



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Families,

Welcome back to school ... finally! It is so wonderful to see the smiling faces of our students each morning as they eagerly enter the school grounds ready for another school day. I would like to offer a special welcome to our new families. I hope your time at Belmay is positive and rewarding for both your children and yourself.

COVID Times

The extra week off for students was a bit of a setback in starting Term 1. I thank the staff for their diligence and diversity in re-organising their programs for the school term.

Whole School Strategic Directions 2021

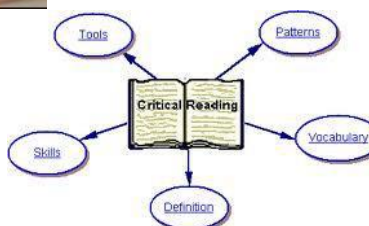
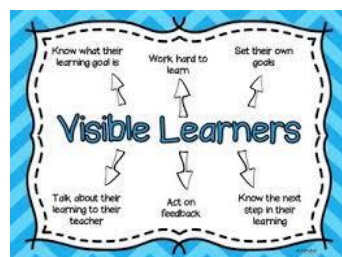
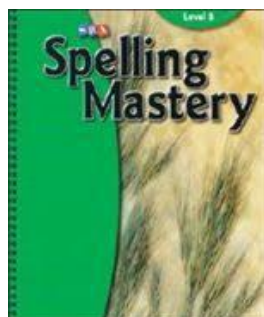
Evidence strongly supports whole school approaches in making a difference to outcomes for students. At Belmay Primary School we are in our third year in our curriculum improvement cycle. Belmay Primary School is one of selected schools in the Fogarty EDvance School Improvement Program which focuses on building the capacity of school leadership teams to make informed evidence-based decisions, strategically plan and ultimately, improve student outcomes.

<https://fogartyedvance.org.au/school-improvement-program/>



Listed below captures some of the programs and strategies that we have implemented and planning to further forge in 2021:

- English : InitialLit (P-2) Spelling Mastery (3-6)
- Critical Reading Model
- Mathematics: Paul Swan Mathematics
- Student Health and Wellbeing: Belmay is a 'Be You' School. Whole School Program for 2021: Zones of Regulation
- STEM Innovation Partnership School: with Redcliffe Primary



PTO for more ...

COMING EVENTS

School Council meeting
Wednesday 3 March
In Room 5, Conference Room
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P&C meeting - AGM
Friday 5 March, 9:30am
(following assembly)
In the school
staffroom
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Swimming Lessons
Beginning 22 March - 1 April
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School Banking - Canteen
Wednesday mornings
8.30am - 9.00am
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Uniform Shop
Wednesday mornings
8.30am - 10.30am
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Breakfast Club
Monday and Friday 8:00am
All Welcome!
Enter through Epsom Ave gate.

SCHOOL TIMES

Gates open: 8.30am
Siren: Class begins: 8.45am
Recess: 10.45am - 11.05am
Lunch: 1.05pm - 1.45pm
School finishes: 3pm
EARLY CLOSE -
Every Thursday: 2.30pm



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What's Been Happening ...

Pupil Free Day : Friday 26 February

This term we will be having a Pupil Free Day on the Friday prior to the Labour Day long weekend. Teachers will be off site in collaboration with a day focussing on Mathematics presented by Dr Paul Swan (see above). So please mark in your calendars and make arrangements for your children. To read more follow the links to our school's website and download our school's business plan.

<https://belmayps.wa.edu.au/business-documents/business-plan>

CONNECT

In the event of any future lockdowns it is imperative that families sign up for our school's Parent Noticeboard. This will provide up-to-the-minute information and, in the event of school closure, teachers will be able to utilise this online platform as well as the provision of hard copy home learning packages.

I am looking forward to what is going to be an exciting and productive year!

And I hope to be seeing and talking to you in and around the playground.

Kind Regards

Sarah Durham

Principal

Staff List 2021

Please see our website for a list of all staff at Belmay Primary School.

<https://belmayps.wa.edu.au/about/all-staff>



CONNECT LOGIN

In order to use Connect, please:

1. Register a valid email address with Belmay Primary School
2. You will receive an email with login information from the Department of Education
3. Click on the link and login.

Swimming Lessons Term 1 2021

Students from Pre-primary to Year 6 are going swimming for nine days from Monday 30 March 2020. For your child to be able to attend we need the swimming enrolment form, the attached consent form, and all monies returned by no later than Monday 15 March for classes to be organised at the pool.

The total cost is \$40.00 - (Bus and Oasis Pool Entry for 9 days)

Students are to wear their uniform to school and will get changed into their bathers at school. It is preferred that the children arrive at the swimming centre ready to swim. The children's clothes are left at school and they get changed when they return.

