



Belmont Primary School News

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Coming Events

Tuesday

20 November

K/PP Excursion
Cicerellos

Thursday

22 November

Student Councillors
visit Parliament
House

Monday

26 November

Kindy Information
Session for new
students 2019
2.00pm

Wednesday

28 November

Year 6 BCC
Transition Day

Quote of the Fortnight

“It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop.”

Confucius

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Surveys: The Surveys have closed today so I hope you used this opportunity to have your say on what we do well at Belmont PS and the areas we need to improve upon. The survey data will assist with our planning for 2019—so thanks to everyone who completed this survey.

Contributions and Charges:

Following approval from the School Council, the Contributions and Charges letter will go home with today's newsletter. There have been very few changes from this year's charges. Please remember that these costs can be spread across the year if you would like to set up a payment schedule with the front office. The Contributions amount to \$60 per year, which equates to \$15 per term. All money received through these contributions enhance the Learning Programs that we can run at Belmont PS.

A reminder letter will go home at the beginning of 2019.

Coming Events:

Room 1 are heading off to Fremantle on Tuesday to tie in with their work on The Sea.

Student Councillors will be visiting Parliament House for lunch with Cassie Rowe on Thursday, 22nd November.

Kindy 2019 Information Session will be held on the 26th November, starting at 2:00pm in the Library.

Year 6 students enrolled at Belmont City College for 2019 will have their second orientation day on Wednesday, 28th November.

A community breakfast will be held on Thursday, 29th November, from 8:00am, to which parents and community members are welcome to attend.

On the same day, all students who have returned their excursion forms and \$2 will be attending Belmont City College for their Annual Drama performance.

And.....we finish that week with our final class assembly on Friday, 30th November, to be run by our Kindy / Pre-Primary students in Room 1.

Pixie Post also starts on that day!

What a busy couple of weeks we have—I know that everyone will be ready for a holiday.

Thanks to all classes for their contributions to our Remembrance Day display at the front of the school. It looked great!

Stephanne Dann.....Principal



Merit Certificates

Congratulations to the students who received a merit certificate at this week's assembly.

- Benjamin R Kindy Red
- Simon I Pre Primary
- Lia O Pre Primary
- Sam G Year 1
- Shiloh H-J Year 1
- John L Year 2
- Sari W Year 3
- Isabella M Year 3
- Yasmin H Year 4
- Brody B Year 6
- Sheza K Year 6



Class News

Year K/PP—Room 1

We have been having lots of fun making sea creatures for our display board. Mr Joo is helping us learn lots about sea creatures and we are very excited about our excursion to Cicerellos.

Year 1/2—Room 3

Room 3 are learning how to conduct surveys in Statistics and Probability. We have been asking many people the same question, recording our answers with a tally, organising the information onto a graph and interpreting the data.

Did you know that cereal is the most common breakfast in Room 3!!!!?

Year 2/3—Room 4

This term Room 4 is learning about farming. Miss Bakesmati has been teaching us lots about the geography of Australia. We know the states and some of the rainforests and deserts found in Australia.

We have also been looking at drought affected places in history.

Year 3/4—Room 7

Room 7 are working hard in Mathematics by researching number and letter codes.

We are really enjoying our Christmas tree project and look forward to visiting the Canning River Eco Centre.

Year 5/6—Room 9

Room 9 have been busy working on our solution fluency problems. They went on an excursion last Friday to the Canning River.

Our Year 6's also visited Belmont City College as part of their transition to high school. They're pretty excited for graduation week and high school!

Deputy News

Unfortunately I've been hit by some more health issues, so I have decided to reduce my days down for this term to three days only. So for this term I sadly won't be teaching the fabulous Year 2/3 class on Thursdays and Fridays.... I'm so sorry to lose that wonderful time, as I loved the time spent with such beautiful, energetic children. Being back in the classroom really reminded me why we become teachers - demands on time and energy notwithstanding, it is so wonderful to see your children learn on a day to day basis!

But I shall continue with teaching Literacy on Monday and Tuesday and French on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, as well as my Deputy Principal and Learning Support roles.

I look forward to seeing you all and working at Belmont Primary.

All the best,

Lesley-Ann Hoare.....Deputy Principal

Music Update

We have been having a wonderful time in music classes this term preparing our Xmas songs for the evening event when each class will be performing their specially chosen carol.

It is a joy to see how much the children love to sing together.

Last Term we had the Showcase Music Evening and it was a great success. The School Choir led the Community with their beautiful singing as the whole community joined in with the final performance of 'We Are Australian'. It was very moving to hear the sounds of voices lifted in song, spilling out into the night as we celebrated our beautiful Country.

Our instrumental performance at the Music Evening was wonderful to listen to as the children playing never missed a beat as we played two pieces accompanied by Ms Alban on the keyboard. The first piece was 'Tea At Vees' a fun version of the popular 'Can Can' dance from days gone by.

