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**BELMONT BULLETIN**  
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<b>DATES TO REMEMBER</b>			
<b>TOMORROW</b>	<b>21<sup>ST</sup> December</b>		<b>Casual Dress Day</b>
<b>TOMORROW</b>	<b>21<sup>st</sup> December</b>	<b>9.00-1.30pm</b>	<b>Final Day – PLEASE NOTE EARLY DISMISSAL</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>31 January 2019</b>		<b>First Day back for students</b>

<b>Student of the week</b>		
<b>Congratulations to the following students whose efforts, behaviour and attitude have been recognised</b>		
Harvey M Emma N	<b>Prep G</b>	For being an amazing Prep all year! You are so helpful and are kind to everyone. Thanks for being a super star! For always looking after our classroom and your friends outside. You have been a wonderful Prep G classmate!
Maggie O Jonty M	<b>Prep P</b>	For always working so hard during class and drawing the most beautiful illustrations for her 12 Days of Christmas book! For being such a good friend to all in Prep P. You are always ready to help your friends and are a great role model!
Justus C	<b>1/2 C</b>	For always working hard during learning activities and for his passion and enthusiasm for creating drawings.
Abby A	<b>1/2 E</b>	For having such a positive attitude towards all areas of her learning. You are such a kind, respectful member of 1/2 E. Amazing work Abby!
Rosie O	<b>1/2 M</b>	For showing amazing initiative by bringing in her version of 'Twas the night before Christmas' so we could compare to the one we had read the previous day, leading to a fun and interesting reading lesson. Great Thinking Rosie!
Jesse R	<b>3/4 E</b>	Jesse Richens - For working hard to make clever language choices when writing, and for entertaining us all with your hilariously creative '12 Days of Christmas' poem.
Bella L	<b>3/4 L</b>	For your awesome sound knowledge in our Sound Waves revision. You are a dedicated student who I can always count on!
Maddie M	<b>3/4 M</b>	For working so well on your Magazine. Every section was extremely detailed and the presentation and colour was wonderful. Well done Maddie!
Brody M	<b>5/6 C</b>	For a fun and creative biography of his father. Your unique and thoughtful illustrations were loved by everyone. Great Job!
Nigel L	<b>5/6 K</b>	For a making such an amazing transition to Belmont Primary School. You have fitted into 5/6K so magnificently. Your happy and positive nature have made you a valued peer and student. Well Done Nigel!
Emma H	<b>5/6 L</b>	For working hard at everything you do! Well done for coming to school everyday with a positive, respectful attitude. You demonstrate the value of learning everyday and are a fantastic role-model to other students. Emma, you are a superstar!!
Kayla B	<b>ITALIAN</b>	For excellent pronunciation of Italian words.

**PRINCIPALS REPORT**

**Students of the week**



**Casual Dress Day tomorrow**

No gold coin required

Early Dismissal at 1.30pm

## Farewell to Mrs Dee Dearnley



**Dee** started her career back in 1981 - 37 years ago at Glengala PS, before stints at Iramoo, Woodville, Chilwell and finally Belmont beginning in 2001. Dee has held a multitude of roles and taught at many levels before spending some time in an Intervention role helping our at most risk students.

17 years later Dee is retiring from her teaching role here at Belmont to enjoy more time with her family and in her garden. On behalf of the Belmont Community, I would like to acknowledge Dee for her long standing service and dedicated contribution to our students here at Belmont. All the very best for the future. Be sure to come back and visit.

## Farewell also to Mrs Lisa Bauerle



**Lisa** has been at Belmont since 2016 working as an Educational Support staff member. Lisa has worked with a range of students across several classes and has been part of our vibrant ES Team. Lisa leaves with her family North to NSW and will build a new home among other changes for the family. We wish Lisa and her family all the best.

## Farewell to Kerriane Hobbs

**Kerriane** in our 3/4 area will also finish up a short-term contract with the school tomorrow and has been a wonderful addition to our staff team. Kerriane filled the large shoes of Temae Mc Cormack, who parents will remember took Family Leave. Kerriane within weeks of starting her role attended camp, completed important assessment and even wrote reports. The relationships she has been able to build with her students in such a short time is evidence of

her kind and professional approach. On behalf of our 3/4s particularly, Thank-you Mrs Hobbs.

**Graduation last night** was a wonderful celebration of 7 years for our Grade 6s who have just one day left of their Primary years! More than 200 friends and family gathered to hear speeches, enjoy performances, watch a fabulous video and slide show and see graduates presented with a medallion and lovely group photograph.

Our students looked their finest and thanks to their teachers, the night was a great success and a fitting celebration of the students achievements. My thanks to Craig Corker, Julie Keating, Susie Lewis (Senior Team Leader ) Bec Gillet, Lisa Bauerle and supporting staff on the night including Mrs Preston on sound and Ms Eales on supper.

Special guests included Mr Mark Arkinstall, Mrs Jen Koehler and Ms Jessie Donnan a past teacher of 10 years, who spoke about the power of an idea.

A number of special awards were presented on the night including:

### Academic awards

Anthony Serra  
Ashlinn McLean

### Sports Star Awards

Patrick Macpherson  
Ida Laherty

### Mark Arkinstall Citizenship Awards

Oscar Wissing  
Bethany Dean

### BPS Values Award

Arkie Zavaglia





The students all created a special board depicting their memories.

