Message from the Principal

Dear Parents,

One of the pleasing aspects of Bellerive Primary is the strong working partnership between the school and parents. It is critical to maximise student outcomes and a key driver with this is the ongoing and constructive relationships between class teachers and parents. Parents are encouraged to contact our teaching staff and discuss the progress of their children and ascertain what actions can be taken at home to further support their learning. Next Tuesday, Progress Reports will be distributed to all Prep to Grade 6 students with a brief report on the start students have made for the 2017 school year.

Community service is an important part of the school program. It is essential for students to understand they are part of various communities – class, school, family and local community and that successful communities result from individuals giving back to the community they are part of. At our school this concept is a part of our school culture and most students are prepared to take on responsibility and commitment to various tasks freely. Last Friday our school cleaned up around the local community. Next week our Grade 6 students will be visiting the elderly at Freemasons Nursing Home in Lindisfarne as a part of our ongoing program with this organisation. Today we commenced a program with Southern Support School with the purpose of:

- Building leadership capacity with our Grade 6 students
- Developing a greater understanding and appreciation of diversity
- Being part of another community service program
- Enhancing student outcomes with individuals from Southern Support School and Bellerive Primary

The program will involve interested Grade 6 students taking on a commitment to work alongside students from Southern Support School and assist in the Kitchen Garden. It is hoped we can invite some students from SSS to our school at some stage this year and also regularly share work from school visits at upcoming assemblies.

Steven Hay—Principal
Hello teachers, parents and carers. Would you like to represent your school professionally at events we are involved in? These items could be worn if you volunteer to assist with any school event including, but not limited to:

Quiz Night, Fair, Event Car Parking (Blundstone Arena), School BBQ’s, Community BBQ’s (Clarence City Council events etc.), BUPA Kidfit Triathlon BBQ’s, as a teacher at school during the summer, assisting with events the school are involved in (inter school carnivals), other events at school, or just because you want to wear them with pride!

The below top and cap are available to order now (both will have the school logo on them). Orders will take approximately 3-4 weeks to be completed, and will be placed after 20th March. Payment for items is required with your order below. Please use a separate order form if you would like more than one of each item. Correct money please.

**Pictures shown of the top are the female version the male version is a normal button neck.**

Please note: Sizing is a lot smaller than most makes of tops – it is strongly advised that you purchase a size larger than your normal/usual size.

If sizing is incorrect, the item cannot be returned/no refund is available.

**Please return your order form and payment by Monday 20th March 2017.**

**Winning Spirit Cap - CH72**

Navy/White

Fabric: Pique Mesh, 100% Polyester

Description: 6 panel structured laid back front. Pre-curved peak & short velcro crossover. Breathable pique mesh with UPF rating 50+.

**Price $20.00 each** (includes school logo)

**Endeavour Polo - Men’s and Ladies**

Navy/White

100% breathable polyester

Men’s 1310 Small-3XL, 5XL

Ladies 2310, Size 06-26

**Price $42.00 each** (includes school logo)

**Order Form – Bellerive Primary School polo top and/or cap**

Please return your order and payment by Monday 20th March

Name: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________

I would like to order the following:-

Ladies Polo Top - $42 Ladies Polo Top Size: _______________ Cap - $20

Men’s Polo Top - $42 Men’s Polo Top Size: _______________

I have included $ ___________________________ in payment of my order.
INTERHOUSE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 21st FEBRUARY

The 2017 Athletics Carnival was a huge success due to the support from parents and an increase in participation in all events by students. Thank you to the parents who helped in the canteen selling hot drinks to spectators as a fundraiser for our SRC. It was especially pleasing to see the record number of participants in the 600 metre events. The overall fitness of our students is improving, in part, due to our morning fitness program.

Mrs Wickham

Wonderful Wetlands by Nina Pahari

Croaking, swimming,
Hopping in the wooded swamps.
Yellow, brown, green and gold.
Newly born tadpoles frantically flipping in the murky water.
Frogs of the wetlands
Graceful, elegant,
Some gliding, some drifting.
Plunging their long necks into the water, hoping to find food.
Look up ahead!
Hundreds of them, flying towards the rain.
Swans of the wetlands
Stretching tall,
Swaying gently in the breeze,
Trying to grow higher than the sun.
Birds plucking them out one by one to build their nests.
Reeds of the wetlands.
Paddling slowly through the still water.
Small, cockroach-like body scrambling over pebbles.
Scurrying to find shelter,
Waiting to be prey.
Waterbugs of the wetlands.
These are just some of the many wonderful things that make up our wetlands.

Congratulations to Nina Pahari Grade 5-6ME for her success in the recent poetry competition. Nina received an award for Highly Commended in the Grade 6 section.

Sports Results

The sports roster commenced last week with our school travelling to Lindisfarne Primary in very warm conditions.

Our netballers were successful in both matches:
Bellerive A 7 d Lindisfarne A 2
Bellerive B 21 d Lindisfarne B 3

The football team recorded a very strong victory over their opposition.

A big thank you to all parents in attendance in providing support for the team.

Tomorrow's match is against Howrah at their school with matches commencing at 1.00 p.m.
Headphones for Students

With the school's increased focus in Technology and the growing number of devices and programs that we are now using around the school, it has become essential for students to use headphones to hear and focus on their learning when using IT.

We ask that all students from Grades 1 to 6 bring to school a personal headphone set or earbuds to be kept in their desk until needed either in class or in the Computer Lab (ECE classes may have other arrangements for storing them). Individual head phones for students are considered to be more hygienic.

