



# Belmont Primary School News

25 May, 2018

Issue # 07

## Coming Events

**Monday  
28 May**

Gym  
K/PP-Rooms 7 & 9

**Tuesday  
29 May**

P&C Meeting  
1.30pm—Room 5  
All Welcome!

**Wednesday  
30 May**

Gym  
Rooms 3 & 4

**Monday  
4 June**

PUBLIC HOLIDAY  
WA Day

## Quote of the Fortnight

“The secret of getting ahead is getting started.”

*Mark Twain*

## Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It always surprises me how quickly the weeks are flying past. I trust everyone who has a Year 5 or Year 3 student, coped with the NAPLAN week. From all reports, all children worked well completing these tests and gave 100% effort.

**CONNECT:** I hope you have returned your registration sheets so that we can start this new project. As discussed at the parent meeting, we will be starting with little steps—and using this communication to send out whole school notices and special messages. We hope to then progress it to Newsletters and Class Information. If you haven't returned your sheet, can you please do so by Monday so we can start the process from our end. Thanks to all families who have already returned their sheet.

**120 Year Celebrations:** This will be a school-based celebration with the following timetable roughly adhered to.

We are asking that you all come to school in some “pioneer” costume—even the parents if they are visiting the school that day. Maybe we will see some staff members also in costume!

## Timetable: 8th June, 2018

9:00-9:30am—Assembly—Room 4

9:30-11:00am—Classroom visits and displays. Lessons from the past.

11:00-11:30am—Morning tea—all welcome. This will be held in the Library.

11:30-1:00pm—Library visits—look at some of the memorabilia that has been collected over the years.

1:00-1:45pm—No waste / no plastics picnic lunch—bring a picnic blanket and join your children for lunch—let's hope it doesn't rain!

Playground games—hula hoops; hopscotch; marbles; elastics—these are just suggestions—maybe you have some “old” games that you can teach our students on the day.

2:00-3:00pm—we are hoping to have some old folk dances—or old fashioned games. We will see!

The P&C will be running an “Old Lolly Shoppe” - that sounds like a lot of fun!

Mark **8th June** in your diary now and hope to see you all here!

**P&C Meeting**—Tuesday, 29th May—1:30pm in Room 5—please come and be part of this proactive group.

**Long Weekend** on the 4th June—perhaps you can research with your children why this day is celebrated?

Until next time .....

*Stephanne Dann.....Principal*



## Merit Certificates

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

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| • Loyal F    | Kindy  |
| • Daniel V   | PP     |
| • Nicolas C  | Year 1 |
| • Lachlan W  | Year 2 |
| • Chloe O    | Year 2 |
| • Roman L    | Year 3 |
| • Zishan Q   | Year 3 |
| • Isla N     | Year 4 |
| • Sharna A-F | Year 5 |
| • Eloise D   | Year 5 |

## Office News

Friday 20 July 2018 is an important date in your child's education.



### *Who needs to enrol?*

You need to apply to enrol your children in school for 2019 if they are:

- starting Kindergarten – 4 years old by 30 June 2019
- starting Pre-primary, the first year of compulsory school – 5 years old by 30 June 2019
- starting Year 7, the first year of secondary school
- changing schools.

You will need to enrol your child at the school. Find your [local public school](#).

All children of compulsory school age must be enrolled in school and attend every day – this is the law. All children must attend school up until they are 16 years old. Sixteen and 17 year olds must be enrolled in school or a training organisation, be employed or be in a combination of school/training/employment.

Every child from Pre-primary to Year 12 is guaranteed a place at their local public school.

To apply to enrol your child, visit your local school by Friday 20 July 2018 or print off an application form from the school website.

<https://www.belmontps.wa.edu.au/enrolments>

**Applications close Friday 20 July 2018.**

For more information or to find your local school visit [education.wa.edu.au](http://education.wa.edu.au).

## Reminder of Unpaid Billing Items

These were handed out to your children today. 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).

Thank you.

## Deputy News

*Bonjour tout le monde* (Hello everyone)

We all seem to have settled down well into school for Term 2 and we're nearly half way through the term already! I'm really enjoying working with all the children and time is flying by.

How wonderful it is to see some rain – so many places need rain at the moment. If you take a trip just outside of the city you will see how brown all the paddocks are! Our gardens at school are reticulated, but even so, our vegetable gardens need the rain. I was working with children in the garden yesterday, preparing the beds for planting our seedlings and I couldn't help but notice how dry the soil is. This rain will help the new vegetables grow well!

