

# Beechmont State School

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## Beechmont State School 2020 Explicit Improvement Agenda

- Writing
- Reading
- Attendance

## Beechmont Expectations in a Nutshell

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

### Coming Events

- Term 4 Commences
- Week 6
- LIBRARY BOOKS DUE NOW
- 08 Dec Newsletter  
Year 6 Graduation
- 09 Dec Last day for Term 4
- 2021
- 27 Jan Wednesday School resumes  
Welcome all students
- 02 Feb Newsletter

Last night I had the privilege and pleasure of seeing our class of 2020 graduate. They have had a year like no other and have come through it more resilient than most. Their graduation evening was a lovely celebration of the year six children and their journey at Beechmont State School. I wish them all the best as they embark on their high school adventures. Big thanks to Miss Hicks who organised the graduation event and to the other staff who assisted. This team effort and comradery is what makes Beechmont so unique and special.

Last Friday we also held our COVID friendly end of year concert. I do understand that some parents have voiced their concerns about not being able to see the concert in person and I do understand the frustration. However, as a state school in Queensland we are following the guidelines given to us. As these guidelines change, our restrictions will lift. Until then I ask for your patience and understanding that we are taking every opportunity to share what we can with you of our school year.

At this event, we presented a range of awards to our students. Congratulations to the following students:

Junior Music Award	Tennessee S
Senior Music Award	Nellie B
Strings Award	Maaya B
Junior Japanese Award	Helio Z
Senior Japanese Award	Nellie B
Emerging Leader	Cayley W
Emerging Leader	Aurora S
Art Achievement	Troy T
Leadership Award	Isla B
Citizenship Award	Nellie B
Citizenship Award	Sulian B
Nerang State High School Principal Award	Jacinta B
Nerang Signature program – Athletics	Troy T
Nerang Signature program – Quality Arts	Sulian B
Beechmont School Award	Les Rostron

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**Outside School Hours Care**  
5545 9100 (8am - 3pm)  
5545 9124 (after 3pm)

**Tuckshop Convener**  
5545 9100

**Parents & Citizens Association**  
Meets on the 3rd & 8th Wednesday of each term.  
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.

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Great state. Great opportunity.



Junior Improvement Award nominees	Evan G, Darius B, Harry S, Jasmine K, Ethan I		
Junior Improvement Award	Jasmine K		
Senior Improvement Award nominees	Luke M, Ari N, Jacinta B		
Senior Improvement Award	Jacinta B		
Class awards			
	English Award	Math Award	School Motto Award
<b>Prep/1</b>			
<b>1/2</b>	Marlie B	Lennox F	Macey P
<b>2/3</b>	Tennessee S	Agus M	Finn D
<b>4/5</b>	Amelia M	Banjo G	Mia B
<b>5/6</b>	Isla B	Nellie B	Kiara S

As mentioned in a previous newsletter our numbers are currently looking at staying constant for 2021. This will mean that our classes will remain the same for 2021 with the same teachers.

Next year we also have some exciting things happening with STEM starting from Prep – Year 6. This subject will include both digital and design technologies. Dance will also be introduced as a subject in Semester 2, which is very exciting.

### **Staff changes**

Ms Jaclyn Tassan has accepted a permanent job as a music school in a Brisbane school. Although we will be sad to see Jaclyn leave it is very exciting that she has secured a permanent position. Mrs Catherine Slingsby has accepted the role of our music teacher for 2021. Catherine is well known to the students and is a qualified dance teacher, which will allow for the teaching of dance to also occur from a specialist teacher.

Finally, as many of you know, Douglas is taking 2021 off on long service leave. Douglas has been a part of Beechmont State School for many years and is the friendly face or voice that you all interact with and know so well. I wish Douglas all the best on his 2021 adventures and I know we all will miss him.

To our departing students, I wish you the best of luck in 2021 and know that you are always welcome to visit us at any time. To our returning students, please take care over the holidays and enjoy the time with your family and friends. Re

Happy Holidays to all of you.  
Kind Regards  
Dani Radley  
Principal

### **SCHOOL TUCKSHOP**

**REMINDER -Tuckshop is back to Fridays**

**PLEASE** include the following details on your bag:-  
**Class, Cookie choice & Drink choice.**

In addition, please remind your little one to keep their bag & come back to pick up their Ice block if they have ordered one after their meal.

