



Belmont Primary School News

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Coming
Events

Tuesday

31 July

Dance Lessons
NAIDOC Tabloids

2-3.00pm

P&C Meeting
1.30pm

Friday

3 August

After School Science

Tuesday

7 August

Dance Lessons

Friday

10 July

Assembly Room 9
After School Science

Quote of the
Fortnight

"You have brains
in your head. You
have feet in your
shoes. You can
steer yourself any
direction you
choose"

Dr. Seuss

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

What an exciting start to the week with so many special guests, and their special entourage following them, to officially open our new Science Lab..

Thank you to Sheza and Lucy for welcoming Premier McGowan, Minister Ellery (Minister for Education and Training), Minister Kelly (Minister for Science) and Mrs Rowe (MP).

It was interesting to watch our Premier and Ministers take part in science experiments with our Year 6 students (who I think were a bit awe-struck).

A huge "Thank You" to Mrs Waters for going above and beyond her normal duties to get the Science Room looking fantastic. I'm looking forward to seeing how the \$25 000 will be used to further enhance this room.

Before School Arrival: Could I please remind parents that students should not be at school before 8:15am (at the earliest) and to report to the undercover area if here before 8:30am.

The Breakfast Club is available for all students on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, and students are released to their classrooms at 8:30am to get ready for their day.

After School Departure: Thanks to all parents for your assistance in ensuring that all students have left the school grounds by 3:15pm., and for supervising your children on the play equipment between 3:00pm and 3:15pm. This is greatly appreciated.

P&C Meeting: This is the first meeting for this term, to be held on the 31st July in our new Science room at 1:30pm. The P&C members have been very active this year and have lots of fun activities planned. Please join this group to see how you can help and offer your ideas and suggestions on making our school an even better community.

One project the P&C have discussed with me, is the development of a Nature Play area. If you have any ideas, suggestions, or offers of help, please contact your President, Mrs Ros Lovick or Secretary, Mrs Laura Lawrence. I have applied for a Playground/Shade Grant so hopefully we are successful and this can go towards this play area.

Don't forget that we have our Dance lessons this term, which will culminate in our Showcase Performance on the 18th September. Just putting it out there, but perhaps we have some very talented parents who would like to be part of our show!!??

Until next newsletter—stay safe and happy.....

Stephanne Dann.....Principál



Merit Certificates

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

- Lukas T Pre Primary
- Zaheen M Pre Primary
- Hartlee M Year 1
- Zunaira Q Year 1
- Shrinand S Year 2
- Anshika R Year 2
- Khadija S Year 3
- Daisy F Year 4
- Damian Mc Year 5
- Anniroze L Year 5

Deputy News

Bonjour tout le monde. Ça va?

(Hello everyone. How are you?)

It has been a good week settling back into school for the THIRD term... Goodness time flies! But it has been a busy week, getting organised for another ten weeks.

If you came to this week's assembly, I hope you enjoyed our French assembly. The children from Room 4, Year 2/3 coordinated the presentation with many thanks to Mrs Rigby for her help.

The Year 2/3 children, with the help of others in the school, sang a welcome to you (*Bonjour tout le monde, bonjour*) and then sang a song about colours (*Bleu, Blanc, Rouge*).

Some of the older children in senior classes have been creating games based on the Tour de France. The idea is to create a game which will teach those who play it all about the Tour. The games are taking several formats – card games and board games being two ideas. From playing any of them,

we hope that you can learn about how the riders are organised into teams, how far they must pedal (over 3000 km!) and for how long (22 days!), what they win (the coloured jerseys and prize money), and how they win. If you want to learn more, ask the children or look at SBS TV every day until the end of the race. They have just completed the 16th race and will be back in Paris for the final sprint around the Champs Elysées and the Arc de Triomphe very soon.

I hope you all had a good holiday and all the family is ready to enjoy another term. I do hope also that all the children have checked that they are ready for school. That they have all the necessary tools for their classroom learning: lead pencils, coloured pencils, glue sticks and scissors and they each have a water bottle for keeping on their desks. Keeping the brain hydrated is so important, even in cold weather!

A la prochaine,

Lesley-Ann Hoare.....Deputy Principal

Office News

Thank you to all the families who have paid their contributions, Dance and Workbook fees for this year.

Reminders of unpaid billing items will be sent home with your child/ren today.

If you haven't made payment as yet payments may be made by Credit Card, Direct Deposit, cash or filling out the Credit card details on the bottom of your reminder.

Direct Deposit details are;

BSB: 066040 **Account No#:** 1990 1797

(Please put in your Child's name as the reference).

Class News

Room 1—Is busy making planets and rocket ships for our space theme in the classroom. We are learning about different planets and the order from the sun.

Room 3—This term Room 3 are going to continue to collaborate with Room 4 to learn about personal safety in Health. We will be practising strategies we can use when we feel uncomfortable, unsafe or need help with a problem.,

Room 4—This term Room 4 will be designing and making a restaurant using a theme of their choice. Each student will be allocated a small area in the classroom to display a place mat, table setting, menu, cutlery holder, floor plan and many other things. A small toy or teddy will be dressed in the restaurant uniform. We are super excited and have already designed a logo, which will be used on many of the items created. We will invite classes to come and see our restaurants at the end of term.

