Belmore School Fundraising

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!**

We need people willing to distribute and collect fundraising tins to shops in your local area. There is not much time involved in this. It would be simply mean collecting the tin from school, leaving with shops in your area and then calling in every month or so to monitor whether the tin needs to be changed over.

**Remember this is for our kids!!!!!!!**

Please contact Wendy or Kim at the school office on 9859 8762 to arrange a time to pick up the collection tins.

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK......

Invitation to Opening of Building Project - You are Invited
You will find an invitation to our opening on 16th June at 11.00. We have planned for student involvement in the proceedings. We hope you will share a morning tea with us. Please come along to support this school function. We are very proud of the improvements to the school.

AFL Day
Yesterday, the school had an iconic Melbourne cultural experience with a visit from 2 Kangaroo Footy players. Ted and Cameron did a "meet and greet", chatting to our students, with autographs and photos. Thanks to those who dressed for the occasion. Thanks to Fiona, for organising the event.

Special Person’s Day
This was held last week, during education week. It was a very successful morning, with over 50 special visitors. Some classrooms demonstrated their programs and their work, and some classrooms went straight to party mode. There’s a great display of photos in the front foyer of the school. Check it out when you come to the opening on the 16th.

Sick Kids and Sick Staff
We have lots of students and staff who are unwell at the moment. If your child has a nasal discharge and is coughing please think about whether they should come to school. If you are unsure, please contact Ali, our nurse. When our students cough, they are generally unable to cover their mouth and nose. We want to protect all students, many of whom are extra vulnerable to respiratory infection.

We had 9 staff off sick yesterday. We encourage staff who are not well to stay at home to prevent the spread of germs.

Review process
We have had several visits from our reviewer, Julie Hardiman, who is attending some Professional Learning Team meetings and focus groups to help us review and develop our next strategic plan. The Review day is the 23rd June.

Thanks
I’ve been on leave in the Kimberley for a couple of weeks. I’ve enjoyed the different colours and climate- not to mention bare feet for a fortnight. My thanks to the leadership team, especially to Jan and Rose who held the fort so capably when I was away.

Lynda, our business manager, has been on leave all this term. She’s in Europe, probably buying lots of shoes. Kim has been acting as business manager in her absence- doing a great job. Rachel has been assisting on reception on Thursdays and Fridays.

Everything has been going smoothly- a credit to the team at Belmore.

Joan Anson

2/06/2011
Yesterday we had special visitors from the Kangaroos Football Club. The students (and staff) enjoyed meeting with Cameron Pederson and Todd Goldstein.
WHAT IS HAPPENING?

Room 6 News..............

2011 is looking like becoming a big year for the students in Room 6, most have entered their teenage years and so it has been important for the staff to usher in a greater sense of independence into their lives. One of the main points of focus has been to bring out the adult in these young adults, with a focus on social maturity, physical growth and also growth in their abilities.

It is amazing to witness the changes from seeing these children becoming teenagers, and see the forming of new interests, ideas, and outlooks from the students, it seems like every week that someone gets a grasp of something new and then incorporates it into their lives. The recent trip to Garfield camp is a perfect example. One of the highlights was seeing Max and Aidan socialising more with each other and by the end of camp they seemed to rely much more on each other for entertainment rather then trying to gain the attention of staff for social fulfilment. The Josh's have also shown great examples of maturity particularly with their communication. There has been great feedback on how well they have been dealing with social situations with other adults and students on a communication level, and the same also goes for Jake, whose stories about his weekends are becoming more elaborate all the time. The girls in Room 6 are most definitely on the road to maturity.

Megan has been talking more and more as well as louder and louder and her willingness to speak up even when introduced to new people has been an exemplary effort. Just the other day one of the kids who is hard of hearing asked her to shush because she was so loud! Brittany's vocabulary is progressing very well and she is also becoming quite independent in her day to day duties, requiring less instruction to perform tasks. These examples have been significant in the ever-growing independence of Room 6 students.

2011 has been a fascinating year so far and the staff of room 6 look forward to continue being a part of the students growing independence and maturity.

