Belmont North Public School - Newsletter

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Principal’s Report – Mr. Scott Campbell.

Congratulations to all of the children who participated in the School Swimming Carnival last week. It was a terrific carnival because we had such a great roll up of families and friends. Most pleasing of all was that everyone participated to their personal best. The improvement in swimming ability from last year for some of our younger children was just amazing! Thank you to Mrs. Williams and the staff at BNPS for organizing a great day out!

This week is Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week. Congenital Heart Disease is considered to be the most common birth defect, and is a leading cause of birth-defect related deaths worldwide. Since CHD affects one of our very special families here at Belmont North Public School we will be raising awareness for this condition by having a MUFTI DAY on Friday 14th February, 2014. Each child is asked to please wear something RED and to please make a gold coin donation.

Life seems to go from zero to 100 during the first few weeks of school. The NSW DEC have pooled the years of experience of other parents to bring you some suggestions to make the rest of the year run more smoothly. Check out the back to school checklist at the following link:


This year’s school levy will be $43 per student. There is a breakdown of the levy included with this newsletter. This year we are including a USB stick and a premium subscription to Spelling City on top of what we supplied last year. We ask that all families please pay this levy by Friday 21st February 2013.

Important Announcements!

“Parent Information Night”

An information session will be held this Wednesday the 12th February, 2014 starting at 5:15pm and concluding by 6pm.

Thought for the Week!

The world is a fine place and worth fighting for.

- Ernest Hemmingway

Upcoming Events

February 12th
Parent Information Evening

February 14
Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week

March 21
Say No to Bullying Day
**Asthma Plans Required**

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.

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**Term 1, Week 3 award winners**

**Principal's award**

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Student of the Week:

K/1N  Mykka Armstrong  3M  Mac Dobson
2M  Lucia Price  4B  Ayden Haluska
1/2 O  Harry Evans  5/6W  Izaac Brown

You Can Do It:

K/1N  Erin Aitchison  3M  Zoe Murdoch
1/2M  Hamzah Anderson  4B  Anna Bretherton
1/2 O  Heath Hodge  5/6W  Eliana Hogan
**Merit:**

K/1N  
Jack Roughan

3M  
Logan Jennings

1/2M  
Cailan Jones

4B  
Lucette Kearney

1/2 O  
Emily Brown

5/6W  
Kalani Jones

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**P&C NEWS**

Welcome back to another wonderful year. Your P&C also welcomes our new students and parents and extended families.

**AGM 2014** – The AGM will be held tomorrow, 11 February 2014 in the staff room starting from 9.00 am. All new parents are invited to come along to our P&C meetings which are held on the second Tuesday of each month.

**Canteen News**

We are seeking more volunteers for the canteen for Tuesdays. We have 2 Tuesdays free. If we cannot fill these days then unfortunately the canteen will be closed.

LUNCH ORDERS MUST BE HANDED IN BEFORE 9AM – the doors will close at 9.10am as late orders are consistently happening and they simply cannot be cooked in time.
**CANTEEN ROSTER**

This week 10\(^{th}\) Feb – 14\(^{th}\) Feb

Monday – Sue
Tuesday – Shell & Ang
Wednesday – Louise
Thursday – Mel & Tammy
Friday – June & Kayleen

Next week 17\(^{th}\) Feb – 21\(^{st}\) Feb

Monday – Sue
Tuesday – CLOSED
Wednesday – Tina K
Thursday – Mel & Kayleen
Friday – Tammy & Tiana

**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.

Also, we ask that you understand and appreciate that our uniform co-ordinator is a volunteer (like all P&C members). She has grandchildren at this school and other grandchildren to drop to another school some weeks. Last week there were comments made about not arriving until 9.00am however notification was sent on Facebook by the P&C President that the uniform shop would be open from 9am to 11am and a sign on the canteen.

**NEW SHIRTS**

A full stock of new shirts arrived last December and sold fast. We have sold out of some sizes already. A new delivery arrived last week however they were for another school. We now expect a new delivery in approximately May 2013 (due to Chinese New Year). They are only $25.00 each and such a better quality. See the uniform shop on Fridays and remember you can layby your shirts with regularly weekly payments.

**SKORTS**

Our girls are looking beautiful in their new skorts. They are only $20.00 each so come along on Friday to purchase yours.

**New sports bag** – We have a great new light weight bag in stock that is great for taking to swimming lessons, out of school sports and excursions etc. Come and have a look – they are $13.00 each.

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**Centre Stage Performing Arts**

Jazz, Ballet, Contemporary, Tap, Singing, Drama, American Style Cheerleading

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**Belmont Neighbourhood Centre**

Fun & Affordable for 3 – 6 Years

**Wednesday Afternoons 4 – 5.30pm**

Mobile: 0468 792 918
BOUNCE & GROW - Creative Arts Academy - Charlestown

Fun after school Classes
Singing, Drama and Keyboard, Piano, Guitar and Voice Lessons
Bookings: 0466 984 774  www.bounceandgrowmusic.com

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Glee Australia: If you love dance, singing or performing then Glee Club is for you.
Classes held at Belmont Seniors Hall on Tuesdays from 4pm.
Call 0428 410 496 or enroll online at www.glee-australia.com.au

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Girls Only – small sided football: For girls aged 4 to 6 who want to play football with their peers in a relaxed, fun & social atmosphere. All girls receive a free ball & set of shin pads courtesy of the Newcastle Permanent Building Society. For further information phone: Macquarie Football on 4953 0800 or www.macquariefootball.com.au.

BELMONT FOOTBALL CLUB IS A FAMILY CLUB

ENCOURAGING PARTICIPATION IN SPORT

*Catering for U5’s through to Under 18’s
*All age mens and womens comps.
*Girls only Sunday competition

Registration Days – @ Clubhouse, Marks Oval Sat & Sun 15 & 16 February 9-12pm
Further information – belmontFC@macquariefootball.net.au