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TERM 4, WEEK 9
NEWSLETTER DATE: 4th December, 2014

Principal’s Message

Congratulations to the ‘Students of the Week’. Well done and keep up the good work. Our last assembly for the year will be held next Monday commencing at 2.20pm in the school hall. Trophies for the Summer PSSA will be presented at this assembly. All are welcome to attend.

Congratulations to the aspiring school leaders who presented their speeches to the student body last Monday. The standard was very high. The result of the elections will be announced at the Stage 3 Presentation Night.

Congratulations to the boys and girls in Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 who received certificates for Citizenship, Technology, Japanese or HSIE at the presentation yesterday. The combined singing of Christmas carols was very entertaining. It was wonderful to see that person in the big, red suit come along and join in the festivities.

Thank you to the hardworking members of the P&C that I have had the pleasure of working with this year. You have been a wonderful group and have done amazing things for the school.

I went to the ‘Gingerbread House Construction’ party last Monday in the hall. The mums, dads and children had a really good time. I am sure there were lots of sugar hits during the night. I wondered if it was a child or an adult activity.

Class structures for 2015 will not be finalised until the commencement of Term 1 2015. This is because it is unsure at this present moment if there will be 12 or 13 classes due to student numbers.

If there are to be 12 classes this proposed structure will be considered:
- 2 Kindergarten classes, 2 Year 1 classes with one of these classes having a small group of Kindergarten children in it, 2 Year 2 classes, 1 Year 2/3 class, 2 Year 3 classes, 1 Year 3/4 class, 1 Year 4/5 class, 1 Year 5/6 class and 1 Year 6 class.

If there are to be 13 classes this proposed structure will be considered:
- 2 Kindergarten classes, 2 Year 1 classes with one of these classes having a small group of Kindergarten children in it, 2 Year 2 classes, 1 Year 2/3 class, 2 Year 3 classes, 1 Year 3/4 class, 1 Year 4, 1 Year 5 class, 1 Year 5/6 class and 1 Year 6 class.

No teaching staff has been allocated to any class as yet.

I remind parents that written requests regarding their child’s class placement which state valid educational or social concerns will be given serious consideration by the principal but the ultimate decision rests with the principal in consultation with the executive and teaching staff. There is no guarantee that parent requests will be successful.

Regards
Barry Chamberlain

Dates

Term 4

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## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

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## LIBRARY NEWS

This week is the last week for library lessons. I will be doing a stocktake in the library and elsewhere in the school after this. Please encourage your children to return their library books. Overdue notes have been given to students. Thank you for all your support this year. I might just make a special mention of Mrs Macri. I don't know what I would do without her.

Have a happy and safe Christmas and New Year. With lots of extra time for reading over the holidays. I look forward to seeing you all back next year.

Kirsten Wedlock  
Teacher-librarian

## MEDICAL ISSUES

There have been various cases of nits and impetigo reported throughout the school this week. Please check your children. For more information please contact your local public health unit, community health centre, pharmacist or doctor.

## REDGUM

If you have any queries or concerns regarding your Redgum book orders please contact them on (02) 8445 2355.

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This year Belrose School will be supporting Wiseberry Real Estate at Mona Vale in their Christmas Gift Appeal. Gifts donated will be given to one of our local charities - Stewart House. We ask that you help by donating a gift and making someone’s Christmas extra special. Stewart House caters for children ranging from 6-15 years with donations especially desired for 10-12 year olds.

Gifts may be brought to school by Years 3-6 on Monday, 8th December, and will be collected at the afternoon assembly.

Gifts donated by Years K-2 will be collected on Wednesday 3rd December at the K-2 Christmas Singalong.

It has been requested that gifts be unwrapped and placed in a gift bag as all gifts need to be checked for suitability. Please also avoid toys that need too many batteries. Only new items are suitable. No food items please.

Thank you to all those families who support this appeal. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

Mrs Chapple
A warm invitation is extended to our wonderful parents and friends who help out in so many ways to make Belrose a special school.

