

# **BELROSE PUBLIC SCHOOL**

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TERM 1, WEEK 5 Thursday 23 February 2023

Dates-Refer to Sentral App for Parents for all events

Excursions-Refer to School Bytes for Digital permission notes

#### Term 1 2023

Monday 27 February 1st Training Band practice

begins

Assembly with 2/1M sharing

their work from 2:20pm

Wednesday 1 March Lunchtime Training Band and Performance Band practice

Thursday 2 March Stage 2 dance begins 8am

Students informed next week

Friday 3 March Clean Up Australia Day

Optional garden gloves from

home

Friday 10 March Zone Swimming Carnival-Bus

booked. At school 7:30am

Tuesday 14 March P & C Meeting 7.15pm

15 March-27 March NAPLAN Online for Years 3 &

5 students

Friday 17 March P&C Disco evening at school

Friday 24 March School Cross Country-Oval

Yrs3-6 & interested Year 2 students turning 8 in 2023

Saturday 25 March State Election—Parents ros-

tered to assist on the day. Optional Performance Band

busking in groups

Monday 3 April Term 1 Awards Ceremony

9.30am

Thursday 6 April Last day of Term 1

Easter Hat Parade 2.30pm

SCHOOL TOURS EACH MONDAY 9AM PLEASE BOOK TO CONFIRM ON 9451 6203

# Principal's Message

#### LEARNING AT BELROSE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Thanks you to the many parents who attended the Parent/Teacher Information nights and to the staff for their preparation and organisation for these important events of the school year. Optional Parent/Teacher ten minute one-on-one interviews will take place at the end of this term.

Research suggests that an effective partnership between parents and staff assists children's work habits, attitudes about school and student outcomes.

At Belrose PS, we are large enough to provide the students with a diverse range of opportunities but small enough that all staff members know every child. We continue to create a stimulating learning environment so that each child connects to his/her learning, to thrive and succeed. We continue to have a very engaging community that has a strong sense of ownership of which the P&C provides social events.

My role continues to be a very important one with not just being a Business and People Manager but to lead with others in the teaching and learning within the school. We have high expectations that every child will grow by at least a year with their learning. At least 50% of our teaching program time is devoted to English and Mathematics. These essential skills are transferred across all Key Learning Areas to Science and Technology, Geography, History, Creative and Practical Arts as well as with PD/Health and PE. Students of Stage 2 and 3, as part of their literacy unit, will be working on a number of sustained learning tasks over the year. We use the syllabus outcomes and indicators from relevant numeracy and literacy progressions to devise learning/ teaching activities to target the learning. All students in years K to 6 have writing goals with success criteria. This assists the children with moving forward with their learning. It indicates our high expectations of their work and provides students with explicit directions of what success can look like. Please visit your child's Depository of Learning through your Seesaw app.



#### YEAR 3 AND 5 NAPLAN TESTING

The Annual NAPLAN testing for students in Years 3 and 5 will take place from Wednesday, 15 March to Monday, 27 March. These tests will be completed over time and will consist of Writing, Reading and Conventions of language and Numeracy. All tests will be completed online with Year 3 Writing being a paper test. The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. In Term 2, parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each child's level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard. The school will give your child some practice in 'how to' do the test. This is particularly helpful with the younger children as they may feel it is a lot different to anything else that they have done. I never advise additional coaching, tutoring, buying of books and apps from educational re-sellers. The assessments will be 'part of the week' of schooling. Getting them to school on time will be most helpful along with breakfast and a good nights sleep. **Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN tests at the request of their parent/carer. Withdrawals are intended to address issues such as religious beliefs and philosophical objections to testing. Please call or email me if you wish your child to be withdrawn.** 

# 2023 SPORT DATES FOR THE CALENDAR YEARS 3-6 AND OPTIONAL FOR YEAR 2 STUDENTS TURNING 8

Zone Swimming Carnival at Warringah Aquatic Centre—Friday, 10 March, 2023
Cross Country School Carnival at Belrose PS—Friday, 24 March, 2023 Back-up Day—Friday, 31 March, 2023
Zone Cross Country Carnival at Lionel Watts –Friday, 19 May, 2023 Back-up Day—Friday, 26 May, 2023
Kindergarten to Year 6 Athletics Carnival at Narrabeen Sports Centre–Thursday, 20 July, 2023
Zone Athletics Carnival at Narrabeen Sports Centre—Monday, 28 August 2023

#### **MEDICAL EMERGENCY ACTION PLANS**

The safety and wellbeing of your child is of paramount importance to us, including whether your child is diagnosed at risk of a severe allergic reaction. Anaphylaxis is a severe and sometimes sudden allergic reaction that is potentially life-threatening and always requires an emergency response. As with other serious health conditions, schools put in place strategies to support students at risk of anaphylaxis at school or while they are engaged in school related activities.

