

Beechmont State School

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30/10/2018



Beechmont State School 2018 Explicit Improvement Agenda

- Writing
- Reading
- Attendance

Beechmont Expectations in a Nutshell

- Be a Learner
- Be Responsible
- Be Respectful
- Be Safe



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Tuckshop Convener

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Parents & Citizens

Association

Meets on the 2nd
Wednesday of each month.
All parents are welcome.

School Motto

AT ALL TIMES
CONSIDER OTHERS

THE BEECHMONT EXPERIENCE...

Working together to
empower our children to
reach their potential in
an inspiring, loving and
homely environment that
provides challenges and
opportunities, values
diversity and encourages
lifelong learning.

Coming Events

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| 31 Oct | Student Banking
Guitar/Ukulele |
| 01 Nov | HPE
Drama with Claudine |
| 02 Nov | Parade
Tuckshop
Douglas in
Yr 2 Swimming |
| 05 Nov | Library Borrowing to
cease this week |
| 06 Nov | Prep Open 9-10am
Melbourne Cup -
wear a fancy hat
Guidance Officer
visiting
Jap/Music/
Instrumental |
| 07 Nov | Colour Day - Spots
Student Banking
Guitar/Ukulele |
| 08 Nov | HPE
Drama with Claudine |
| 09 Nov | Tuckshop
Douglas PD NSH
Yr 2 Swimming
QWCA Walk |
| 11 Nov | Remembrance Day |
| 12 Nov | Newsletter
Jap/Music/
Instrumental |

Celebration of Education Week

Thank you to everyone who responded to our invitations to regarding Carnival of Words. We have been overwhelmed by your response and generosity of reading to our children. It was a beautiful morning and we had over 20 people reading to our Beechmont Possums. Many thanks to the mums, dads, aunties and grandparents that gave up their morning. We appreciate you and the children had a lovely time.

2019 Booklists

Book Lists are officially out! You should already have yours. If not, contact Douglas for one ☺ thank you.

As per last year, we are using Symons. There are several methods of paying for your child's book pack and it is detailed on the front of the order form. These packs will be available for collection prior to school starting on 24 and 25 January 2019. If you would prefer, you can use the booklist and purchase your requirements elsewhere. Remember, that if you already have items, If the list recommends a calculator and your child already has one from a previous year, you will not need to purchase a new one.

All Symons book pack orders need to be placed online or returned with payment to the school by the 16th of November 2018.

School Resource Scheme fees will remain at \$60 per student. Information regarding this will be sent home this week. Please keep your eyes out for it! ☺

2019 Enrolments and Staffing

It is that time of year again, where we start to look at class formations. If you know your child **WILL NOT** be attending Beechmont State School next year, please advise Douglas by Wednesday 31st of October. This will assist us in planning for the 2019 school year.

Today, we commenced our Pre-prep sessions and our new possums were excited and keen to get started. It is marvellous to see so many Beechmont children coming to their local school. Plus a few children joined us from off the mountain!

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Great state. Great opportunity.



If you know of any other children enrolling next year, **any** grade, please get their family to contact Douglas before the end of the school year.

In regards to classes, there will be class allocation over the next few months, we will advise you in due course.

We are excited with the little changes within our school – but the core of Beechmont remains the same – our children - their learning and their growth.

Remembrance Day - Sunday, 11 November is Remembrance Day . If you are able to attend the service at Graceleigh Park, that would be appreciated. You would have received a lilac note outlining information regarding Remembrance Day, information is also contained further on in this newsletter.

Melbourne Cup - Tuesday 6th Nov. Children are encouraged to wear a funky hat to celebrate an iconic Australian tradition. Classes will also be viewing the race. If you do not want your child to watch it, please advise your child's teacher.

Reminder - 2019 Queensland school year - Queensland students will start the 2019 school year on Tuesday 29th January. For a full list of Queensland school term and holiday dates, visit <https://education.qld.gov.au/about/Documents/2019-school-calendar.pdf>

End of Year Concert - We only have 6 weeks left until the end of school and so much to do! Classes are busy preparing for the end of year concert. We will be having our individual and whole school rehearsals during Week 8 and beyond. If you have any queries around the performance – such as costume – please contact your child's teacher as soon as possible. Like last year, we will be handing out some awards on our Friday parades, to keep the awards night to a two and a half hour time frame.

Just remember to put FRIDAY the 7th of December in your diary as End of Year Concert night!

Take care
Belinda

P+C NEWS

Mountain Mates – It is with sadness that we have to advise that Kim Sami has decided to resign from Mountain Mates. Miss Kim has been a familiar face & integral part of Mountain Mates for over 10 years. We would like to thank Miss Kim for all her efforts over the many years. We wish Miss Kim all the very best with her new adventure & exciting future.

