021



Belmont Primary School

are excited to be celebrating National Ride2School Day on Friday 19 March 2021.

National Ride2School Day is the perfect opportunity to kick-start new healthy habits and promote the many benefits of active travel. We encourage all students and their families to leave the car at home and give riding, walking, scooting or skating to school a go. It's sure to be a fantastic day and we look forward to seeing you there!



Uniform Shop Hours

The Uniform Shop will be open every Friday afternoon, 2.30pm to 3.00pm.

Please feel free to ring if you have any queries about ordering uniforms.

Laura Perzamanos—0402 243 099
Uniform Co-Ordinator

Photo Gallery



Solar Car Challenge



Solar Car Challenge



Clean Up Australia Day



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