I hope everyone has noticed all the French work samples in the passageway near the office. You can see that all children across the year levels have been reviewing colours and numbers and learning about what is in

our schoolbags. The older children have reviewed the questions and answers they have been introduced to over the years – questions about ourselves, that we may be asked in life: our names, ages, where we live, our families and telephone numbers etc.



We have also started looking at the map of France itself in preparation for the annual “*Tour de France*”. This is a bike race around the whole of France, showcasing the countryside across the whole country. I really appreciate your support if

you would let your children look at the television reportage on SBS early in the evening when the race is on in July. It runs for 23 days, finishing in Paris, near the Arc de Triomphe, at the head of the Champs Elysées. The children will get to see the highest mountains, the old buildings, the modern bridges and the miles of farming country. They can also practice following the route on a map.

Find out more about France yourself from the race – ask your children to explain how the placements work. French is one of the few languages that are spoken all around the world in more than 40 countries! It’s history is linked to ours in Australia.

Enjoy the rain! Enjoy your gardens!

A bientôt! (See you soon)

*Lesley-Ann Hoare—Deputy Principal*

## **Class News**

### **Year K/PP—Room 1**

We had a wonderful morning tea for all our Mothers, Grandmothers and Aunties.. We made lots of lovely gifts including yummy gingerbread.

In class we are learning lots about materials that are used to make different things in our world.

We have been reading fairy tales and comparing what is the same or different in each story.

### **Year 1/2—Room 3**

We are learning about natural, managed and constructed features in Geography. We are investigating environments and discussing whether the features are man-made or if they have always existed.

We enjoyed doing our assembly item this morning.



### **Year 2/3—Room 4**

Room 4 would like to welcome Ms Hoare as their Thursday and Friday teacher. We also have the amazing Miss Hocking who is a prac student from Murdoch University and the lovely Miss Jaffarelli, a prac Education Assistant from TAFE.

It is wonderful having such wonderful helpers in our class.

This term we are doing a fairy tale theme, which is lots of fun.

### **Year 3/4—Room 7**

We have had a fabulous time making pinch pots with Mrs Baldwin in Art.

Our class really loves going to Gymnastics

each week. Thank you for organising it Mrs McDonald.

In maths we have been doing a lot of work on fractions.

Our class have made some fabulous flower Mother's Day cards to give to our mums this year.

### Year 5/6—Room 9

Congratulations to the Year 5 students for surviving NAPLAN week You can all be very proud of your wonderful efforts.

In maths we have been learning how to complete the four operations using decimal numbers.

We are looking forward to visiting Parliament House later in the term.

We would also like to welcome back Stonne to Belmont Primary.

## BPS Garden News

As you may know the children spend time in the school vegetable garden on Thursday afternoons from 12:05pm to 1:05pm and 2:00pm to 3:00pm. Mrs Robinson and Mrs Tero would be very grateful of any parents or grandparents who have some spare time to come and help work in the garden with the children on a Thursday. Please check with your child's teacher when your child will be in the garden and come along and lend a hand. Your help will be greatly appreciated! Thank you.

*Mrs Tero*

## Phys Ed News

This term all classes have participated in LaunchPad Gymnastics sessions, run at Spirit Sports Gym and funded through the Sporting Schools Program.

All classes have really impressed me with

their enthusiasm and energy at these sessions. It has been wonderful to see students step out of their comfort zones and challenge themselves by trying new things.

Each class will have one more session next week and fingers crossed, we have some more fine weather for the walk to and from the Gym!

*Mrs McDonald.....Phys Ed Teacher*



## Science Corner



### 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!

### Water Wise

**Fact**—Pure water has no smell and no taste, it also has a pH level around 7.



### Tip



**Switch to a water efficient showerhead**

Switch to a WELS 3 star or above water efficient showerhead. By switching to a water efficient showerhead you can reduce your shower water by a quarter.



### Crunch&Sip®



**Cool Kids Crunch&Sip®!**

Don't forget the bottle of water and fruit or vegetables for Crunch&Sip® everyday!

### Waste Wise

Please keep your used batteries for recycling. Bring the old batteries to your classroom and place them in the battery containers so that the Year 5/6 class can weigh them to see who has won the monthly competition announced at assembly. You can also bring in your old mobile phones and place them in a box in the Recycling Centre. You can also bring in used newspapers and place them in the bins near the bike shed. Please send in other materials that we can use in our



Recycling Centre outside Room 3. Thank you for your support.