Expressions of Interest for Mountain Mates - We are seeking anyone interested in working at our OHSC facility. We are currently looking for two positions, plus staff to build our casual/relieving database.

1. Nominated Supervisor Role & you will need, Diploma of Childcare Services or equivalent. You will also need a current First Aid certificate & a positive Blue Card status.
2. Qualified assistant & you will need Certificate 3 or working towards & you will need a current Blue Card positive status.

We look forward to hearing from you, please email your resume & supporting documents to:- pandc@beechmontss.eq.edu.au

P&C Executive News - We are still asking for anyone to join our team as a secretary position holder. You do not need experience as we have put our hands up without prior experience but we help each other & kept things rolling for the betterment of the children& their school experience.

We really cannot express how much we welcome new faces & new input going forward for 2019.

End Of Year Raffle! - ☺ Raffle tickets will be heading home shortly! Christmas Raffle

P&C's Christmas Raffle is starting to take shape! We will be holding a Christmas raffle and are requesting donations to contribute to this. Please bring in your donated gifts and place in the basket in the office. We thank you for your on-going support of our school and our children☺.



Our next P&C meeting is on Wednesday 28th of November at 6pm at Mountain Mates. Everyone is welcome!

SCHOOL TUCKSHOP

I wish to personally thank all our enthusiastic & wonderful Tuckshop volunteers!! You are all amazing!

Menu TERM 4

2nd Nov - Spiral Bol
9th Nov - Pizza
16th Nov - Sausage Rolls
23rd Nov - Nacho

Volunteers TERM 4

2nd Nov - Sarah Browning & Les Rostron
9th Nov – Wendy Klynsmith
16th Nov – Tim Murphy
23rd Nov -



We welcome any volunteers in our tuckshop! Please call Leanne on 0418 115 687 if you would like to join in the Friday Fun from 8:30-11:30 Thank you to all our volunteers & families that support our tuckshop.



MOUNTAIN MATES NEWS
Beechmont State School P&C Assn.
Outside School Hours Care Service
 Ph. 55459124 or a/h 0417775741
email-mountainmates@bigpond.com

Last week was a very busy week at Mountain Mates AND we all had the best time. Thank you to everyone who came along to our Student Free Day. We had a really enjoyable day and we hope you did too.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD FOR TICKS



We have lots of outside play and there are ticks around, so please just double check your children.

Reminder:

We are opened Monday to Fridays Morning 6.30am until 8.30pm with breakfast supplied. Afternoons 3.00pm until 6.30pm with afternoon tea supplied (see our yummy menu).

Don't forget to let us know if you would like your child to be completing their homework while in attendance at Mountain Mates and we will assist as best as possible.

If you have any queries or questions please contact staff at Mountain Mates - on 55459124 or email mountainmates@bigpond.com

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

Student Banking

Student Banking is every Wednesday. Just have your child bring their banking to the office. Thank you to our regular bankers.

UNIFORMS NEWS



There is a lot of LOST property in the box. This box is overflowing with items. Jumpers galore!

CLASS NEWS



Hello - I hope you are all having a lovely week. Last week, it was great to see all the parents here for our carnival of words day. It was a great day and the children enjoyed being read to, so thank you all for coming.

In Science, we are looking at the movement of objects. The children will be investigating objects that roll, slide and bounce etc.

In class we have been continuing to do a lot of letter writing. We have made envelopes and written a letter to our buddies. Hopefully they will reply to us.

I hope you all have a wonderful week,
 Warm regards, Tania Evans
tevan27@eq.edu.au

YEAR 1/2

This week, in Literacy we are reading *George's Marvellous Medicine* by Roald Dahl. We are learning about the elements of plot and characterisation.

In Math we are exploring measurement. We are using balance scales to compare the mass of everyday objects and we are learning how to measure area.

In Art, we are celebrating spring by creating a Tree of Life in the style of Gustav Klimt. The children enjoyed using gold paint for the background and this week we will be adding the flowers and jewels to our precious tree.

The term newsletter should be in the children's take home bags. Please look for it as it has details of the End of Year Concert costume requirements.

Congratulations to last week's award winners: Isla Browning for her fantastic puppet acting and Helio Zavadil for using great describing words in his sentences.

If there is anything you wish to discuss you are welcome to contact me on 55459100 or kpryo8@eq.edu.au

Wishing you all a good week, Kerry Pryor

YEAR 2/3

This week students are starting their technology design projects. Their task is to design two spinning toys for children. They have to sketch two different designs and then analyse the pros and cons of each design, ultimately choosing one to construct.

Children may have to use items from home or recyclable materials. Some children have added materials they want but don't have to our list in the classroom hoping other students may help them out. So far we need recycled cardboard, bobbins (used for sewing), large beads and string.

