



BELDON BRIEFINGS No.10

THURSDAY 26 July 2018

WELCOME TO TERM 3 A special welcome to families that are new to our school this term. As always, we have a busy term ahead with many exciting experiences and learning opportunities. Thank you to all the parents for preparing your children so well for the start of the term.

NEW PRINCIPAL We are delighted to welcome our new Principal, Mr Geoffrey Elliott, to Beldon Primary School. Mr Elliott has enjoyed familiarising himself with the school and meeting the staff, students and parents throughout his first two weeks. He is very impressed with what he has seen and excited for this new opportunity. Please visit our [website](#) to learn a little more about our new leader.

DEPUTY PRINCIPALS Welcome back to Mrs Jessica Sanders who will take on the Deputy Principal role for the remainder of 2018. Mr Peter Williams returns from Long Service Leave next Tuesday and from what we have heard, he has had a great time away. Sadly, Mrs Debra Reynolds leaves us at the end of the week. Mrs Reynolds has been our Deputy Principal for Semester One and we thank her for all of her efforts. She has been a great member of the Admin team but will be leaving to return to her role at the School for Isolated & Distance Education. We wish her all the very best.

LEARNING JOURNEY MORNING We are looking forward to the Learning Journey on **Wednesday 8 August from 8:40am**. This has been most successful over the last few years and the students are working hard to make it a terrific experience. It will be wonderful to see families celebrating their child's learning. Morning tea afterwards is always a great event. Please be sure to mark **Wednesday 8 August** in your diary as this is the day for your child to take you on their LEARNING JOURNEY. During this time, the children share with their parents, grandparents and siblings, activities they have selected. They take pride in explaining and demonstrating what they have done, and more importantly, what they have learnt. We encourage people to visit each class as a family, with children arriving at their class for their normal start time of **8:40am**. Our Parent Morning Tea will be held following the Learning Journey at **10:30am** in the Library.

VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL Being aware of the need for diligence in child protection, we have a policy for ALL visitors to the school. Outside drop off and pick up times, all visitors and parent MUST come via the office before attending their child's class or business at the school. Please assist us in the care of your children.

BREAD AVAILABLE Bread is available for local families from Beldon Uniting Church on Pacific Way in Beldon. The bread is collected by volunteers in our community and is fresh from Bakers Delight, Whitfords. They have such an abundance of bread at the moment that they're calling for families to use the service! You can collect some on Thursday evenings at 8:30pm or Friday mornings at 8:30am. Please spread the word.

BOOK WEEK IS COMING UP! All Pre-primary to Year 6 classes will be visiting a local library and participating in presentations with local authors. To warm up, we are hosting a **Free Dress Day** where students can come dressed as their favourite book character. A gold coin donation is required to participate and money raised will go towards our 'Write A Book in a Day' competition.

When: Wednesday 1 August **Why:** Book Week **What:** Dress up and bring a gold coin donation

FACTION CROSS COUNTRY A Faction Cross Country Event for Years 1 to 6 will be held on **Friday 3 August** commencing at **1pm**. All children will be encouraged to participate. Points will be allocated to individuals for their faction and will go towards the Cross Country Cup and Faction Shield. It would be terrific if the children could wear their faction shirts to make it a colourful event. Come along and support the children. The [2018 Cross Country Flyer](#) can be found on our website.

KINDY ENROLMENTS 2019 Beldon Primary School is well known for its exciting and dynamic [Kindergarten](#) and Pre-primary programs. An experienced staff offer a fun yet educational delivery of curriculum, focusing on the importance of learning through play. 2019 Applications for Enrolment are now being accepted. If your child turns 4 before 30 June 2019, they are eligible to attend Kindergarten in 2019. If your child turns 5 before 30 June 2019, they are required to attend Pre-primary in 2019. Please note, all 2018 Kindergarten students must re-enrol for 2019 Pre-primary. Please visit our [Enrolment](#) page to download your Application for Enrolment form or contact the [Office](#) to book a school tour. We hope to be able to partner with your family in this exciting next step for your child.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST/ENROLMENT We are accepting Expressions of Interest for all years for 2019. Have you put in an Expression of Interest for your Kindy child to go to Pre-primary for 2019?

YOU CAN DO IT AWARDS Congratulations to the following students who received a You Can Do It Award for RESILIENCE at the assembly on Thursday 19 July. Tahlea - A Block, Jackson - B Block and Candace - C Block.

EXCELLENCE AWARDS Congratulations to these students who received an Excellence Award at the assembly on Thursday 19 July. Chayse A2, Belle B3 and Miley C6.

