

## Belrose Public School

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TERM 4, WEEK 6 NEWSLETTER DATE: 21 November 2019

#### **Dates**

#### Term 4 2019

Friday 22 November Last PSSA matches

Sports Elections 2J Mufti, Pizza and Movie afternoon

Monday 25 November Assembly 2.15pm

Tuesday 26 November Gingerbread House

Making 6pm

Thursday 28 November Year 6 Fete

Mufti/play clothes day

Monday 2 December Assembly 2.15pm

Tuesday 3 December Year 6 High School

Orientation in morning P&C AGM Meeting

7.15pm

Thursday 12 December Surf Life Education

Stage 3

Monday 16 December K-4 Excursions

Year 6 Luncheon

Tuesday 17 December Stage 3—Excursion

Wednesday 18 December Last Day of Term 4

Year 6 Dinner

#### Term 1 2020

Wednesday 29 January Years 1-6 Return to

School

Monday 3 February Kindergarten's

First Day

Thursday 6 February Swimming Carnival for

Yrs 3-6

#### **END OF YEAR PRESENTATION DAYS**

K-2: Thursday 5 December 2019 at 9:30am Yrs 3-4: Monday 9 December 2019 at 9:30am Yrs 5-6: Tuesday 10 December 2019 at 6:30pm

#### **Principal's Message**

**Belrose OSHC Centre** 

#### SUCCESSFUL BAND TOUR

I had the pleasure of going on the Band Tour with our students. I am very proud of every student with how they primarily played to a variety of audiences to how well they conducted themselves both at where we were staying and when on tour. Every instruction was only required once with each student taking on any responsibility with ease. A successful band tour is only possible with the commitment and professionalism of Katie Anderson, Janella Fyfe, parent volunteer Andrew Fairclough and our staff, Lianne Stephens.



#### **2020 CLASSES**

As all parents have confirmed their child's future enrolment at Belrose PS, we are able to plan classes and secure the staffing positions for 2020. We have a full class of students enrolled in Kindergarten and are currently standing comfortably at 10 classes.

The NSW Department of Education provides teachers to schools using a formula on the basis of the total number of students at the school and not the number in each year level. A Kindergarten student is calculated at 0.0513 of a teacher whereas a Years 3-6 student is 0.0333. In 2020, we will be having the following classes, a K, 1, 1, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4/5, 5 and 6. Every school has composite classes and we sometimes form composite classes because of the number of students in particular year levels. Research and our own experience tell us that students do neither better or worse in composite classes. One obvious reason is that every class is a composite class in that the age range is 18 months and the achievement range is often 4 years in most groups of 30 students. All classes, composite or not, should provide opportunities for a range of intellectual challenge, from support through scaffolding to working independently. In all of our classes, we drive for all students to take

responsibility for their own learning. Research has shown that students benefit from class structures that focus on these factors. Research found that these classes based on educational principles do not disadvantage students academically and may benefit them socially and emotionally. Every teacher who has a class of between 20 and 30 students has a composite class. This is no more or less of a challenge in either arrangement of students. We take care to choose students who will do well in both grades of a composite and ensure they mix with others in their year levels.

Teachers have education degrees which allow them to teach classes from Kindergarten to Year 6. To develop teachers professionally, changing teaching grades every few years is beneficial. Teachers are currently putting students into class groups which will take a number of lengthy meetings. Please do not ask the teachers which grades they will be teaching as things change. In 2020, we will continue to have a specialised learning support, music, band and Japanese room. Belrose Staff have their own professional learning and data room. Your children's growth in the key elements of literacy are tracked from Kindergarten to Year 6. We ensure that every child progresses to their full potential.

#### **ELECTION OF SPORTS CAPTAINS AND VICE CAPTAINS**

Tomorrow, interested students from Year 5 are asked to prepare at home a speech to be presented to students. Following the speeches, all students will vote with an announcement following.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the Girls' Team and their coach, Miss Jarvis who attended the Cricket Cup Finals Day on Tuesday. The girls came overall fourth in the Regional Finals.

#### **MONDAY'S ASSEMBLY**

We are looking forward to presenting the Merit, Credit, Distinction and High Distinction awards at the K-6 Assembly on Monday in English, Writing and Maths. PSSA trophy presentation will also take place.

#### **CONTINUED LEARNING**

With only four weeks remaining until the end of term, there are many different school events still to come including awards days and nights, class end of year excursions, sing-alongs and Christmas activities. However, it is important to remember that students will continue working and learning up until the end of term. John Hattie, a leading educational researcher, has shown that students' knowledge and understanding decreases over the summer break. Teachers will continue teaching learning programs up until the last days of term and it is important that students maintain their attendance and concentration for the rest of the school year.

Belinda Zorian

Principal

### **"WISEBERRY"**



Support Stewart House, Bear Cottage & Dalwood Spilstead by donating a gift and making someone's Christmas extra special.

Gifts may be brought to school by Years K-6 from 29 November until 11 December and placed under the Christmas Tree in the School Office.

If possible could K-2 please bring any gifts before Thursday 5 December in time for the K-2 End of Year Presentation Day.

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 generosity will be greatly appreciated.

### Band Camp











#### **YEAR 6 FETE**

Students will be attending the Year 6 Fete on Thursday 28 November from 12:30pm to 2:15pm. All the money raised will go towards a Year 6 gift. Last year's gift was two 3D printers used in our STEM projects.

