



# Beldon Briefings

## *Aspire To Go Beyond*

**No 13: Thursday 7th September 2017**

***Keeping you up-to-date...***

I can hardly believe that we've nearly reached the end of Term 3 and before we know it, another year will have come to a close. We've had such an action packed two weeks at Beldon Primary School: with Faction jumps and throws, and the delayed Faction Athletics carnival. Both of these events were a wonderful success and a real showcase for the school community.

**NUT ALLERGIES** Food allergies are extremely common. If your child has an allergy, it is very important that you let the school know. You will be required to complete a Medical Action Plan, so that all staff are aware of the allergy and what action is required in case of a reaction. We are a NUT AWARE school. Please be mindful of this when packing recess and lunch for your child.

**DRESS IN THE COLOURS OF YOUR FAVOURITE SPORTING TEAM** On Thursday the 21st of September, the students can come to school dressed in the colours of their favourite sporting team. Each student is required to bring in a gold coin donation to assist in the sending of the shoeboxes for our Operation Christmas Child project.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** Our growing total of completed shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child is now 14 and all other donations are ready in their category bags for packing the remaining boxes on Rewards Day Friday 22nd September. Items to wear in larger sizes are still needed. As the boxes are due to travel to South East Asia by Christmas, we have had to be organised. They will be delivered to the Balcatta warehouse during the holidays and sent off in a shipping container soon after. Transportation is as we know it from this end but often the boxes arrive balanced on the sides of camels, cows or donkeys to reach the furthest most villages.

What a privilege to be a part of this successful and long standing project! Many thanks to all including parents who have offered to assist on Rewards Day too. Jodi Ingham *Chaplain*

**INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL** The Oceanside Interschool Athletics carnival will be held at Poseidon Primary on Friday 15th September. We hope the weather gods provide us with yet another beautiful day for selected students to showcase their skills on the track and field. The participating schools are: Beldon PS, Poseidon PS, Craigie Heights PS and Eddystone PS. Good luck to all and do us proud with your fabulous behaviour.

**WHOOPING COUGH (PERTUSSIS)** A Year 4 student and a parent volunteer at Beldon Primary School have been diagnosed with whooping cough (pertussis). The school has been in contact with the Department of Health who advise that the cases are past their most contagious stage, for parents to keep their children home if they are unwell, and to be aware of the symptoms of Whooping Cough. (Please see attached Whooping Cough information sheet).

**Pregnant women** are scheduled to receive a pertussis vaccine in the last trimester of pregnancy. This is available FREE from a doctor. Parents and grandparents of babies and toddlers should also consider being immunised against pertussis infection. This is a single booster dose for adults. **Adults** who have been immunised previously require a **booster vaccination every 10 years** to help prevent the spread of Whooping Cough.

**2017 Contributions & Charges** Most families do make the voluntary contribution each year and we are very appreciative of your support. We hope you will continue to commit to supporting the school by contributing to these funds and payments can be made either by:

Direct Deposit to Beldon Primary School, **BSB: 016 494 Account Number: 34083338**. Please put your child's name and what it is for to identify the payment **OR Cash** through payment envelope.

**Rhonda Williams** Manager Corporate Services

**CANTEEN** The canteen will be open on the first day of Term 4, Monday 9th October.

### ATTENDANCE AWARDS

Week 6: Sienna A3, Lukas B3 and Tanner C5 and Week 7: Connor A4, Saxon B6, Archie C3

**YOU CAN DO IT AWARDS** Congratulations to the following students who received an Award for PERSISTENCE at the assembly on Thursday 31st August: Beau A4, Millie B4 and Jett C3.

**LOST PROPERTY** We have a large number of Lost Property items outside the staffroom. These will be sorted and if named returned to students, with the remainder displayed before and after the assembly on Friday 22nd September and then if not claimed passed on to the uniform shop as second hand uniform.

### COMING EVENTS

- Friday 8th September: C6 Class Assembly 8.40am
- Monday 11th September: Safety House Incursion 9am (No cost)
- Tuesday 12th September: Interschool Jumps and Throws
- Friday 15th September: Interschool Athletics Carnival
- Monday 18th September: RAC Incursion— A1,A2, A3, A4,C3,C4,C5,C6
- Wednesday 20th September: RAC Incursion—B3,B4 and B6 (No cost)
- Thursday 21st September: Start Smart Incursion PP-2/3  
Free Dress Day—Dress in your favourite sporting team colours  
(GOLD COIN to Christmas Shoebox Delivery costs)
- Friday 22nd September: Class Assembly B3 8.40am  
Rewards Day—Last day Term 3

### HOLIDAYS!

- Monday 9th October: First day for students Term 4
- Tuesday 16th –Wednesday 18th October: Whole School Incursion— LEGO Bricks 4 Kidz

**P&C DISCO** Save the date. Halloween Disco Friday 3rd November. \$5 a ticket for all ages. Parents must stay with their children. Volunteers needed.

**EARN AND LEARN** Please collect the stickers from Woolworths and bring to the school office. We have extra sheets to put the stickers on or just bring in the stickers. ***Last day to collect is Tuesday 19th September. Thank you***

**HOLIDAYS COMING!** “Just slow down— and give the kids a break.” This was the heading of a terrific article in the newspaper a year or so ago. The article suggested there was no need for a frenetic over organised school holiday. Perhaps modern children would be better off “bored” more often and the use of imagination and social skill development becoming more self directed. Adults love the luxury of doing nothing on holiday. Why not give your kids the same gift? The article finished with the great quote, “It’s not a popularity contest. It’s called parenthood.”

### HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES FOR YOUR INFORMATION

[School Holiday Athletics Clinic](#)

[ECU Kids Holiday Activities](#)

[ECU Kids Holiday Schedule](#)