Principal’s Report - Mr. Scott Campbell.

Today our school Captains and Vice Captains have had the privilege of attending **YOUNG LEADER’S DAY** in Sydney. I have been to many of these events over the years and they are **definitely inspirational**. I hope our leaders get a lot out of the experience.

This Thursday we have our **Easter Hat parade** which should be a fun event for all concerned. We are having a **sausage sizzle lunch** but would like families to indicate their interest by pre-ordering their sandwiches and soft-drinks. If you could place your orders by the end of school Tuesday that would be greatly appreciated.

In addition to the Hat Parade and the luncheon we are also holding an information session for parents about our new initiative called **Kidsmatter**. This will be held straight after lunch but before the Easter Hat parade. We would like as many parents as possible to attend this session as possible.

Next week we have the **PSSA T-Ball Gala Day** which is for **grades 3-6**. We expect all children in those grades to participate in this great event. It is a non-competitive day with no points kept. The emphasis is on **participation rather than winning**. I’m certain that all of the children who go will have an enjoyable day representing their school.

On Friday April 5th we will be holding our first **Assembly of Excellence** assembly. At this assembly we will be awarding all of the children who have achieved Bronze or Silver Awards during Term 1 2013. If your child is to receive one of these awards, you will be notified by the office staff before the event. We look forward to seeing you then.

Upcoming Events

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Important Announcement

**MAJOR EXCURSION**

**Years 4, 5 & 6**

All students in years 4/5 & 6 are expected to attend the major excursion to Active Outdoor Education at Morisset in Term 4. **A $50 deposit is required by the end of term 1.**

Thought for the Week

Don’t count the days.
Make the days count.
- Anonymous.
YOU CAN DO IT FOCUS Week 9 - Getting Along

This week at Belmont North we are focusing on developing the students’ problem solving and working together. The four main ways of thinking that we will be focusing on are:

1. Being tolerant of others
2. Playing by the rules
3. Thinking First
4. Social Responsibility

Mrs. Mandas - Assistant Principal

Week 8 Award Winners

YOU CAN DO IT AWARDS - Organisation

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**STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

**KN**  
James Sims-Easton

**1M**  
Nelson Niddrie

**2J**  
Lana Hargrave

**3B**  
Dean Hargrave

**4/5O**  
Olivia Felemi

**6W**  
Kirra Luppi

**MERIT AWARD**

**KN**  
Michala Phillips

**1M**  
William McDonald

**2J**  
Lennx Weeks

**3B**  
Kaley Blackwell

**4/5O**  
Alex Bretherton

**6W**  
Kylee Peters

**Asthma Plans Required**

All students who have medically diagnosed Asthma are required to supply the school with an Asthma Plan. This must be signed off by your family doctor and returned to the school asap.

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**Would $500 assist you with education costs?**

You could receive up to $500 to help pay for educational costs including text books, computers, excursions and swimming lessons.

Saver Plus is looking for new participants in Newcastle.

You may be eligible if you or your partner:
- have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- are at least 18 years old
- have some regular income from work
- have a child at school, or attend accredited vocational training yourself

To contact your local Saver Plus Worker:
call or sms 1300 610 355
email saverplus@bsl.org.au
P&C NEWS

P&C Meeting

The next meeting will be 9 April 2013 at 9am in the music room. You can join the P&C at any meeting throughout the year.

FUNDRAISING

- **Cadbury Chocolate Fundraiser.** Please return your money and any unsold chocolates to the canteen AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

- **Hot Cross Buns.** Don’t forget to collect your Hot Cross Buns on the last day of school - this Thursday 28 March 2013.

- **Easter Raffle**  Thank you to all the students who donated Easter eggs and gold coins on our Out of Uniform Day. We also thank the teachers who also made a substantial contribution. We are excited about our Raffle this year so get your tickets in to the P&C Letterbox before 9.00 am Thursday 28 March for you chance to win - and don’t forget our 1st prize is worth $110.00 being a 4.5kg Toblerone Block!! Donations - We are seeking donations of Easter eggs, stuffed bunnies, baskets or anything Easter for our raffle. Please hand your donations to the canteen staff.

- **Our last fundraiser for Term 1 is a Family night at Belmont McDonald’s on Monday 8 April 2013.** The school will receive 10% of all takings received by McDonald’s during the hour of 6pm to 7pm. You can dine-in or go through the drive-through and your order will be included in the takings as long as you purchase between 6pm and 7pm.

- **Year 6 Can Recycling**  Keep bringing in your cans and fill up our new recycling cage. PLEASE DO NOT CRUSH YOUR CANS and remember to keep the Ring Pulls in a zip-lock bag as they help Ronald McDonald House raise funds for much needed equipment.

- **Attached this week is our Fundraising Timetable of upcoming fundraising events to give you more notice of what we have planned for the year.**

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**LUNCH ORDERS MUST BE HANDED IN BEFORE 9AM**
UNIFORMS

To assist the P&C in continuing to provide the layby option, we respectfully request you follow the laybys conditions. Remember you must make regular weekly payments on your layby. 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. 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 and receipt to your child.

FUNDRAISING TIMETABLE

TERM 1

• Cadbury Chocolate Drive
• Out of Uniform Day Friday 15 March
• Hot Cross Bun Drive
  o return forms by 21 March
  o buns delivered 28 March
• Easter raffle
  o return tickets by 9am on 28 March
  o raffle drawn 28 March
• McDonald’s Family Fundraiser night 8 April between 6pm - 7pm.

TERM 2

• Mother’s Day Stall on 10th May
• Mother’s Day Raffle on 10th May
• Slice and lolly Drive & Thompsons Pie Drive
  o Order forms will be sent home on 20 May
  o Orders due back on 17 June
  o Items delivered 27 June
• McDonald’s Family Fundraiser night 27th May

TERM 3

• Father’s Day Stall - 30th August
• Father’s Day raffle - 30th August
• We are looking into details for a Movie Night at Hoyts Charlestown

TERM 4

• McDonald’s Family Fundraiser night 14 October
• We are looking into having a Trivia Night.
• Christmas Disco - yet to be approved by Principal
• Christmas raffle & Salvation Army Hamper