If you could ask your child what they are making and help them gather resources that would be great.

Also, if you can help out with any of the needed resources and send in any recyclable materials that would also really assist us in this design project. Some materials and resources will be available at school.

Have a great week,
 Demelza dathe1@eq.edu.au

YEAR 3/4

Congratulations to last week's award winners; Remi, Jesse and Isla. Well done!

This week in Science, we have been working on hands-on experiments with "Materials". The children experimented on the absorbency of different cloth materials, gathered data and completed tables and graphs using the data. We are also learning about how to conduct a "fair" experiment using the scientific process.

In Maths, we have been completing a range of assessment tasks related to our work so far this term. This has included our work on fractions and number concepts. The Year 3 children have completed work on "Chance" concepts and have been conducting hands-on experiments with dice.

Our humorous poetry writing in English is progressing well. The children are now completing the final draft of this task and will be presenting these poems to the class when they are completed.

Our class dance has been progressing well. We are now approximately half way through the song and the children are participating very well on this activity. Please let me know if your child will be away for the End of Year Concert on Friday the 7th of December as this impacts significantly on the dance.

Have a great week.

Regards, Dan Albright dalbr1@eq.edu.au

YEAR 5/6

This week students are competing their PAT tests for this semester. I will also be conducting reading tests for the next few weeks, leading up to reports. Next week, students will be presenting their Drama plays in class on Monday and the Technology assessments are due on Friday.

Remembrance Day is on Sunday the 11th on November. Year 6 students who have indicated that they are attending have received their roles for the day. We will be holding our first rehearsal with the ANZAC committee this Friday. If your child has a speaking role, please encourage them to practice at home leading up the service.

As previously mentioned, we have begun rehearsing our dance for the End of Year Concert. We will be performing to the song "High Hopes" by Panic! At The Disco. Due to the size of our class, we will be performing the dance in shift. If your child will **not be** attending the End of Year Concert please let me know ASAP, as this may change how we structure the dance.

Well done to Sophia, Ella, Phoenix, James and Samuel for receiving awards on parade.

I hope you have a wonderful week and be sure to check out our class blog at www.mrsnoakes.edublogs.org/.

Warm regards, Courtenay Noakes
5545 9100 cnoak3@eq.edu.au



Prep

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Enrol now - 2019

Do you want your child to be prepared for "life-long learning"? Beechmont State School provides quality education for students from Prep through to Year 6. We focus on the academic, social and well-being needs of your child.

Enrol your child with us for the best start to their education!
Join us for our Prep Orientation Program

When: 4 weeks
30th October
6th November
13th November
20th November

Where: Beechmont State School

Time: 9 – 10am with Beechmont SS Prep teacher
Mrs Tania Evans



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COMMUNITY NEWS



BEECHMONT REMEMBRANCE DAY
Service & Peace Picnic

SUNDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2018
Assembly 10.30am/ Service begins at 10.45am sharp
Graceleigh Park, 1922 Beechmont Rd, Beechmont.

- Remembering and giving thanks for the service and sacrifice of all service personnel as we commemorate the Centenary of Armistice 1918-2018.
- Beechmont State School students in attendance will receive a Centenary of Armistice Commemorative Coin.

At the conclusion of the service, please join us at the Hall on Graceleigh for a "Peace Picnic":

- BYO plate to share
- BYO drinks (tea & coffee provided)
- Enjoy old time music & Australian classics
- Old time picnic games & cricket match
- World War One display - local servicemen

BEECHMONT ANZAC COMMITTEE
President: Ray McKenzie 0408 027 270
Secretary: Kim Crow 0407 115 483
Please do not bring pets along. Thank you

Armistice
100 YEARS ON
1918-2018



THE 2018 JUNIOR SOCCER SEASON MAY BE OVER, BUT THERE IS NO NEED TO STOP PLAYING SOCCER ON BEECHMONT!

COME ALONG TO OUR
SUNDAY AFTERNOON
KICKABOUT AND CATCH UP
LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 2PM-4PM
AT GRACELEIGH PARK, BEECHMONT
BRING SOME SNACKS TO SHARE
NEW PLAYERS ALWAYS WELCOME

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT LIZ ON 0432440354
OR EMAIL BEECHMONTJUNIORSOCCER@GMAIL.COM

BEECHMONT JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE and PEACE PICNIC

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- BYO plate to share.
- BYO drinks (Tea, Coffee and Cordial provided)
- Enjoy Old Time Music & Australian Classics with Paul & Catherine Slingsby
- Old Time Picnic Games
- Cricket Match
- World War One Display Featuring Our Local Servicemen.

Kim



SOCIAL TENNIS

FREE & BBQ

Sunday 2 December 2018
from 1pm to dusk...

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See you at Beechmont Tennis Club, Graceleigh Park

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