The Belmore News

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 12th September  Parent Forum 1.30pm
Wednesday 14th September  Senior Department Dance/Music concert 10.30am
Wednesday 21st September  Hairdresser visit
Thursday 22nd September  Parent meeting CPSN ‘iPads Presentation” 12.30 to 2.30
Friday 23rd September  End Term 3
Sunday 9th October  Bunnings Barbeque fundraiser
Monday 10th October  Start Term 4
Wednesday 19th October  School Photo Day
Tuesday 1st November  Melbourne Cup Day
Wednesday 16th November  Graduation Dinner

DIARY DATES FOR 2012

Pupil free days for next year 2012
1st February  (first day of term state-wide day)
21st March
25th July  (reporting day) Please put this date in your diaries for parent-teacher team meetings next year
5th September

DON’T FORGET…………..

The more dockets, the more items the School will receive, e.g. books, classroom equipment, art & craft materials and much, much more.

We receive one Learn & Earn point for every $10 spent in the store (excluding cigarettes, alcohol and gift cards).

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Thursday 8th September 2011
Currently our senior School students are busy preparing and rehearsing for the Senior School Concert on Wednesday 14th September at 10.30 am in the hall. The performance will include singing and movement and dance in collaboration with Howard Wilkinson (Dance instructor), Jenny Chiang (relieving music therapist), participants of “The Boys Group” program by Patrick Moody and Paul Cooper; and the students and staff. “I Have a Dream” concept allows the students to drift through a dream, play in the snow and have adventures through the jungle whilst accompanied by singing and instruments played by the students. We hope that the audience and students will delight in experiencing this creative performing exploration.

Wednesday night’s Transition meeting showed a great turn out of parents to gain initial information and discuss the future process for student when they leave the School. Last week’s parent night also allowed parents to show support and reinvigorate the Friends of Belmore with lots of ideas and information offered.

Next week, as part of the “Food” theme this term, the Junior School are organising a “Hawkers Market” within the School program for students and staff this will include tastings foods from Italy, Australia, Middle East and Japanese. We are looking forward to this event and thank the Junior team in advance.

Coming up is a “Focus Group” meeting on Monday 12th September at 1.30 pm. All are invited to attend this forum and have your say about the School. The following week is the Parent Support Group Meeting, and iPad presentation, on the 22nd September at 12.30 pm where lunch will be provided; it is asked that you RSVP to this occasion.

Gillian Mosley

On behalf of … Joan Anson
WHAT IS HAPPENING?

Children's book author Rhonda Tallnash came to Belmore School for Literacy and Numeracy week.
WHAT IS HAPPENING?

News from the Art Room - Term 3.
“Fun with Food and Feet and other arty adventures!”

Belmore students have been busy in the Art Programme exploring painting with food and being part of whole School projects.

Students have been using food such as corn, potatoes, celery, carrots and capsicum to make interesting paint marks on large sheets of paper. They have enjoyed touching and smelling the various foods and some students have had a little nibble on the celery - before it got dipped in the paint!! The art room has been smelling lovely and fresh, more like a cookery class than an art class.

Students have also been busy painting and decorating photo frames (for a surprise present). They have decorated the frames with paint, tissue paper and their choice of pasta.

Zara (Room 4) explores painting with a corn cob. A sensory experience that smells yummy!

Max (Room 6) concentrates as he makes a Fathers day present.

Jack (Room 4) makes interesting marks with a ‘celery stick’ paint

Nathan (Room 2) engaged in feeling paint with his hands.
WHAT IS HAPPENING?

For Literacy and Numeracy Week students have been making a print of their foot - this will be used as part the Big Foot Competition. This has been a lovely sensory experience for all students. They have enjoyed feeling the cool gooey paint on their feet and having a warm soapy foot bath to finish off.

We welcome Libby, a pre-service teacher from RMIT, who will be experiencing life at Belmore not only through the Art Programme but through all the programmes offered here at Belmore; Literacy and Numeracy programmes, Conductive Education, Intensive Interaction, Tac-pac, Hydrotherapy, Music and Dance Therapy etc. Libby has settled in well, is getting to know all the students and has learned a bit of sign language along the way from the Room 9 students. Well done Room 9!

Choice making, painting and drawing, exploring new materials and hearing new words have all been part of the Art Programme. I continue to love watching Belmore Students explore their world through their senses and express themselves through the media of art.

Sandy Angliss
Art Teacher
Literacy and Numeracy Week

"Looking for Big Foot"
Angela Motherwell was the winner of our competition "Looking for Big Foot".
The whole school participated in the Literacy and Numeracy Week.
Each student made a foot print (Thanks to Sandy our wonderful art teacher), posted their prints outside their classroom. Students then walked around and measure (or guessed) whose foot print was whose; who had the biggest foot and who had the smallest foot.

