

Belmont Primary School News

14 August, 2020

Issue # 11

Coming Events

Wednesday 19 August

Dress Up Like a Scientist Day

Lunch-Time Science Activities

Thursday 20 August

Paper Plane Competition

Cross Country

Friday 28August

Next Newsletter

Quote of the Fortnight

"You're off to great places, today is your day. Your mountain is waiting so get on your way."

Dr Seuss

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I guess most of you would have heard the news yesterday where it was noted that WA can expect a spike in COVID-19 cases again in September. I certainly hope not as we don't want to end up in lockdown again. Our message from the Education Department yesterday was that the 2 square metre rule, and the 1.5 social distancing requirements are still in force until further notice. I know that it has been hard not to be able to come into your child's class, or make close contact with but the class teacher, following these simple rules, we will get back to "normal" one day.

Although there are still some restrictions, we still have a busy few weeks ahead with the National Science Week (next week) and activities organised by Mrs Waters during this week. We also have Cross Country and our Faction Athletics Carnival coming up, along with our Assemblies and, of course, Fathers' Day.

Due to the restrictions in regards to entering WA, our Toon School Incursion, which has already been rescheduled to this term, will once again have to be postponed as the presenter is coming from NSW. I will

forward more information about this as soon as I hear back from Joffa!

Congratulations to all Year 6 students who took part in presenting an "election" speech for our 2nd Semester Student Councillor elections. Your speeches were very interesting to listen to and a credit to your speaking skills.

Our second semester Councillors are Daisy, Evie, Isla and Yazmin. Congratulations on being elected and I know that you will all do a great job in this role.

All classes also have elected class captains and they are working with the Councillors to come up with some fun ideas on what we can do as a whole school. I'm looking forward to discussing these with the Councillors and creating Action Plans to forward these ideas and bring these to fruition.

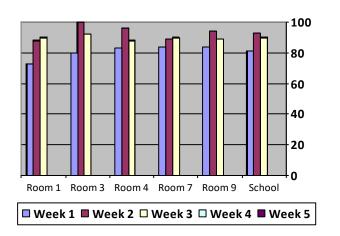
Don't forget to send your ideas on areas around the school—buildings and grounds—that you feel need improving or adding to. I will be meeting with a Program Manager from Building Management & Works soon and would like to be able to share some of your ideas with him. You can send any suggestions to me through my email address—stephanne.dann@education.wa.edu.au

Enjoy your weekend and stay safe and happy.

4 weeks gone already!!!!

Stephanne Dann.....Principal

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Well done to Rooms 1 & 7 with an improvement in your attendance this past fortnight.

We had 55 students who have achieved 100% attendance in this last fortnight. Well done, everyone!

Every semester, I am required to check our student attendance and verify the data with the Education Department.

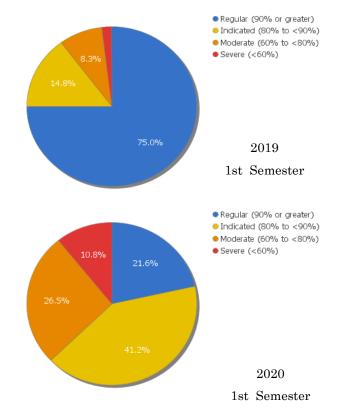
Although our attendance has been impacted by COVID-19 and, in second term, some parents kept their children home due to this, our data shows that our attendance percentage of regular attendance has declined significantly.

I have included the pie graph which reflects the different categories for attendance data, and compared it with the same time last year. (end of 1st Semester)

In 2019, we have 3 students with Attendance in the Severe category. This year, we have 14.

The Education Department has access to all this information, and I can't stress it enough that, if you child is unwell or won't be attending school for any other reason, it is a requirement to inform the school immediately upon the child's return, or via an email to the office.

This way we can record that data with a "reasonable" and not an "unexplained".



Let's see if we can make a difference to all our data by next Newsletter.

Remember our focus is also on students arriving by 8:45am for the start of the school day.

Thanks, everyone. Your cooperation is appreciated as we all know how important education is for our children.

Congratulations

Merit Certificates

The following students were awarded Merit Certificates this mornings assembly.

Pre Primary

Congratulations to;

Mia O

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•	Ayden E	Pre Primary
•	Parav S	Pre Primary
•	Khadija Z	Pre Primary
•	Eva K	Year 2
•	Holly M	Year 2
•	John L	Year 4
•	Bonnie B	Year 4
•	Isabella M	Year 5
•	Pema W	Year 6



Class News

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Kindy/Pre-Primary—This term we have been learning to read and write CVC words. We are learning to use capital letters and full stops in our sentences. In Reading, we are practising using the eagle eye strategy. This reminds us to look at the picture to help us read the word.

Year PP/1—This term Room 3 has been learning about Australian animals and we are amazed to find out that numbats eat up to 20,000 termites per day. Numbats are the animal emblem of Western Australia and they are an endangered species. Mrs Rigby read us a funny story called "Numby the Numbat, about a lonely numbat who meets the love of his life.

