



# Belrose Public School

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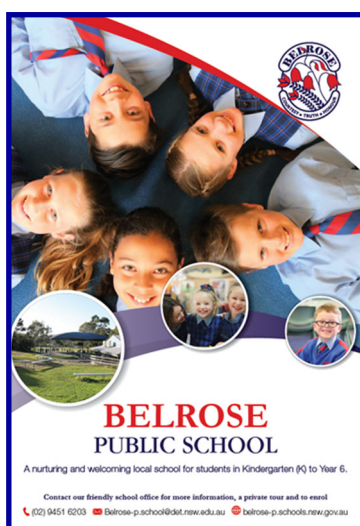
NEWSLETTER DATE: Thursday, 19 November 2020

## Dates

### Term 4 2020

Friday 20 November	2021 Sports leaders to present speeches
Thursday 26 November	Year 6 Fete—Mufti
Tuesday 1 December	P&C meeting
Thursday 3 December	9:30am K-2 Assembly
Monday 7 December	9:30am 3-4 Assembly
Tuesday 8 December	6:30pm 5-6 Assembly
28 and 29 January 1 February 2021	Best Start Kindergarten Interviews
Friday 29 January	Year 1 to 6 students begin
Tuesday 2 February	Kindergarten students begin

**End of year assemblies:** Siblings welcome to attend with a maximum of 2 adults per family please.



## Principal's Message

### 2021 LEADERSHIP TEAM

It is with much anticipation that I announce the leadership team for 2021. The staff is looking forward to working with each of the following students. Congratulations, boys and girls.

School Captains: Lucy C and Max F  
School Vice Captains: Xanthe A and Ryan W  
Prefects: Imogen S, Rachel E, Matthew J and Ray C



### 2021 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 2021. To enlighten you on how staffing arrangements exist, 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. Our enrolment numbers then determine the total number of classes within the school and as a staff, we configure the class organisation.

A later than normal surge in Kindergarten enrolments is a great thing for Belrose. We are working through the possible structures of classes so that it is optimum for student learning. Composite classes are when students from two grades are placed within the one class. Every school has composite classes and we form composite classes because of the number of students in particular year levels. 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. 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.

All classes, composite or not, provide opportunities for a range of intellectual challenge, from support through scaffolding to working independently. In all of our classes, we strive for all students to take responsibility for their learning. Research found that these classes based on educational principles do not disadvantage students academically and may benefit them socially and emotionally. We take care to choose students who will do well in both grades of a composite and will ensure that we timetable plenty of time in 2021 for the students to learn together as a grade with additional support from our extra teachers and support staff.

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. In the coming weeks, teachers will be putting students into class groups which will take a number of lengthy meetings. We appreciate the community's ongoing support in allowing our dedicated and experienced teachers to use their educational expertise and professional knowledge to best place your children into class groupings. In the coming weeks, I will be able to inform you of the class structures for 2021.

In 2021, we will continue to have specialised learning support, music/dance, band and Japanese programs. Belrose staff have their own professional learning and data room. Your children's growth in the key elements of literacy and numeracy 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.

### REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY

Our Remembrance Day ceremony was held on 11 November, 2020. We wish to congratulate Angus R for his musical playing of The Last Post. Our leaders did a fine job at leading this important ceremony.

### OUR PUBLIC SPEAKERS SHINE AT ROTARY

Congratulations to Tim and Ella for delivering their speeches at the local Rotary Club in a competition with year 6 students from other schools. Congratulations to Ella who was awarded third place.

### OPPORTUNITY CLASSES FOR YEAR 5, 2021

Yesterday, nine students from year 4 completed the Opportunity class placement tests. Opportunity classes, located in government primary schools, cater for academically gifted Year 5 and Year 6 students with high potential. These classes help students to learn by grouping them with students of similar ability, using specialised teaching methods and educational materials at the appropriate level. If these students are successful and wish to move, our students will move into Years 5 and 6 at a primary school with an opportunity class in Sydney.

### NATURE PLAYGROUND READY TO BEGIN

We are all very excited that all of our plans have been authorised and work will begin next Monday. The students will enjoy watching each stage until completion. We all cannot wait for the digger to arrive!

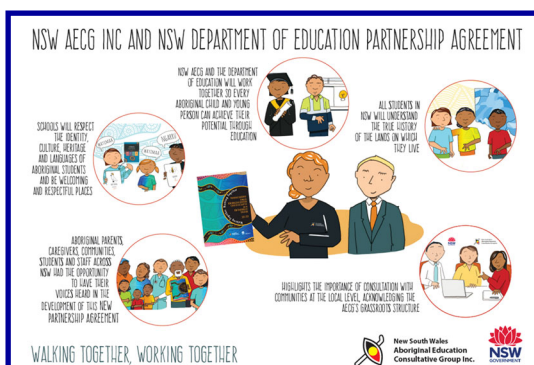
### CONTINUED LEARNING

With only four weeks remaining until the end of term, there are many different school events still to come including awards days and nights and end of year excursions. 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.

