



# Belmay Primary School

## NEWSLETTER

22nd August 2017

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

We were thrilled to welcome to Belmay, the Department of Education Deputy Director (Schools), Mr Steven Baxter last Friday 11 August. Mr Baxter was greeted by two of our prefects who provided a short tour of the school and a visit to classrooms. He was very impressed with the positive attitude shown by our student leaders. Following a short morning tea with the staff, Mr Baxter called in to Room 3 to investigate coding with the Year 6 students.



Last week also saw a visit to Belmay by the coordinator of the CogMed Working Memory Program which we have successfully implemented this year. Ms Armstrong enjoyed the interaction with the students and acknowledged the great work undertaken by our school coordinators, Mrs Baxter and Mrs McKiernan, who have enhanced the program with a range of learning about posture, breathing, focus, brain development and the "Power of Yet." It was wonderful to receive such positive feedback about this new program. Mrs Baxter and Mrs McKiernan attended a Working Memory Conference presented by Pearson last week.

Three of our teachers have been invited to participate in a Belmont Schools Network Professional Learning program about coaching and supporting others in school improvement activities. This includes the use of SMART goals and a problem solving approach, both of which align very well with our current school improvement focus areas.

Over the past few weeks, we have had many absences involving both staff and students with a range of cold and flu symptoms. If your child/children should fall ill, please make sure that they are fully recovered before returning to school.

### COMING EVENTS

#### School Banking

Wednesday Mornings  
8.30 - 9.00am

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#### Playgroup

Monday Mornings  
9.00 - 11.00am

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#### PaCE Program

Thursdays and Fridays  
12.00 - 3.00pm  
Room 15

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#### Book Week

Monday 21st August -  
Thursday 24th August

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#### Book Week Dress Up Parade

Thursday 24th August  
8.45am

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#### Assembly

Friday 25th August  
8.45 - 9.15am  
SE Metropolitan Language  
Development Centre

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#### Athletics Carnival

Thursday 31st August  
9.30am



### Our School Values

Respect and Responsibility ~ Teamwork and Sportsmanship ~ Acceptance and Belonging  
Striving for Excellence

# Our kids matter.

KidsMatter helps our school nurture happy, balanced kids.



[kidsmatterprimary.edu.au](http://kidsmatterprimary.edu.au)

## Teachers Are Learners Too

Given the ongoing innovation and developments in technology, we are constantly updating our resources and skills. Technology learning encourages a problem based approach, challenging students to think of new and different ways to work together to solve problems and share their learning.

Pictured left, Mrs Brady and Mrs Marcondes learn more about our robotic resources at an after school staff computer club.



Design Technology skills are taught through hands on activities as seen in our Room 9 class above.

**The future of saving is here with the CommBank Youth app.**

The new CommBank Youth app is a fun way to learn smart saving skills and enhance your School Banking experience. Download the app or find out more at [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking)

Available on the App Store



Wednesday 8.30 - 9.30 in the  
CAN Uniform Shop

## CONNECTED COMMUNICATION

I am excited to announce that Belmay Primary School will soon begin using 'Connect'. Connect has been developed by the Department of Education to assist schools and parents to better communicate with each other.

It will be an online app-based platform where parents can be notified of events, information and any other relevant happenings. We can send easy-to-access notifications straight to your mobile phone using the 'Connect Now' app – found in the app store.

Watch this space for further information.



## BELMAY PLAYGROUP

9.00 – 11.00am each Monday  
Please spread the word to families with young children to come along or contact our front office on 9479 1393 for further information.



**PaCE Program for Term 3:**  
Thursdays and Fridays  
12.00 - 3.00pm in Room 15  
Computer skills focus on Fridays.



Come along to meet new people and learn new skills.





Future Belmay family members enjoy coming together at Playgroup each Monday.



Skills practise for team games in Passball and Thread the Needle occurs each Friday in preparation for our Athletics Carnival next week.



Happy Room 9 students set up their desks each morning, ready for the day's learning.



## Cloverdale School Dental Clinic Update

**180 Fisher St, Cloverdale 6105, Ph: 9479 7222**

Cloverdale Dental Clinic is open from **8am – 4pm** Monday to Friday.

We cater for school age children/teens from **Pre-Primary to Year 11**. We provide placement opportunities for University students in their final year Bachelor of Oral Health. An experienced dental therapist oversees all check-ups and procedures.

We would like to stress the importance of arriving to appointments **on time** as we run to a very tight schedule. Recently we have had a lot of people arriving **very** late to appointments. Please note that we are not able to see patients who are more than 10 minutes late. We are trying to provide the best service possible, and we cannot do that without your assistance in coming to appointments on time.

At present we are behind with our wait-list. We would appreciate those who are having regular dental check-ups and treatment with their family dentist to consider withdrawing from the school service. This will enable us to service those who are unable to access private dentistry. If circumstances change, you are welcome to re-enrol at any time.

If your address has changed, or changes, please call us, as we send appointments to your home address. If your child has a toothache, please phone us on **9479 7222** between **8am - 4pm**. If you have an emergency outside of work hours, please contact your family dentist or the **Emergency Service** on **9325 3452**.

Regards,

***Cloverdale Dental Therapy Centre Staff***





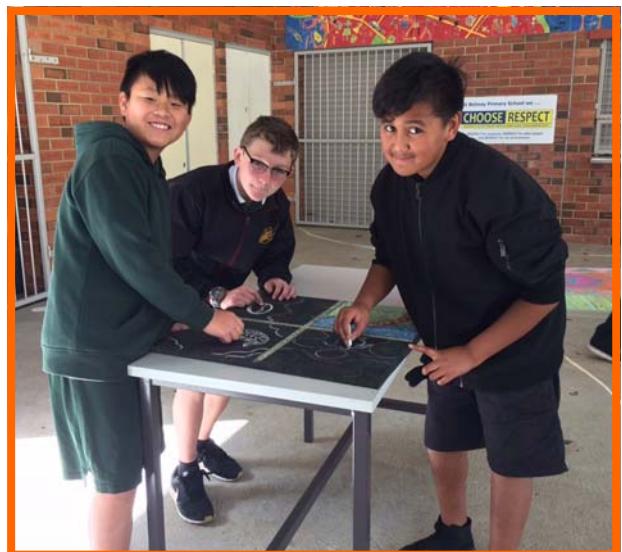
# Belmay Contemporary Art Project

## NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

It was unfortunate that our NAIDOC presenter became ill and was unable to attend our re-scheduled NAIDOC celebrations.

Mr Baxter continued with his visual arts program with our covered assembly area becoming a canvas for some fantastic contemporary artwork. Our students worked together to create group artworks on rubber canvases, then added to the whole school chalk mural which included Aboriginal cultural themes.

Given the very cold wet weather, we have decided to reschedule another time in fourth term to learn more about, and to celebrate, Aboriginal songs, dance and stories.



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