Year 2/3—Every morning in Room 4, we have been counting the number of days we have been at school. On the 27th of July, we were super excited to finally reach 100 Days of school. The excitement continued for the day, when all the teachers and students at Belmont Primary School, joined in together and participated in different activities. It was fabulous to see our big Year 6's helping and leading our junior members of the school. And a big thanks to all teachers for their amazing effort in organising their 100 Days Activities for everyone.

Year 3/4—Our class has been learning about division and its relationship with multiplication. In literacy we have been working on writing and editing persuasive texts using emotive languages and rhetorical questions. In Health, we discussed what qualities we find in good friends such as honesty, kindness and loyalty.

Year 5/6—Our class has been learning about deforestation in parts of Asia and

native species that have been affected. In Maths we are concentrating on division and multiplication. We are also not scared of decimals or fractions anymore! We love Drama and have been acting out scenes of peer pressure situations in Health.

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.

Thank you.

School Accounts

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

National Science Week

National Science Week is this week starting on 15 to 22 August. The theme of National Science Week 2020 is Deep Blue: innovations for the future of our oceans.

Classes are taking this opportunity to plan activities about the ocean and its future.

• 19 August-the students are able to come to school dressed up as a scientist (Mad or Normal!)

- 19 August Lunch time activities hosted by room 9-Yr5/6
- 20 August Paper Plane competition for K to 6 and staff. (Unfortunately parents will miss out this year due to the restrictions in place with Covid19)

Young Engineers Club

The Young Engineers Club is starting on 20 August 2020. Thank you to those who have already 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 4.45pm. Please don't be late.

Registration and payment must go through Young Engineers.

https://www.trybooking.com/birpd or Phone 0406542912 (Chee Wong).

Crunch&Sip®



Put some CRUNCH into the day! Western Australian kids are not eating

enough vegetables - with primary school aged children needing between 4 ½ & 5 ½ serves every day. Eating vegetables will benefit:

- · bones and joints
- brain and nervous system
- digestive system
- energy and metabolism
- heart and circulation
- hydration
- immunity
- skin
- vision

AND they taste great!

Why not pack some fresh vegetables for Crunch&Sip⁹? Try carrot sticks, cherry tomatoes, snow peas, broccoli and cauliflower pieces, celery or cucumber.

www.crunchandsip.com.au

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

Sunsmart

Remember you can still get sunburnt on a cool or cloudy day, so Slip! Slop! Slap! Seek! Slide!

Waste Wise

Remember, if you have used batteries, please send them to your child's class where there is



a collection jar. Room 9 weigh the batteries to see which class collects the most and it is announced at the School Assembly. This is an on-going activity throughout the year. Let us see if we can try and win the small schools battery competition with EMRC. Also if you have any other items that you would like to recycle please send them to the Recycle Cen

We thank you for your support.

Fact—There is no limit to the amount of times an aluminium can is able to be recycled.

Water Wise.

Fact— A seagull can drink saltwater as it has special glands to filter out the salt.



Look for the WELS label

When buying a new appliance like a dishwasher or washing machine look for WELS 4 star or above. The more stars the appliance has the more efficient it will be, and the less water it will use.





Winter Sprinkler Ban

A permanent winter sprinkler ban applies to all scheme and bore water users in Perth, Mandurah and some parts of the South West and Great Southern from 1 June to 31 August each year.



Library News



Parent helpers wanted in the library

To assist with the changes in the library, Miss Tobias would love the help of any parents or guardians who are available on a **Wednesday morning** anytime from 8:45am to 10:30am.

Please keep in mind that only two helpers can assist in the library at a time and social distancing is required. If you are not a parent, then you will need a Working with Children Check to volunteer.

You will need to sign in first at the school office.

Some of the duties include covering books, shelving and sorting resources.

If you are available, please come to the library and see Miss Tobias before or after school on either a Tuesday or Wednesday.

Thank you.

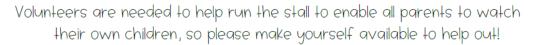
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BELMONT PRIMARY SCHOOL - P&C CAKE STALL

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.





Kind regards, Belmont P&C



ROOM 3 SUPER HERO ASSEMBLY

Room 3 students did a fabulous "Super Hero" assembly on 3rd July and performed an item called "Super Heroes Unite". Everyone was dressed in amazing costumes and demonstrated incredible confidence. Well done Room 3!

HERE ARE SOME SUPER RECOUNTS, ART AND PHOTOS:

I am a super hero called Bat Girl and I can fly high. By Yvonne

I am Super Girl. My super power is that I can run fast. By Elianah I am the best Batman because I help people. By Aaron

I can fly high in the sky. By Jimmy
I am a super hero called Hulk and my
face is green. By Ayden

I load fire and it is fun. By Jayson

I am the best Super Girl. By Mia

I am the best Batman in the world on the stage with my friends.

Koo Koo Kangaroo was hanging in the undercover area. By Flynn

I did the assembly dressed as Batman. By Sherry

I am a blue raptor and I am from Jurassic Park. By Abdel

I was Super Girl on the stage doing "Super Heroes Unite". By Loyal
I went as Super Girl. I danced with
my friends and my class.

The song was "Super Heroes Unite". By Diane

I am the best Flash Unicorn super hero ever! By Yoedzer

I can fly really high and I can shoot bad guys with my eyes. By Trav
I'm the best Spider Man in the assembly and I fight bad guys. By Levi