In contrast to the energetic vibrant drumming the instrumentalists then played the xylophones and metalphones performing the soft descending chords of the famous classic piece "Pachelbel's Canon" accompanied by the gentle sounds from the string section of the keyboard. A beautiful rendition - well done to all those involved for their hard work and presentation of both ensembles.

A big thank you and congratulations to all involved in our Music Show Case evening.

All music classes have been enjoying increasingly challenging rhythms and two part work with our senior students producing some stunning two part pieces on our African drums.

We look forward to another evening of singing and celebration of our Music

Program in the coming weeks.

Thank you to the school community for your assistance and cooperation in helping make our music events so successful.

In the next few weeks the SIMS aptitude test will be carried out to ascertain those students who qualify to be part of our instrumental program.

Well done for a great performance from our SIMS students as they entertained us with their rendition at our Music Showcase. A lot of very hard work and patience is involved to reach this standard of playing. Well done!

Margaret Alban.....Music Teacher

Science Corner



Science News

Mr Baillie, our Scientist in Schools, had his last visit to Belmont Primary for 2018.

On behalf of the students and school community I would like to thank Mr Baillie for volunteering to be part the Scientist in Schools program. He really has inspired the students to enjoy science.

We hope to see him back for 2019.

Waste Wise

Remember if you have used batteries please bring 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. Also if you have any other items that you would like to recycle please bring them to the Recycle centre outside Room 3.



Fact— A modern glass bottle would take 4000 years or more to decompose - and even longer if it is in the landfill.

SunSmart



A tan doesn't last a lifetime, but skin damage does! Remember to Slip! Slop! Slap! Seek! Slide!

Crunch&Sip®

Thank you for your continued support.


Hungry kids are irritable kids.

Also, students often find it difficult to concentrate for long periods of time.

That is why we have Crunch&Sip® break everyday to break up the lesson.

Crunch&Sip® allows students to refuel with fruit and vegetables and rehydrate with water.

Make sure you pack a small clear plastic drink bottle full of water for Crunch&Sip® each day.



Water Wise

Now is the time to reset your sprinklers ready for the summer months.



Fact— Half of the world's wetlands have been lost since 1900.

Tip



Use a broom instead

Washing paving is a thing of the past and is not permitted under WA's permanent water efficiency measures.



Carolyn Waters.....Science Co-Ordinator

From the Chaplain

We will be having a **Free School Christmas Family Breakfast**

- 29th November
- 8.00am to 9.00am



All welcome.

Come along for breakie, coffee and a chat

David Ward.....School Chaplain



P&C News

P&C Apology

We, the P&C Association, wish to apologise for any concern caused by the sale of potato chips past their best before date. The chips were gifted to the P&C to aid our fundraising efforts. Our intentions were not to cause distress or upset, and as a result, we have withdrawn them from sale. We do still have a large amount of stock left and wish to offer them, by the box, to families knowing that the best before date has passed.

Boxes will be available next Monday afternoon only (19.11.18) from 3.00-3.15pm from the uniform shop. If you wish to leave a small donation, we would appreciate it, otherwise they are free.

We thank you for your understanding in this matter and your continued support.

Belmont Primary P&C Association



2018 Belmont Primary School Christmas Raffle

Brought to you by the P&C Association

The Raffle will be drawn on Tuesday 11th December at the Christmas Concert

- Raffle tickets have been sent home
- \$1.00 per ticket – write your name, phone number and class number
- Return ticket stubs and money to the P&C mail box by Friday 7th December
- Cross your fingers
- Additional tickets are available from the front office or for sale at the Christmas Concert



The P&C Association would appreciate any donations or gifts for the raffle. Things like toys, books and food make great prizes (please no second hand material).

Please deliver all donations to the Christmas Box located in the front office by Friday 7th December.

All proceeds will go towards the nature garden project. Thank you for supporting your P&C Association



CREEC Excursion—Rooms 7 and 9





Belmont Primary School P&C Association
Presents

Lunchtime Sausage Sizzle

Thursday 6th December

Sausage in a Bun only **\$2.00 each**
beef or vegetarian sausage options available
Cold Drinks **\$1.00 each**



Follow that sausage smell to the P&C kitchen and collect your yummy lunch. Pay on the day.

All proceeds go towards the nature garden project.

Thank you for supporting the P&C Association

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VACSWIM 2018-19

Enrol your children in swimming lessons during the summer school holidays.

Choose from four VacSwim programs:

Country early start program Every day from Saturday 15 December to Friday 21 December 2018 Enrolments close Sunday 4 November 2018	Program 1 Every weekday from Wednesday 2 January to Friday 11 January 2019 Enrolments close Sunday 11 November 2018
Short program Every day from Monday 7 January to Friday 11 January 2019 Enrolments close Sunday 11 November 2018	Program 2 Every weekday from Monday 14 January to Friday 25 January 2019 Enrolments close Sunday 18 November 2018