



# Belmont Primary School News

**22 May, 2020**

**Issue # 06**

**Coming  
Events**

## **Kindergarten Applications 2021**

Open now!  
Applications are now  
on the school website

Closing date 24  
July, 2020

## **School Photos**

POSTPONED

Dates to be  
confirmed

## **Uniform Shop**

Opening hours  
Monday's  
2.45-3.15pm

## **Quote of the Fortnight**

How to be  
happy.....  
"Decide every  
morning that  
you are in a  
good mood.  
Happiness is a  
choice".

## **Dear Parents and Caregivers,**

It has been great seeing classrooms full and programs running as normal. We have had above 90% return over this week, peaking at 96% on Wednesday.

A quick reminder that gates will be closed at 8:50 every morning and by 3:15pm in the afternoon. Our K/PP students will now leave a little later in the afternoon and gates will be open for them by 2:55pm.

Thanks to all the parents who joined in our little morning dance. Mrs McDonald is putting together the video, along with the help of Mrs Shanks, and we are hoping to have this ready soon for viewing. Please let us know asap if you do not want your child appearing in the video by messaging or ringing the front office.

**School Photos:** These were planned for the 3rd and 4th June, but with the requirements in regards to social distancing, the Department has asked us to postpone these until further notice. I have contacted the photographers and the only available time slots are now in November, 4th Term.

Dates are yet to be confirmed.

## **School Council & P&C Meetings:**

These can now be held but have to be after school hours and with no more than 20 in attendance. Could you please email me if you are interested in being part of our P&C this year—this is open to all parents, caregivers, grandparents and community members. I will then look at organising our first informal "meet & greet" P&C meeting following our next set of guidelines from the Education Department.

We are also after someone to take over the Uniform Shop if you would like to help. This is a volunteer job and the shop is usually open for a short time after school one day a week. Once again, could you please let the front office know if you are interested. Thanks to Mrs McDonald for taking on this role and ensuring that parents have their uniform orders completed.

Year 6 Leavers—Polo shirts—these are now being screen-printed and hope that they will be back soon for the Year 6 students to wear.

**Assembly:** Thanks to Room 7 and Mrs Butterworth for organising our first assembly—via video on Seesaw. Thanks, too, to Mrs McDonald for videoing this and publishing it for us. Congratulations to our Citizenship Award recipients from 1st Term, and our Honour Certificate students for this term.

**School Uniforms:** We have noticed a variety of different fashion wear at school this term. Our Uniform Policy was formed in collaboration with parents, and part of enrolling at Belmont PS is agreeing to the Dress Code. Mrs McDonald has a lot of second-hand uniforms which can be purchased for a gold coin donation. I have attached the School Dress Code to this newsletter for your information. This Dress Code and Uniform requirements can be revisited by the P&C and then through the School Council.

I will endeavour to keep everyone up-to-date through Connect once I have received further updates.

I wish you all a wonderful weekend—which I believe is going to be quite a mixture of weather - Saturday—hot and sunny; and then Sunday—windy and storms!!!

Take care and stay safe.

*Stephanne Dann.....Principál*

## Congratulations



### Citizenship Awards—1st Term

Displaying sound Citizenship qualities which reflect the values of Respect and Responsibility towards self and others.

Congratulations to;

- Room 1—Krestin and Rihan
- Room 3—Flynn and Yvonne
- Room 4—Briar and Shelby
- Room 7—Mieka and Nyima
- Room 9—Mouhammed and Fatima

### Merit Certificates

The following students were awarded Merit Certificates this fortnight.

Congratulations to;

- Skye McD Kindy Green
- Tayte H-J Pre Primary

- Jimmy L Pre Primary
- Diane O Year 1
- Tyreace T Year 3
- Imogen C Year 3
- Latoya T Year 4
- Khadija S Year 5
- Cameron O Year 6

## Kindergarten 2021



Kindergarten enrolments are now open for 2021!

Western Australia now has immunisation laws that will help to better protect our children and the wider community from vaccine-preventable diseases.

When you enrol your child in Kindergarten you will need to provide your child's current Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) Immunisation History Statement, which shows your child is 'up-to-date' with all the scheduled immunisations (according to the National Immunisation Program) for their age. This Statement must be no more than two months old.