For swimming the children will need to bring:

Bathers

Towel

Plastic bag – (labelled with the child's name – for wet items and shoes)

Sandals or thongs (as the ground can get hot) – preferably thongs

Swimming goggles if required

T-shirts or rash shirts are permitted (only if necessary).

Please ensure all items are marked with your child's name.

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Information ...

Staff Development Days 2021

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As you may already know, one of our priority areas at Belmay Primary School is Attendance and Punctuality.

It is very important that all students attend school on a consistent regular basis. We understand that children sometimes fall ill or other factors may come into play. On such occasions please notify the school asap regarding your child's absence.

The Education Department has a minimum target of 90% attendance for all school children.

Unfortunately, even if this target is achieved for the first 10 years of a child's education it would mean that by the end of year 10 they would have missed one full year of school!

We know that parents will do their best to see that children also arrive at school on time so that they can participate in Individual Learning Programs which usually commence first thing in the morning. If students are regularly late for the commencement of school it means that they are missing out on the benefits of tailor-made programs, designed at great time length and effort, by teachers in order to meet the individual needs of students. Regularly arriving late can also sometimes cause a student to become embarrassed and, as a result, in worse case scenarios, may cause students to become reluctant to attend.

At Belmay, we as a staff are very keen to support all parents and caregivers in their efforts to have their children attend school and to arrive at school on time and we would like to extend our gratitude for your support in maximising your child's learning.

If we can assist in any way, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Sarah Durham and Terry Harney

Admin Team

Belmay Primary School

Voluntary Contributions 2021

The Belmay Primary School. School Council has endorsed the Schedule of Contributions and Charges for 2021.

The total amount of Voluntary Contributions parents are being asked to pay at Belmay Primary School for 2021 will be \$60.00 per student.

This is within the \$60.00 per student maximum set in the School Education Regulations 2000. Voluntary Contributions are voluntary payments for materials, services and facilities used by Kindergarten to Year 10 students in an educational program.

Payment can be made in person in the front office via cash or eftpos.

Many thanks in anticipation.



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Information ...

Chaplain's Chat

Hi Belmay families

Welcome back for another school year, and in particular, welcome to all our new families.

For our new families, I am the School Chaplain and my role is largely to provide pastoral care for staff, students and families. I provide support at the Breakfast Club, school events, and facilitate various small group programs, including delivering Aussie Optimism programs. I support our school leaders with teaching leadership skills and organising their fundraisers for their community and school gifts. I also provide one-on-one support for students and school community members.

Please note that students are referred by their teacher, you will generally get notification of a referral for your child for support, but not always for the one-on-one referrals where there are unexpected issues that need urgent attention. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask your child's teacher or myself.

I am on site Thursdays and Fridays, you are welcome to contact me on these days, or you can make contact at any time through the front office staff by leaving a message for a call back and/or an appointment.

A local resource to note is our local library. There are numerous events for the local community to participate in. <https://www.belmont.wa.gov.au/discover/places-to-go/ruth-faulkner-library-and-belmont-museum/events-calendar>

I look forward to once again supporting the Belmay community in 2021.

Ailine Hurst
School Chaplain



Morning Physical Activity Group

Our Physical Activity group commenced this week with 50 students taking part on Wednesday morning.

This program includes maximum participation minor games, dance and running. It is for all students from years 1 – 6.

Children enter the school grounds from the gates on the Epsom Ave side of the school [nearest the undercover area].

The gates are opened at 7:55am The activity commences at 8:00am and concludes at 8:30am.

Notes and permission slips were sent home but if you haven't received one, they can be obtained from the office.

Graham Baxter

Cloverdale School Dental Clinic

Cloverdale Dental Clinic is open from 8am – 4pm Monday to Friday. We are a free service and cater for school age children/teens from Kindy & Pre-Primary from the year they turn 5 to the end of year 11, or their 17th Birthday, whichever occurs first.

We are a Bachelor of Oral Health Final year placement clinic during university semesters. An experienced tutor oversees all check-ups and procedures.

It is not compulsory to enrol with the School Dental Service. If your children are having regular dental check-ups and treatment with their private family dentist, consider withdrawing from the school service. This will enable us to service those that are unable to access private dentistry. If circumstances change, you are welcome to re-enrol at any time.

If your address has changed/changes, please call us, as we send appointments to your home address, we also require current mobile phone numbers to send out text message reminders.

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 1800 098 818.

Regards,

Cloverdale Dental Therapy Centre Staff

180 Fisher St (Clinic access through Gate 5 off Hendra St)

Cloverdale 6105

Ph: 9479 7222

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Information ...