These measures include updated procedures and information about precautions schools can take to minimise the risk of exposure to allergens and training requirements for staff. For further information: NSW Public Schools website Anaphylaxis section. In all Government schools, students who have allergic reactions and do or do not require medical treatment require an up to date action plan from their current Doctor. These action plans are required to be updated every time an EpiPen is prescribed again by the family doctor and are placed inside each child's medical folder with the medicine. All EpiPens have an expiry date and parents are responsible for supplying the school office with new EpiPens, when required. A copy of the action plans are displayed in each child's classroom, the staffroom and office. All teachers and casual teachers have completed Emergency Care and anaphylaxis training and have a list displayed in their classroom of students requiring medical emergency plans. We ask parents to assist us in checking that their child's medicine and action plan from the Doctor is current. Students must have updated action plans and medicines to attend any excursion.

#### SCRIPTURE BEGINS NEXT WEEK

A feature of the public education system in NSW is the opportunity to provide time in class for education in ethics, faith and morality from a religious or non-religious perspective at the choice of parents.

The Special Religious Education (SRE) lessons are held at Belrose PS each Wednesday for K-2 from 9:30am -10:00am and for Years 3-6 from 10:10am – 10.40am for Protestant and Catholic. Currently, along with most schools, we are not able to offer Special Education in Ethics (SEE) as it requires a parent or community volunteer to be trained and to be available each Wednesday morning. If you are interested or know of someone within the outside community, please call the office. Information regarding the role can be found on the next page or here: <a href="https://belrose-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/learning-at-our-school/religion-and-ethics.html">https://belrose-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/learning-at-our-school/religion-and-ethics.html</a>

A parent/carer may at any time notify the school in writing that they wish to change their decision. Students will continue the same arrangement as the previous year, unless a parent/carer has requested a change in writing. For more information about Special Religious Education (SRE) and Special Education in Ethics (SEE), including the list of approved providers, please visit: https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/curriculum/religion-and-ethics

If your preferred SRE or SEE option is not available please contact the approved provider. Students not attending SRE or SEE are not to participate in lessons in the school curriculum or other extra-curricular activities. Our supervised alternative activities include reading or completing homework as stated in the policy 'Special Religious Education Procedures' NSW Department of Education. This year, Miss Blom will be the Scripture Co-ordinator.

Belinda Zorian

Principal

#### **CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY**

Next Friday, students will participate for 15 minutes in our 'Clean Up Australia Day' program at school. Each class will have an area to focus on. Students may bring gardening gloves from home as an option.

#### **CPR TRAINING**

All staff will complete their annual CPR and Anaphylaxis training next Thursday afternoon. Our school has a defibrillator outside the sick bay, red medical bags containing individual health plans for our Anaphylaxis students as well as five backpacks with first aid materials and asthma sprays. Our Health and Safety Directorate advises us to not provide sun screen, sting-goes or medicream due to the risks of an allergic reaction. If you child gets a splinter or a tick we will call for your assistance. If your child comes home wearing a band aid, the wound has been cleaned with water but would require additional care from you.



Become a volunteer ethics teacher



For around an hour a week, you can teach an ethics class at our school and help our children develop skills for life.

Ethics classes help children to develop the skills they need to voice their opinions, consider the ideas of others and to make decisions based on evidence and reasoning rather than habit or peer pressure.

In ethics classes, children discuss ethical issues using an approved curriculum designed for each age group and include topics such as Laziness, Voting, How can we work out what's true? and Imagining how others feel.

**Volunteers are needed now** to teach ethics at Belrose PS. Classes run for 30 mins at the same time as scripture each week. We provide all training, lesson scripts and ongoing support.

Do something life-changing today.

