Belmont North Public School - Newsletter

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Principal’s Report – Mr. Scott Campbell.

This is the final week for Term 1 this year. From my perspective it has been a very busy but enjoyable term. The students have been very well behaved and we are seeing some great results across all of our classes. Our Reading results, in particular, are very encouraging. Additionally we have seen a huge increase in the number of parent helpers which has just been a great help to the school. We would like to see more people from the community put their hand up to be involved in our great school next term.

The changes to the school awards system appear to be paying dividends already. Last year we made a move from a cumulative system to an annual system. So rather than accruing awards over your school career; we are now trying to focus on our achievements within one school year.

At last week’s Assembly of Excellence we had 18 students receive a bronze certificate for achieving 3 merit awards in first term. I can’t wait to see how many of the children make it to Silver & Gold later this year!

The Anzac Day public holiday falls on 25th April, 2013 which is within the upcoming school holidays. If you can make it to a dawn service - It is a great experience for all children. For those children marching with or for a family member I’d like to express my sincere gratitude to you and wish you all the best on the day.

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
You miss 100% of the shots that you don’t take,
- Wayne Gretsky
ANZAC DAY SERVICE

We will be holding our school ANZAC DAY SERVICE this Friday 12th APRIL. We ask that all students please bring a flower to lay at our special ANZAC DAY service.

Thank you Mrs G Williams

YOU CAN DO IT FOCUS - Week 10 - Confidence

This week at Belmont North we are focusing on developing the student’s ability to try something new and not being afraid to make mistakes. This is called “Confidence”. The four main ways of thinking that we will be focusing on are:

1. Accepting Myself
2. Taking Risks
3. Being Independent
4. I Can Do It!

Week 10 Award Winners

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

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ASSEMBLY OF EXCELLENCE

BRONZE AWARD WINNERS

Codie Baker Michala Phillip Harry Evan Connor Sutcliffe Hamzah Andersen Bridee Schumacher
Ashton Vasilevski Fred Aitchison Mac Dobson
Dean Hargrave Georgie Smith Cooper Clarke Sabrina Andersen Isabelle Barry
Darcy Bunker Otis Johnson Kirra Luppi Brandii Davis-Welsh

ICAS - International Competitions and Assessments for Schools

ICAS is a highly regarded assessment program for schools offered in the key subject areas of Computer Skills, English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling and Writing, which enables schools to identify students’ levels of academic performance and also offers recognition and reward for school students. Schools receive comprehensive hard-copy and online reports on their students’ performances in each subject. Each participating student also receives individual diagnostic reports in both hard-copy and online, as well as a certificate to recognise their achievement.

Listed below is the cost of each test and the closing date.

NO APPLICATIONS CAN BE ACCEPTED AFTER THESE DATES.

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P&C NEWS

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

FUNDRAISING

McDonald's Family Night – TONIGHT is our family night at Belmont McDonald's which is our last fundraiser for Term 1. 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.

Mother's Day Stall & Raffle – Our Mother's Day Stall is only 1 week after we return from the school holidays so we are asking for donations towards our raffle and stall as soon as possible. Please hand your donations to the canteen staff.

Cadbury Chocolate Fundraiser Please ensure to return your unsold chocolates and money to the canteen no later than this Friday, 12 April 2013.

Easter Raffle – We raised $632.00 from the Easter raffle.

Hot Cross Buns – We raised $96.65 from the sale of hot cross buns.

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.

CANTEEN ROSTER this week 8th to 12th April CANTEEN ROSTER next week 29th April – 3 May

Monday – Closed     Monday – Closed (SDD)
Tuesday – Karen P    Tuesday – Closed( SDD)
Wednesday – Louise                Wednesday – Alison
Thursday – Tammy & Mel    Thursday – Sue & Jenny
Friday – June & Rachel    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 and receipt to your child.

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.