

Belmay Primary School Newsletter Term 1 Week 7 ~ Mar 2021



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Families.

As we fast approach the end of this first term, I am reminded of the strong collaboration that we have formed with our parent community. This was very evident in the class meetings I attended in the first few weeks of term. There is much to be gained from the strong partnerships we have formed with families in the interest of our children's health and wellbeing.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the wonderful Belmay Staff for working so hard in the first term of what is sure to be a very busy, exciting and productive school year!

We are so very lucky to have such a dedicated and hardworking team who always go above and beyond!

BELMAY CLUBS 2021

We are very fortunate to have teachers who are offering opportunities beyond the classroom including:

- Belmay Fitness Group: Wednesday Mornings: 8:10am: Mr Baxter
 Please enter at side gate on Epsom Ave. Permission required; forms from Front Office
- Numero Club: Wednesday lunchtimes: Ms Klauz
- Chess Club: Thursday lunchtimes: Ms Taylor
- Singing Club: Thursday lunchtimes: Ms Edgar

Thank you everyone ... I look forward to attending ... and joining in!

IN-TERM SWIMMING Weeks 8&9: Commencing Monday 22 March

As you are aware, our in-term swimming commences next week.

Please assist your child/ren in the following way:

- · Children to wear their bathers to school under their uniform: Boardies can be worn (School shorts provided for after swimming)
- · Change of clothes in a labelled plastic bag (include extra underwear)
- Please label all items
- · Slip on shoes (without laces) are preferred
- Additional Food: Swimming is hungry work so please ensure your child has sufficient, healthy snacks provided
- And finally: please dry clothes at the end of each day in preparedness for the following lesson

CLASSROOM PICK UPS

Please be advised that in the interest of child safety, we request that Kindy to Year 3 children are collected from their classrooms by an authorised person.

It is so lovely to have parents back on our school site and we thank you for your continued support.

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COMING EVENTS

Swimming Lessons

Beginning 22 March - 1 April

School Banking - Canteen

Wednesday mornings 8.30am - 9.00am

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.

AFTER SCHOOL PICK UPS

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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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From the Principal's Desk continued ...

MATHS AT BELMAY

At Belmay Primary we are committed to embed collaborative practice, evidence-based action and a whole school approach to further improve education outcomes for all students.

Here are some key words that reflect the work that we have been doing as a staff:

Whole School Approach ~ Talk About Language ~ Look at the Pictures ~ Explain the Symbols Routines ~ Warm Ups ~ Give Experiences ~ High Impact Teaching Strategies ~ Development of Counting Skills ~ Vocabulary and Comprehension ~ Basic Facts ~ Graphic Organisers ~ Talk/ Think Alouds ~ Mathematics in Children's Literature ~ Learning Intentions: Transparent Learning Goals ~ Word Walls ~ Word Sort ~ Maths Kits ~ Concrete Materials

BELMAY PRIMARY SCHOOL STEAM TEAM

In Western Australia (WA) in 2016, 27 schools began collaborating in Innovation Partnerships to design powerful new STEM learning experiences with and for their students. In 2017, a further 34 schools joined. In 2018 the STEM Innovation Partnerships program expanded again, this time to include 30 schools and 3 new priority focus areas. Belmay Primary School is one of these school's in partnership with Redcliffe Primary.

'What is STEAM?' It's the integrated approach to learning through Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Maths.

Check out this great YouTube® clip: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wxCfEnZD-d0

Our practice at Belmay Primary School: 'To prepare people to be collaborative, innovative, self-directed and future focussed.'

The STEAM TEAM

- · Ms Nicole Johnston: Science/ STEAM Committee
- · Mrs Rebecca Taylor: Technology/ STEAM Committee
- Mr Graham Baxter: Arts/STEAM Committee
- Ms Sarah Durham : STEAM Committee/ Whole School Planning
- · Redcliffe PS: Mentor School
- · Cohort Class Group: Room 4
- · Cohort Class Teacher: Louise Colliver

Resources

- · 0.1: FTE: Science/Technology
- · STEAM Room Funding for flexible learning environment
- · Science Lab Funding: including resources and 18 Laptops

Steps for bringing practice to life

- 1. Share agreed practice
- 2. Access Mentor School Supports: eg Scope and Sequence (2021)
- 3. Trial a Collaborative STEAM Learning Project Model (Action/ Learning Project)
- 4. All teachers explore the STEAM Learning projects
- 5. School Development Day: Term 3, Monday 14 July: Present model trialled
- 6. Develop a STEAM Operational Plan (end of 2021) for next planning phase: 2022-2024

I look forward to seeing you all in, and around, the playground!

