



Belrose Public School

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Term 1, Week 2

NEWSLETTER DATE: THURSDAY, 5TH FEBRUARY, 2009

FOR YOUR DIARY

WEEK 2

Friday 6th February

Auditions for Year 3/4 Boys Dance Group
Lunch time in the hall

WEEK 3

Monday 9th February

Call back for Year 5/6 Girls Dance Group

Tuesday 10th February

Boys Dance 8:15am in the hall
P&C Meeting 7.45pm school hall

Wednesday 11th February

Call back auditions for Year 3/4 Dance Group
if needed

WEEK 4

Tuesday 17th February

Girls Dance 8:15am in the hall
K-2 Parent/Teacher Evening

Wednesday 18th February

Year 3/4 Dance Group in the hall at lunch
Year 3-6 Parent/Teacher Evening

***Please refer to our school website
Calendar page for future dates in Term 1.**

STOP WORK MEETING

FRIDAY 6TH FEBRUARY, 2009

All teachers will be at school and
classes will be held as normal.



Kindergarten

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents

Class Organisation

Last Thursday our new Kinder students had a wonderful start to their primary school education. I would like to thank Jenny de Wilde and Janne Staples for organising an extremely effective transition to school program at the end of last year. On Monday years 1-6 were promoted into their new classes and we're looking forward to an exciting, productive year where all students are engaged in their learning. I appreciate the professional manner in which all staff delivered road safety programs in the first week and welcomed their new students into a warm, supportive classroom environment. During the first week, teachers participated in hand over meetings to share information and ensure a smooth transition to new classes. This process was valued by all staff.

Staff

We welcome Georgie Hood (3G) and Tracey Wilkinson (2IW Wed & Thu) to Belrose Public School.

School Council

A school council is the group responsible for setting the goals and the directions that a school will take in the future. It plays an important role in making sure that the whole community is involved in all the important decisions made by the school. Congratulations to the new members of the School Council: President – Juliette Siemsen; Parent Representatives – Matthew Phelps, Jenny Durante, Danielle White and Kathryn Della-Valle (Follett). The teacher representatives are Robin Bailely, Janne Staples and Sam Meikle.

Kind regards, Jan Cohen

Kindergarten



FROM THE OFFICE

TERM DATES

Term 1 Wed 28th January—Thurs 9th April
 Term 2 Tues 28th April—Fri 10th July
 Term 3 Mon 27th July— Fri 2nd October
 Term 4 Mon 19th October—Fri 18th December

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

Each family has been sent home a Statement of Account for Term 1 which outlines the fees payable for the term. It would be appreciated if you could make prompt payment to the "SCHOOL FEES & EXCURSIONS BOX" in the office foyer.

Payment can be made by credit card, eftpos, cheque made payable to "Belrose Public School" or cash. Please note that if you are paying by cash, payment should be made in person at the office and handed directly to an office staff member. Payment can be made in instalments if you prefer.

If you are experiencing difficulties with fee payments please contact the office.

GENERAL PERMISSION NOTE

A General Permission Note has been sent home to each child. **Please complete the form and return it to your class teacher together with the Pupil Information Card.**

ACCEPTABLE USE OF THE INTERNET and COMPUTER POLICY

A note has been sent home to each child outlining the use of the internet and computer policy. **Please complete the form and return it to the school office.**

KINDERGARTEN PARENTS

For Weeks 1 to 5, the school day for Kindergarten children finishes at 2.45 pm. Please wait for your child in the COLA area adjacent to the school hall.

BOOKCLUB

Issue 1 Bookclub order forms have been sent home today. Scholastic Bookclub orders are sent home twice during each term. If you would like to place an order complete the order form making sure you write your child's name and class clearly on the top. Your payment and order form should be placed in an envelope and put in the locked box marked "BOOKCLUB" in the office foyer. Orders will be sent to the child's classroom when they have been received.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES

Whole school assemblies will be held on Monday afternoon at 2.45pm in the hall. Parents are asked to stand at the back of the hall to ensure enough room for all students and support us in running an orderly assembly by keeping preschoolers with them and quiet at all times.

LATE ARRIVALS & EARLY DEPARTURES

If your child is late or leaving early, parents are required to sign the register in the office so attendance records can be maintained.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Mrs Booth who taught KB last year. She has had a boy called Lachlan.

REMINDERS FOR PARENTS

Parents are asked to be mindful of the children's safety and reinforce with children the following safety procedures:

School zone speed limits of 40km per hour are in force from 8.00 to 9.30am and 2.30 to 4.00pm.