Our Tuckshop is only possible due to our wonderful volunteers!

**MOUNTAIN MATES NEWS**  
**Beechmont State School P&C Assn.**  
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### **WELCOME TO WEEK 10 TERM – 2020**

This Week is the last week of school, we will be focusing on christmas and looking forward to vacation care. We have been looking at how different countries celebrate christmas and have lots of exciting visitors and activities happening next week. Have a safe and very merry Christmas. Thank you for your support this year and we are looking forward to seeing you all again in the new year.



**Vacation Care is fast approaching, we are opening the first and last week of holidays please email if you would like to join us. Our Program is up on Facebook if you would like to see what we will be up too.**

Thank you all.

From your Mountain Mates Team ☺

### **OFFICE NEWS**

#### **STUDENT BANKING**

A big thankyou to all those student bankers for 2020.

Student banking will resume in 2021 from Wednesday 3 February 2021. Student banking co-ordinator for 2021 will be Leanne Mead while I am on leave-Thankyou

#### **UNIFORM NEWS**

The uniform shop is open. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Flick on 0418632789.

#### **GARDEN CLUB**

Every Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> Play

#### **Vege Stall**

Our “Children’s Food Garden” fundraising stall has been up and running.

Each week is different. Currently, we have marmalade from school citrus trees, and usually some greens and citrus.

Have a look when you pop into the office!

If you are able to donate any home grown produce that you may have surplus of, please bring into the office early in the week. This will help make our stall as interesting and exciting as possible!

**The Gardening Club Volunteers**

## LIBRARY NEWS

Please return all Library books to school as soon as possible so we can complete procedures for end of year processing –Thank you

## CLASS CATCH-UP

### PREP /1

Welcome everyone to the very last week of the school year. I would like to take this opportunity to say what a pleasure it has been to have your children in my class this year. They have progressed so much since the beginning of the year academically and socially. Every day I look forward to coming to school and spending my day with them. I will miss every one of them. I hope you all have a fantastic Christmas and enjoy the holiday break with your families.

#### Take care

Warm Regards, Tania Evans.

Tania Evans. [tevan27@eq.edu.au](mailto:tevan27@eq.edu.au)

### YEAR 1/2

Firstly, I have to say a big 'Thank you' for your efforts with the children's costumes for the EOYC. They looked fabulous. It's hard to believe that the year has finished already; it seems such a short time ago that we started our learning journey. I appreciate the time and commitment that you have given to their homework through the course of the year and I hope that when you look through their schoolbooks you can see their growth. We have worked right up to the last day to try to make up for time missed during the CoVid closure.

Well, that is it from 1\_2 for the year. Take care everybody

Have a wonderful Christmas and a fun-filled holiday. I look forward to seeing you again in a brighter 2021.  
Kerry Pryor

If there is anything you wish to discuss you are welcome to contact me on 55459100 or [kpryo8@eq.edu.au](mailto:kpryo8@eq.edu.au)

**Wishing you all a good week, Kerry Pryor**

### Year 2/3

Well we finally made it to the end of this crazy school year. I would like to thank the parents for their support throughout the year and thank the students for their resilience through what turned out to be a challenging year. Also, a big thanks to Glenda Grove and Dennis Mackay for your volunteer work throughout the year. I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and hope you enjoy the break with family and good friends.

**All the best for 2021, Demelza**

If you need to contact me, you can email me at [dathe1@eq.edu.au](mailto:dathe1@eq.edu.au), or phone the school.

**Demelza Atherton**

### YEAR 4/5

Wishing you all a safe and happy holidays!

Kind regards, Helen McAteer

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### YEAR 5/6

Hello everybody,

Can you believe we've reached the end of 2020. I would like to thank everyone for their support this year and take this time to congratulate our Year 6 leaders for successfully completing their primary school journey.

I look forward to coming back in 2021 and continuing in the Year 5/6 class.

**Have a wonderful, safe and happy holidays!**

*If you have any questions or need to contact me, please feel free to email me anytime at [jhick178@eq.edu.au](mailto:jhick178@eq.edu.au).*

**Kind Regards, Miss Jesse Hicks**

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