

BSPS NEWSLETTER

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Newsletter, Term 3 - Week 10 2018

From the Principal's Desk

What another outstanding term we have had with many great learning opportunities and achievements.

We would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday. For those travelling, take care and travel safely. We look forward to seeing you all back for the start of Term 4. School resumes for all students on **Monday 15th October.**

Should you see **incidents or suspicious activity** in the school grounds over the holidays, please phone the School Security Unit's **1300 880 021** hotline number.

Our school playground will be open over the holidays for families to use as part of the Governments 'Share Our Space " program.





Belmore South Public School

Creating the Future

Starting School in 2019

Kindergarten enrolments for 2019 are being accepted.

If your child is starting school next year, information about our Transition Program/Parent Information **Sessions** will be held in Term 4.

Parent Information Session:

Monday 29th October 2018 at 6 pm.

Kindergarten transition to school program is from 9:30-10:30 am on the following Fridays:

Session 1	Friday	2nd	November	2018
Session 2	Friday	9th	November	2018
Session 3	Friday	16th	November	2018

First Days for Kindergarten will be 31 January and 1 February 2019.

During Kindergarten Transition, students will work with each other in the classroom. This will give teachers the opportunity to assess their learning needs and get to know the students. Parents will be offered sessions on preparing their child for school and outlines of the programs offered at Belmore South Public School to support their child's learning.

Please ring our school if you have any questions about enrolment.



Individual student NAPLAN results for students in Year 3 and Year 5 were sent home last week.

Parents are encouraged to review the NAPLAN reports as an indicator of areas for individual student progress with learning.

If you have any concerns about your child's NAPLAN results please make an appointment to discuss these with the Class Teacher or Stage Supervisor.



Not Retuning in 2019?

To assist us in planning for 2019, could you please notify the front office if your child will not be returning to Belmore South Public School next year. This does not include Year 6 students going to high school next year.





PBL focus for the fortnight

Every fortnight, Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) is part of our Gemstone Learning Team meetings. This is a time where students discuss areas of concern that need to be focused on to ensure our school's wide expectations and school rules of being safe, being respectful and being an active learner, are followed.

This fortnight, our focus is on:

"I use appropriate language in the playground"

WHAT'S ON IN TERM 4



Mon 15 Oct First Day of Term 4

Mon 22 Oct P&C Meeting

Fri 26 Oct School Disco

Mon 29 Oct Kindy 2019 Parent Info Session

Frid 2, 9, 16 Nov Kindy 2019 Transition

Fri 9 Nov Special Assembly Armistice Day

Wed 21 Nov Art Day

Fri 23 Nov White Ribbon Day

Tue 4 Dec Highschool Transition

Thur 6 Dec Whole School Picnic

Mon 10 Dec Yr 6 Farewell

Mon 10 Dec Presentation Day

Wed 19 Dec Leavers Assembly

Wed 19 Dec Last Day of School Year

PLANNING MEETING

Please Join us for our planning meeting to be held on Friday 19th October, the first week of Term 4. This gives parents a chance to hear about programs planned for 2019 and also a chance to have input into our school plan directions.

Parent Meeting Parent Meeting Friday 19th October 9.30 am School Hall Please come and share your thoughts

School Equipment

Before heading back to school in Term 4, we encourage students to check their school equipment and ensure they have everything ready for the start of a new term. The holidays are a great opportunity to replenish pens, pencils and other equipment.



Term 4 Staff Development Days (SDD) Reminder

The last two days of each year are called School Development Days (SDDs). These are pupil free. This year the SDDs are scheduled for Thursday 20th December and Friday 21st December. While these days are crucial for staff development, they are not always at an optimal time of year to put learning into practice.



Opal Card 2019

The School Student Transport scheme can provide free travel on trains and buses to and from school for eligible students.

All students who are currently in Year 2 and entering Year 3 in 2019 must complete a new online application form.

