



Beresfield Bugle

Beresfield Public School

Live And Learn

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Term 4 Week 4

Monday 25th October 2021

PRINCIPAL TALK

Return to School

Everyone is back on deck from today! Our Kinders and Year 1s have settled in nicely after starting last Monday. We are looking forward to watching the students catch up again with friends, and settle into a productive rhythm of learning.

Thank You Parents and Carers

The hard slog is over! Thanks to all parents and carers for your encouragement and motivation in assisting the children with their on-line learning. It's so hard for the children to focus on academic tasks when at home. No doubt they have learnt many other valuable life lessons during this period. We hope too that families have used the opportunities to bond, and that there will be some fond memories when we reminisce in years to come.

COVID Restrictions for schools

Beresfield PS is on **Level 3 plus** restrictions. This means:

- Students will be in cohort groups, reducing the number of students they mix with
- Masks are mandatory for all staff indoors, and strongly recommended indoors for primary students.
- All staff members and essential visitors are required to be fully vaccinated.
- Out of School Hours Care will still operate.
- Non-essential visitors are not permitted on school sites.
- Parents should not enter school gates.
- No community use of school facilities
- No assemblies, transition to school activities, excursions or scripture.



Food and Drink

The canteen will operate each week this term from Tuesday to Friday only. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the canteen will be operating on a **ORDER ONLY** basis, for both



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lunch and recess. There will be no over the counter sales.

Please provide food for your child on Mondays.

Please provide a water bottle. Students will be filling water bottles from bubblers rather than using the bubbler directly.

Possible school closure

You may have heard that a number of local schools had to close briefly last week due to positive COVID-19 cases. If someone in our community tests positive in the future, and has been on the school site in the previous 3 weeks, then the school will close for a day or two for cleaning and contract tracing. Close contacts will have to isolate. To try and reduce numbers of close contacts in such an instance, we have introduced cohorting.

Cohorting

Infants (and 2/3S) will work and play separately to primary students, to keep cohorts distinct. Infants students will play in areas A, B and C, while primary students will play in Areas D, E and the library. Where common spaces like the library are used, we wipe down high use areas between groups.

Drop Off

Please say goodbye to your children at the gate.

Ventilation

All rooms will ensure windows are open to allow fresh air to circulate. Air conditioners will still be in use, but in conjunction with the open windows.

Mr Jonathan Ridgway - Principal

Year 1 Phonics Screener

Last term we had planned for all children in Year 1 to sit the Phonics Screener. As we were learning from home at this time, we postponed the assessment until Week 5 of this term. In Week 5 each child in Year 1 will sit with their class teacher to participate in a short assessment which will provide information on how your child is progressing in phonics. Each student will be asked to read 40 words aloud which include 20 real words and 20 nonsense words. The assessment

includes pseudo or nonsense words to see if the student can use their knowledge of blending to read a word rather than their memory of having seen that word before. If you have any further questions, please talk to your child's class teacher.

Mikaela Vermeulen - Instructional Leader

Not Returning in 2022?

We will start to organise classes soon for 2022. If you are moving and will not be returning in 2022, please advise the office as soon as possible.

Pick Up

K-2 students will be walked by their teachers to allocated gates at 2:55pm. Primary students will walk to gates independently at 3pm. Parents please stay outside the gate at pick up.

P & C News

Uniform Shop

While COVID-19 restrictions are in place, the uniform shop will be taking **online** orders. Please Note: Deliveries of uniforms to classes will be Tuesday and Friday ONLY.

Canteen

Will re-open on Tuesday 26th October 2021, for order only purchases.



Beresfield PS Pick-Up Organisation Term 4 2021

Due to COVID restrictions, at pick-up time all parents/caregivers will be asked to wait outside the school grounds. To assist in reducing numbers of parents/caregivers at each gate, K-2 students will be dismissed at different gates. Class teachers in K-2 will walk students to certain gates outlined below.

- **Parents: Must stay outside school gates, socially distanced. Once you have collected your child, please do not linger.**
- **Primary (Years 3-6):** will be dismissed from their classroom at 3:00pm and will walk independently to the gate of their choice.
- **K-2 students:** will be walked to certain gates to meet parents/caregivers at 2:55pm each day.
 - KD, KL and 2/3S will walk to the Boomerang Street gate.
 - 1B and 1D will walk to the Anderson Drive gate.
 - 2M and 2S will walk to Hawthorne Street gate.
- **Support classes:** that arrive/depart school via transport are to use the usual gates however non taxi students to use the front entrance at Lawson Avenue.
- **Extra information:**
 - Any siblings in K-2: the older sibling will join the class of their younger sibling and will walk out the one gate.



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Congratulations to the following students who received awards at the last assembly.

KD	Stella T	Willow
KL	Maysin	Jacob W
1B	Matthew N	Aleayah
1D	Nirvana	Toby
2M	Mila	Ariana
2S	Addison	Jacob M
K/2S	Hamish	
2/3S	Jaxon L	Sophie B
3/4C	Elias	Lucas
3/4G	Ivy F	Gabe
3/4S	Ella B	Jordan W
3/6R	Kenzi	
5/6E	Aiden B	India-Rose & Mia D
5/6H	Hayley-Jade	Tyler
5/6I	Charlotte C	Breanna F
4/6K	Xieke	
Ms Ward Award	Charlotte C	Breanna F



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BYOD 2022

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) 2022

In 2022, all incoming Year 7 students will be required to bring a suitable computing device to school every day. Devices can be purchased from any retailer.

Parents/carers are advised to check the minimum device specifications on the Learning Hub website:
<https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/fghslearninghub/bring-your-own-device-2022>

Our preferred supplier is Harvey Norman Rutherford. A Parent Portal with suggested compatible devices is also available on the Learning Hub.

PLEASE CONTACT SARAH BRETAG, HEAD TEACHER TEACHING AND LEARNING, ON 49641282 FOR MORE INFORMATION.

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