

BELROSE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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TERM 1, WEEK 2 Thursday 2 February 2023

Dates-Refer to Sentral App for Parents for all events

Excursions-Refer to School Bytes
App

Term 1 2023

Friday 3 February PSSA Trial 1

LJ Harper orders close online Kindergarten commence Canteen re-opens

Monday 6 February Yrs 5/6 Hip Hop Dance Audi-

tions #1 at lunch

VIP Music keyboard 8.15am

Wednesday 8 February Yrs 5/6 Hip Hop Dance Audi-

tions #2 at 8:00am

Performance Band rehearsals

begin at lunch

Thursday 9 February Yrs 5/6 Girls Dance Auditions

at lunch

Friday 10 February Performance Band rehearsals

resume 7.40am PSSA Trial 2

Yrs 5/6 Girls Dance Audition

at lunch

Chess lessons Refer to news-

letter 3.00-4.15pm

Monday 13 February Yrs 3&4 Parent/Teacher infor-

mation night 6.00-6.30pm Yrs 5&6 Parent/Teacher information night 6.40pm-7.10pm

Tuesday 14 February P & C Meeting 7.15pm

Wednesday 15 February Wellbeing meditation, mindful-

ness program begins

Friday 17 February PSSA begins

Monday 20 February Kindergarten

Parent/Teacher information night 5.45-6.30pm Year 1&2 6.40pm-7.10pm

Principal's Message

WELCOME BACK TO BELROSE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Welcome back to 2023. I hope everyone had an enjoyable break over the Christmas and New Year period. With many of our children continuing to flourish with their independence, parents may wish to continue to Kiss and Drop by car from 8:30am at our Ralston Ave and Nursery Place gates although parents are welcomed to enter the school. The playground is open from 8:30am and we will continue to have the children move to their classrooms at 9:00am where they will be greeted by their teachers.

We extend a warm welcome to our five new families of years 1-6 and thank the community for making them already feel welcomed. We hope your children's educational journey will be a very enjoyable and rewarding one. A P&C run Parent Facebook page called BPS Parents can be accessed now and class parent messengers will be organised in the next few weeks.

We welcome our youngest members of the school, our Kindergarten students and their families who commence tomorrow. All Best Start Interviews were completed and have noted the skills already secured before starting school. Our focus is on quality teaching and learning. We expect all students to always do their best, wear the correct uniform properly, be kind, respectful, empathetic and responsible.

Thank you to the parents who kept an eye on the school, and assisted Michael, our General Assistant with the gardening last Saturday. With 3.5 hectares of grounds and fresh air to play in, keeping it looking neat and tidy takes a team effort so I am very grateful for your time on such a hot day. Our super exciting Moduplay playground continues to be a place for a release of energy and our new seating areas and Vegetable garden area with an abundance of tomatoes and carrots, a place to relax and talk with friends.



SWIMMING CARNIVAL

What a great way to start the year off! Of the students who attended the carnival there was a high level of participation and a display of trying their personal best. For those students who have trained for months or years, it was great to see your perfect swimming strokes. Our student leaders showed a high level of initiative by preparing placards and costumes and were able to ramp up enthusiasm throughout the afternoon. Thank you to the many parents and all of the teachers for their hard work in making the carnival run so smoothly in our three hour bracket. Mr Warren, who was organiser extraordinaire will be presenting the ribbons at an assembly on Monday, 13 February. Go Belrose!

PARENTAL DIGITAL PERMISSION REQUIRED NOW

Through SCHOOLBYTES, please refer to your required permission for the use of third-party providers offering web-based educational resources and cloud-base storage. These are our usual programs of Mathletics (K-6), Reading Eggs (K-4), Seesaw Depository of Learning (K-6) and Tinkercad (Yrs5-6). Our new Kindergarten students will receive their permission notes next week by email.

STAFFING FOR 2023

A map of the school and the class teachers has been included in this newsletter. We welcome a number of new staff to the school who will provide us with diverse experiences from past schools of Epping West, Eastwood, Killara, Pymble, Allambie Heights and Wahroonga Public school.

In a permanent capacity, we welcome Mrs Fiona Wiltshire as Learning and Support Teacher from Monday to Wednesday. She has previously held this position for 10 years at Epping West with a school population of 1300 students so I am sure that she welcomes the opportunity to know each of our students within our smaller setting.

We also welcome Miss Naomi to stage 3 from Wahroonga Public School.

In 2023, we welcome Mrs Vivian Gallego and Mrs Laura Dawson to Year 2, Ms Sarah-Louise Hopkins each Thursday and Friday and Mrs Eleftheriou on Monday.

