Weekly Focus – Getting Along

Belmont North Public School - Newsletter

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Principal’s Report – Mr. Scott Campbell.

Welcome back! I’d like to thank everyone for their kindness and patience shown over the past two weeks of extreme weather. It was not an easy or a simple decision to make the school non-operational for two days. After inspecting the site we needed to consider the safety of all people who could potentially enter the site. In our case a lack of electricity and dangerous trees made the decision a little easier to make.

This has highlighted for me personally that we need to have faster and more effective ways of communicating with our school community. While we have a web site and we were able to put out a message about the status of the school on the radio - it is a very slow process. To improve our communication speed we will be launching two social media platforms for the school on Friday 8th May 2015.

Twitter will only be used for making emergency or other very important announcements. Facebook will be used to post information and details about events within the school. All posts to the school Facebook page by members of the general public will be moderated by the school.

On Wednesday our Stage 3 students will be attending an Anzac Service with Mrs. Williams and Mr. Mandas. This is a very special privilege afforded to Stage 3 students across Newcastle. BNPS expects that all Stage 3 students will attend in full school uniform and represent the school with pride as they normally do.

Upcoming Events
May 6
Anzac Service – Yr 5 & 6

May 7
Paul Harragon Cup

May 8
Mother’s Day Breakfast

Important Announcements!

Mother’s Day Stall
Wednesday the 6th May

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
If tomorrow wasn’t promised; what would you give for today?
Ray Lewis.
Term 2, Week 2 Award Winners

**Principal’s Award**

K/1C  Zoe
K/1N  Mika
2S   Scarlett
3B   Lakeisha
4A   Zoe
5/6M  Keisha
5/6W  McKenzie

**Student of the Week**

K/1C  Riley
K/1N  Lacey
2S   Ella
3B   Charlie
4A   Bailey
5/6W  Brandon

**You Can Do It – Organisation**

K/1C  Koby
K/1N  Audrey
2S   Michala
3B   Zane
4A   Saxon
5/6M  Luke
5/6W  Amelia

**Merit:**

K/1C  Cailan
K/1N  Zye
2S   Codie
3B   Will
4A   Latisha
5/6M  Thomas
5/6W  Corey
NAPLAN Assessments: Students in Years 3 and 5 will sit the NAPLAN assessments next week, commencing Tuesday 12 May (language and writing), Wednesday 13 May (reading) and Thursday 14 May (numeracy). We will receive the results of NAPLAN late in Term 3. NAPLAN results form a part of our improvement planning for 2016.

2016 Kindergarten Enrolments
Do you have a child ready to start Kindergarten next year? All students who are 4½ to 6 years of age are entitled to start school in 2015 in our Kindergarten classes. Our Kindergarten transition program for 2016 will begin in early Term 3 this year. If you have a child who could be starting school in 2016, please see the front office at your earliest convenience for an application form for enrolment.

Mrs Johnston (Relieving Assistant Principal)
BELMONT CENTENARY ANZAC SERVICE

A huge thank you to the many students and their families for their support last Saturday at the Belmont Anzac Day March. Congratulations to our students, who looked amazing marching up the main street proudly representing our school and waving to the many onlookers lining the street and for their very good behaviour during the service. Please know that your support is much appreciated.

Glenda Williams, Jade Marr, Rhys Booth & Michael Mandas.

Do YOU receive this Newsletter by E-MAIL?

If you do NOT receive the newsletter by e-mail and would like to, please e-mail the school at belmontnth.p.school@det.nsw.edu.au with a short note saying “Please add me to the school newsletter”.

SCHOOL CAR PARK

Access to our school car parks is only available after consultation with the Principal.

Rescheduling of the Centenary Anzac Service at the Civic Theatre for years 5 & 6.

Due to the cyclonic weather conditions last week the Centenary Anzac Service will now be held on Wednesday 6th May 2015. This is an occasion not to be missed!

$5 (cost of the bus) can still be paid on line or to the Office this week.

Glenda Williams/Michael Mandas

CANTEEN CLOSED MONDAYS

MOTHER’S DAY STALL

Wednesday 6th May

P & C News

Canteen Roster

Week 3

4th - 8th MAY

Monday

CLOSED

Tuesday

Tammy

Wednesday

Ella

Thursday

Mel & Kayleen

Friday

Rochelle, Kristy & Liz

P & C Mother’s Day Stall

We are seeking donations as soon as possible so that we can establish the Mother’s Day Stall. All donations are greatly appreciated. Please hand your donations to the staff at the canteen.

Thank You…. P&C Committee
Join us for a Free Autism Information Day

April is International Autism Awareness Month and as part of the celebrations we are hosting a Free Autism Information Day for parents, carers and professionals.

Special Guest speaker Natasha Beyersdorf (NSW Newsreader) will be there to welcome guests on the day.

Topics covered will include:
- Understanding autism: Different not less
- Sensory processing and occupational therapy
- Tips and tricks for fussy eating

The day will give local people the chance to meet up with others in a similar situation and chat with our speech pathologists, occupational therapists and behavior support practitioners.

A question and answer session will also be held with Northcott staff who will answer questions about topics related to autism.

There will also be stalls to browse, including Nana's Weighted Blanket's and lucky door prizes from The One Stop Sensory Shop.

Good for Kids good for life

Reminder about Crunch&Sip®

Our school is part of the Crunch&Sip® program. To ensure that your child takes part in Crunch&Sip®, you need to pack a piece of fruit or vegetables and a bottle of water every day.

Allowed for Crunch&Sip®
- All fresh fruit and vegetables
- Tinned fruit in water or juice
- Dried fruit in small amounts and on limited occasions
- Plain water

Not allowed for Crunch&Sip®
- Fruit products (e.g. fruit leathers, fruit roll-ups, fruit sticks)
- Fruit jams or jellies, fruit pies or cakes
- Tinned fruit in syrup
- Vegetable or potato chips, hot potato chips
- Olives
- Vegetable pastries (pies, pasties)
- Baked vegetable breads
- Vegetable cakes, fritter, quiches or similar
- Popcorn
- Flavoured/carbonated water, cordial, fruit or vegetable juices
- Any drink other than plain water

If your family is having difficulties providing a piece of fruit or vegetable every day please let us know and we will assist you in addressing this.

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