Kind Regards

Sarah Durham

Principal

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What's Been Happening ...

Principal's Awards for Reading and Acts of Kindness









Dear kids,
You are not a number. The world will try
to assign numbers to you —scores, grades,
potential— but you are so much more than
any number. Numbers miss your kindness,
your creativity, your empathy, your heart.
You are never a number, but rather,
always remember, you are priceless.

Neurochild

Room 9

On Tuesday Room 9 learnt about foods from different cultures for Harmony Week, and then got to make some Pizza like the Italians do!









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Easter Raffle

Raffle tickets are \$1 each and were sent home with all students. Please return money and ticket form by 26th March.

Raffles will be drawn on Monday 29th March.

We'd also love some Easter donations. Please drop off your donations to the School Office.

Good luck! We hope the Easter bunny is generous this year!







Harmony Day

What a great Harmony Day picnic lunch and sausage sizzle!

And how gorgeous did all our kids look, representing the many nationalities within our school.

A special thank you to all the parents who helped out baking cupcakes, icing them, and cooking sausages on the day.



Mothers Day Stall

The P & C will be hosting several exciting fundraisers in Term 2, the first of which will be the return of our Mothers Day stall!

We would love to receive donations for our stall but we will also have plenty of special gifts available to buy for the mums, grandmas and aunts in our kids' lives.

Look out for more information and opening times when our cherubs will be able to make their special selection for the special mother figures in their lives!



Second-hand Uniform Shop P&C

Our fabulous P&C are now seeking donations for a Second-hand Uniform Shop to commence in Term 2. The shop will operate from the canteen on Thursday morning and all proceeds will go towards the P&C fundraising efforts.

If you have any contributions, please drop off to the main office.

Many thanks in advance!

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Follow Belmay Primary School P & C Assoc

on Facebook

(https://www.facebook.com/BelmayPnC)

Belmay School P&C

Members -

- President: Kylie Watson
- Vice President: Geoff Ahern/ Kelly Clark
- Secretary: Fiona Clarke/ Anne Cook
- Treasurer: Ailine Hurst, Jacqui Hamling
- Executive Members: Cassandra Carranza, Nicole Johnson, Chantelle Margetts, and Lydia Allbeury

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Belmay School Council

The school council represents the school community in the process of school planning and policy development.

They participate in establishment and review of school priorities including general policy direction, financial arrangements and approval of contributions and charges, and the evaluation of school performance. The council provides advice to the school to foster positive relationships between the school and the community.

Belmay's school council is comprised of staff members, parents, and community members. Our current school council is made up of the following members:

| School Board Representatives |
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| 2021 |
| Chairperson |
| Neil Clark (Chair) |
| David Gerstorfer (Vice Chair) |
| Principal |
| Sarah Durham |
| Parents and Community |
| Cassie Rowe (MP) |
| Jilaga Murray-Ranui |
| David Kukutai |
| Jenna Harewa |
| Jacqui Hamling |
| Ronnie O'Neil (Principal LDC) |
| Kylie Watson (P&C Representative) |
| School Representatives |
| Terry Harney (DP) |
| Hannah Klauz |
| Deb Bradshaw (Secretary) |





Meetings occur 8 times per year and run for approximately one hour. The next school council meeting is scheduled for 23rd March 2021 at 6pm.

If you are interested in being more involved in the school and being a part of the decision-making process then we would love to see you at one of our meetings. Interested parents are encouraged to contact the school for further information.

Looking forward to a great 2021,

Regards Neil Clarke

Chair, Belmay Primary School Council

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Chaplain's Chat

Hi Belmay Families

As part of my role at Belmay I am involved in supporting our school leadership group. Thank you for your support for the first Prefect Fundraiser - Free Dress Day. The amount raised was \$279. The funds raised from 3 of their 4 fundraisers this year will go towards the Year 6 camp in Term 3. They will also be organising a Community Initiative fundraiser later in the Year.

By now most children should have settled into the school year and be adjusting to the routines in their classrooms. Routines are one element in helping children learn to self-regulate and build resilience. If your children are finding their start to the new year is a challenge, please speak to their teacher. Below are some helpful resources for parents/ carers to help you in supporting you children.