I am pleased to announce the classes are:

KB Miss Marny Blom

KDJ Mrs Stacey Denver (Monday, Tuesday) and Mrs Rebecca Jones (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday)

2/1M Mrs Deborah Meteyard

2GD Mrs Vivian Gallego (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday) and Mrs Laura Dawson (Thursday and Friday)

4/3K Mrs Sharon Killick 4W Mr Mark Warren 6/5D Miss Naomi

6D Mr Tom Davidson

Many meetings occurred at the end of the year and during the holidays to ensure that we adopted the best plan for moving forward into 2023. We are all pleased with our final structure. Due to our multi-skilled and passionate staff, we continue to offer the same extra curricular activities as all other schools and as previous years at Belrose. Thank you to every teacher as they always go well beyond the teaching of their class of students to run activities before school, at lunch time and after school.

We all appreciate your kind messages of support at the end of 2022 and we look forward to another outstanding year of educational progress for all children within an environment which supports the wellbeing of all students so that they can connect, succeed, thrive and learn. Key initiatives to support all students will be in our upcoming newsletters.

We welcome the following new members of staff to our team for 2023:











STAFFING STRUCTURE AND FOCUS

We have ensured ample teaching and playground time for students to mix with others in their year levels as well as develop further relationships with students younger and older than themselves.

Each Year 1 and Year 2 student will be taught Music, Japanese and Science within their own year cohort.

Likewise, the Years 3-6 teachers have co-planned teaching opportunities each week for year groups to work together.

Mrs Sue Noor will be teaching the Geography/History syllabus and a Literacy focus and book borrowing during Library lessons for 60-90 minutes with each class.

Kindergarten to Year 4—30 minute music lessons with Miss Tara Whittard

Kindergarten to Year 4—30 minutes of Japanese language lessons with Mrs Rochelle Iwakura

Years 5 and 6—60 minutes of Creative Arts lessons with Miss Tara Whittard

Kindergarten to Year 2—PE lessons together each Friday

Kindergarten to Year 6—Technology will continue to be integrated into all class teaching and learning programs. Each class has access to multiple desk tops, laptops and iPads within their classrooms. The technology lab which consists of 30 desktops and filming capabilities will be booked by teachers, as required.

LEARNING SUPPORT OFFICERS

Learning Support Staff are allocated to the school through the completion of the Access Request Process. At present with the additional Flexible Funding, Belrose PS has:

Mrs Kerry Watson—Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

Mrs Karen Judson—Monday

Mrs Mel Maye—Thursday and Friday

We continue to have all our plans in place for students requiring EpiPens, asthma puffers etc.

SPORTS UNIFORM

Days for Sports uniform in Term 1 are:

Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 each Tuesday and Friday

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 each Thursday and Friday

CONTINUED CHANGES

A combined Years 3-6 Presentation night will occur in the second last week of the year. We are confirming our local high school presentation nights before confirming the date.

Sports trophies for each carnival will be awarded at the end of each term, with specialist trophies on presentation night.

Year K—6 students will continue to sit under the COLA nearer the hall for recess and lunch before playing.

PARENT/TEACHER INFORMATION SESSIONS

The information sessions will allow parents to meet your child's teacher as well as learn about the type of learning experiences offered this year and strategies used within the classroom. Homework and communication procedures will be discussed. A class parent will be organised on the night and they will ask you for your email address so that he/she can distribute important information throughout the year.

4/3K and 4W 6:00pm to 6:30pm Monday 13 February 6/5N and 6D 6:40m to 7:10pm Monday 13 February

Kindergarten 5:45pm to 6:30pm Monday 20 February 2/1M and 2GD 6:40pm to 7:10pm Monday 20 February

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEW

Parent/Teacher Interviews have been arranged for late term 1 but please feel free to speak with your class teacher with any urgent matters.

ASSEMBLIES

These will be returning outside for students only with further news in next week's newsletter.

QUERIES AND QUESTIONS

Please come to the office or call the school for any queries or questions. Once again, our school is blessed by having a supportive, friendly and efficient Administration Manager, Mrs Liz Sutcliffe, along with the familiar faces of Mrs Rawsthorne and Mrs McInnes. If you wish to speak or meet with me please ask or call the office on 9451 6203. Alternatively, I can be reached by emailing me on belinda.storr@det.nsw.edu.au.

We are looking forward to another great year at Belrose PS.

Belinda Zorian

Principal

DANCE

Dance Auditions

This year, Belrose will be continuing to run three dance groups across the school. The Senior Girls (Yrs5&6) and the Senior Hip Hop (Yrs5&6) groups will attend the Sydney North Dance Festival in Term 2, and the Junior Dance Group will perform at school. We thank the dance teachers for giving up their time to audition and choreograph their dances.

