



# The Brief

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### Week 7

- 19/11-20/11 – Lunch time disco 1.30pm
- 20/11 – Infants Sports Carnival

### Week 8

- 23/11 – Whole School assembly 2.20pm
- 23/11 – Puberty & Friendship Year 6 11.30am
- 23/11 – Getting Stared 9.30am
- 23/11-28/11 – Swim Scheme 10.30am
- 24/11 – Kinder Connections Picnic 5.30pm
- 25/11-28/11 – School Spectacular
- 26/11 – Infants Assembly 2.15pm
- 27/11 – Primary Assembly 12.20pm

### Week 9

- 30/11 – Getting Started 9.30am
- 30/11 – Whole school assembly 2.20pm
- 01/12 – Year 6 fun day
- 02/12 – Belmont High Orientation
- 02/12 – Merewether High Orientation
- 03/12 – Stage 2 Party Day – Springloaded

## REMINDER OF MONEY DUE

- Infants Athletics Carnival - \$1.50
- Year 3 & 4 Party Day - \$20

## RELIEVING PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE WEEK 7 TERM 4

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Bushfire Planning

The bushfire season is upon us and our school has an Emergency Management Plan in place to ensure that we are well prepared in the event of a bushfire. The safety of all of our students and staff is paramount and we will soon be conducting an evacuation drill to confirm everyone is aware of and confident about their responsibilities in the event of a bushfire.

Procedures and plans are in place to assemble the students, staff and visitors on the front grass area. Should we need to evacuate off-site our first muster point is Marks Oval followed by Belmont High School if required. In the event of a bushfire requiring evacuation we will seek and follow the advice of emergency services. Parents and carers will be notified via our school app as to the arrangements for collecting students. I urge you to install our school app on your smartphone if you haven't already done so.

I also recommend at this time of the year, that our families complete a Bushfire Survival Plan for use at home and discuss with your children what to do in the event of a fire. Visit [rfs.nsw.gov.au](http://rfs.nsw.gov.au) and/or the [www.myfireplan.com.au](http://www.myfireplan.com.au) websites for useful resources.

### Year 5 School Leadership for 2016

Today we heard from our 16 candidates (8 girls and 8 boys) who are seeking selection for school leadership in 2016. Well done on delivering your speech - Alana Bradshaw, Jessica Croese, Zara

Eeles, Kasidi Eshman, Elli Hooper, Emma Mantle, Lara Moore, Annabelle Morrow, Alexander Dugomanov, Darby Jones, Matthew Langholz, Kyle Pasovski, Jake Robertson, Joshua Taylor, Matthew Whelan and Cameron Wood.

Voting from Years 2 to 5 took place straight after the speeches and counting will begin soon. Once the 8 leaders (4 girls and 4 boys) are determined the students will be notified if they have been successful or not in gaining a position. The final placings will not be disclosed until Presentation Day on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

Thank you to our Year 4 students Diantae Fabar, Lucy Wallace, Tara Banks, Tom Breasley, Jacob Spruce and Brayden Rodway who hosted the speech assembly this morning. A job well done.

### Watercatchers Film

Please take the time to visit [www.watercatchers.com.au](http://www.watercatchers.com.au) to view our entry into this year's competition. Last year we managed to win the top prize of \$10 000 and we are eyeing off the \$5 000 on offer this year.

Take a bow Porscha Graham, Logan Wonser, Liam Crawford, Jackson Hunter and Michael Melksam. Porscha wrote the script and her fellow Year 6 students starred in the production.

### K-2 Athletics Carnival

This Friday, all Infants students will be participating in their annual Sports Carnival. Even though it is expected to be a hot day, I am sure there will be lots of fun to be had. I hope everyone enjoys the games and excitement of the races. Thank you to Mrs Fox and Mrs Gu for their organisation of the day. Thank you also to the Infants staff, canteen helpers and parents who will ensure the day is a memorable one.

### Swim Scheme

Swim Scheme starts for interested Year 2 students next Monday. It will run for two weeks. Thank you to Mrs Roach for organising the event again this year. Thank you also to Mrs Fox, Miss Sullivan and Mrs Smith who will be attending the pool with the students. I may feel like joining them if the weather gets too hot!

Thank you,

Jenny White  
Relieving Principal

### Thought for the Week

"You need to be aware of what others are doing, applaud their efforts, acknowledge their successes, and encourage them in their pursuits. When we all help one another, everybody wins."  
– Jim Stovall

## **ASSEMBLY CLASS OF THE WEEK – 3H**

### **This week's virtue is HELPLEFULNESS**

Helpfulness is being of service to others, doing thoughtful things that make a difference in their lives. Offer your help without waiting to be asked. Ask for help when you need it. When we help each other, we get more done. We make our lives easier.