### 'WALKING TOGETHER WORKING TOGETHER 2020-2030'

A new Partnership Agreement 'Walking Together Working Together 2020-2030' between the NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group and the Department of Education will replace the current Partnership Agreement. It recognises the NSW AECG as the peak advisory body for Aboriginal education in NSW. It shows how the NSW AECG and the Department of Education will work together so every Aboriginal child and young person can achieve their potential through education. It will mean for the students of Belrose PS that they will understand the true history of the lands on which they live and respect and learn about the heritage and culture of the Aboriginal peoples from those lands.

Belinda Zorian  
Principal





# YEAR 6 FETE 2020



Next Thursday 26 November, Year 6 will be holding their annual fete. Due to COVID restrictions there will be a few changes.

Children can purchase \$5 packs of tokens from the office. You can buy as many packs of \$5 tokens as you like. Tokens will be distributed on the day of the fete.

Students from K-5 will be able to purchase an array of special treats, participate in various competitive activities, guessing competitions and raffles.

All students can wear mufti on the day. Please wear a hat, sensible top and shoes.

Please support our annual Year 6 fete! We are very excited about running this wonderful event.

Samantha Meikle—Year 6

## WE HAVE A NEW OFFICIAL FACEBOOK PAGE!

You may have seen some of the other marketing initiatives recently, such as the video, letterbox drop, posters and prospectus. It all helps to promote our beautiful school for current and new parents, as well as the broader community.

The official Facebook page differs from the BPS Facebook Group. The BPS group is a private group for parents and great way for parents to communicate and connect.

The official Facebook page is run by the school, to promote the school and serves to complement the school's website.

Naturally, a key principle when posting photos is that we are sensible when posting images of children. Where a child is identifiable, we will ask parents first before posting.

Feel free to like, follow and share the page! <https://www.facebook.com/BelrosePublicSchool/>

## Students of the Week

KIG Oliver S Ava H	1S Bodhi R Ryley M	1K Ben E Xavier L	2J Jade D Ava K-F	3K Tyler C Emily H
3W Perlie C Daniel C	4M Alex S James W	4/5S Mack J Eloise S	5D Rachel E Hayley D	6M Alex K James W

## Congratulations to our Bronze, Silver, Gold and Student of the Week Award Recipients





## Congratulations To Our Term 2 Awards Day Recipients for Literacy and Responsibility



## Library News

Premier's Reading Challenge participation certificates have arrived and have been handed out by class teachers this week. Special gold and platinum certificates are due to arrive later on in the school term. Well done to all children who have participated.

K.Wedlock Teacher Librarian

# International Competition and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)

## Science and Digital Technologies

ICAS Science			
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<b>Credit</b> Claudia S Maddison T	<b>Distinction</b> Alex Sh  <b>Credit</b> Cailyn O  <b>Merit</b> Emily C Rhys P	<b>Credit</b> Max F  <b>Credit</b> Skye B Lucy C  <b>Merit</b> Ray C	<b>Distinction</b> Tim F  <b>Credit</b> James N

ICAS Digital Technologies			
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<b>Credit</b> Maddison T Daniel C Sebastian C	<b>Distinction</b> Emily C  <b>Credit</b> Cailyn O Harper S Alex Sh  <b>Merit</b> Sophie S	<b>Credit</b> Skye B Lucas D Matthew J  <b>Merit</b> Ray C Lucy C	<b>Distinction</b> Tim F James K



### 2020 CHRISTMAS GIFT APPEAL

Supporting Stewart House, Bear Cottage & Dalwood Spilstead.

Gifts may be brought to school by Years K—6 from Monday 30 November and placed under the Christmas tree in the school office. If possible, could K-2 please bring any gifts before Thursday 3 December in time for the K-2 End of Year Presentation Day.

It has been requested that any 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 families who support this appeal. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.





## Japanese

### Japanese Language Speaking Competition:

Wow, I have been very impressed with the level of speaking for our Japanese Language Speaking Competition. It was a tough competition to judge! Here are our finalists from each class who will progress through to the finals –

1K	Cooper, Ava and Cai
1S	Bodhi and Katie
2J	Nate and Chelsea
3K	Jack, Zachary and Mari
3W	Daniel and Claudia

Rochelle Iwakura

## Sport News

### BELROSE V KAMBORA

#### Junior Girls Cricket

We had a good game against Kambora. We got a lot of people out and we were good at fielding. The player of the week is Aurelia because she is a wonderful batter and fielder.