Auditions will take place next week. Please see the individual times below.

Senior Hip Hop Dance Group—Miss McDougall

We have sourced a professional hip hop dance teacher for this group for 2023. (An additional cost for parents)

Monday 6 February at 1:05pm and Wednesday 8 February at 8:00am in the hall

Senior Girls Dance Group—Mr Warren

Thursday 9 February and Friday 10 February at 1:05pm in the hall

Junior Dance Group—Miss Whittard

The junior group auditions will be held throughout Weeks 4 & 5 with times to be announced later. Good luck everyone with the auditions. We have fabulous dancers at Belrose.

Mark Warren

Assistant Principal/Dance Teacher

CHESS

Chess Coaching Classes

Year range: Years 2 to 6

Ideal for: Chess enthusiasts wanting lessons from a Chess Master from the Sydney Academy of Chess.

Date: Friday 10 February to Friday, 17 March

Time: 3.00pm until 4.15pm

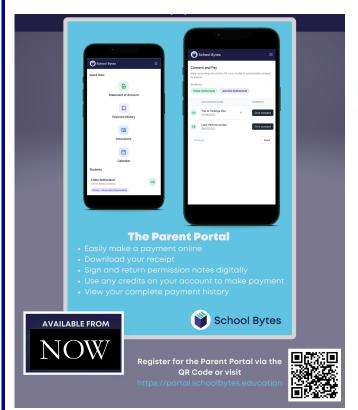
Location: Library

Supervision: Mrs Zorian

Cost: \$9 per lesson Total: \$54 per student for 6 weeks

Please call or email the office if interested.

BELROSE PS—COMMUNICATION PATHWAYS DO YOU HAVE THESE APPS ON YOUR PHONE?



For **School's** digital permission notes and payments to School

Belrose Public School **Sflexischools**

Place all your P & C orders with Flexischools App

Our P & C uses an online ordering system for Canteen, Uniform and Events called Flexischools.

Flexischools allows you to place all your school orders online in a matter of seconds, at any time of the day.

Download the Flexischools App Note: for iPhone and iPad please select 'Allow' notifications





2. Add your School and Group

Click on the search icon, enter your school name, select your school and year group, or groups relevant to you

3. Login/Register

Click the 'Order now' button located in the bottom right-hand corner of the app, this will open a login screen.

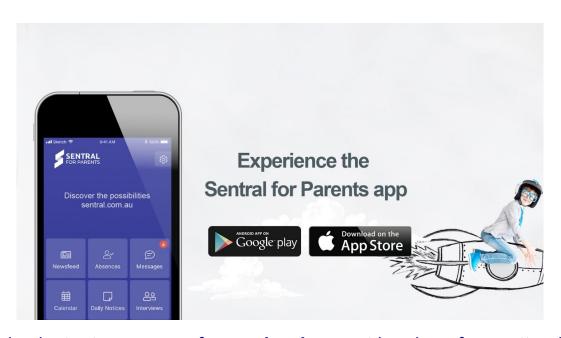
- Already a Flexischools user Enter your details and login. To save your login details select 'remember me'.
- New Flexischools user Click 'Register', enter your email address and follow the instructions in the email to set up your account. Once your account is set up, add new student; search for our school, enter student details and select their class.

Once registered, you can start placing orders immediately. If you have any questions, please visit our FAQs (https://community.flexischools.com.au/s/)

The Flexischools system is now available and ready to use, so we look forward to

If you have any questions about the online services we are introducing, please ask the school office for more information.

For **P&C** related expenses ie Canteen, Uniform shop and P&C Events



Receive instant messages from school, parent logging of non-attendance and Parent Calendar. Initial code from school.