Nick Keillor, Room 6 Classroom Assistant
Belmore School

Invitation

You are cordially invited to attend the grand opening of
Belmore School’s Building Project
funded by 'Building the Education Revolution'

On Thursday 16 June 2011
From 11.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon

At Belmore School
49-53 Stroud Street, Balwyn, 3103

Morning Tea will be provided

Please RSVP by Friday 10 June
or phone Wendy/Kim/Rachel on 9859 8762
or email belmore.sch@edumail.vic.gov.au

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Reply Slip

Building the Education Revolution

I/We would like to attend the Opening of Belmore School's Building Project
on Thursday, 16 June at 11.00 a.m.

Name/s: (Please print) __________________________________________
WHAT IS HAPPENING?

VICTORIAN PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE 2011

Dear Parents, Friends and Carers,

This year we have thirteen participants in the Victorian Premier’s Reading Challenge. Congratulations to Stephanie (Rm 3), Shevaun, Shayla, Ben, Hannah, Matthew, Aidan, Zoe, Riley (Rm 5), Max, Jed, Brittany and Henry. There is still time to register for the Challenge so please let the classroom teacher know if you would like to register your child and I will provide a form.

Just a reminder that this year books are due back on MONDAY and new books will be given to participants on Tuesday.

A HUGE thank you to Sam from Room 6 for going through every book in the school library to find those registered on the Challenge database. The Challenge would not have gone ahead this year without her amazing effort.

Betty Roberts
Reading Challenge Coordinator
STUDENT AWARDS

Shayla (Room 7)
For excellent attention and participation in Music Therapy. Shayla sustained a long gaze at the oboe, reached her hand forward, and touched the cold metal & hard wood when offered.

Ray (Room 8)
For fantastic participation and attention during music therapy. Ray ‘danced’ along to favourite songs by bopping his head, smiling, and moving his arms. Ray also chose a maraca and played it independently, then returned it to the music therapist when told the activity was finished. This reflects great progress for Ray.

Max (Room 6)
For active and consistent participation in music therapy. Max used his communication book to correctly guess all shapes and colours offered, and then sang very enthusiastically into the microphone. Well done Max!

Genevieve (Room 5)
For independently played the big bass drum for two verses of the ‘Hello’ song in music therapy. Genevieve did this while smiling, making eye contact with staff, and focussing her attention on the drum. Genevieve also used eye gaze, a smile, and a slight nod of head to say “yes” to more Tickly Rain. Great work Gen!

Great Effort
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I'll appreciate your support as I embark on a new and exciting career as a Speech Pathologist. I will be working part-time in Rooms 4, 7 & 9, Mon-Wed.

I can be contacted by email at yvonne.chia@yooralla.com.au

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**Biggest Morning Tea**

We had a lovely morning tea. After a very challenging week I really enjoyed it. Thanks to Sharon & Laura for your help to the quality guests who came along and also the staff for their support.

**Art Craft Morning Tea**

I have a cupboard full of beautiful sample fabrics that I want to turn into shapes, strips & pieces for Sandy to use with our children at Belmore. So bring your good scissors and come along to:

16 Eram Rd, Box Hill North, 3129. 10 am onwards on Thursday 30/06/11.

P.S. you are most welcome without your scissors!

Karen Jeffery.

9898 1019, 0432 325080, kazjef@optusnet.com.au

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The Bunnings Box Hill Sausage Sizzle is happening on Sunday the 9th of October and we need volunteers to man the stall and talk to local retailers for supplies. If anyone is interested in helping out please contact Andrew:

m0434 729 338  h98981019  belmorebbq@gmail.com

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**Therapy Corner**

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Balloon Football

The first ‘give it a go’ session was a success,
so we are having another one!

Fun Social

Pilot competition planned for Term 3

The sport is played at walking pace and players are in wheelchairs. Wheelchairs can either be motorised or manually pushed by an ‘assistant’.

When: Tuesday 14th June 2011
Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm
Where: Maroondah Indoor Sports Centre
362-378 Canterbury Road, Ringwood (opposite Cadbury Factory)
Melways Ref. Map 63 F1
Cost: Free

For more information or to register, please contact:
Beau Stokes (MISC) on 9298 4487 or email bstokes@maroondah.vic.gov.au
Olivia Nam (ERLS) on 9720 5944 or email aaaa@erls.net
Guy Brown (Scope) on 9902 1061 or email gbrown@scopevic.org.au
Tummy Topper Mates are cloth pads designed to go around a PEG (Percutaneous Endoscopic Gastrostomy), Mic key button, GJ (Percutaneous Endoscopic Gastrojejunoscopy) and J (Jejunostomy) tubes.