## **SPORT NEWS**

### **Primary Sport**

This term is flying by! We are already starting to think about sports for Term 1, 2016. Keep your eyes out the Sport Nomination note that will be sent home by the end of the week. Sport Nomination forms will be collected next Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am outside the hall.

This Friday is forecasted to be a scorching 39°C! Remind your child to be sun smart and to come to school wearing sunscreen and a hat.

## **OTHER SCHOOL NEWS**

### **Lunch time discos**

Do you and your friends love to dance? Then come along to the hall this week where Year 6 will be running discos for the whole school to enjoy.

WHAT: School Disco

WHERE: The Hall

WHEN: 2<sup>nd</sup> break only

WHO: Kindergarten/Year 1 – Wednesday  
Year 2 and Year 3 – Thursday  
Year 4 and Year 5 – Friday

COST: FREE!!!

**Please note you can only attend the disco on the day allocated to your year group.**

You need to bring your manners, best behaviour and coolest dance moves. Year 6 will provide the music, lights and some fun activities for you to do.

### **Daffodil Day – 'Golden Lining'**

On Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November, staff and students took part in the annual Cancer Council fundraiser, organised by the Year 6 Eventarians group.

In return for their gold coin donation, students came to school dressed in yellow or out of uniform. Year 6 Eventarians visited classrooms last week to promote the day and helped children paint a daffodil mural during break times, which was used as the focal point of our fund raising.

Our aim was to cover the outline of the Daffodil Day mural in gold coins. We managed to easily meet our target and gave our daffodil a triple 'golden lining'. In total we raised \$694.00 to help fund much needed cancer research.

A huge thank you to all who took part and gave so generously. Congratulations to the Year 6 Eventarians for their leadership.

## **LIBRARY NEWS**

### **Literacy Pro Awards**

Congratulations to the following students who received Blue Star Awards (25 Literacy Pro points); Olivia Bell 1R, Rhys Barry 1/2O, Konah Milton 4C, Jayden Grozdanovski 5G and Madelyn Anderson 6F,

Congratulations to the following students who received Red Star Awards (50 Literacy Pro points); Cooper Turner 2A, Bella Ciarrocchi 2O, Elleni Pedonese 3/4L, Blake Priest 5G, Jaith Bell 6B, Tamsyn Capararo 6B, Laura Vico 6B, Madelyn Anderson 6F, Caitlin Barnett 6F and Eve Oxenham 6F

Congratulations to the following students who received Bronze Star Awards (75 Literacy Pro points); Mitchell Chung 2O, Daniel Cross 2O, Tobi Eeles 3G, Thomas Kennedy 3/4L, Jacob Spruce 4E, Madelyn Anderson 6F, Caitlin Barnett 6F, Emily Magri 6F, Eve Oxenham 6F and Alexia Street 6F

Congratulations to the following students who received Silver Star Awards (100 Literacy Pro points); Grace Kim 4E, Robert Nolan 5M, Emily Magri 6F, Sam Norman 6F and Eve Oxenham 6F

## **P&C NEWS**

A reminder that Bookclub orders are due by next Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> November. Bookclub is a great opportunity to purchase some Christmas gifts.

A big thank you to Kelly Woodger who organises all the Bookclub for our school, all her efforts are very much appreciated.

## **CANTEEN NEWS**

### **Coming Up**

Infants Sports Carnival – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Nov – PLEASE SEE THE SEPARATE NOTE REGARDING ORDER OF LUNCHESES FOR INFANTS STUDENTS.

Volunteers needed for Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November at the school canteen & the infants sports carnival canteen to be run at Marks Oval. Please see Margaret if you can help!

### **New 2015/16 Canteen Menu**

New menu starts Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November! Please note there are several price increases & some of our items have been deleted. The new menu will also apply to our new online ordering system once this is up and running. The menu will also be available to view on our website & app.

### **Roster**

Thursday 19/11 – Narelle Masson, Lee-Anne Lentfer, Sandy Green, Sally Brown

Friday 20/11 – Simone Pasovski, Chris Rapp, Toni Roberts, Kim Toll (am)

Monday 23/11 – Kellie Christian, Jo Fletcher, Sally Face

Tuesday 24/11 – Katrina Halls, Meredith Wright, Neridah Jackson, Lisa Wardle

Wednesday 25/11 – Sharon Robertson, Louise Grozdanovski, Renee McCormick, Peta-Maree McCormick

## **BANKING NEWS**

### **Banking Champions – 2C**

School Banking is every Thursday.

## **UNIFORM NEWS**

Order now for 2016 Lay-by is available

The Uniform shop will NOT be open on the pupil free day prior to school starting 2016. The first day open will be Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February (first day of school is Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January). Please start to consider what you may need for next year and order now for collection by Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December to be ready for 2016. This includes lay-by.

Uniform shop is open Wednesdays 2.30-3.15pm