Regan A (5/6L) when writing about what is ahead for him said: "I have no idea right now. I'm just mucking about and playing with my friends. I'm **saving the future for the future.**"

**We say a sad farewell to** families leaving this year and thank each of them for their contribution to the life of the school over many years. Some families from this group have been associated with the school for more than a decade. Farewell to the following families.....

Barnes, Bowie, Boyd,  
Cook, Cui, Dickson, Fejsa,  
Fergeus, Haby, Henkel, Heron, Kar,  
Keet, Larka, Lewis, Mathews, Matthewson,  
McLean, O'Donnell, Palmer, Pitts,  
Preston, Rossack, Shaw, Spalding,  
Trott, Wissing  
& Zavaglia.

**Year Book news**

Ahead of the Year Books publication, we hope in the first weeks of 2019, I would like to acknowledge the significant work of two of our parents **Naomi Barnes and Bel Romain** who have spent many hours putting together this years magazine. Without our two parent volunteers this publication would not have got to print at all and the price point for parents would have been doubled. Families leaving the school who have ordered a copy will need to drop by the school later in February when our magazine run should be returned to the school.

Next year we will try to do better and to meet the early deadlines but will again rely on the generosity of parents like Naomi and Bel to get us over the line.

So far the school has received 78 orders for a hard copy of the School magazine. If you would like to ensure you receive a hard copy please complete an **order form and return to the school by tomorrow.**

We will distribute the free digital copy as soon as it becomes available through available school channels including Skoolbag, Compass and the school FACEBOOK group.

**Staffing update,** we will see some movement of staff in 2019

. Changes to staff positions within the school are often about balancing each area with expertise/experience, staff preferences or changing numbers or requirements. Our staffing is now finalised. We welcome three *new staff members* to our great team.

**Foundation (Prep)**

Phoebe Gowers (L) Virginia Glassford

**Year 1/2**

Shanelle Craven (L) Paul McArdle  
Adelle Preston Jemma Treloar

**Year 3/4**

Craig Corker (L) Megan Leishman  
Lorann Elkington



**Year 5/6**

Susie Lewis (L)  
Grant Thompson

Sharon Long

**Specialists**

Yvonne Mc Donald  
Helen McNabb  
Rachel Ryan

Art  
LOTE (Italian)  
PE

L - Professional Learning Community Leader  
# Our grade positioning is unchanged for 2019.

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**Can you help?**

The school is seeking a new sponsor or two to help set up our central area of the BER building for our future learning. One of the likely directions for the school over the next 4 years will be an increasing focus around the subjects of science and technology.

Do you have a contact for a mid to large size business or corporation that might be interested in forming a partnership with our school?

Please let us know. We plan to write to local businesses and corporations soon seeking strong sponsorship and community partnerships.

*Final Tongue Twister of the week looks simple but it's not.*

Toy boat. Toy boat. Toy boat

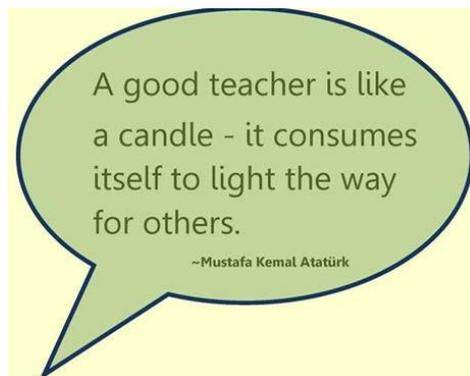


Given this is our last newsletter for the year I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge all of the staff here at BPS for their dedication and hard work this year. Our best wishes again to our staff leaving Dee and Lisa and every best holiday wish to you all.

On behalf of all of our staff I would like to wish all our families a wonderful, safe and enjoyable Christmas holiday break.

We will look forward to seeing all of our students safe return on the last day of **January Thursday 31<sup>st</sup>.**

Regards  
**David Houghton (Principal)**



A good teacher is like a candle - it consumes itself to light the way for others.

~Mustafa Kemal Atatürk

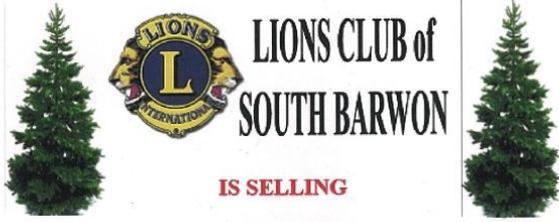
**LIBRARY**

There are still over 65 books that have not been returned to the library. It's not too late. Please have one last look at home and return them to the library tomorrow.  
Thanks

**LUNCH ORDERS**

There will be no lunch orders tomorrow due to the early dismissal.





# CHRISTMAS TREES

**CUT FRESH THE DAY BEFORE YOU BUY**

**Pick-up: 9-4pm Sat & Sun during December  
33 Mt Pleasant Road, Belmont**

**Delivery: call any time to order  
Mick 0421 236 354 or  
Bob 0409 955 485**

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO SUPPORTING  
OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY**



## Kid's Workshop DIY Bath Bliss

The ultimate school holiday fun to entertain your kids so that you can enjoy 2 hours to yourself.

Your kids will love getting their hands dirty making their own natural bath products.

Where - Creative Geelong, Geelong

When - Monday 21st January 2019

Time - 10am-12pm

Cost - \$30 per child

Kid's take-home their creations and an activity book with all the recipes.

Book - [www.simplyhappy.com.au/kids-workshop/](http://www.simplyhappy.com.au/kids-workshop/)