Many may have a set already hiding unused around the house (earbuds generally come with most mobile phones these days!). However, if parents or guardians need to purchase a set, there are a number of retail stores where you will find a range of headphones and earbuds of varying cost and quality. As a guide, you will find that most generic stores will have them at a starting price between $5-$8 for headphones and as low as $2 for some earbuds.

The school office will also stock a number of basic sets for student purchase. Headphones can be acquired for $8 and earbuds for $3.

Thank you for your anticipated assistance with this matter.

Bellerive Primary School IT Team

Reading Tutors

Volunteer reading tutors are a valuable resource within our school. Our reading tutors help to guide, encourage and improve students’ reading skills through listening to students read, having meaningful discussions about books and helping students develop confidence and motivation. All volunteers at our school are required to have a current RWVP Card (Working with Vulnerable People Registration). Our Reading Tutor Program will commence in the week beginning 20th March. If you are willing to devote an hour or more each week in helping a child become an improved reader please contact Allison Payne for more information.

Allison Payne
AST Bellerive Primary School

B4@Bellerive

It was lovely to catch up with everyone last week and welcome so many new families.

Please remember to complete the new details forms so we can add everyone to our email list and keep you up to date with our movements and plans throughout the term.

Come along this week and explore the colour yellow with us!

9.00am Art & craft play time (indoor and outdoor)
10.00am Movement and music
10.15am Fruit and Story
10.30am Gross Motor Play
11.00am Home Time

Louise Curtain  Sam Arnold
Bellerive School has links with the sea,
Bellerive School the best there can be,
We’ve been going strong for long, long time,
  Bright days we all can see

Chorus
So we lift up our voices and sing
To our future and all it will bring
We will work hard at this school of ours
  Bellerive School has everything

In our schoolwork we will excel,
In behaviour and manners as well,
In all the things we do, our pride will shine through,
  A pride we just won’t sell

Repeat Chorus twice

Music and Lyrics by Mrs Diana Perry
© June 12th 1990
Key Dates for 2017

### WEEKLY
- **Student Banking**: Tuesday weekly
- **Uniform Shop**: Tuesday 2:30pm - 3:15pm  
  Friday 8:30am - 9:15am
- **B4**: Thursday 9.00am—11.00am
- **Recorder**: T.B.A
- **Canteen**: Thursday and Friday
- **Choir**: T.B.A

### MAR
- **Wedn 8th**: SRC Meeting 8.30am—9.00am
- **Fri 10th**: SRC Fundraiser—Free dress—“Sport Attire”

### Mon 13th
**Public Holiday—Labour Day**
- **Tues 14th**: Progress Reports Distributed
- **Wedn 15th**: Freemasons Visit—Grade 6s
- **Mon 20th**: Parent Teacher
- **Tues 21st**: School Association Meeting & AGM 5.30pm
- **Wedn 22nd**: Division A Interschool Athletics Carnival

### Fri 31st
**School Photos**

### APR
- **Mon 3rd**: School Photos
- **Wedn 5th**: Champions Athletics Carnival
- **Tues 11th**: School Association Meeting 5.30pm
- **Wedn 12th**: Easter Services / Freemasons Visit Grade 6s /
  Clarence High Band 10.00am Gr 3-6

### Thurs 13th
**Student Free Day—End of Term 1**

### Fri 14th
**Good Friday**

### MAY
- **Mon 1st**: Term 2 commences
- **Tues 9th**: School Association Meeting 5.30pm
  9th-12th NAPLAN
- **Fri 12th**: State Athletics Championships

### 2017 Student Assistance Applications

**Achievement Certificates**
- 5/6ME Anais Fitzpatrick, Lauren Palmer
- 5/6VE Phoebe Neal, DJ Leauma
- 5/6WP Ashton Burk, Max Stops
- 4/SHH Matilda Farrell, Owen Rand
- 3/4SR Ruby Gillham, Carolyn Townsend, Jack Eaves, Blake Long
- 3/4B Xavier Leauma, Tom Eadie
- 3/4L Jordan Aherne, Meia Watt
- 3/4M Addyson Hamilton, Samuel Bourne
- 1/2WF William Timsar, Summer Houston, Summer Eaton
- 1/2F Jemimah Marshall, Oliver Cullen
- 1/2VW Mihran Mashihoor, Beniah Garlick
- 1/2R Izzy Ryan, Vincent Gregory
- 1/2LP Liam Wightman, Millie Richardson

**GOLDEN EAR AWARD—3/4M**

- **2017 Student Assistance Applications**

  The application for 2017 Student Assistant has been received. If you think you would qualify for Student Assistance, please come to the office and collect an application form.

  If you were eligible for Student Assistance for 2016, you do not need to fill out a new application. A letter from the Department of Education has been sent to all 2016 eligible families informing them of their 2016 approval or advising them that they are no longer eligible.

  However if you have a child starting Kindergarten for 2017 and already have children receiving Student Assistance, please either fill out an application for that child or add their details to the letter from the Department and return to the school office. Approval is not automatic for siblings starting in Kindergarten. If you have any question please contact the office staff.

**2017 LEVIES**

All levies should be finalised by 31st March. Payments can be made at the office or by BPAY. Payments are also accepted at Service Tasmania. Please refer to your invoice for BPAY instructions.

If you have any queries in regards to levies please see Mrs Smith in the office.