



Belmont Intermediate School

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Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends of the School,
 Tena Koutou Katoa Nga mihi nui Ki a Koutou Katoa,

Welcome back to all students for Term 3 and a warm welcome to new families joining us this term.

Here we are at the midway point of the year - and what a rewarding and successful year it has been so far. And yet through all our endeavours our clear focus has continued to be on accelerating the progress and achievement of our students. Our first staff meeting of the term focussed on the mid-year assessment data that was collated last term. As a staff we worked together and then on an individual basis to ensure that we each had a clear understanding about how to accelerate the progress of all the students in our classes. To support this overarching goal I have consistently been highlighting the importance of feedback as an integral part of the learning process. I have asked our staff to ensure that the feedback is specific, relevant and measurable in that it relates to their learning intention or a specific goal that they will set this term. I have also asked that the goals be visible to each student and are referred to regularly through the week.

I would like offer a very warm welcome to Mrs Alice Browning who has begun her tenure as our new Sports Manager. Alice brings a lot of experience to the role and will be an asset to our staff and community. Mrs Browning can be contacted via email at sports@belmontint.school.nz or on 489 4878 Ext 150. Continuing with a staffing theme, Mr Andrew Milne (Deputy Principal) will be teaching room 5 for the foreseeable future until we recruit a suitable replacement for Mrs Leonie Bloor who left Belmont Intermediate at the end of term 2.

Our Student Learning Conferences are coming up next week on Monday 31 July 2pm - 7.30pm and Wednesday 2 August 2pm - 6.30pm. Please note that school will close at 1pm on Wednesday 2 August. Students who are leaving school must have permission to leave school - this can be e-mailed to your child's classroom teacher. As always I encourage all our parents to email directly should they have any feedback, both positive and constructively critical. As a staff we are constantly seeking to improve this aspect of our core business.

On behalf of the PTA, I would like to say a HUGE thank you to all families and students who contributed towards this year's Knowledge-athon. Together we raised almost \$20,000, which doubled our expected target. The student school leaders must be acknowledged for their added contribution by leading this event and helping to encourage all students to participate. The money raised will help fund our brand new media centre. A massive thank you to Claire Janes, Rachel Blackwood, Jane Wright, Michelle Millington and the parent helpers who came in to help count money.

We are excited to launch our new look PE uniform which incorporates a reversible house shirt and new PE shorts. The current PE uniform was introduced some years ago and we felt it was time to refresh and modernise the uniform's design and fabric.

The introduction of a house shirt aligns with our desire to strengthen Belmont Intermediate School's house system. The house system enhances the identity of our students and bolsters their sense of belonging. It provides for camaraderie and a sense of pride and loyalty to a group. Students will wear their house shirts during events such as house sports, in-school cultural events, talent quests and cross-country. We have plans to further build on the house system through an increase in the number and frequency of house events being organised.

The PE shirt is a reversible sublimated design on 100% Dri-Fit polyester, diamond mesh fabric, chosen for its quality and durability. Sublimation is a process of printing where the inks are fused into the fabric as opposed to sitting on top of the fabric such as in inkjet or screen-printing. Colours on sublimated garments remain strong in outdoor lighting and after extensive washing so it is the ideal process for sportswear. The shorts are made from a 100% breathable, polyester mesh knit with a fully elasticised waist and draw cord.

When & Where

2018 will be a transition year for our new PE uniform. Year 7 students starting in 2018 are required to purchase the new PE uniform and shorts. Our current students will have the option of either continuing to wear the current PE uniform or purchase the new PE uniform. From 2019 onwards, all students will be required to wear the new PE shirt and shorts.

Year 7 students starting in 2018 will be notified of their house when they are informed of their classroom placement in December 2017 and can purchase their uniforms at this time.

The new PE uniform will be available for purchase from September 2017 and only from the school. Yarntons, our school uniform retailer will not be selling the new PE uniforms.

To cater for the start of the 2018 school year, the new PE uniform will be available for purchase in our PE uniform pop up shop in December 2017 and January 2018. We will confirm the location, dates and times of the shop hours on our website closer to the time.