Apply at **PrimaryEthics.com.au/volunteer** or contact

Dana Sampath at dana.sampath@primaryethics.com.au

# A MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE

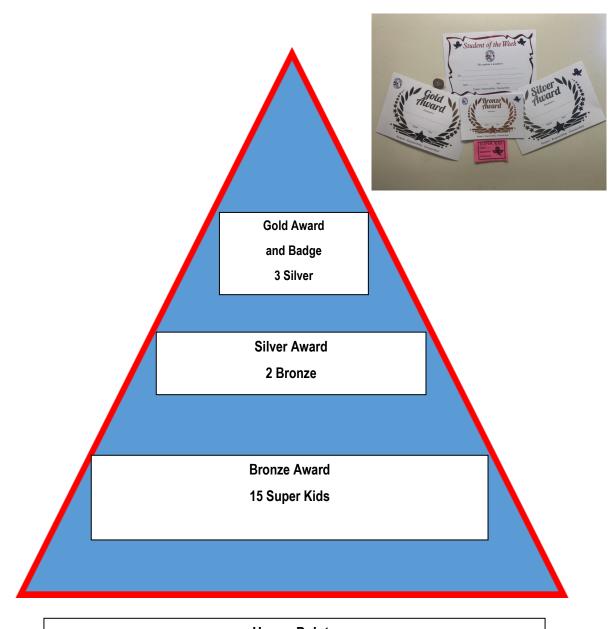
Term one fees will be sent home next week via School Bytes. This systems allows you to select which items you are paying for as well as part-payments over time.

Please email or call the school if you are experiencing financial constraints at the moment. All discussions are confidential.



# Belrose P.S. Flowchart for Rewarding Positive Student Behaviours

Student wellbeing is the responsibility of the whole school community. We have a well organised and managed Student Wellbeing and Discipline policy that is comprehensive and has the support and commitment of staff, parents, students and the community. This assists us with creating an environment in which effective teaching and learning can take place and a climate in which all students can experience a sense of purpose, achievement and support. One exciting achievement for your child is to receive a 2023 Badge.



#### **House Points**

Winning House over the year – BBQ with Principal wearing play clothes & Trophy

# SPORT

#### **PSSA Reminder**

PSSA Softball and T-ball players need to bring their shin pads to training and to the games every week.

#### **Manly Sea Eagles Visit**

Thank you to the Manly Sea Eagles who came to the school on Tuesday morning to discuss resilience, teamwork and why it is important to have a support network around you. The players informed the school a little about their history, the club and the things that are important to them as a team. We thank them for their time for photos, signing Manly merchandise the students brought in and for talking with the students. Thank you to Matt Sharman (the wonderful presenter), Grace Buhrer (organiser, photographer and a supportive Belrose parent) and to the players, Captain, Daly Cherry-Evans, Ben Condon, Latu Fainu and Austin Dias. The players have autographed an A4 piece of paper, a copy has been given to each student.

#### Regards

Mark Warren

Assistant Principal/Sports Coordinator

#### PSSA Draw—refer to Sentral App Calendar

Round 2, 24 February (T1 W5) Mimosa v Belrose Cricket - Wyatt Oval Softball/T-ball – school oval	Term 2 Round 5 28 April (T2 W1) Kambora v Belrose Cricket - Wyatt Oval Softball/T-ball – school oval
Round 3, 3 March (T1 W6) Allambie Heights v Belrose David Thomas	Round 6 5 May (T2 W2) Belrose v Killarney Heights Killarney Heights PS/Oval
10 March (T1 W7) Zone Swimming – no PSSA	Round 7 12 May (T2 W3) Belrose v Wakehurst Lionel Watts Oval
Round 4, 17 March (T1 W8) Terry Hills v Belrose Cricket - Wyatt Oval Softball/T-ball – school oval	
Monday 20 March to Friday 31 March 2023 Warringah Sports fields not available	

Regards Mark Warren Assistant Principal/Sports Coordinator

# SPORTS REPORT BELROSE V FORESTVILLE

#### **Junior Cricket**

It was a good game. We had a heap of fun although we lost.

The score was 69 Forestville, 26 Belrose.

I think Beau was Player of the match.

Cooper D

#### **Senior Cricket**

The score was 62/21, we lost. We did really well on the field.

Belrose got 6 wickets, I took 3, Nick B took1 and Billy took 3.

Player of the match goes to Ollie who was awesome in batting and fielding.

He did not let any ball go past him and he bowled amazingly. He was so close every time.

