Dear Parents/Caregivers,

ANAPHYLAXIS
We have a number of children who are anaphylactic enrolled at our school. Due to this, we ask that children do not bring any peanut based products to school in particular. Children are also asked not to share food with any other children at school due to this reason. Allergic reactions to some foods can cause serious illness or death in some cases.

WAITING FOR CHILDREN
We love to see parents in our school and you are always welcome to discuss your child’s progress or any issues that may be affecting their education. I am just requesting that parents wait for their children in the “Fifty Cent” area of the school. A number of teachers have reported that the children in their class are being distracted by adults outside the classroom and are unable to concentrate on the work they are set to complete. Please be mindful of and do not use inappropriate language (swear words) while waiting to pick up your children.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL
I would like to thank the many parents who worked as officials at the swimming carnival on Monday 10th February. Without parent help, the carnival would not have been able to run so smoothly. Age champions will receive their medallions & ribbons at the next whole school assembly.

P & C MEETING
The first P & C meeting of the year is on next Tuesday at 6.00pm in the school staff room. All parents are invited to attend.

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE
I would like to re-establish the “Aboriginal Education Committee” that commenced a couple of years ago. I have sent letters to all of our Aboriginal families to seek their interest and availability to be a part of the committee. I envisage that the committee would comprise students, parents and staff of the school.

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION CONSULTATIVE GROUP (AECG)
Our school attends the Minimbah AECG meetings that take place once each term. The next meeting unfortunately clashes with the school’s P & C meeting on Tuesday 25th February. If, however, you are interested in attending the meeting, it takes place at Wiripaang Public School (formerly Gateshead Public School) and starts at 6.00pm.

Thomas Kelly
Principal
Parent Satisfaction Survey:
At Belmont Public we value your comments and strongly encourage all parents/guardians to complete the on-line parent satisfaction survey. This information will allow us to continually make improvements to our school. To access the survey you simply need to visit our school website http://www.belmont-p.schools.nsw.edu.au and click on the link Parent Survey that is found on the front page.

Belmont Public School P&C Facebook page:
The P&C has a Facebook page that is regularly updated with important information, dates and reminders. Please like this page to keep updated. Be sure to like the actual P&C Facebook page. The next P&C meeting is on the 25th February at 6:00pm in the school staff room. All parents and guardians are invited to attend.

Whole school Assembly:
There will be a whole school assembly next Tuesday 25th February starting at 9:20am in the hall. All parents and friends are invited to attend. 5/6S will be presenting an item. We will also present the House Captain and SRC badges. The swimming carnival ribbons will also be presented.

Parent Information Sessions:
Thank you to the parents and guardians who were able to attend the parent information sessions. If you would like a copy of what your child’s teacher discussed please feel free to ask them.

Interviews:
Your child’s teacher would have sent home an interview time sheet for you to indicate a suitable time in week 6 when you can come and meet one on one with your child’s teacher. These interviews are valuable for both teachers and parents. If you are unable to attend your interview time please notify your child’s class teacher.

School Representative Council Ministers:
Our Year 6 students elected the SRC ministers yesterday. These positions involve special roles that the students carry out for the duration of the year.

Presidents: Bethany and Sebastian
Secretary: Tayah.C
Service Minister: Abby
Sports Ministers: Ethan.C and Hannah. C
Health and Safety Ministers: Annika and Taya.L
Environmental Ministers: Tahlia and Hannah.C
Aboriginal Affairs Ministers: Joel and Ethan.H

Swimming Carnival 2014 Results
Junior Boy Champion Tye W
Junior Girl Champion Osha W
11 Yr Girl Champion Cassie Mc
11 Yr Boy Champion Eli W
Senior Girl Champion Chelsea B
Senior Boy Champion Kyle C

2014 Swimming House Winners PINTABU
Sports News:
Good luck to all the children from Belmont Public School competing in the Zone Swimming Carnival next week. A reminder that all notes and money need to be brought in to the School Office asap.

Form strokes are on Monday 24th Feb – Back stroke, Breaststroke & 100m Freestyle. Freestyle 50m events are to be held on Wednesday 26th February starting at 9.00am as well as finals from Monday’s races.

Canteen Roster:
Thu 20th Feb: Janice, Janet
Fri 21st Feb: Tammy, Janet
Mon 24th Feb: Ian
Tue 25th Feb: Rebecca, Tim
Wed 26th Feb: Janelle S
Thu 27th Feb: Helper needed
Fri 28th Feb: Patrice, Janet
Mon 3rd Mar: Tammy
Tue 4th Mar: Maree, Tara

Can You Help Our Musical Department?
Mrs Denz needs help to sort through the array of costumes that have been donated and collected by our school over the last couple of musical performances. If there are any parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles that can spare some time on Friday 7th March 2014 Mrs Denz will be here from 11.30am on that day. Please fill in the form below and return it to the School Office. Thank you for your help.

I can Help Mrs Denz on Friday 7th March 2014 from 11:30am

Name:_____________________________________________________________

Contact Number:_____________________________________________________

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