School crossing procedures: A school crossing supervisor (Ms Jankovski) is appointed by the RTA to assist children and families to use the school crossing at Ralston Avenue.

- Children and parents are to wait at the side of the road as Ms Jankovski walks to centre and signals cars to stop. Children and parents proceed to cross the road when signalled, **not** before.
- Children riding bikes to school, dismount and walk their bikes across the road.
- Morning crossing duty will be conducted from the shop side of Ralston Avenue. Afternoon crossing duty will be conducted from the school side of Ralston Avenue.

The same procedures apply at the Cotentin Road pedestrian crossing where teachers are on crossing duty after school.

Children leaving the school via Nursery Place (at the top of the school) must keep to the near side of Cotentin Road, If children are crossing Cotentin Road they must walk down to the crossing to do so. All children whether accompanied by parents or not must cross road at the designated crossing points.

Parents are asked to observe the guidelines for **parking around the school**. Please remind children about safety around school crossings when travelling to and from school.

Parents are reminded that **children who are not collected by 3.20pm** are taken to After School Care.

Please **do not take other children home** unless authorised by the parents of those children. This authorisation needs to be in writing to classroom teachers. Parents are asked **not to congregate on footpaths and verandas outside classrooms** as this causes congestion and is disruptive to students and staff.

DANCE GROUP

Wow! Congratulations to all the boys who tried out for the Senior boys Dance group. 40 enthusiastic boys have auditioned over two days in front of a panel of 4 teachers this week. This has been the biggest audition for the boys dance group at Belrose Public School. Due to the rules set by the Sydney North Dance festival only 24 can be selected.

Mrs Meikle

DANCE COSTUMES

Any parent willing to make dance costumes please see Mrs Meikle or Mr Warren as soon as possible.

SPORT

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The school swimming carnival will be held at Manly Swimming Centre on Tuesday, 3rd March. Parents are most welcome to attend and there is an entry fee payable on the day.

A letter was sent home earlier this week regarding nomination for events. If you have not already returned this "Entry Sheet" please return tomorrow.

SPORT HOUSES

Children have been notified of their new house name. The house names are:

FREEMAN	-	RED
THORPE	-	BLUE
FRASER	-	YELLOW
BRADMAN	-	GREEN

House Captains and Vice Captains will be elected next week.

MOVING BODIES—GYMNASTICS YR K-2

Year 2 and Kindergarten—Monday

Year 1—Friday

Children are required to wear their sport uniform to school on their gym day.

HOME SPORT—YEAR 3-6

A letter was sent home earlier this week regarding the selection process for Home Sport for Years 3—6. Please complete the form and return it tomorrow to your class teacher.

PSSA

Summer PSSA competition commences on Friday, 13th February. Belrose v Frenchs Forest and all games will be played at Forest High School starting at 9.30am. Remember, hats and water bottles!

P&C

PRESIDENTS REPORT

I would like to send a warm invitation to all parents including new parents to the school to attend our first P&C meeting on Tuesday 10th February at 7.45pm in the school hall.

The agenda includes the initial budget, fundraising calendar, uniform shop, canteen, grounds and maintenance plan. Mrs Cohen will also give her Principal's report, highlighting the schools objectives for the year.

Everyone is welcome to attend and I hope to see a crowd scene on the night!

Bernardette Slattery
President

UNIFORM SHOP

Get ready for the SWIMMING CARNIVAL by purchasing a Belrose cossie. We currently have some size 8 girls' cossies available NOW and have ordered other sizes for both boys and girls which are due to arrive in 2 weeks time.

Lowes at Warringah Mall is no longer stocking specifically-made Belrose uniform items such as girls' dresses, sports shirts or jumpers and boys' socks. Lowes has decided to discontinue these items and they will not be re-ordering once any remaining stock is gone.

These items are, of course, available from The Uniform Shop (open every Thursday 2.30-3.30pm) and orders can be placed in the box at the school office or e-mailed to karenjanefuller@bigpond.com

And don't forget, while The Uniform Shop is not run for profit, any extra money made from the sale of uniforms does go back to the school for better resources rather than a retailer's profit.

***There's no need to shop at Lowes....Come to
The Uniform Shop at Belrose!!***

CANTEEN

The Canteen will be open for **counter sales only** tomorrow and will be fully operational (lunch orders etc) from Monday 9th February. If you are able to help out, please complete the Volunteer Form from last weeks' newsletter (available on website under Newsletter ,Term 1 week 1) or collect one from the office.

Please return to the Canteen box in the school office as soon as possible. Volunteering time in our school Canteen is a wonderful way to meet new parents. The Canteen committee is grateful for any time that you can offer. Dads are more than welcome too.