Room 7—In Health, we have been looking at the structure of teeth and how to maintain healthy teeth.

In Geography, we are studying other countries, for example, South America and Africa. We are doing a project on 'Our country of origin.'

In History, we are looking at Local Government.

Our latest Art project is now on display at the back of our classroom if you would like to come and have a look.

Room 9—We are starting genius hour. Each week we learn skills to help us develop inquiry questions and our research skills. We have also started Daily 5 Maths rotation and a Smiling Mind mediation program.

Science Corner



Science News

It is so exciting Room 6 has been converted into a Science Lab and is now being used for science lessons on Wednesdays and Thursdays and on the other days will be used by the classroom teachers to use the area for their STEM activities. I am in the process of ordering equipment and new resources. It is fabulous to have the equipment all in the one place and to be able to place resources out on show permanently for the students to view and use.



On Monday, the next round of offers for schools to have the science rooms was announced by Premier Mr Mark McGowan, who launched this at our school in the Science Lab. Other special guests were the Minister for Education, Ms Sue Ellery, Minister for Science, Mr David Kelly, local member for Belmont, Ms Cassie Rowe as well as people from the South Metro Regional Office and Belmont Primary P&C representatives. The Year 6 class had an extra science lesson and worked with the special guests. It was very exciting for all involved. It is not every day you have to tell a Premier what to do in an experiment! There was a big group of media from newspapers, television and social media.

The day has been added to one of my highlights in my career. Please come and have look at what has been done.



Mr Baillie, our Scientist in Schools, is coming on Friday 3 August to meet with Year 3/4 and Year 5/6. They are going to have these sessions now in the Science Lab on Friday afternoons when Mr Baillie is available to come and visit. They are looking forward to an exciting activity that he has planned.

Afterschool Science began on Friday 27 July at 3pm in the Science Lab (Room 6) for 4 weeks. The workshops are run by Scitech. A big thank you to all the students who have signed up for this great opportunity.

Waste Wise



Unfortunately, this year we did not win the EMRC Small Schools Battery Collection competition. We collected only 28.7 kilograms which is still a good effort. Last year we won with 78.4 kilograms. This year's winning school, Chidlow Primary, collected 219.4 kilograms!

In order for us to win next year, 1 July 18 to 30 June 19, we need to keep bringing in the used batteries to your classroom to be placed in the jar so they can be weighed by room 9. The winning class room is announced at assembly. This is an on-going activity throughout the year. Let us see if we can try and win the small schools competition next year, so keep bringing in the batteries. Also if you have any other items that you would like to recycle, please bring them to the Recycle Centre.







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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:

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



SunSmart

Shade is a very effective form of sun protection, however, it will not totally block out all of the sun's ultraviolet (UV) rays. UV radiation can scatter in the atmosphere and reflect from surfaces such as water, sand

and concrete. Maximum UV protection can be achieved by using shade in conjunction with sun protective clothing, hats, sunscreen and sunglasses.

Water Wise

Fact—Frogs do not drink; they absorb water through their skin



Tip



Install dual flush toilets
Replacing a standard single flush toilet with a dual flush system could save 80 litres of water a day.



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.



Music News

The Music Program is off to a great start for Term Three.

We have been learning our song for the Count Us In event where our children join in with schools across Australia to sing as a community the 2018 chosen piece 'One Song'.

There will be a drum performance this term. During Music Classes we have been playing varying riffs and rhythms to be part of the piece to be ready for the performance date.

The children have been having a lot of fun

perfecting their playing and ensuring that, with careful listening, are all in time while ensembling together.

During our instrumental playing we have been demonstrating that music is performed at different tempos, with changing dynamics, and notation indicating different time values. This can be heard when our drumming and instrumental playing becomes faster or slower, loud playing becoming softer, and note values are longer or shorter depending on their place within a given rhythm. The conventional names for these changes are indicated in the terminologies - pianissimo, forte, accelerando, ritardando, and notation names of the quaver and the crochet determine the length of the note being played. These names are usually written in the Italian language.

Our Choir has been singing beautifully, delivering a wonderful tonal quality to our lively and fun songs.

The children have been diligent in being on time for our Choir time and working hard to learn the melodies and lyrics. There will be a performance to showcase their talents.

All classes have been working very well and participating in all activities as we drum, sing, dance and play numerous games and develop the strategies as indicated in the Curriculum.

Ms Alban.....Music Specialist Teacher

Community News

VacSwim 2018

With swimming pools and beaches a big part of the Western Australian lifestyle, ensuring your children can swim competently and safely is essential.

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swimming lessons during the
October school holidays.

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Tuesday 25 September
to Friday 5 October
40 minute lessons

Prices from \$13 per child or
\$35 for a family of three or more
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Monday 1 October
to Friday 5 October
35 minute lessons

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\$18 for a family of three or more
(plus pool entry).

Enrolments close Sunday 26 August.

Enrol now. Visit education.wa.edu.au/swimming or call 9402 6412.