



Belmont Primary School News

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Coming
Events

Monday
31 August

Faction Jumps and
Throws

Wednesday
02 September

Faction Carnival

Tuesday
08 September

P&C Meeting 2pm

Thursday
10 September

Great Aussie
Crunch n Sip

Quote of the
Fortnight

"If you cannot do
great things, do
small things in a
great way."

Napoleon Hill

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

What a busy fortnight it has been with our Science Week, Dress Up as a Scientist and Cross-Country events.

We also had our P&C meeting and it was great to see some of our new mums at this meeting. Our next meeting will be held on the 8th September, starting at 2:00pm in Room 6. Please join us—our meetings are quite informal, with the main goal to work together for the students at Belmont PS. I look forward to meeting some more new parents.

Faction Sports' Carnival: This is planned for this coming Wednesday, 2nd September, starting at 9:00am. The gates will be open near the oval, and we are asking that parents adhere to the social distancing requirements. Family groups are able to sit together—and just a little bit of distance between each group would be greatly appreciated. A big "Thank You" to the parents who have volunteered to "man" the Cake Stall—and to Mrs McDonald for organising the roster. All donations (cakes, biscuits, slices) can be dropped off in the morning. Tea and coffee will also be available, and we are asking that you bring a reusable cup for the day.

Students will be in their bays, and we ask that parents do not come over to the bays during the running of the events. Your children can join you for recess and lunch breaks.

Bring your best Cheering voices!!

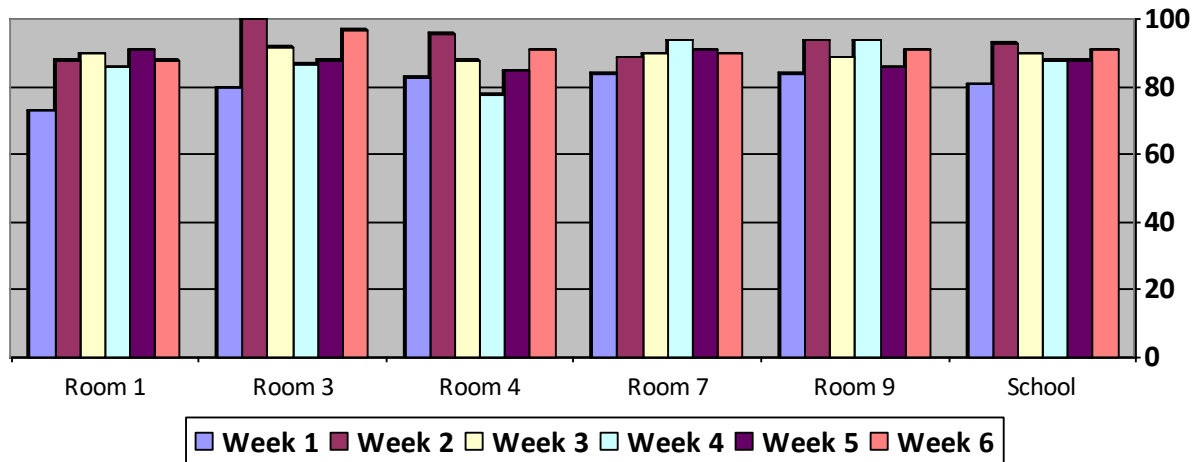
Dance Performance: A reminder that this is set for the 22nd September, starting at 6:00pm. Gates will be open at 5:30pm for students to get ready in their classes and for parents to view students' work which will be on display around the undercover area.

\$1 000 000 Bonus: In the last newsletter, I mentioned that we have been granted \$1 000 000 for maintenance and upgrades around the school. I invited any suggestions as I am meeting with personnel from Central Office next week to discuss some of the "wishes" we, as a staff, have. Your contributions would be greatly appreciated.

Bike Draw: This will take place at our assembly on 11th September. Ms Cassie Rowe will be present to draw out the winner of this wonderful prize. Thanks, Cassie. 2019 P&C have also donated the refund of school fees for 1 student per class. To be in the draw, school fees need to be paid by the 10th September. Those parents who have started a payment plan will also be eligible to be in the draw!!!