For more information visit

www.transportnsw.info



Early Arrival of Students

Supervision of students before school begins at 8.30am. There is no adult supervision before this time and we are unable to ensure the safety of children in the playground. We well understand that many parents have work commitments which require them to leave early for work. You may be able to make arrangements with friends or neighbours for the supervision of your child/children before school. Alternatively you can register your child with our Before and After School Care. TASK who can be contacted on 1300 827 500 or visit task-kids.com.au



Label Everything

If your child has lost a drink bottle, lunch box or an item of clothing, please ensure you check Lost Property. It is important that all items of clothing, lunch boxes etc are labelled so that they can be returned to your child if they are found in the playground. These belongings are expensive and it is a shame when we are not able to return them to their rightful owner.

Parking Near the School

When dropping off or picking up your child, please ensure you park in the appropriate streets surrounding the school. Take note to comply with the 'No Stopping' and 'Bus Zones' along Nelson Ave.

There is a 'Kiss and Drop' zone outside the school. In this area drivers may stop to drop off or pick up children however, 'No Parking' rules apply.

- Maximum stop time is 2 minutes.
- Driver must remain in or within 3 metres of their vehicle.
- Vehicles must not be left unattended.

The police and rangers patrol around the school regularly. Fines can be quite expensive for parking illegally around a school.

LUNCHES

There has been an increase in the number of students who are regularly coming to school without their lunch or recess. It is important that families ensure their children have healthy food to sustain them through the day. In the event of an **emergency**, we provide a sandwich via our lunch club.



Selective High School Applications for 2020



You must apply online at https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7



Key dates

Tuesday 9 October 2018

Application website opens

Monday 12 November 2018

Application website closes. You must apply by the due date. No late applications will be accepted.

Operation Art

Operation Art is an initiative of The Children's Hospital at Westmead in association with the New South Wales Department of Education, in collaboration with Sydney Olympic Park Authority and proudly supported by Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation (ANSTO).

Congratulations to four of the BSPS Art Club students, Mo'ui, Jeremy, Serene and Samuel, who had their artworks exhibited in Operation Art, which was held on September 15th 2018 at the Armory Gallery, Jamieson Street, Sydney Olympic Park.

The exhibition will be on until Sunday, 29th October 2018 and it is a free entry and a great place to visit over the school holidays.

Make it a fun trip and see if you can spot the four wonderful artworks that are there.

Have a safe and artistic holiday everyone and see you next term.

Ms Alex

Parent Workshop

A huge thank you to the parents that were part of the Parent Art Workshop.

It has been a pleasure to spend time creative wonderful artworks with the parents. Your childrens smiles show just how proud they are of their mothers.



















Help Save The World







In the world's oceans there are a lot of plastic items that can be harmful to the environment. These plastic items can kill lots of sea creatures who will then become endangered. The size of the "Great Pacific Garbage Patch" in the Pacific Ocean is 3 times larger than France.



Neo, Angelin, Edward, Cheyani and **myself (Jack)** decided we needed to do something so we cleaned up the rubbish at our school. The wind can blow rubbish into the ocean and kill lots of sea creatures. We don't want that to happen.

Do you want to live in a world full of rubbish and less sea creatures? I know I don't want to. Throw your rubbish in the bin so it does not end up in the sea. .

Watch this video and see how bad the damage is.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YGBpHYLNtRA





Jack used our new technology to type his article for the newsletter.



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GENERAL MEETING

The next General Meeting will be held in the 2nd week back on Monday October 22nd at 3:30pm in the Community Room.

VOLUNTEER

Have some free time to spare? Look out for opportunities to help out at the school.

Minutes are available.

Copies of the minutes have been placed in the front office. They are also available from the Secretary. Please send enquiries to belmoresthsecretary@gmail.com

Enjoy your holidays!!





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General Meeting

Dear Belmore South Community,

The next **General Meeting** of the P&C will be held on **Monday 22**nd **October, 2018**at **3.30pm**

Location: Community Room

Come along to find out how we help the students and the school.

Light refreshments served.

All Welcome.