Cost

Reversible shirt	\$50.00
Shorts	\$30.00

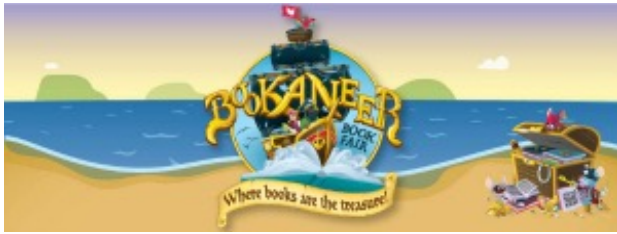


Reversible House Shirts



MERIT MENTIONS

Room	Student's Name/s	Receives a merit mention for:
1	Gloria Crichton Valentine Kayrouz	For always trying her best in her learning Enthusiastically participating in class discussions
2	Lily Murphy Kokoha Nakamura	For consistently striving for excellence in all aspects of her learning For demonstrating a positive attitude towards her learning in ESOL and in the classroom
3	Matthew Hoyte Maia Iioka Raina Kim	For an improvement in effort and attitude towards learning, especially in reading For her positivity and kindness in the classroom Excellence in drawing and design in Visual Art
4	Shyla Patolo Connor Walter Sebby Kimpton Izzy Fox & Mila Vanderlaan	For using her own initiative to design and produce a new Merit Mention Certificate Outstanding effort across all areas of the curriculum For achieving excellent progress and great results during our fitness testing For exceptional results in our school cross country 1st and 3rd respectively
5	Kianni Hooker Geri Sherlock Maggie Squire	Demonstrating a positive attitude and effort towards his writing Positive attitude towards her learning and also taking risks Excellence in drawing and design in Visual Art
6	Bryan Tiau Flynn Lineham & Jared Trinnaman Sophie Bridge	Effort and improvement in reading For their outstanding improvement in work ethic and effort For showing courage and determination
7	Cynthia Pan Thomas Cowan	For showing courage when doing her musical instrument presentation to the class For being a fabulous class captain for Terms 1 & 2
9	Joe Brownlie Elka Drozdowski Lior Hirschauge Ariel Hopkins	Showing confidence and enthusiasm for school, particularly during presentations For consistently putting 100% into her learning and completing assignments with care and diligence For improving his effort and focus and working to his highest potential For consistently striving towards excellence in academics, sports and music
10	Scout Hallman Margot Pettitt Vincent Yee Werry Jeremiah Thomas-Smith	1st place in Belmont's Best Baker (with partner) for superb muffins 1st place in Belmont's Best Baker (with partner) for superb muffins For the enthusiasm and effort he is applying to his writing. Keep it up, Vincent! For putting in place systems that enable him to manage his time effectively and achieve his very best learning. Well done, Jeremiah!
11	Kiara Ibarraran, Gerri Gibson Annabelle Knowles & Izzy Gerkin	For an outstanding effort and achieving Excellence in her Science Investigation For an outstanding effort and achieving Excellence in her Science Investigation
12	Tiffany Andreviski Luke Reger Semisi Vakavelo Manawa Rowe-Karanui	Outstanding art and written language Excellent attitude and effort in class Excellent attitude and work ethic in Food Technology Responsible attitude and excellent example to others in Food Technology
13	Allaya Harris & Holly Ambler Amelia Robertson	For their excellent Science Investigation discovering the best glue for making Slime For her excellent Science Investigation about whether we have empathy viewing images with and without a musical background
14	Zara Cash Olivia Pribicevich	Congratulations on nomination for T3-4 Class Captain For a humorous and well prepared Class Captain speech and for giving well thought out answers in her novel study
15	Haein Jeong Alice Haskell Lachlan Campbell	For showing courage when doing her presentation on 'South Korea' Being an excellent Class Captain, showing the school values, for Terms 1-2 Being nominated as our Class Captain for Terms 3-4
16	Bobeen Kim Alice Hobbs	Excellent progress with her written English Outstanding effort and result in her Algebra post test
17	Sasha Bremner Liyan Wang	For being an outstanding role model in terms of her work ethic in class and her willingness to take on extra responsibilities around school For a wonderful piano solo at our concert evening, demonstrating both courage and excellence
18	Freddy Birch Scott Shrimpton	For turning his learning around to demonstrate a much more confident and committed approach to his learning challenges. For demonstrating a committed and sophisticated approach to script writing and documentary making
19	James Long	Outstanding effort and improvement in reading



Book Week - 14th - 18th August

Our annual Book Week will be taking place during week 4 of term 3. We have many exciting events planned including competitions and a pop-up Scholastic bookshop in the ICT suite of the library. Many popular books, both classic and new, and across many genres will be available for students to purchase. Encourage your children's love of reading by buying books from our bookshop while supporting our school to earn Scholastics rewards, which will allow our school to acquire new books for the library. Last year, with the wonderful support of our student purchases we were able to

expand our title list with 65 new books!