Timetable – 2023
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	FRIDAY	FROM W3 10/2/23	Performance Band	7:40am	Yrs 4, 5&6	Mrs Anderson	Hall												BEGINS W4 17/2/23	Girls' Dance Yrs 5&6	Hall	Mr Warren		Coding Club Yrs 3-6	Computer Room	Mrs Zorian				DANCE NOVA - Hall		3:00pm-4:15pm	6 weeks from 10/3/22	Coaching from Chess	Academy Library Mrs Zorian
ble – 2023	THURSDAY	BEGINS W6, 8am 30/2/23	Dance Yrs 3 & 4	Hall	Miss Whittard				BEGINS TERM 2	Maths Olympiad	Yrs 3-6	Mr Davidson	Ms Hopkins						PSSA Training	BEGINS W4 16/2/23	Oval								:	TAEKWONDO – Hall					
Beirose PS - Extracurricular Timetable – 2023	WEDNESDAY	BEGINS W4, 8am	15/2/23	Senior Hip Hop Dance	Yrs 5&6	Hall	Miss McGougall		STARTING DATE LATER	TERM 1	DATE TBC	8:00am	Year 2-6 choir	Library	Miss Whittard and Mrs	Jones	HALL NOVA DANCE	PRESCHOOL CLASSES	FROM W3, Lunch	8/2/23	Performance Band	Yrs 4,5&6	Mrs Anderson – Hall		BEGINS W6 (1/3/23)	Training Band		Mrs Stanwell –	Bandroom	DANCE NOVA – Hall	SYDNEY NORTH BAND	REHEARSAL - Hall	SYDNEY NORTH CHOIR	- Room 20	
Belrose P	TUESDAY																		Coding Club Yrs 3-6	Computer Room	Mrs Zorian			BEGINS TERM 2	Chess Club Yrs 1-6	STEM Room	Mrs Zorian			FREEYOUR VOICE	STUDIOS (SINGING) –	Room 20			
	MONDAY	TRAINING BAND	REGISTRATION	OUTSIDE HALL 8am	(20/2/23)	FROM W6 (27/2/23)	7.40am	Training Band	Mrs Stanwell – Hall		Keyboard lesson	Library	(Community Use)																	SYDNEY NORTH PUBLIC	SCHOOL BAND	REHEARSAL-Hall			
+ <u>†</u> +	TIMES				8-9am												9am				LUNCH									AFIERNOON					

SPORT NEWS

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Congratulations Belrose Public School on a fabulous swimming carnival. Great sportsmanship was displayed at all times, where competitors supported each other, the crowd was well-behaved and cheered on their peers.

The competitors were awesome and have done well to represent themselves, their sport houses and the school. House points will be tallied from the carnival and go towards the end of the year "Winning House of the Year" award and barbeque. House points were given for entering a race, and then if you placed first, second, third or fourth. Every point counts!

I want to thank the staff and parent volunteers that supported the carnival. Without the support from parents, these events could not take place. Time keepers, life guards and general support from the parents is greatly appreciated.

The results of the carnival will be printed in next week's newsletter.

SUMMER SPORT

PSSA trials—tomorrow, Friday 3 February and Friday 10 February. Competition begins Friday 17 February.

Students in **Year 4, 5 and 6** will be able to trial for:

T-Ball – Girls – Mr Warren Softball – Girls – Mrs Dawson Cricket – Boys – Mr Davidson

In the event we are not able to field teams from Years 4, 5 and 6, a decision will be made next week to extending the PSSA offer to the **Year 3 students**.

IN THE TEAM?

Once students are selected, PSSA socks will need to be purchased for **T-Ball and Softball** from the school's office or uniform shop and shinpads from home.

SELECTION CRITERIA

In order to reach the selection criteria for these sports, students must attend at least one trial. If your child is going to be absent please notify the coach in writing as soon as possible. Please note that previous involvement in PSSA and participation in these sports outside of school will have no bearing on selection.

Coaches will be selecting teams based on the following criteria:

- Sportsmanship
- Cooperation, attitude and listening skills
- Skill level and ability
- Commitment to training sessions and the team

If your child is selected to represent our school at PSSA please be aware that there is a cost involved for transport and a strict uniform code. Protective gear needs to be provided by the students selected to play T-Ball or Softball.

Students who do not wish to participate in PSSA, or who are not selected to participate in PSSA, may choose to <u>play tennis or</u> <u>be part of our home school program. All Year 3 students are welcomed to attend the tennis program.</u>

Good luck to all students during the trial sessions.

Mr Warren Assistant Principal/Sport Coordinator

P & C News

Welcome back to all our Belrose Families.

We hope you all had a relaxing break and are ready to get back into school life.

A special welcome to all who are new to Belrose this year especially our kindy families.

We know you are going to love being a part of Belrose.

It is going to be such a wonderful year we have many exciting events in 2023 so make sure you read the newsletter each week.

If you have had a chance to walk through school this week you would see how wonderful the school is looking.

Some of our Belrose families have worked their magic over the holidays.

Thank you to the Burling, Thompson, Miller and Leyton Families, Kathleen & Brianna, Lisa, Hailey and Hudson, Andrew and Nicholas. You all worked so hard at our working bee so we really appreciate all the time and effort you put into helping make our school look wonderful.

We worked really hard but had some fun along the way so a big thank you to you all.

Term 1 will be a busy term while we haven't finalised exact dates for our events I do have one date for your diary. Saturday 25 March is our State election.