Date: Monday, 8 December, 2014
Time: 11.00 to 11.30 am
Place: The Library

ALL ARE VERY WELCOME TO ATTEND
PSSA SUMMER COMPETITION THIS WEEK

SENIOR CRICKET
Today we had an away game at Terrey Hills and we played Terrey Hills. It was a great game and everyone had fun. Emily N did some great catches and so did Charlotte, Lauren and Shae. Ashlee got one person out. Everyone played great. We won 60-59. The player of the match is Charlotte.

By Rachel

JUNIOR CRICKET
On Friday 28 November the junior cricket played Terrey Hills. We won 46-26. Player of the match was Charlie F for her bowling and batting. A special mention to Meriz for filling in. Good season being undefeated.

By Gemma L

SOFTBALL A
The 28 November Belrose softball team had a thrilling game against Terrey Hills. Our great fielding and batting resulted in a win of 11-3. The player of the match goes to Adam for his great batting. What a great season.

By Oliver R

SOFTBALL B
We had a good game on Friday 28 November. We played against Terrey Hills and the score was 12-8 to Belrose. We won and everyone had fun. The player of the match was Austin for playing really well.

By Mina

T-BALL A
Belrose T-Ball went to Terrey Hills oval to play their last game of T-Ball for the year against Terrey Hills. The boys played brilliantly well and the final score was 35 to 3 our way. The player of the match could have gone to anyone, but Alex deserved it because he ran for both him and Charlie and ran well every time.

By Seb

T-BALL B
The T-Ball team played away at Terrey Hills. Player of the match is Matthew as he got most of them out. Belrose won 25-17.

By Billy

Let Us Take The Strain Out Of Keeping Your House A Home

Jobs tackled include:
- Mowing, Edging, Trimming and General Garden Maintenance
- Gutter Clearing
- Basic Plumbing Maintenance
- General Property Maintenance and Painting
- Pool Cleaning
- Basic Computer Programming and Maintenance
- Pet Watching and Dog Walking
- Home Watching
- Odd Household Jobs
- No job too small...or odd

Give Jono a call on 0418 240 418 then sit back and relax.
Quotes are free.
P&C News

CANTEEN NEWS

Friday 5 December  Monday 8 December  Wednesday 10 December
Pam Macri (11.30-2pm)  Martin Day (11.30-2pm)  Jenny Gray
Jenny Frangoples  Samantha Cheesman  Nicky McInnes

P&C
Thanks to everyone who attended our AGM on Tuesday night. It was our biggest meeting of the year and it was a great way to end another successful year with such a wonderful team of volunteers.

All the formal Executive positions and the various sub-committee roles have been filled for 2015, which is fantastic! (We will print a full list of the co-ordinators and Exec in next week's newsletter.)

I'd like to say a big thanks to all the parents who have helped out throughout the year. The P&C raised $19,000 through our various fundraising activities and we have invested in the new bubblers, found a new ‘home’ for the Uniform Shop and will be providing shade structures during the holidays. Further shade options will also be looked at for 2015.

A few of our ‘long-time’ volunteers are leaving the school, as their youngest child is completing Year 6. To Meredith (our fabulous Band President), Trista (our wonderful Mother's Day and Father’s Day gift stall organiser) and Deb (our VP and BBQ-er extraordinaire).....we say, a HUGE THANK YOU.

Thanks also to Jenny Gray (our enthusiastic Canteen Co-ord) who is stepping down from her role and to Linda Lamb (our treasured Treasurer) who has completed her 3 year tenure.

Finally, I also finish my time as P&C President at the end of the year and have really enjoyed my 6 years on the Executive team. Thanks to everyone who has helped out in their own unique way, giving their time so generously to make my role easier. We are all very lucky to have such a wonderful, supportive team of parents and teachers working together for our children. The Belrose school community spirit is simply amazing!

Sharon Lacey
P&C President

FUNDRAISING

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our school community once again for all your support for the walkathon we have raised just over $4000 which is just fantastic.

Congratulations to 2V and 4R for being our highest fundraising classes and these children enjoyed their pizza lunch today!