The bookshop opening hours will be:

8.00am - 8.45am and 3.05pm - 4.00pm, Monday to Friday.

Payment: Cash, EFTPOS, Credit Card.

Students visiting the bookshop will have the opportunity to fill in a Wish List of books they would like. We would love to see parents at our pop-up bookshop, but if you are unable to attend, just send payment in cash or credit card with your child to school. To pay with credit card, simply complete the credit card section found on the Wish List form.

Help Needed for Book Week - Monday 14 August - Friday 18 August

We would love to have some help from parents in our 'Pop Up' Bookshop during Book Week. We need 2 x volunteers each morning 8.00am - 8.45am and 2 x volunteers each afternoon 3.05pm - 4.00pm. If you are able to help, please contact Trudy resource@belmontint.school.nz

Mona Williams - Visiting Author for Book Week

We are very fortunate this year to have international storyteller and writer, Mona Williams with us on the 17 & 18 August of Book Week.

Mona Williams is a Guyanese storyteller, children's writer and educator, well known for entrancing her audiences with her amazing storytelling abilities across all ages. Mona has written numerous books and has performed her work at various storytelling festivals and schools. The titles of her books give an idea of the vast, magical world they present, from *The Ant Who Refused Titles* (1975) to *How We Made a Colour Television Show* (1973).

Currently living in Wellington, Mona has visited over 50 countries, having taught writing in the Middle East for ten years. She has performed as a storyteller at various festivals, conferences and weddings.

Mona will be working with our students in workshops on storytelling and effective writing. Our visiting author last year, Stu Duvall, was a great success with the students and this year's workshops promise to be the same, if not better! If your child is interested in attending a workshop, please book and pay for their attendance via the school's [Online Shop](#).



Cost: \$5.00 per student (paid via the Online Shop or by clicking [here](#))

Congratulations and well done!

A massive congratulations to Maggie Squire, Rm 5, who competed in the Diving New Zealand Open Age Championships at West Wave in Henderson, at the end of term 2.

Maggie won an astonishing six golds!!!!!!

12 - 13 yrs 1m - gold

12 - 13 yrs 3m - gold

12 - 13 yrs platform - gold

13 years + 3m sychro - gold

Open synchro - gold

Open womens platform - gold

Well done again Maggie, this is amazing!!!



Boys Hockey

Well done boys A grade hockey team coming Runners Up in round 1 of the Harbour Hockey Intermediate boys A grade competition. Congratulations to Ryan Parr (Hatch) and Felix Blanchard (McGrath) on being selected into Harbour U13 rep teams and to Rupert Powell, Taine Kearney, Joe Millington, Dominic Holt (goalie), Nathan Bremner and Henry Blanchard who will be part of the Harbour U13 development programme. The hockey A team: Louis and Oscar Grimshaw, Samuel Beattie, Quinn Godsolve, Joseph Smith, Alex Leonard, Brook Thomas, Ryan Parr, Felix Blanchard, Taine Kearney, Joe Millington, Dom Holt, Nathan Bremner, Rupert Powell and Henry Blanchard are looking forward to round 2 of the comp. Go boys....

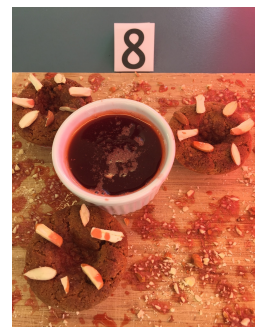


Belmont's Best Bakers

Congratulations to Scout Hallman and Margot Pettitt for winning the title of 'Belmont's Best Bakers'. Together they won 1st in Scones and 1st in Muffins. An excellent achievement and we can only envy their fortunate families! (-:)

Check out their recipes and those of all our bakers on our school Food Technology website....

<https://sites.google.com/belmontint.school.nz/foodtechnology/home>



Sports Camp

On July 3rd 35 students from BIS made the trip down to Matamata for a week long Sports Camp. The students had a fantastic week of competition and fun, against six other schools from across the upper North Island. Belmont came away with wins in boys hockey, boys indoor hockey, boys indoor soccer, mixed soccer, girls table tennis, chess, shooting, cross country and triathlon and ended up placing third overall. The students were outstanding representatives for the school and should be very proud of themselves and their achievements.

A massive thank you to Gill Scott who took some amazing photos, check out the gallery on our [website here](#).

BIS Vikings

A massive congratulations to the following Belmont Vikings (8A) basketball team for winning their grade final last term. Well done to the team: Joel Berry, Jaylan Flavell, Brody Cooper, Ben Lee, Daniel James, Finn Norton, Billy Edgson and Jasper Moy.