ATTENDANCE AWARDS AND GOLD CARD CANTEEN VOUCHERS Each recipient will have an amount deposited to their QuickCliq account. Make sure you set up an account at www.QuickCliq.com.au so that your child does not miss out.

Week 9 Term 2: Charlotte B6, Maia C1, Emmerson C3 and Beau C4 **Week 1 Term 3:** Brayden B3, Caden B4, Sophie B6, Hailey C1, Emmerson C3, Riley C6, Jay B3 and Molly C3

DATES TO REMEMBER

- ♦ **FRIDAY 27 JULY** B6 Class Assembly 8:40am
- ♦ **WEDNESDAY 1 AUGUST** Make a Book in a day 8am to 5pm
Free Dress Day - Book Week Theme - Gold Coin donation
- ♦ **WEDNESDAY 1 AUGUST** P&C Meeting 7:30pm
- ♦ **FRIDAY 3 AUGUST** Faction Cross Country 1pm
- ♦ **MONDAY 6 AUGUST** Constable Care Incursion (PP to Year 6)
- ♦ **WEDNESDAY 8 AUGUST** Learning Journey followed by morning tea in the library 8:40am - 11:00am
- ♦ **FRIDAY 10 AUGUST** C3 Class Assembly 8:40am

Beldon PS strives to keep parents informed about upcoming events. Information is kept up to date on the homepage of our website under Event Quick View. Events can be clicked on for further details. Alternatively, [Term Planner's](#) and a **LIVE** [Calendar of Events](#) are available via the Term Planner Quick Link on our [homepage](#).

NEW ATTENDANCE APP COMING As many are aware, Beldon PS is always looking for ways to improve our communication with parents. As such, we will be implementing an improved app and attendance monitoring tool commencing next week. Further details regarding the app will follow but as of Monday, parents will receive a text message notifying them if their child has been marked absent from school. Parents are able to reply to the message confirming their child's absence, as well as notify the school of any intended absence. Please bear with us during the initial implementation. While every effort will be made for a smooth transition, teething issues may occur. We hope this new technology will give caregivers greater peace of mind that their children have arrived safely at school, especially for those who make their own way.

FAMILIES LEAVING AT THE END OF THE YEAR In early August each year, the school calculates the expected number of students for the following year. This information determines our funding and staffing arrangements, as well as the structure and class sizes for the next year. It is important for us to use the most accurate figures possible. If you are aware that your family will not be attending Beldon Primary School in 2019, we would appreciate the attached slip being completed and returned to the front office at the earliest opportunity. Alternatively, you can email the school on Beldon.ps@education.wa.edu.au.

STUDENTS NOT ATTENDING BELDON PRIMARY SCHOOL IN 2019

NAME: _____

YEAR LEVEL: _____

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CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES Shoe boxes are being collected and donations are starting to come in for our annual Christmas Shoebox appeal. One class has already put together 2 boxes and we have 32 hand knitted teddies from our lovely volunteer Joan, for this year's international project. Thanks for help with this project, Jodi Ingham (Chaplain).



UPDATED STUDENT DETAILS It is essential that our student records are correct to ensure that caregivers can be contacted in times of emergency. Student Update forms will soon be sent home and we would appreciate if you can check and return them ASAP.

LOST PROPERTY There is a large volume of lost property hanging in the atrium area. Many jumpers are hiding there. Have a look and rescue the lost, and don't forget to label your child's items so that they can be returned.

WRITE A BOOK IN A DAY

Beldon Primary School has once again entered two teams into the *Write a Book in a Day* competition. It is now a ritual for our school, having first started on this journey in 2014. In a short space of time, we have achieved so much, with Beldon winning the Written category and Artistic category, as well as two 3rd placings and an honourable mention.

Write a Book in a Day is a creative and challenging team competition for students in Years 5 to 12. Teams of up to ten have just twelve hours to write and illustrate a book from start to finish. To make it even more fun, unique parameters must be included in the story. Completed books are donated to children in hospitals across Australia.

Funds raised through sponsorship go to *The Kids' Cancer Project*, a national charity with a mission to support scientific research and help children with cancer.

The Kids' Cancer Project is an independent national charity supporting childhood cancer research. Since 1993, thanks to strong community support, the charity has contributed tens of millions of dollars to scientific research projects and helped many children with several types of cancer.

In 2017, over 790 teams entered the *Write a Book in a Day* competition, raising over \$190,000 for research to help children with cancer. Beldon Primary School is extremely proud to be part of such a worthy cause.