Jack B

#### Softball A

Unfortunately we lost 1-6. We all tried our best. The player of the match is Margaret for being such a good catcher.

Marely

#### Softball B

It was a really tight score. 1-0 to Forestville. For Player of the match, I pick Claudia for getting home and good pitching.

Whitney

#### T Ball A

Score: Forestville 20 - Belrose 12

They played very well and they worked together as a team. Belrose had a great game and everyone should be very proud of what they have done. The players that I think played extremely well from my perspective are: Skye McI, Charlotte V, Issy D and Tilly B.

Overall Belrose did a very good job and maybe we will even win next time.

Go Belrose!

Lauren

#### T Ball B

Score: Belrose 23 - Forestville 16

At first we thought we were losing because not many people have played before. There were only four Year 4 players. Then we had to get our game on and we definitely did! Forestville played extremely well too

The players that were terrific were: Skye McD, Elke A, Holly N, Chloe L.

In the end, everyone did an amazing job but the most important thing was having fun!

Kree





# MR GRATITUDE



Mr Gratitude had a wonderful holiday and has come back to school cleaner and refreshed for our first assembly. He has already spent the fortnight with 4W as they were so respectful and well-mannered during our first assembly.

Well done 4W! Keep up the great manners.

# MANLY SEA EAGLES VISIT



# Dear Manly Sea Eagles,

Thank you for coming to Belrose Public School to teach us all about your big careers. Everyone loved it. I especially liked the activities and jokes! You are always respectful, responsible and you never stop trying your best.

We appreciate you making time to come to our school and teaching us all about the important things about rugby.

Ava S





## Dear Manly Sea Eagles,

Thank you for visiting Belrose Public School. Thank you for telling us about your team. In the presentation you spoke about support for yourself and other players. You also spoke about respect and responsibility. We all loved the presentation. I even got a high five from one of the players. Once again, thank you for coming to our school.

Holly N

#### Dear Manly,

I really appreciated you coming to Belrose. You are awesome with your cool cameraman, Grace Buhrer and the awesome players Daly Cherry-Evans, Latu Fainu, Austin Dias and Ben Condon. Matt Sharman gave a presentation about respect, responsibility and personal best as well as how you talk about gratitude. It brings a massive smile to Belrose.



Eli D

# CHOIR



Choir (years 2-6) starts Wednesday 8 March, at 8am in the library.

Miss Whittard and Mrs Jones look forward to kicking off the year with some new songs.

# P&C NEWS

Gelato day was a fabulous success. Thank you to all helpers to make this event possible. I hope everyone enjoyed their ice-creams.

Events for this Term

P & C Meeting 14 March

Disco - Friday 17 March

Election BBQ - Saturday 25 March

Easter Raffle tickets sold at the disco and at the Easter Hat Parade

After listening to some of the requests we are pleased to announce we are going to organise a Book Fair on the day of the State Election - **Saturday, 25 March.** 

Do you have good quality and good condition children's books that you want to pass onto another family? If so, we will be having drop off times two weeks prior to the election, so start gathering your unwanted books. Dates and times will be confirmed. We will also 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 many parents to help with baking.

cooking, serving or manning the book fair etc.

### **UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES**

Friday afternoon - 2.45pm to 3.15pm

## **BAND 2023**

#### Training Band News (and recruiting a piano player)

A big thank you to all parents and students who came to training band rego day on Monday morning to collect their instruments.

Reminder: Please contact a tutor and start weekly private lessons asap – let us know if you are having trouble.

The Training Band would love to have a Glockenspiel player; someone who has been learning piano for a year and having lessons can often enjoy using their piano skills by playing Glock in the band.

Please email if your child is interested: bpsbandprogram@gmail.com

Training Band rehearsals start next Monday morning at 7:50am in the hall, arrive from 7:40am to set up. Followed by lunch time rehearsal on a Wednesday. Please bring instruments and Essential Elements books to rehearsals each week.

Looking forward to a great start to Training Band.

Felicity Stanwell

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# Open Night 2023

# Tuesday 7 March 2023 5.00pm - 7.00pm

5.00pm - Welcome 5.40pm - School Tour - including canapes from our hospitality students

Bookings are essential.

To book in go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au
and make a booking using the code **su4pb** 

Bookings will close on Monday 6 March 2023 at 3.00pm





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