Skye

#### Senior Girls Cricket

The senior girls cricket team lost 66-107. We all did very well in fielding but we didn't do so well in batting. We think that the player of the match should go to Amber K this week for her sportsmanship and incredible bowling. Eadie, Carina and Ruby also did really well in our game. Good luck next Friday and hopefully we redeem ourselves with a win next week.

Eadie B & Amber R

#### Softball A

Score: Belrose 6, Kambora 13

It was a very good game and it went very quickly. Belrose were very proud because we did a double play and a triple play. We were extremely excited. The player of the match was Max for making an amazing catch in the outfield.

Ben H

#### Softball B

We were really good at batting and getting Kambora out. The score was 16-10 and we won. The player of the match was Jaydon because he did great pitching and got a lot of people out.

Tim F

#### T-Ball A

Today the T-ball game was very close and there was cheering and encouragement. It was very exciting and the score was 12-12. My player of the match goes to Josh M as he did great cheering, catching and batting.

Luca A

#### T-Ball B

It was a tight game. We lost 21-28. The player of the match was Orlando. He got 2 of 3 outs. Orlando played great and he did some really good batting. Good work Orlando. Luca got injured but he kept playing.

Will J

## P & C News

Term 4 is whizzing by, **our P & C AGM is Tuesday 1 December at 7.15pm in the staff common room. Please RSVP to the P & C email if you wish to attend. We have some P & C members finishing up and would like to farewell them.**

Prizes for Run4Fun Colour Explosion have been dispatched but haven't arrived yet. We will keep you informed once they arrive and have been sorted. We are still working on numbers but it looks like everyone's fundraising has reached in excess of \$11000.00 in profit! Thankyou to everyone who fundraised —what a fantastic effort and very much appreciated. Our top fundraisers for Run4Fun Colour Explosion were:

KIG Jasmine L	1K Matilda B	1S Skylah M Bodhi R	2J Ava K-F	3W Margaret T	4M Emily C Zoe D	5D Abigail R Aurelia T
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Congratulations kids. What an amazing effort and thank you!

Jo

### CANTEEN ROSTER

		Friday 20 November Lee Purser Jackie Power Jen Costello Lisa Walters
Monday 23 November Lee Purser	Wednesday 25 November Lee Purser	Friday 27 November Lee Purser Jackie Power Holly Davis
Monday 30 November Lee Purser	Wednesday 2 December Lee Purser	Friday 4 December Lee Purser Jen Costello Holly Davis Lisa Walters
Monday 7 December Lee Purser	Wednesday 9 December Lee Purser	Friday 11 December Lee Purser Holly Davis Jackie Power
Monday 14 December Lee Purser	Wednesday 16 December Lee Purser	

### BAND NEWS

It was wonderful to be able to hear both bands perform on Tuesday to perspective new members. I know that the audience was very impressed with the songs that were played. They also had a valuable experience learning about the different instruments and how they create their sounds.

The Performance Band sounded amazing. The joy at that being able to perform together was evident by the smiles on their faces. At this time of year, the Performance Band usually have the opportunity to go on band tour to showcase how marvellous they are. Sadly, due to Covid, the Performance Band have had limited opportunities to perform. Mrs Anderson has expressed how impressed she has been with the continued effort the students have applied in tutorials and rehearsals.

The progress made by our Training Band is phenomenal. This is due to the commitment of the students and the dedication of Mrs Fyfe. Training Band had only been rehearsing together for a few weeks when Covid prevented them from rehearsals. The students had to spend lots of time learning to play their instruments via Zoom! Despite it being their first public performance they all played like that had been doing it all year!

Both bands will be fortunate enough to have a workshop on Sunday 6 December. This will provide them with an opportunity to have lots of rehearsal time and to perform to family members who will be invited to attend.

We look forward to lots of enthusiastic new members joining the Training Band in 2021.

Mrs Killick Band Liaison Teacher



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### GAMES ARE PLAYED

Saturday's at John Fisher Park Curl Curl from April 2021.

### DIVISIONS

NetSetGo (8 and 9) Juniors (10 to 15), Cadets (16 to 18), Seniors and Over 35's.

### REGISTRATION OPENS

1st January 2021

ALL REGISTRATIONS ARE DONE ONLINE AT

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Enquiries to [secretary@wakehurstnbc.netball.com.au](mailto:secretary@wakehurstnbc.netball.com.au)



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