In most cases, your child will be offered a place at your local public school or a Community Kindergarten linked to your local school. However, if the number of Kindergarten applications exceeds the number of places available, you may be referred to a nearby Kindergarten which has places available. Every effort is made to accommodate your child in a school as close as possible to your home.

If your child is four years old by 30 June 2021 you can apply to enrol them in Kindergarten for 2021.

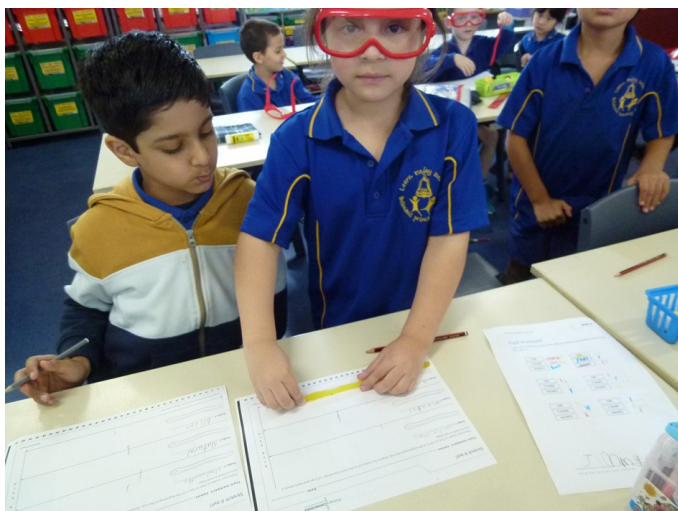
**Applications close Friday July 24, 2020.**

Applications forms can be printed off our website [belmontps.wa.edu.au/enrolments](http://belmontps.wa.edu.au/enrolments)

## Science Corner



### Science News



The classes have all settled back enjoying science activities. Room 3 has been investigating materials that bend, stretch and can be scrunched. Room 4 has been looking and making mixtures. Room 7 has been investigating what materials are used to make gloves and bags. They are finding out about the properties of materials, for example waterproofing and absorption. Room 9 are investigating changing of states of matter (solid, liquid and gas).

### Waste Wise

Please keep your used batteries for recycling. Bring the old batteries to your classroom and place them in the battery containers so that the Year 5/6 class can weigh them to see who has won the monthly competition. Please collect and send in other materials that we can use in our Recycling Centre outside Room 3. The students can place them there as parents at the moment are unable to drop the items off due to the restrictions. Thank you for your support.

**Fact**—The phantom load electricity consumed by appliances like TVs, radios,



the microwaves on stand-by can add \$200 a year to your bill.

### Crunch&Sip®

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##### What foods can I pack for Crunch&Sip®?

The Crunch&Sip® break is a time to introduce children to raw vegetables and fruit and encourage the water drinking habit. Fresh vegetables and fruit are the best choice. Please only send foods with a tick:

#### ✓ Allowed

##### Vegetables

✓ All fresh vegetables (eg celery, carrot sticks, broccoli bits etc.)

##### Fruit

✓ All fresh fruit (eg whole fruits, chopped melon etc.)  
 ✓ Fruit canned in water, juice or 'no added sugar' (eg peach slices)  
 ✓ Dried fruit - please limit as it contains concentrated sugar and tends to cling to teeth, increasing risk of tooth decay

##### Water

✓ Only plain water

#### ✗ Not Allowed

##### Drinks

✗ Any drinks other than plain water including fruit or vegetable juice, fruit juice drink, fruit cordial, mineral waters, carbonated water

##### All other foods not permitted include:

✗ Dips, including those that are vegetable based  
 ✗ 'Fruit' products (eg fruit leather, fruit roll-ups, fruit bars or similar)  
 ✗ Fruit jams, jellies, pies and cakes  
 ✗ Fruit canned in syrup or jelly or with artificial sweeteners  
 ✗ Canned or processed vegetables  
 ✗ Vegetable or potato crisps, hot potato chips  
 ✗ Vegetable pastries (pies, pasties, sausage rolls)  
 ✗ Vegetable cakes, fritters, quiches, breads or similar  
 ✗ Popcorn

This program is continuing so make sure you have your water bottle so you can fill it up every day and bring in a piece of fruit and/or vegetable to crunch on. Thank you for your continued support.