Have a great weekend.

Stephanne Dann.....Principal



Attendance—let's keep working on our attendance percentages. Remember, if your child is away for any reason, a phone call, email or note is required on their return to school.

Late Arrivals: a reminder that school starts at 8:45am and gates are open at 8:30am to give children the opportunity to unpack and prepare for the day's work. It's been great to note that the number of students arriving late to school is getting less—thank you, everyone.

Gates are closed at 3:15pm for pick up. Please ring the school if you are running late to pick up your child/ren as it can be quite distressing when everyone has left.

Congratulations

Merit Certificates

The following students were awarded Merit Certificates this mornings assembly.

Congratulations to;

- Krestin S Pre Primary
- Abel M Pre Primary
- Levi T Year 1
- Shehryar S Year 1
- Lucky L Year 2
- Amir K Year 2
- Shiloh H-J Year 3
- Oriana G-H Year 3
- Cooper Wheat Year 5
- Daisy F Year 6



Class News

Kindy/Pre-Primary—Room 1 has continued to work on blending and segmenting words. We use the strategy of chin walking to help us hear the sounds in words, then we write each sound we hear.

In maths, we are learning how to identify missing numbers on a number line and how to measure the capacity of different sized containers.

During art, we have been learning how to use lines to create a masterpiece.

We are all very excited about the faction carnival next week. Go Red!! Go Blue!!

Year PP/1—Room 3 has been learning how to write a persuasive text and we responded to this argument: "Animals Should Be Kept in Zoos."

Most students agreed and the main reasons were that it will help animals to not become extinct, they can be cared for and they can be fed.

We are also learning about modality words, like "definitely" and "absolutely".

Year 2/3—We would like to welcome Miss Awaida from UWA to our class. She will be with us for three weeks learning skills to be a teacher. This week with Miss Awaida we have designed our own restaurants and menus, which has been lots of fun.

Year 3/4—The Year 3/4's have been learning about sustainability and how we can help look after the earth's resources for future generations.

In maths we are becoming experts in division.

We have started our 'Stop Motion' animation projects, retelling some of your favourite picture books.

We would like to welcome Rukkaya and Zainab back to Belmont Primary School.

Year 5/6—Our class has been learning about Australian Agriculture and the challenges farmers face.

In Science we have been looking at the water delivery and salinity in soil and how it effects the growth of a plant.

We have been discussing 'Self Esteem' in Health and how we act towards others can help boost their self-esteem and encourage people to feel better about themselves.

Office News

Visitor Sign In / Sign Out

Please remember that all visitors/parents on school premises must sign in when entering and sign out when leaving.

This is also a requirement for all parents who are here for teacher meetings.

School Accounts

School accounts have been sent home with your children today. If you are having trouble paying please phone or come into the school office and we can work out a payment plan for you.

Don't forget every family who has paid their school contributions by 11 September will go in the drawer for a fantastic bike.

All contributions and payments may be paid by Direct Deposit, Eftpos or you may

phone the office with credit card details and we can process for you.

Direct Deposit details;

BSB: 066 040

Account #: 19901797

(Please put your child's name in reference)

A big thank you to all the families who have already paid 😊

Science Corner



The Young Engineers Club started last week. Thank you to those who have taken up the offer. I will be with the group every week and be at the gate for the students to be picked up at 4.30pm.

We have 12 students participating in the activities. Last week the students made a hanging boat that would be found in an amusement park from Lego. After making it from instructions the students then had to alter the ride to be even scarier.

Their task will get harder each week with the introduction of motors.





National Science Week

National Science Week was celebrated with the students being able to dress up as a scientist. It was lovely to see so many students knowing what type of scientist they were such as marine biologists, a doctor, chemists, nutritionists, nuclear physicists, zoologists and so many more. We even had Einstein, Nikola Tesla and Marie Curie represented. Well done, everyone.