PTA Disco - Friday 18 August 7-9pm

Tickets are on sale now! Only \$5 per student, buy your ticket online [here](#) - no cash sales. Soft drinks and lollies will be on sale at the disco, students will need a few gold coins to purchase these. Students must be picked up from the hall by an adult at 9pm. Each class can provide their own playlist - the DJ will play the favourites throughout the night!

PTA Bloke's Night - 8 September

On **Friday 8 September** we are holding our annual 'Bloke's Night' - tickets are \$40 and on sale now!!!! Don't miss out, this was a raging success last year, click on the link to buy your ticket www.bisblokes2017.eventbrite.com



BIS Dads, Dads with kids starting 2018, Grandads, Rellies & Old Boys Welcome!

FRIDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 6:30PM TIL LATE
At Belmont Intermediate School Hall

- Lamb on the spit & Texas pulled pork
- Craft beers & wine
- Cash bar
- Live auction, games: pool, darts & more.

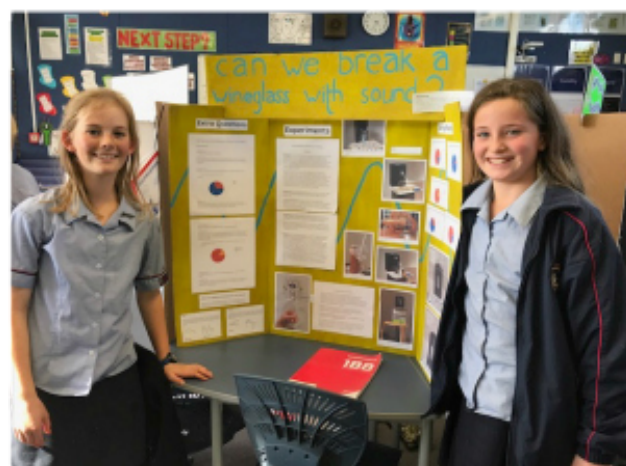
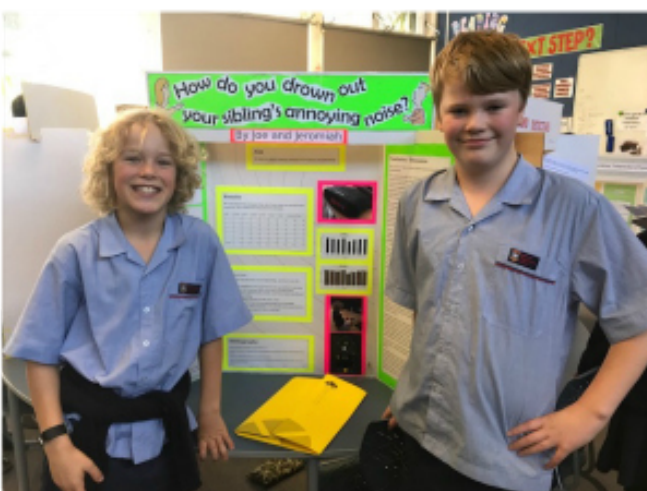
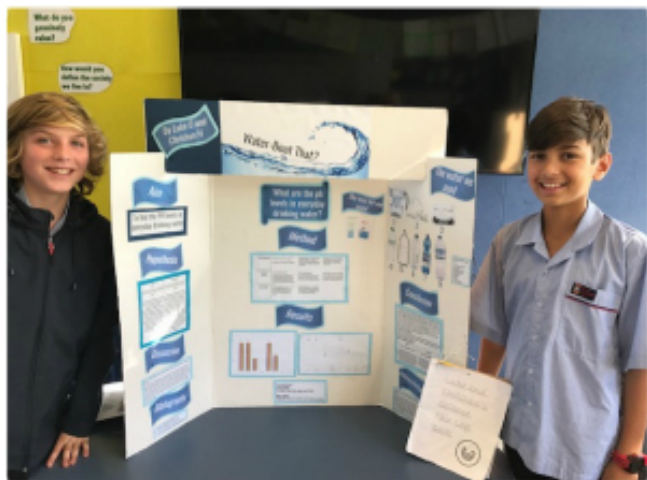
ENTER YOUR HOME BREW IN THE BREWERS CHAMP CUP!

All proceeds go to supporting BIS Media Centre.

TICKETS: \$40.00
Available at www.bisblokes2017.eventbrite.com

Science Flair!