Belmay School Council Meeting

Wednesday 3 March
6pm in Room 5, Conference Room

Members -

- Sarah Durham - Principal
- Cassie Rowe (MLP)
- Neil Clarke - Chair Person
- Hannah Klauz
- David Kukutai,
- Jenna Haerewa,
- Jilalga Murray-Ranui
- Ronnie O'Neill
- Jacqui Hamling
- Cassandra Carranza
- David Gerstorfer
- Kylie Watson (P&C rep)
- Terry Harney

Belmay Primary STEM Enterprise Schools initiative: Full STEAM ahead!

Our fabulous new STEAM room (Science, Technology, Arts, Maths) is now open for business headed up by our fabulous STEAM team: Ms Johnson and Mrs Taylor.
The children are loving the new space...and new possibilities!



Stay tuned for more STEAM updates!

HOW TO MINIMISE THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

- Frequently washing your hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water, or using an alcohol based hand gel.
- Refraining from touching mouth and nose.
- If coughing or sneezing, covering your nose and mouth with a paper tissue or flexed elbow.
- Dispose of the tissue immediately after use and perform hand hygiene.
- Avoiding close contact with anyone if you, or they, have a cold or flu-like symptoms (maintain a distance of at least 2 metres).

Our planning is a school-based document. For the latest, specific and factual advice and information about Coronavirus (COVID-19), please refer to the Health Department website.

www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/coronavirus

Belmay P&C Committee Meeting - AGM

Friday 5 March - (following assembly)
9:30am in the school
Staffroom

Come along and find out what the P & C does and how you can join the fun. We are always looking for people to get involved and you would be surprised how much fun we have helping our kids at school.

All positions will be declared vacant. If you would like to become involved as a committee member, we'd love to hear from you, otherwise just come along to check it out!

We hope to see you there!



Members -

- President: Kylie Watson
- Vice President: Sarah Jackson
- Secretary: Fiona Clarke
- Treasurer: Jacqui Hamling
- Executive Members: Cassandra Carranza, Nicole Johnson, Chantelle Margetts, and Lydia Allbeury

Colour Blindness

Colour blindness means that a person cannot distinguish some colours or they see the colours differently to other people. Very few people who are colour blind are 'blind' to all colours.

Commonly, the colours seen differently are greens, yellows, oranges and reds. An information leaflet on colour blindness will be distributed to all year Pre-primary students in term 1. Please take the time to read the pamphlet. For more information see the Colour Blind Awareness and Support Group on <http://www.members.optusnet.com.au/~dovertan/>

If you have any concerns, colour vision testing can be performed by some general practitioners, eye specialists or optometrists. You can also contact your local Community Health Nurse.

Doreen Sherry
Child and Adolescent Health Service
Community Health Nurse | Bentley, South Zone
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t (08)94165508 |0404826010
w cahs.health.wa.gov.au
E: doreen.sherry@health.wa.gov.au
Mon, Tue, Wed & alternate Thurs

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2021 Season
Registrations are open
Redcliffejfc.com.au



Registration Day
Sunday 21st @ Middleton Park,
Cloverdale
From 11am to 12pm

Yr. 3 – Yr.12 Teams
Register Early for Discounted Fee's

EAGLETTES
Girls Only Competition
Yr. 3 – Yr. 12 Teams
Dedicated Girls Teams and
Girls Clubroom Infrastructure.
FREE Polo & Club Shorts

nab AFL Auskick
Pre-Primary to Year 2
All players receive an Auskick pack
plus bring a friend to receive
Free pair of socks

KIDS SPORT APPROVED CLUB


Register online or call
Shannon Curtis 0423 319 718 or Jared Wilson 0402 383 189

Payment plans available

BETTER HEALTH PROGRAM

Be fitter, healthier and happier!

The Better Health Program is a free 10-week healthy lifestyle program for 7-13 year old children who are above a healthy weight, and their families. The program is available face-to-face or online in selected areas throughout Australia.
Get in touch to find out if the program is available near you!





JUNIOR SOCCER REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!!

To register your child, visit
bjsc.org.au/registration



Belmont Junior Soccer Club
Miles Park, Cloverdale

email: info@bjsc.org.au
web: bjsc.org.au



Is your child...

- » Aged 7-13 years old?
- » Above a healthy weight?
- » In need of support to improve eating and activity habits?

The Better Health Program is a FREE, 10-week, online or face to face program for children and families. There are weekly sessions, free resources (+fitness tracker!) and weekly coaching meetings or calls with a trained and qualified health coach to help keep you on track.

Get involved and start collecting your weekly tokens and prizes!

To register or find out more:
1300 822 953
betterhealthprogram.org

Better Health Company
@betterhealthcompany

The Program is funded by government agencies throughout Australia.

Call the Better Health team on 1300 822 953 to find out if the program is available in your area.

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