



## Coming Events

**FRI 15 MAR**

Aqua Fun Day (Yr 5/6) - 12 to 3pm

**MON 18 MAR**

Sizzling Speller Class Finals  
Dinner Under the Stars - 6pm

**THU 21 MAR**

Lots of Socks for  
World Down Syndrome Day

**FRI 22 MAR**

B3 hosting Harmony Day  
Assembly - 8:40am

**THU 28 MAR**

Dockers Cup (selected students)

**MON 1 APR**

School Board Training - 6 to 8pm  
Belridge Secondary College

**TUE 2 APR**

BPS School Board Meeting - 7pm

**WED 3 APR**

C4 Fundraising Recess

**THU 4 APR**

Sizzling Speller School Finals

**FRI 12 APR**

ANZAC Assembly - 8:40am  
LAST DAY OF TERM 1

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## BELDON BRIEFINGS

14 March 2019

Crikey, it only seems like yesterday that the school year started but now we only have 4 weeks to go before First Term comes to an end. Time flies when you're having fun, especially for our Year 6 students who had a great camp last week at the Ern Halliday Recreation Camp (*pictured above*). The students participated with *PRIDE* and their behaviour brought credit to Beldon PS. Kudos and thanks go to teachers Mrs George and Mr Cecins for their leadership and giving up their time.

Everything else is on an even keel as we work with students and parents to finish a very positive and productive term over the next four weeks.

### **LOTS OF SOCKS DAY - THUR 21 MARCH**

World Down Syndrome Day (WDS) is next Thursday and to mark the occasion, we will be wearing crazy socks. We want to get people talking about WDS and we can do this if we all wear socks. But not just any socks, brightly coloured socks, long socks, printed socks, one sock... maybe even three socks for three chromosomes. The choice is yours, but we ask you to join us in wearing something which people will ask you about so that you can tell them all about WDS.

Officially recognised by the United Nations since 2012, WDS is commemorated all around the world and celebrates the lives and achievements of people with Down Syndrome.

Down Syndrome is the world's most common chromosomal disorder and cause of intellectual disability. It is not an illness or disease, and occurs at conception. It occurs in one of every 700 to 900 births worldwide

and affects people of all ethnic and social backgrounds. For more information, visit our website.

### **NOMINATIONS FOR THE SCHOOL BOARD**

In the last newsletter I advised parents that there are two vacancies on our School Board. Nominations for these vacancies are now open. Further information including nomination forms are available on our website. Nominations forms should be returned to the Office by 3:30pm on Friday 22 March.

A training/information evening for new Board members in our area will be held at Belridge Secondary College on 1 April, 6 to 8pm. This would be a good opportunity to find out more and ask questions if you are interested in joining our School Board.

### **SIZZLING SPELLER**

Wacko! We have had an amazing response to our Sizzling Speller invitation with around 90 students nominating to participate in the competition. The eager candidates will be given a preliminary test on Monday 18 March to identify the most competitive spellers at each year level. These students will then progress to the Finals on Thursday 4 April.

The timetable for Finals will be advised in the near future. During the Finals, students may be asked to spell words from higher year levels. A booklet containing all word lists can be found on our website.

### **HARMONY WEEK ASSEMBLY**

We welcome you to join us at our first class assembly for the year next Friday, 22 March. B3 will be hosting the assembly, based on the theme *Harmony*, in celebration of Harmony Week. We hope to see you there.