They are machine washable, environmentally friendly, colourful, and fun for children who have a PEG to wear. There are also ranges for teens and adults (adults in solid colours).

Tummy Topper Mates are sold in two ways:
- $5.00 each
- $30 starter pack of 7 (one for every day of the week)

Contact Maria by email

**tummytoppermates@bigpond.com**

Or Mobile 0409188146

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**GREYTHORN PRIMARY PRESENTS:**

Andrew Fuller

...on Building Resilience in Kids and Creating Resilient Families

Enjoy a fun night with well-known clinical psychologist & author

**When?**
Arrive 7pm for 7.30pm start - Tuesday 28 June

**Where?**
Greythorn Primary School Hall,
Reading Avenue, Balwyn North.

**BOOKINGS**
Call our office to register on 9857 9762
Or email names of attendees to:
greythornpfa@gmail.com

**Cost**
Only $5 (please pay on the night)

Snacks Provided
Join us for a great night!

Seats limited Book now!

**TOPICS COVERED WILL INCLUDE:**
Understanding resilience and rejuvenation across life, how to embed resiliency skills in the curriculum, knowing yourself and your strengths, effective communication strategies, decision making and problem solving, emotional intelligence, positive thinking and the cultivation of happiness.

Author of TRICKY KIDS, HELP YOUR CHILD SUCCEED AT SCHOOL, RAISING REAL PEOPLE, FROM SURVIVING TO THRIVING, WORK SMARTER NOT HARDER and BEATING BULLIES. Co-author of series of programs for the promotion of resilience and emotional intelligence used in over 3500 schools in Britain and Australia called THE HEART MASTERS. Fellow of the Department of Psychiatry and the Department of Learning and Educational Development at the University of Melbourne.
What’s On in Melbourne?

School Holidays July 4th to 15th 2011

Melbourne Magic Festival 2011

Monday 4th – Saturday 16th July 2011

This year, Melbourne Magic Festival 2011 offers over 135 performances of 36 different shows!
Northcote Town Hall

www.melbournemagicfestival.com

Circus Oz

22/06/2011 to 17/07/2011
7:30 PM – 9:30 PM

Matinee show 1.30pm, Saturday and Sunday 25 June to 17 July and Wednesday and Thursday 6 to 14 July. Evening show 7.30pm, Wednesday to Saturday 22 June to 16 July, except 7 and 14 July.
Tel.:136 100


Disney on Ice presents Worlds of Fantasy

06/07/2011 to 11/07/2011

Four of your favourite Disney stories come to life at Worlds of Fantasy presented by Disney on Ice. Disney/Pixar’s ‘Cars’, Little Mermaid, The Lion King and Pixie Hollow with Tinker Bell.

Rod Laver Arena

What is the 1 in 4 poll?

- It is a survey. People with a disability can have a say about different topics
- Your answers will help to make social inclusion better for people with a disability

Who is organising the survey?

- The survey is by Scope and Deakin University
- Your answers will be used in research and to give information to other people and government. Your personal information will not be shared

How to do the survey

- You can do the survey by yourself or with help
- There is a survey in easy English
- You can do the survey online. You can get sent a paper copy of the survey

www.1in4pollaustralia.com
Family Relationship Services for Carers in partnership with Huntington’s Victoria

Invite you to a

Wills and Estate Planning Evening

Are you the parent or carer of a child or person with a disability?

- Are you concerned about their future should something happen to you?
- Do you have questions about making a will or Powers of Attorney?
- Are you seeking information about the different trusts and future planning?

Then come along and listen to our guest speakers:

Angela Cursio (Fischer McCrae lawyers)  
Mirko Oklobdzija (Centrelink)

Date: Tuesday, 21st June 2011
Time: 7.00 — 9.00pm
Venue: Huntington’s Victoria  
16 Wakefield Street  
Hawthorn 3122

RSVP: Stefanie Hansen 9871 2603 or shansen@each.com.au  
by 17th June 2011
Case Managers

Thank you to the 23 parents who have sent in the reply slip for Case Managers. You may not have a case manager. If not, please still send in the form and let us know you don’t have one. We would appreciate it if you could return this slip, if you haven’t already done so – you will keep our office staff happy!

Reply Slip
Case Managers

Please return to the School Office

Student’s Name: ______________________________________

Case Manager Details:

Name: ________________________________________________

Organisation: __________________________________________

Phone Number: _________________________________________

Email: _______________________________________________