### Sunsmart

Sunscreen should never be the only method of sun protection used. Nor should it be used to stay out in the sun longer, remember to use a combination of Slip! Slop! Slap! Seek! Slide!

### Water Wise.

Fact—Water is the only substance on Earth that can be found in 3 different forms – solid, liquid or gas



Tip—

#### Switch to a water efficient showerhead



Switch to a WELS 3 star or above water efficient showerhead. By switching to a water efficient showerhead you can reduce your shower water by a quarter.



*Carolyn Waters*  
*Science Teacher*



## Room 4 – Mrs Baldwin

The Year 2/3's in Room 4 have been very busy during their art lessons learning about different artists.

This week we learn about Vincent Van Gogh and his famous painting called "Sunflowers".

The class all participated in drawing their own sunflowers and what an amazing job they did.

We then took our drawings to the art room and the children had the choice on what art medium they would use to add colour to their work. Some children chose to use poster paint to add their colour, while others chose to use oil pastels crayons with a blue edicol dye wash over the top.

It is great to see that every child's interpretation of the Sunflower painting by Vincent Van Gogh is slightly different. Some even adding eyes to their sunflowers.

Well done Room 4 - you did an amazing job.



## SCHOOL DRESS CODE



### RATIONALE

The School Community believes a school dress code:

- ♦ Promotes and enhances the public image of the school
- ♦ Fosters in students the sense of belonging and of loyalty and pride in their school
- ♦ Encourages equity amongst students
- ♦ Assists staff in ensuring the safety of all students
- ♦ Enables recognition of students when on out-of-school excursions
- ♦ Helps establish a positive working tone within the school which assists in building school and team spirit.
- ♦ Keeps clothing costs to a minimum

### ALL STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO WEAR UNIFORMS

This means that any students accepting enrolment in this school are expected to wear our uniform unless there are special circumstances which have been negotiated with the Principal at the time of enrolment.

*“Acceptance of enrolment at a school assumes an agreement between the school, the parent/guardian and the enrolling student that the student will dress within the guidelines of the school dress code. If the dress code is unacceptable, parents have the right to apply for admission to a school where the dress code reflects their preference.”*

Department of Education Policy.

### EXEMPTIONS

- Exemptions or modifications for:
- Religious reasons, or
- Medical reasons,
- May be negotiated with the Principal at the time of enrolment.

### STUDENTS NOT FOLLOWING THE DRESS CODE:

1. Note and Phone call home to parents
2. Parent interview for repeated non-compliance
3. May be excluded from excursions, school representation
4. May be expected to wear a uniform supplied by the school for the day.

### SCHOOL DRESS REQUIREMENTS

1. A policy of “no hat, no play” applies at all times
2. Closed in shoes to be worn for safety reasons, and at all times for Physical Education and Sport. Appropriate secure sandals may be worn for all other activities. Open shoes such as slip-on sandals, crocs and thongs are not acceptable safe footwear for school.
3. Students must not wear any additional items for clothing which are not part of the school uniform eg bicycle pants, leggings, check shirts, denim.
4. No jewellery other than studs/sleepers in ears and a watch may be worn
5. No make-up – including nail polish and spray on hair colour
6. For health and safety reasons, all long hair (boys and girls) must be tied back
7. Students to remove over-jackets worn for extra warmth during the colder months when inside the classroom.

### THE UNIFORM:

The uniform is as follows

- ♦ Royal Blue school Polo with school crest,
- ♦ Royal Blue school windcheater/jacket with school crest.
- ♦ Royal Blue shorts/blue skorts.
- ♦ Royal Blue tracksuit pants or Royal Blue Cargo pants..



# Secondhand Uniform Sale!

We have quite a lot of good quality, secondhand uniform items available for purchase.

We have LOTS of long-sleeved polo shirts (mainly smaller sizes), cargo pants, even HATS!

School jackets \$5.00

All other items are a gold coin donation.

## JACKETS



## LONG SLEEVED POLOS



## CARGO AND TRACK PANTS



Please email specific requests to  
[melissa.mcdonald2@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:melissa.mcdonald2@education.wa.edu.au)

Items can be collected from 2:45pm, at the gate on  
Monday First in... best dressed!