Principal's Report – Mr. Scott Campbell.

It has been a fantastic first eight days back at school! Our numbers have held so we will be able to run the six classes this year as expected. Our new kindergarten students have made a great start to the school year and are very eager to learn. Miss Norley is very impressed with them already. Keep up the great work kids!

We have made some changes to the school welfare policy in terms of the awards that children receive. Each week every class has four awards to achieve. These are Star of the Week, You Can Do It Award, Merit Award and the new Principal’s Award. The principal’s award is for the best effort / best improvement in bookwork each week. The teaching staff feels that encouraging pride in our bookwork is an area we need to focus on improving in 2013.

Additionally, after consultation with the P & C, we have also changed the way that awards are now accrued for the Bronze, Silver, Gold & Platinum awards. Each level is now achievable each calendar year rather than over the student’s career. Details of these changes will be outlined at the parent information night.

We have had an excellent response to the combination book packs and school levy that we promoted last week. If you haven’t had an opportunity to purchase yours yet please do so by Friday 15th February 2013.

All students K-6 will be attending the athletics carnival next Thursday the 21st of February, 2013. Please help the school organise this event by returning the permission notes asap. Replacement notes are also available at the front office.

Upcoming Events

February 18th
Parent Helpers Morning Tea

February 21
Athletics Carnival

February 22
Vision Assessments

Important Announcement!

“Parent Information Night”

An information session will be held this Wednesday the 13th February, 2013 starting at 5:15pm. The session will conclude at approximately 6pm. For parents who cannot attend, an information booklet will be available on Thursday the 14th February, 2013.

Thought for the Week!

Patience, persistence and perspiration make an unbeatable combination for success.
- Napoleon Hill
Swimming Carnival

Belmont North Public School held their Annual Swimming Carnival at Charlestown Pool on Tuesday, 5/2/13.

What a fantastic day! Our children have improved so much (those intensive swimming lessons are really making a difference).

Congratulations to all the children for their enthusiastic participation & encouragement throughout the carnival, also, a huge thank you to our parents, families & friends for their support.

Sprinkler Party

Students from Kinder and Year 1 remained at school for their sprinkler party on Tuesday, 5/2/13. As you can see from the photos a great time was had by all.

Asthma Plans Required - REPEAT ITEM

All students who have medically diagnosed Asthma are required to supply the school with an Asthma Plan. A copy of the asthma plan was given to each student last week and a reminder has been given at each assembly since then. The plans must be signed off by your family doctor and returned to the school asap.

On Friday we had several children experience asthma like symptoms during our athletics activities for sport. Unfortunately most of the children involved had no reliever medications and the school does not have their asthma action plans. This is an unacceptable level of risk and we need all families to work collaboratively with the school on this and all other matters relating to our students health.
YOU CAN DO IT AWARDS

KN  Max Agland  Getting Along
1M  Will McDonald  Organisation
2J  Lennx Weeks  Confidence
3B  Dean Hargrave  Persistance
4/5O  Jayden Bernie  Confidence

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

KN  Codie Baker
1M  Connor Sutcliffe
2J  Michael Fryer
3B  Royce Dalwood
4/5O  Tamara Andersen
6W  Riley Murray

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS

KN  Harry Evans
1M  Nelson Niddrie
2J  Erin Grabham
3B  Georgie Smith
4/5O  Eliana Hogan & Isabelle Barry
6W  Mitchell Boots
P&C NEWS

AGM AND P&C MEETING TOMORROW
The P&C AGM will be held tomorrow at 9.00 am. All positions will be declared vacant at the beginning of the meeting. The P&C meeting will then follow the AGM. Becoming a Member - If you would like to join your P&C, you can do so by attending any meeting & pay your $1.00 membership fee and sit an entire meeting. You are then able to motion or vote from the very next meeting. We look forward to meeting some new family members, seeing some new faces, hearing new ideas and opinions.

FUNDRAISING

Belmont 16's meat raffle - This Thursday 14th & Friday 15th February 2013 we are allocated for the community raffle. Please come along to the 16's and support YOUR school and ladies volunteering their time to raise the funds.

Year 6 Can Recycling - Keep bringing in your cans and fill up our new recycling cage. PLEASE DO NOT CRUSH YOUR CANS.

Ring Pulls Collection - Please keep them coming in to the canteen in a zip-lock bag as they help Ronald McDonald House raise funds for much needed equipment.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

1st Belmont Scouts - Come and try scouts now for free. Girls and boys aged 6-15 years old. Contact phone: 49427242 or email www.belmontscouts.org

Belmont Baseball Club - Come and try baseball. Junior registration days, Friday, 22/2/13 and Friday, 1/2/13 at Miller Field, Belmont (behind the Belmont Sportsman’s Club) between 5:30 – 6:30pm More information at: belmontbaseball.com.au or email: belmontbaseball@hotmail.com.

CANTEEN ROSTER this week

Monday – Michelle S
Tuesday – Karen
Wednesday – Louise
Thursday – Mel & Tammy
Friday – June

CANTEEN ROSTER next week

Monday – Michelle S
Tuesday – Sarah & Ella
Wednesday – Alison
Thursday – Sue & Jenny
Friday – Tammy

LUNCH ORDERS MUST BE HANDED IN BEFORE 9AM

UNIFORMS

The uniform shop is only opened Friday mornings from 8.45am to 9.15pm. If you cannot make this time please put your name & contact number in an envelope and place it in the letterbox in the CANTEEN for us to contact you to make arrangements. You can also place an order & money in the letterbox and we will give the items to your child.

New Uniform shirts - As of 1 January 2013, the new shirts will be $30.00 each

Laybys - Remember you must make regular weekly payments on your layby. If you have recently placed a layby without a deposit, we ask that you make a payment this week.

IMPORTANT REMINDER - Laybys cannot be separated. Items cannot be taken until you have paid your layby in full. If you are experiencing financial difficulty you can approach the school office or the Salvation Army for possible assistance. Welcome back to you all and we hope you had as much rest as we did. We are ready for a new and exciting year working together with you.