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Term 3, Week 4

# North News

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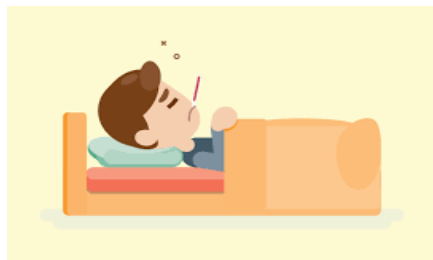


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Dear Parents and Carers

School activities are continuing normally as far as COVID-19 restrictions allow.

If your child is showing cold or flu-like symptoms, please have your child tested for COVID-19 and inform the school of the results. Please do not send your child back to school until after you receive the results.

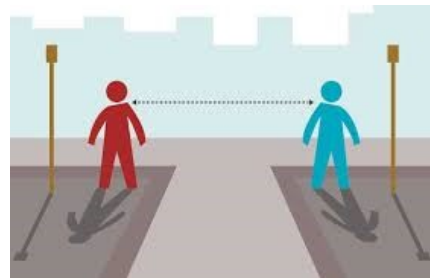


## The school camp for Stage 3

students has been cancelled and refunds will be arranged as soon as possible for those families who paid a deposit. Hopefully, 2021 will be a better year for everyone and the school camp can go ahead.

**We ask all our parents and carers** to limit the amount of time they spend on the playground which is in line with Department of Education and COVID-19 requirements. Please say goodbye to your children at the gate and leave the school grounds promptly. In the afternoon, please do not spend any more time than is necessary in picking up your children and departing the school

grounds. Face to face meetings may take place with staff when necessary, however, we prefer phone or email communication. You can email the school at: [Belmorenth-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:Belmorenth-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) and write the teacher's name in the subject line.



School gates have been opening later to try and reduce the number of parents entering the playground early. Parents of students in the support unit have been provided with a separate letter. If the new arrangements are difficult for you please see me to discuss alternative arrangements.

School bell times are 9:00am to indicate the start of the school day and 3:00pm which signals the end of the school day.

**Kindergarten enrolments** are now being taken. If you know anyone who has a child due to start school next year, please refer them to the school office for an enrolment pack. It is important that we receive enrolment applications as early as possible so that we can plan our classes and staffing for the new school year. It is unlikely that there will be a

kindergarten transition program in Term 4, so instead, the school will be inviting parents individually to a meeting and doing some informal tasks with the students to support their future learning needs.



The staff have expressed a desire to see the students wearing their correct school uniform which is so important to the students in taking pride in their school and the image of the school. The Belmore North Parents and Citizens Association also supports Belmore North being a "uniform school". First impressions are lasting impressions and we want our school's first impression to be a positive one. We want our school image to match the high quality learning and high expectations that we hold for all students. There is a range of uniform options for students to wear, that suits their cultural or religious needs. The uniform requirements for students is included on a separate page.



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Year 5 and Year 3 students will participate in a new reading and numeracy check-in assessment in Term 3. The check-in assessment is a NSW Department of Education online reading and numeracy assessment to support schools to assess and monitor Year 5 and Year 3 learning following the period of learning at home. The information we gather about student learning is important to us for future planning of school programs that best support student needs.

Thank you to all our families who completed the school survey sent home last term. Another survey will soon be arranged. This survey is called the Tell Them from Me (TTFM) which seeks your views on a range of school matters. We have an ethos of continuous improvement and your views will help to shape the priorities of our new school plan, which will be called the Strategic Improvement Plan 2021-2014.



**Students in the gardening club planted shrubs thanks to Mrs. Iacono's initiative.**



**Students enjoying the outdoor reading Library.**

The staff during the past one and a half terms have been involved in developing the school's shared beliefs and understandings about student learning. They are:

Our vision statement: *We are committed to providing excellence in teaching and learning in a safe and positive environment to develop the whole child and enable each to achieve his or her fullest potential in an ethos of continuous improvement. We value respect, excellence, community, opportunity and creativity. We believe that all students can achieve to their own high standards with the right time, the right support, motivation and encouragement.*

*We support all teachers to teach to high standards by giving them the right support that builds trust and considers staff wellbeing.*

*We have a moral purpose and responsibility to teach to a high standard to facilitate the development of each student's academic skills to his/her potential and to support each student to feel known, valued, cared for and safe.*

As a school, these are the values that we want all staff to embody.

The weeks since student reports were sent home have slipped by very quickly. The school, in the next couple of weeks will set up opportunities for you to have telephone interviews with staff about your child's progress report. Further details will follow soon.

We would like to congratulate Mrs Ayling on the birth of her son and Mrs Worboys on the birth of her daughter. We also welcome Mrs Fraser back from maternity leave. Mrs Fraser is working on Thursdays and Fridays in the student wellbeing role.

I hope that you are all managing to have positive family occasions and staying resilient during these trying times.

Sincerely,  
Janet Burling  
Principal



## Belmore North Public School Uniform

### All students

BNPS hat.

Navy neck scarf – optional for (Winter)

Black shoes including black laces, white or grey socks except on Fridays for sport when students wear sport shoes.

### Girls Summer

Terms 1 & 4 – Summer dress

OR loose navy gabardine pants and long sleeved school polo shirt

OR skort (culottes) or shorts with short sleeved school polo shirt

BNPS headscarf - navy blue with school logo

### Girls Winter Terms 2 & 3 –

Winter tunic with navy blue stockings.

Navy blue pants/trackpants (no colour trim).

Navy jacket – preferably BNPS jacket, no coloured jackets or jumpers

Skivvies worn under shirts should be sky blue.

### Not acceptable

**Stockings are not to be worn under skorts (culottes). They are only to be worn under dresses.**

**Trackpants or leggings worn under a school dress (Summer or Winter) is not acceptable uniform.**

### Boys Summer

Navy shorts, blue polo shirt, navy jacket, white or grey socks, black shoes.

### Boys Winter

Navy trackpants or navy shorts, sky-blue polo shirt,

Navy jacket- preferably BNPS jacket

Black shoes, white or grey socks

Skivvies worn under shirts should be sky blue.

*All school branded items are available from Saouma's Uniform Shop in Punchbowl or Belfield.*

*Punchbowl: 2/200 The Boulevarde T: (02) 9750 3276*

*Belfield: 3A Burwood Rd, Belfield T: (02) 9642 6130*



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### **Kindergarten Enrolments 2021**

We are now accepting enrolments for kindergarten for 2021. Please see the front office for any enquiries and enrolment forms.



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