Thank you to Room 9 for looking after the activities for the lunchtime science activities. The students were able to view the microscopes, play with magnets, use the tornado bottles, use the sound tubes, watch the apple volcanoes, feel some ooblick, make towers with spaghetti and marshmallows, play with bubbles, magic milk and use a small rocket launcher. Mrs McDonald had some small robots working as well for the students to operate. Thank you Mrs

McDonald and Mrs Robinson for your help on the day.

Our paper plane competition was another successful event. Certificates have been given to our winners. Sari (Yr 5) was the champion student and Mrs McDonald was the staff champion.

Mrs McDonald won the final fly off. Congratulations to you both.

Our year champions were:

Kindy-Sophia

Pre-Primary-Ayden

Year 1-Joint Winners-Loyal and Diane

Year 2- Lucky

Year 3- Denis

Year 4- Shrinand

Year 5- Joint Winners Sari and Fatima K

Year 6 –Evie

Staff – Mrs McDonald

Congratulations to all our winners and to everyone who took part in flying their plane.









Crunch&Sip®

Remember to bring your water bottles to school and fill them early in the morning before school and refill at lunch time.

Crunch&Sip®

Packing a healthy lunchbox

A lunchbox should contain about one third of a child's food for the day. Remember to also pack a water bottle and a Crunch&Sip® snack, preferably vegetables. For a healthy lunchbox pick an item from each of the key groups:

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|  1. Vegetables as snacks or as a filling |  2. Fruit as snacks |  3. Bread & Cereals wholegrain or multi |
|  4. Dairy rich in calcium reduced fat milk, yoghurt, cheese or alternatives |  5. Meat and meat alternatives rich in protein |  6. Crunch&Sip® vegetables or fruit and a water bottle |

Sunsmart



It does not have to be hot for sunburn to occur. Most people get burnt when the temperature is between 18 and 27 degrees, Slip! Slop! Slap! Seek! Slide!

Waste Wise

Thank you to everyone who has been sending in materials that we can use in the recycle centre. We appreciate your support.



Remember to bring in used batteries to the classroom for the jar, old mobile phones for the box in the recycled centre and used newspapers for the bins near the bike shed.

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.

Water Wise.

Fact— Water contains no fats, no proteins, no carbohydrates and therefore no calories.



Tip—



Catch the cold water too
While waiting for the shower/tap water to heat up, collect the cold water and put it on the garden.



School Sports

Interschool Cross Country

I would like to congratulate our Interschool Cross Country team on their enthusiasm, sportsmanship and determination at the competition last week. Every team member did their absolute best and successfully completed their race, earning points for our school. I would also like to thank Mrs Tero for picking up the bus and driving us to and from the event. Well done team! I'm so proud of you all!!



Faction Carnival Cake Stall

I would like to remind families to please bring a donation of items to sell at the Faction Carnival Cake Stall next Wednesday, 2 September. We are asking for donations of cupcakes, biscuits, slices and other sweet treats to be sold at this much anticipated school community event. Please attach a list of ingredients used in home-made goodies and drop your donation off to Room 8 on the morning of the carnival

Coffee and tea will also be sold (please bring your own keep cup where possible), so bring along some money to make a purchase for yourself and your kids on the day!

Melissa McDonald

Digital Technologies and Physical Education Teacher

Healthy Lunch Options

It has come to the school's attention that a lot of children are bringing lollies to school. These are "red" foods and not part of our Healthy Food policy.

Students who are given a "lolly bag" from a birthday kid, are to take these bags home and not open them at school.

Please understand that we are asked to comply with the Healthy Food policy and your cooperation with this is greatly appreciated.

Please note that children need to bring in something to eat for recess and lunch, which of course should be a healthy option.

Thank you.



BELMONT PRIMARY SCHOOL - P&C CAKE STALL

The Belmont Primary School P&C will be running a cake stall at the school Faction Carnival on Wednesday 2nd September, 2020.



We are asking families for donations of cupcakes, biscuits, slices and other sweet treats to be sold at this much anticipated school community event.