Every year in this long standing Belrose tradition there is a wide range of activities and food stalls. To ensure your child can participate they will need to bring a small amount of money, preferably in change. Year 6 will charge between 50c and \$2 per activity or food item.

The students can wear play clothes (mufti) on the day, as some of the activities may be messy. All students are aware of the food safety requirements needed for a successful event.

Mr Davidson Assistant Principal Mrs Meikle Year 6 Teacher



### **Bees Wax Wraps**

Buy a **Bees Wax Wrap** Tuesday 26 November from

students at the front office before school.

Prices are

Sml: \$3 Med: \$4 Large: \$5

If you have any light cotton fabric or bees wax you can donate please contact **Mrs Jones** 



## CHESS

If you are in Years 3 to 6 and interested in playing chess please come along every second Friday morning. Chess will take place in my room, 5S every second week from 8.00am to 8.45am. From beginners to advanced. If you have a chess set please bring it along. Chess mornings for Term 4:

Friday 22 November Friday 6 December



Mrs Stephens Chess Coordinator

#### Sport News

#### **PSSA SUMMER COMPETITION THIS WEEK**

#### Cricket

Belrose vs Killarney Heights @ Wyatt Oval

#### Softball and T-Ball

Belrose vs Killarney Heights @ Belrose PS

#### **SENIOR CRICKET**

We played a magnificent game against Kambora last Friday. Belrose won! The player of the match was Olivia D for great batting, bowling and fielding.

By Sarah W

#### **JUNIOR CRICKET**

We had an amazing game against Kambora because we tried our hardest and played with great sportsmanship. We encouraged Kambora to try hard and do well. The score was 28 to 5. Belrose won! Our team played excellently and we had a great game. Imogen caught balls high and low. Emily ran fast after the ball and Kate and Ruby worked hard together. But, player of the match has to be Lilah.

By Carina

#### **SOFTBALL A**

Last week at softball we played against the amazing Kambora. We did some excellent hits and incredible catches. The score was 5 to 9 Kambora"s way. Player of the match was Owen for his awesome runs.

By Ben J

#### **SOFTBALL B**

Last Friday morning we played softball for the B team. Player of the match was Rex T. We played against Kambora and got a few home runs.

By Ben L

#### **T-BALL A**

At T-Ball we did really well because everyone was playing their best. We got a lot of home runs and a few catches. Player of the match was Kobe because he got a few home runs. The score was 17-5 to Belrose.

By Jaydon

#### **T-BALL B**

Last Friday we played against Kambora and played really well. We got a triple play and played with lots of team spirit. The score was 17-6 to Belrose. Player of the match was Will K. He got one home run and got everyone to home.

By Tim F

#### **SYDNEY NORTH CRICKET**

A team of 8 Year 6 girls represented Belrose Public School attending the Sydney North Cricket Blast School Cup Regional Final on Tuesday. The day involved boys and girls teams representing their School Zones from across the Sydney North Region. The girls played 4 games with the last game being a Final. In the end the girls came 4th! A super star achievement. I am beyond proud of their efforts, sportsmanship and dedication. Congratulations Team Belrose, smashing it. Miss Jarvis



#### P & C News

#### **CANTEEN NEWS**

Friday 22 November Jacqueline Power Lee Purser Jen Costello Monday 25 November Lee Purser Wednesday 27 November Lee Purser

#### P&C

Thankyou to all who attended Bogan Bingo. It was most certainly one of the funniest nights. Thank you to Elise Cooper for organising it.

Gingerbread forms must be in by 9.15am tomorrow morning absolute latest. See flyer attached Next P&C meeting is Tuesday 3 December at 7.15pm in the school staff room. This will also be our AGM. All are welcome.

Jo Stracey



## Belrose Public School P&C GINGERBREAD HOUSE NIGHT



## **Tuesday 26 November**, in the Hall **6pm start**, Supper Provided

Gingerbread house	\$48	
Gingerbread house (gluten free)	\$48	All kits include house pieces, cake board,
Chocolate biscuit house	\$48	icing, a small variety of Iollies for decorations
Vanilla biscuit house	\$48	and cellophane and ribbon wrapping.
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bobble head pins are recommended.		cordions of your energy, name wipes, apromaina
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	Any questions – please contact Jo Stracey <u>belrosepandc@outlook.com</u> 0408 438 607	
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Please complete and return to the box in the office foyer <u>PAYMENT is due by WEDNESDAY 20</u> <u>NOVEMBER</u>

children must be supervised by their accompanying adult. There will be no supervision by organisers.

FAMILY NAME:	Number of people attending the night:			
Mobile number:		Email:		
		Qty on night	Qty at home	COST
Gingerbread house	\$48			
Gingerbread house (gluten free)	\$48			
Chocolate biscuit house	\$48			
Vanilla biscuit house	\$48			
		TOTAL	. AMOUNT PAID	

Please make payment by Direct Deposit
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Account Number: 1029 9212 Ref: <b>GINGERBREAD – your name</b>
Date of Deposit:



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For sale from 7.30am **Saturday December 7th** 

Wakehurst Public School Glen Street, Belrose

**6FT** \$70 | **7FT** \$80 | **8FT** \$90

Pre-order online for pickup or home delivery



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Join this family-friendly event with circus theatrical stage shows. With the official opening of the **new** Lionel Watts Reserve.

Lionel Watts Reserve, Blackbutts Road, Frenchs Forest Sunday 1 December, 9.30am - 12pm



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