BAND NEWS

Senior/Intermediate Band reallocation day – Thursday 12 February 2009

All members of Senior and Intermediate Band that rent a school instrument will need to bring their instrument in on this day. Please take out all your personal belongings from your case.

Junior Band Information evening –Monday 23rd February 6.30pm—School Hall

Welcome to all new members of the Junior Band. Instruments for these new members will be handed out on this night. Please come along with your Parents to receive your instruments and full information regarding the Band program at Belrose.

Band Committee AGM - Tuesday 24th February at 6.30 pm in the Band room

The Band Committee is looking for new faces this year. The current committee will all be stepping down at the end of this year and we all would like to work with new people this year that will take over from 2010.

Looking forward to seeing some new faces at this meeting.

Cathy Hurditch

TRADING POST

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING PAID ADVERTISEMENTS DO NOT NECESSARILY CARRY THE ENDORSEMENT OF BELROSE PUBLIC SCHOOL

TEENAGE TRIPLE P SEMINARS Positive Parenting Program)

Presented by Warringah Council and are designed for parents/carers of teenagers interested in learning about positive ways of promoting teenagers' development.

Seminar 1: Raising Responsible Teenagers introduces parents to a formula for promoting positive family relationships and a healthy lifestyle. Wed 4 March from 7—9pm

Seminar 2: Raising Competent Teenagers provides a formula for helping teenagers make the most of their time at school. Wed 11 March from 7-9pm

Seminar 3: Getting Teenagers Connected helps parents with ways to encourage teenagers to become involved in socially appropriate activities with supportive friends. Wed 18 March from 7-9 pm. All seminars are held at Warringah Mall Community Room (above Library/Hoyts)

RSVP: Susanne Lundback, 9942 2681 or email: lundbs@warringah.nsw.gov.au BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL.

DOG TRAINING

Does your dog need training? Hanrob offers group classes at a park near you! \$99.00 for 6 weeks. Supported by Warringah Council. Bookings essential, places limited to 12 per class.

Lionel Watts Reserve: 14th Feb—21st Mar 9.00, 10.00 & 11.00 am

Allambie Park, Allambie Rd, Allambie: 14th Feb-21st Mar 1.00, 2.00 & 3.00 pm

Please call 8508 3222 to book or go to www.hanrob.com.au

TAE KWON-DO

Self defence for children and adults, Lionel Watts Sports Centre (Blackbutts Rd, Belrose) Wednesday 4.00pm. For enquiries please call Master Jay Seo on 0418 463 709 or 9400 9676

LEARN TO SWIM

Babies—Learn to Swim-Adult Stroke Correction. Private/Group Lessons. Your Pool or Mine.

Phone Carolyn Gorrick (Qualified Swimming Instructor/Australian Team Member) on 0401 382 336 to arrange a time.

FORESTVILLE PARK TENNIS ACADEMY

Offering various tennis programs for all ages. Please collect a flyer from the office, phone Lucas on 0407 244 037 or Mark on 0403 196 355 or email mark@fpta.com.au

SPEAKERS NIGHT FOR PARENTS & TEENAGERS: Presented by Warringah Council

Getting organised for Study. Topics discussed: The 3 step study method, Setting up a study folder and using "timetabling", Getting ready for test & exams. Wednesday 25 March from 7-9pm at Warringah Mall Community room (above Library/Hoyts) RSVP: YouthLinx Warringah Council on 9942 2681 or email: youthlinx@warringah.nsw.gov.au BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

SELF DEFENCE CLASSES

Kambora Public School Hall-Tuesday 4.00pm, Terrey Hills Community Centre-Tuesday 6.30pm, Forestville Senior Citizen Centre-Wednesday, 5.30pm. Phone: 0413 004 094 or go www.taekidokai.com

ROTARY CHARITY GARAGE SALE

Belrose Rotary Club will be holding a garage sale on Saturday, 14 February at 11 Morgan Rd, Belrose from 8.00 am onwards. If you have any items (in good condition) that you would like to donate, please contact Chris Wood on 9452 3026 and we will arrange to pick up. All proceeds will go to Rotary charities.

HELEN O'GRADY CHILDREN'S DRAMA ACADEMY

Encourage students aged 5-17 to develop confidence and communication skills. They provide excellent preparation for growing up in today's competitive world. Phone: 9982 9085 to find out more about our classes or go to www.helenogrady.com.au

VIP MUSIC

Learn music on keyboard at Belrose PS. Beginners & children of all levels welcome. 45 minute lessons weekly in a small group at a cost of \$22.00 per session. Call to enrol: 9411 3122 between 9am—5pm.