We will be having a massive cake stall and BBQ that day to help raise money for our school.

Can you all please mark this date in your diaries as we will need lots of Parents help baking, cooking, serving etc

Our first P&C meeting will be at 7.15pm on Tuesday 14 February in the staff room.

All are welcome to attend.

This first meeting of the year is one of the most important meetings as our events are decided and the calendar is finalised. Please come along and help decide our events.

Well done to everyone that went in the swimming carnival yesterday and thank you to all the Parent helpers it was a great day.

Belrose Families we hope you settle back into 2023 and are ready for some fun. Have a great week.

CANTEEN OPEN TOMORROW

We wish to welcome Jo Stracey as Canteen Supervisor. Our Parents may remember Jo as a former parent and P&C President. She has spent the holidays making the canteen look fantastic and has been thinking of new delicious treats for our children. We can't wait to try them.

The canteen will be open Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. Lunch orders can be placed through Flexi schools.



FLEXISCHOOLS NEWS

It is important to update your child's class in Flexischools. This will be especially important if you would like to order lunch on Friday. The steps are as follows;

- 1. Open Flexischools app (new families will need to download)
- 2. Select Profile in bottom right hand corner.
- 3. Select child's name
- 4. Select the year they will be in this year
- 5. Select the class they are in this year (contact the office if you are unsure)
- 6. Add or change any subsequent children's class
- 7. Scroll down and Save down the bottom

For new families Flexischools is used to order lunch orders, uniforms (to be delivered to classrooms) or pay for any special events such as discos etc. A quick search in your App store and it should come up.

P&C-BAND

BELROSE BAND DATES TERM 1, 2023

We are looking forward to an exciting year of music in 2023.

This year, we continue to have two Bands at Belrose Public School, the Training band (new members) and Performance Band (Years 4-6). At the beginning of the holidays, Janella Fyfe made the difficult decision to leave Belrose due to her increased workload at two other Primary schools. We know that she was very well liked by the students and wish her the best. This year, we welcome Felicity Stanwell, an experienced conductor of school band programs who has eagerly accepted the position and is looking forward to meeting the Training Band members and parents of Belrose.

Here are some dates for your diary:

PERFORMANCE BAND

Rehearsals resume on Wednesday, 8 February, 2023. This is for all continuing students including the 2022 Training Band members.

Performance band rehearsals: Friday mornings 7.45-8.45 (Please arrive 7.40am)

TRAINING BAND

BAND REGISTRATION MORNING (2023 Training Band only)

Monday, 20 February, 2023

Please ensure an adult is present for payment of fees and the signing of paperwork at this meeting.

At this meeting students will receive their instruments, music and get information about tutors. There will be a brief meeting to explain expectations and answer any questions. Students **WILL NOT** be given an instrument without an adult present.

TRAINING BAND rehearsals will commence in **Week 6** on Monday 27 February from 7:45-8:45am (Please arrive 7.40am) and Wednesday lunch.

We look forward to seeing all the students for a great start to the year.

Kind regards,

Katie Anderson Felicity Stanwell

Performance Band conductor Training band conductor





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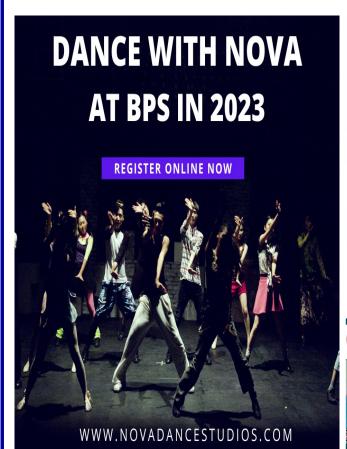
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Dragon Taekwondo Belrose Public School



New members welcome ages 5 and up

Heaps of fun. Learn some cool kicks, self control and and make new friends at our Taekwondo club.

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We are seeking players to join our family friendly club.

Season commences 1 April 2023

Uniform Day Thursday 9 February 3:30pm to 6:30pm

at Lionel Watts Sports & Community Hall

DIVISIONS

NetSetGo: for players turning 7, 8 and 9 years in 2023 (born 2014-2016) Juniors: for players turning 10 years to 15 years in 2023 (born 2008-2013) Cadets: for players turning 16 years to 18 years in 2023 (born 2005-2007) Seniors: for players 18 years+ in 2023 (born 2005 and earlier)

REGISTER NOW

Registration at www.belrosenetball.com Enquiries at belrosenetball@hotmail.com

GRADING DAYS click here

https://www.belrosenetball.com/grading

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https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-for-an-active-kids-voucher

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