"Oldest to Youngest"
Ali Knowles our wonderful resident nurse was the winner of a bottle of Moet & Chandon, generously donated by Paul Nicholas our Cleaner. She won the "Oldest to Youngest" competition by putting 20 staff members into Chronological order. Although not 100% correct Ali managed a score of 18/20. Amazing! Needless to say the age of each staff remains a closely guarded secret!
All staff enjoyed the competition which produced many a raised eyebrow! Thanks everyone for being such good sports.

The Great Book Swap
Another activity for the Literacy and Numeracy week was "the Great Book Swap" which rose over $200.00 for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. I commend the generosity of many people who donated books or money. Beimore School is a small Community but it doesn't mean that we can't contribute to other Communities in a worthwhile way. Thank you to all who contributed.

Penny Eggerton (Organiser)
ALL the recipes for the Belmore cookbook need to be given to Tsering by the 23rd of September. None will be accepted after this date. Email would be preferable: sherpa.tsering.d@edumail.vic.gov.au

Friends of Belmore Fundraiser
“The Belmore Community Cookbook” 3rd Edition
We are producing a third edition of The Belmore Cookbook (1st 2001, 2nd 2006) and are asking all families and staff to please submit 1, 2 or 3 favourite recipes for publication. Our cookbook will be available for sale mid term 4 at a cost of $10.00. Perfect Xmas present!

Please send your recipes to Tsering Sherpa (Rm 5) Belmore School.
Bon Appetit!!!
Introducing Kelly Dang

How long have you been working at Belmore School?
I started at the beginning of Term 3, replacing Alisha.

What is your favourite thing about Belmore School?
Working with the students.

What is your favourite OT program that you run?
So far, I am enjoying all of them.

Which course in recent times have you found the most enjoyable and useful?
I'm doing a Makaton/signing workshop this month.

What can't an OT do without in her job?
Being innovative.

Do you prefer dogs or cats?
I definitely prefer dogs - but I'm allergic to both!

What food do you most enjoy?
Ice cream!

What will you be doing in 5 years time?
Not sure if or when it will happen, but I'd eventually like to do volunteer work with developing and disadvantaged communities.

Tell us something interesting about yourself.
I'm experiencing serious withdrawal symptoms whilst waiting for the next season of Dexter to come out.
NOTICE BOARD

DISABILITY EXPO

DISCOVER THE RESPITE POSSIBILITIES...

10AM-3PM
Thursday 15th September 2011

- Craft Workshops
- Sports & Musical Activities
- DisAbility Art Gallery
- Massage and Beauty Treatments

- Refreshments Provided
- Easy Access and Parking
- Individual Respite Advice
- Info from over 50 Service Providers

Brandon Park Community Hall
649 Ferntree Gully Road
Glen Waverley
Melways: 71 C8
For Registration and Enquiries
1300 886 798
Email: ride@yooralla.com.au

FREE EVENT

8/09/2011
The Cerebral Palsy Support Network are holding an Information Session focused on Respite, being held on Tuesday the 20\textsuperscript{th} of September 2011.

This is an opportunity to meet and connect with the CPSN team and find out more about how we can support you and your family.

*Please click the following link for more information -


\textbf{When?} Tuesday 20\textsuperscript{th} September  
\textbf{Where?} Collingwood Library  
11 Stanton Street, Abbotsford  
Opposite Collingwood Train Station  
(Car parking available on-site)  
\textbf{Time?} 7.00pm - 9.30pm  
\textbf{RSVP:} 15\textsuperscript{th} September 2011  
\textbf{Ph:} 03 9445 7488  
\textbf{email:} cpsn@cpsn.info
NOTICE BOARD

Fundraising with First Aid for Garfield North Education Centre

Dear Parents/Careers and Staff,

Garfield North Education Centre is run by 12 member schools. Each year, schools receive blocks of time to plan and implement a fundraising activity for Garfield North Education Centre. This year, we are receiving our time the week of May 23rd - 25th. Our goal is to raise $5,000.00 and our current amount is $2,175.00.

The order form is attached. Please review the information sheet and order form attached. All order forms are due back to your child's teacher no later than Friday, May 27, 2011.

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Our initial fundraising goal for Garfield North Education Centre is to raise $5,000.00. This amount will go towards improving the facilities and creating a more comfortable environment for students.

There are 4 types of First Aid kits available:

1. Mini Pocket Kit
2. Personal Kit
3. Car/Travel Kit
4. Family Kit

Here's what you need to do:

1. Seek orders from family, friends, and contacts.
2. Complete this order form.
3. Return order form with correct cash, or cheque made out to the school by Friday, September 16th, 2011.
4. Orders will be distributed in Term 4.

ORDER FORM

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Class _________________________

Product  Cost  Quantity  TOTAL

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LAST MINUTE NEWS

A Reminder to all parents and carers, if you wish to borrow equipment from the School for the school holiday period, please remember to give your Classroom Teacher plenty of warning.

This enables user agreement paperwork to be completed and Mees Bus Lines to be informed of extra equipment coming home with your child.

Should you have any queries, please contact your Classroom Teacher.