**Fact**—The phantom load electricity consumed by appliances like TVs, radios, the microwaves on stand-by can add \$200 a year to your bill.

*Mrs Waters- Science Co-Ordinator*

## Community News

### WAAPA Winter School 2018

WAAPA at ECU is offering an exciting performing arts program for children and young people these July school holidays. For the first time, we are including courses for students from Years 1 to 12. The Winter School includes classes in drama, acting, screen acting, dance, musical theatre and RAP. For information about the many courses on offer please visit [Winter School](http://www.waapa.edu.au/winter-school) or contact Gabrielle Metcalf at [g.metcalf@ecu.edu.au](mailto:g.metcalf@ecu.edu.au) or 9370 6775.

### School Health Services

#### Help the Department of Health to improve school-aged health services

Do you have a child aged between 3 and 18? Child and Adolescent Community Health and WA Country Health Service are reviewing the community health services provided to school-aged children and across Western Australia. You are invited to complete a short survey to help them understand what is important to you, what is working well and what could be made better.

For more information and to complete the survey, visit <http://healthywa.wa.gov.au/School-health-services>.

**The survey closes on Friday 8 June.**



Department of Health



## ROOM 4 POPCORN PERFECTION!

As a part of our Technologies program, Room 4 designed, made and evaluated a popcorn holder to transport popcorn from school to home. The activity was completed independently by students (no teacher help) with limited materials and tools (lead pencil, textas, ruler, scissors, coloured card, glue stick and sticky tape).

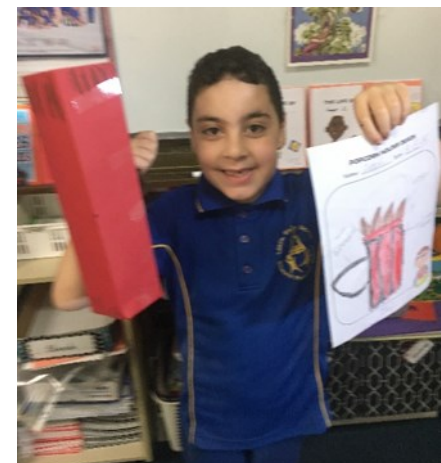
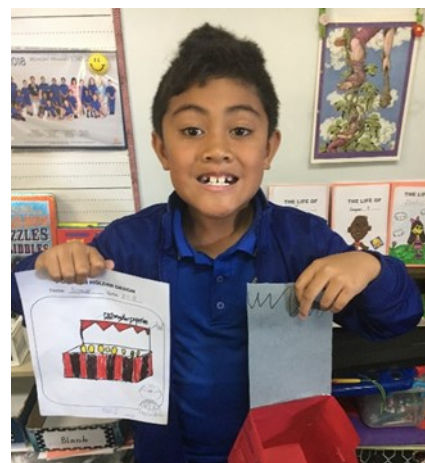
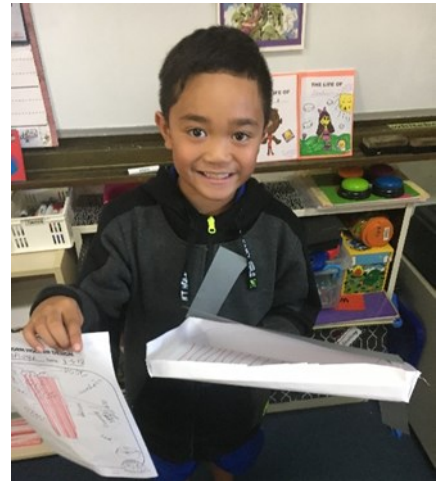
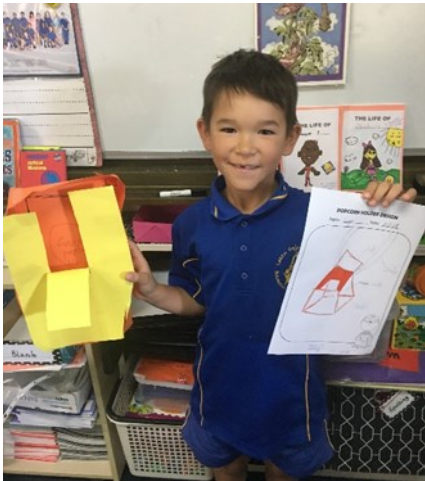


To follow is the criteria:

### POPCORN HOLDER

1. Holds one cup of popcorn
2. Popcorn is easy to get out
3. Attractive
4. Sturdy
5. Easy to hold

All students did a fabulous job and enjoyed their afternoon snack!



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