GINGERBREAD NIGHT

Well our annual gingerbread night was again a huge and chaotic success. The creativity was outstanding and I would once again like to thank those that attended for their continued support in this event.

I would also like to thank all the helpers for their wonderful efforts as nights like these can’t run without you.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their continued support in fundraising, our children are very lucky.

Wishing you all a very merry Christmas and a safe holiday and look forward to seeing you all next year.

Fundraising Team
BAND NEWS

The Band Breakfast will be held next Friday, 12th December from 8:00am under the COLA. This year we would like to ask the girls to bring drinks and the boys to bring a plate of food. Please remember no peanut products.

At the breakfast we will present Mr Hill and Mr Polovineo with a gift each to thank them for their hard work & continued dedication to the Belrose Band Program this year. If you would like to contribute to the gifts please put your money in an envelope & place it in the Band box in the office by Wednesday 10th December.

We will also be presenting the year 6 students with a certificate of participation and wish them well for their High School years.

All the children will no doubt enjoy the yummy breakfast. 

Meredith - Band Committee

UNIFORM SHOP

The school year is winding down and things are slowing down in the Uniform Shop. We will continue to open every Wednesday and Friday morning till the end of the school year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank my two wonderful helpers, Michelle Molyneux and Jenny Gray. Ladies, you make the Uniform Shop a very enjoyable place to be. Thank you for all the assistance you have given me this year and for the lovely chats we have had. A special thanks needs to go to Michelle Molyneux who tirelessly helped me with the mammoth job of relocating the Uniform Shop to its current location. Michelle, your organisational skills made the transition go very smoothly and you helped create a very organised and welcoming space. Thanks Michelle! Also, just in case Mr Chamberlain does not realise how appreciative I am, I would like to thank him for a final time for making the move to our new area possible. He listened and acted immediately to address an issue I had been whining about for some time. So thanks Mr Chamberlain. You are awesome!

Do you have any uniforms that no longer fit your child? We gladly accept second hand uniforms and currently are running very low on boys short sleeve shirts. If you think you have some (or any uniform items) at the back of your cupboard it might be time for a clear out. Thanking you in advance for your donations.

The Uniform Shop will be open the last day of the school holidays in 2015. I opened the Uniform Shop on the pupil free day at the beginning of this year and found it was very successful. It is a great opportunity to purchase your last minute uniform needs so your child looks nice and fresh for their first day back at school. So put it in your diaries!

The Uniform Shop will be open 9.30am-11.30am on the 27th of January, 2015. Thank you

Nicky McInnes

You are warmly invited to the
P&C Christmas social
Monday 15th December
7.30pm
in the Jan Jones room, admin block,
Davidson High School.
Meet other parents old and new and find out how you can be involved in our fantastic school.

RSVP to Robyn Banks
robyn@banksconsultancy.com
The Australian Red Cross Mobile Blood Service is visiting Bunnings Belrose,

Thursday 18 December, 9.00am – 2.30pm (30 more donors needed)

If you haven't already made an appointment to give blood, you can make an appointment online or call us on 13 14 95.

1 in 3 Australians will need blood, but only 1 in 30 donates. Donated blood helps cancer patients, people with blood disorders, mothers-to-be and newborn babies, as well as trauma and surgical patients.
We look forward to seeing you again soon. Australian Red Cross Blood Service

Commonwealth Bank

SCHOOL BANKING IS COMING TO BELROSE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEXT YEAR

Turning kids into super savers for life is every parent’s dream - but making it happen is another issue. The good news is, now you can get lots of help from your child’s school with the School Banking program. Look out for further information being sent home soon.

Dollarnites

KU Bambara Road Preschool Enrolling Now!

KU Bambara Road Preschool provides a high quality, not for profit early childhood program for children aged 3 to 6 years old.

We are now offering places for children aged 3 to 6 years old in 2015, including:

▶ An educational, play-based curriculum
▶ A full school readiness program
▶ A safe, natural learning environment
▶ Qualified, experienced staff, including University Qualified Teachers
▶ National Early Years Learning Framework

For more information on enrolling your child, contact the preschool at:

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