R10 took up the challenge of producing a top notch science fair project. Students completed these in pairs throughout Term Two. In class we learned about fair testing, variables, graphing results and much more. Students accurately applied this knowledge to their own science fair project and produced some stand out pieces. A fantastic effort was put in by them all with plenty of learning along the way!



Belmont Intermediate School Enrolments 2018

Information Evening - Thursday 27 July @ 7pm in school hall

We are holding an Information Evening at Belmont Intermediate School for parents and caregivers of Year 6 students intending to come to BIS in 2018. Parents and caregivers are invited to attend an information evening to learn more about Belmont Intermediate School and what we offer. No pre-registration is required.

Open Day Tours - Monday 7 August @ 11.30am & Wednesday 9 August @ 9am

We welcome all prospective parents, caregivers and students to attend our open day tours to see our school in action. The tours will provide you with an opportunity to see our programmes and facilities first hand.

If you would like to discuss your child's enrolment, Anne Paterson (Deputy Principal, SENCO and Enrolment Coordinator) will be available for enrolment appointments on the following dates:

14 and 15 August, 2017 – 9:00am – 4:00pm

16 August, 2017 – 8:00am – 3:00pm

Please make a booking using the School Interviews website or by [clicking here](#). Please use the code **nvdgr**.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 27 July (tonight)	2018 Enrolment Information Evening 7pm in the hall
Monday 31 July	Mid Year Learning Conferences 2pm - 7.30pm
Tuesday 1 August	ICAS English
Tuesday 1 August	Netball Zone Day
Wednesday 2 August	Mid Year Learning Conferences 2pm - 3.30pm
Wednesday 2 August	North Shore Mathex 9am at NESC
Thursday 3 August	Peninsula Choir Festival - Belmont Primary School
Monday 7 August	2018 Enrolment Tour 11.30am - 1pm
Monday 7 August	Board of Trustees Meeting 6.30pm in the boardroom
Tuesday 8 August	Cross Country Zone Day
Wednesday 9 August	2018 Enrolment Tour 9am - 10.30am
Wednesday 9 August	7's Rugby & Ripper Tournament (boys & girls) Marist RFC Grounds, QBE Stadium Albany
Wednesday 9 August	Peninsula Dance Festival 7pm in the hall
Mon, Tues & Wed 14, 15 & 16 August	2018 Enrolment Interviews (optional) - see item above

COMMUNITY NEWS

2017 Auckland Regional Sport Stacking (cup stacking) Tournament

Stackers from around the country return to Auckland for the penultimate sanctioned tournament for 2017. Competition is open to everyone, with our Novice section enabling those new to the sport to compete alongside seasoned stackers, facing the same thrill of a competition whilst striving for goals and records amongst those of equal experience.

This is a fun filled family event. Auckland is home to some of New Zealand's fastest stackers, and you can be sure that cups and records will fly as our experienced stackers vie to beat their own times, as well as those of their closest competitors. Novice stackers practice and compete amongst the experienced stackers, and will find that although competition is fierce, camaraderie is high. Tips and tricks will be passed on freely, and you will be encouraged and supported every step of the way. Those novice records may be yours by the end of the day!

Registrations can be done online. All details including registration links are on the Speed Stacks (NZ) website Tournaments page: www.speedstacks.co.nz/pages/auckland-tournament - entries close Monday 7 August.



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Parenting Anxious Teens & Tweens

For parents of Intermediate and College students.

PROGRAMME:

- Learn more about the causes, patterns and affects of anxiety in your tween or teen. Develop practical skills and strategies that you can use in the home to support their journey to overcome and outsmart anxiety. Learn how anxiety works, what keeps it going, and how it can be interrupted and replaced with balanced thoughts, thereby increasing wellbeing.
- Meet other parents who share some of your concerns. Feel supported by the group and facilitator.
- Approaches include CBT, Mindfulness, DBT skills, Narrative, and practical parenting tips and techniques.



DETAILS

2 Weeks

Monday, 21st August

6pm - 8:30pm

Norman King Community Hub

65 Pearn Crescent, Northcote

ABOUT JULIE WALKER



I am a qualified Counsellor and I hold a BHSc in Psychology (First Class Hons), and a Post Grad Dip in Narrative Therapy. My key areas of therapeutic interest lie with those experiencing anxiety, stress, depression, or loss, and I have a particular interest in the helpfulness of group work for these concerns. The modalities I use for therapy are varied, and include CBT, narrative therapy, person-centred therapy, mindfulness, and DBT.

COST

\$ \$50 Individual
\$70 Couples

For more information or to book, please contact **Raeburn House**:

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