A link to an article on resilience found on the Hey Sigmund website by Dr Nicole Carvill. https://www.heysigmund.com/what-really-builds-resilience-in-kids-2/

The Hey Sigmund website is a comprehensive resource for parents and carers. There is also the free Tree House for Kids video program for your child to watch. The topics covered are:

- · Anxiety What it is, what it does, and how to strengthen and protect themselves against it. (We have a pack of books for parent borrowing in the library.)
- · Mindfulness Fun ways to practice mindfulness, and why it's so important.
- · You Rock! All about being even more fabulous than they already are, being brave, building social and emotional intelligence (which has been proven to be more important to academic success than IQ!).
- · With Others Friendships, bullying, how to be a great friend, what to do when friends don't feel like friends. https://www.heysigmund.com/video_category/treehouse/

Another web site for resources that I find invaluable is the Raising Children parenting web site. https://raisingchildren.net.au/school-age

If your child is struggling in any way, please make sure to contact their teacher, or I am also available for support Ailine. Hurst@education.wa.edu.au .

Ailine HURST

School Chaplain



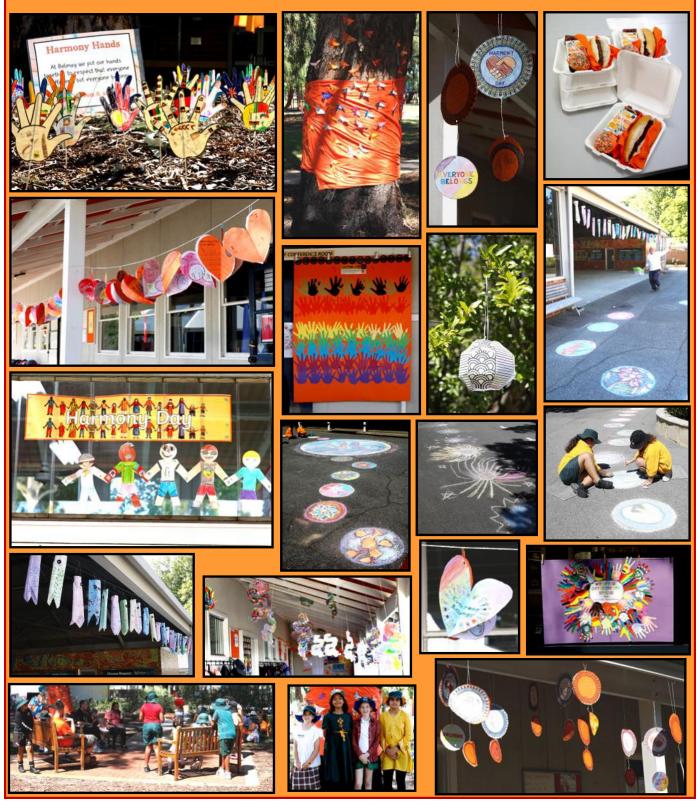


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What's Been Happening ...

Harmony Day 2021

There was fun and food to be had by all and some fantastic art came out of the day!





There will be live entertainment, amusements and activities to delight all ages. Food and refreshments will be available for purchase from food trucks.

This free event will bring our community together to celebrate the First Nations people, settled migrants and our new arrivals to acknowledge and celebrate our cultural diversity.

Book free tickets via Eventbrite at harmonisefestival.eventbrite.com.au















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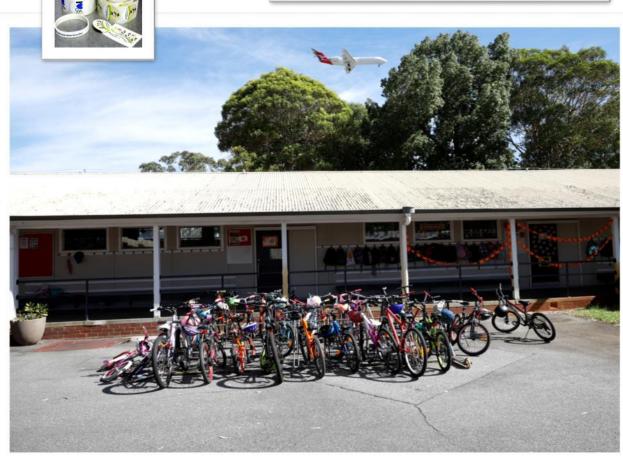
Ride2School Day

"National Ride2School Day is Australia's biggest celebration of active travel and one of the best days on the school calendar. It is a day full of fun and colour where students, teachers and parents discover the joy of riding and kickstart healthy habits for the future. "- https://www.bicyclenetwork.com.au/rides-and-events/ride2school/ride2school-day/

We would like to thank the Belmont City Council for the prizes and fruit for our healthy breakfast.







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