Please attach a list of ingredients used in home-made goodies and drop your donation off to Room 8 on the morning of the carnival.

Volunteers are needed to help run the stall to enable all parents to watch their own children, so please make yourself available to help out!



Coffee and tea will also be sold (please bring your own keep cup where possible), so bring along some money to make a purchase for yourself and your kids on the day!

Kind regards,
Belmont P&C



Year 5/6 - Room 9 - Term 3 - Week 6

Wow! We simply cannot believe that its Week 6 of Term 3 already!

During Science, we have been brand analysing conditions of soil that plants grow best with Mrs Waters. We have looked at the effects of watering and salinity.

The Year 6 class have been working with Mrs McDonald in STEM. We have learnt to code, decode, debug, make our own avatar and get very excited every time we have a session in STEM.

The Year 6 class for 2020, have delivered their 2nd round of Councillor Speeches to classes from Year 3 and up. Congratulations to Daisy, Evie, Yazmin and Isla for becoming Semester 2 Student Councillors. Congratulations also to Puni and Sari, who are our Room 9 class Captains.

In class we have continued to concentrate on being very consistent with our handwriting and work presentation. Ensuring we are trying our best at all times.

We have also been investigating and analysing different types of graphs. We are becoming more familiar with algorithms involving division, multiplication, Roman numerals, and continuing to improve our understanding of decimals, fractions and percentages during Maths.

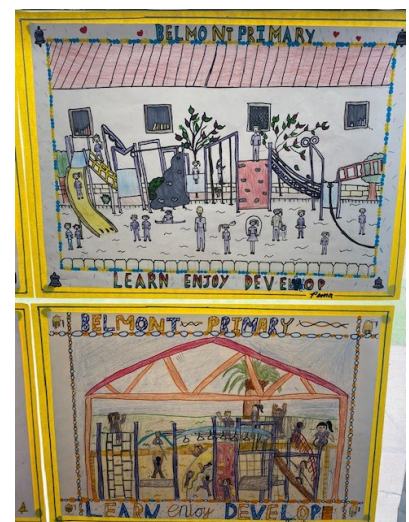
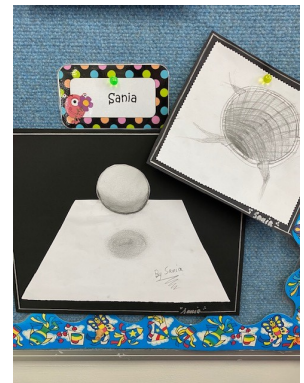
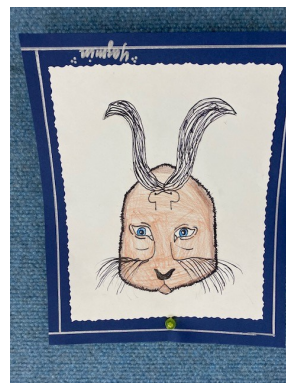
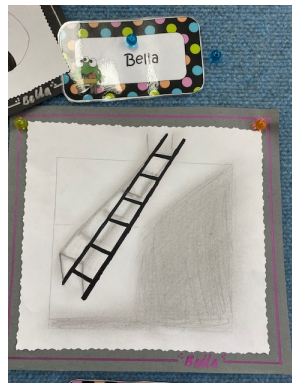
This Term, thanks to Mrs Macdonald's organising skills, we have been learning all about improving our fitness for our upcoming sports carnivals on a Friday afternoon. We have really enjoyed the early morning interval running sessions.

In Art, we have completed a memorabilia Belmont Primary School playground sketch. We have also been looking at drawing optical illusions, . Some are a real spinout!

Our Year 6's are currently planning their Graduation Week Activities for the end of Term 4. We are all hoping that everything will go ahead as planned so fingers crossed!

It is a great pleasure to teach the Year 5/6 class this year. Wishing everyone a fabulous month leading up to the next Holidays!

Mrs Baxter—Year 5/6 Teacher



Dress Like A Scientist Day

