

Message from the Director of Teaching and Learning



Better together

My calendar this month has the quote “If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.”

I have been challenged a great deal by this lately. In my new role I have been so excited to see the ways we are growing and improving and refining our processes and practices, but at the same time, I often get impatient with how long it takes for those things to happen! God is reminding me that anything worthwhile takes time, and that if we want the whole community engaged and involved, that can take even longer, but the rewards are so much greater.

Our Year 11 and 12 parent-teacher interviews were held last week and it was another reminder of the importance of us working together. What a privilege to partner with parents over the years, to ride the roller coaster of life with them as we work together to try to raise intelligent, resilient, secure young people who love Jesus and find their place in Him. When we commit to that journey together we will most certainly help our children to ‘go far’.

Melanie Melcum

NSW CSSA Cross Country Championships



62 students represented Belmont Christian College at the NSW CSSA Cross Country Championships last Friday. More than half of our students finished inside the top 50, including 19 inside the top 30, which is a great result for events where there are on average, around 150 athletes, with some Primary events hosting over 200.

A special mention to Sophia Pyke, who won the 17yr Girls event with an outstanding run.

Sophia will go on to compete at the NSW CIS Cross Country, along with Isaac Carroll who finished 9th in the 15yr Boys. Nathan Carroll (12yr Boys) and Isaac Smith (16yr Boys) are both reserves on the CSSA team after both finished in 12th place in their events.



*Ben Robins
Sports
Coordinator*

Prayer Points

We would value prayer for...

- Our School Counsellor, Liz Roberts, who is still on sick leave.
- For Sue Warren, who taught at BCC for many years. She was in a significant car accident recently and is now in a neck brace for the next few months. Please pray for healing for Sue.
- The ongoing preparations for Beauty and the Beast, and all that is entailed... it's getting closer!!!
- Praise point! We had a wonderful email from our recent visitor Gideon on his return to Uganda. I thought you would be blessed to hear, ‘He saw consistent expressions of faith in the classroom, with teachers modelling Christ and talking about faith in all contexts and classes.’
- Praise God for the wonder of serving Him.

Upcoming Dates

11 June – Queens Birthday Public Holiday

13 June – Primary Assembly

14 June – Primary & Secondary CIS Cross Country

18 June – Kinder Oakvale Farm Excursion

18 June – Secondary CSSA Netball Gala

18 June – Yr 10 into Yr 11 Subject Info Night

20 June – Secondary Futsal Gala

20 June – Primary ‘Rise Up’

29 & 30 June – Beauty and the Beast Musical

Vanuatu Fundraiser



Students have again supported our annual Vanuatu Mufti day, dressing in the colours of the Vanuatu Flag - Red, Green, Black and Yellow last week. As a College, we raised almost \$1000, which will help to fund the LifeChanger water project, which aims to give families close access to fresh water without the need to lug heavy buckets for kilometers.

On Saturday 21st July, we will again be doing a Bunnings Barbecue fundraiser at the Boolaroo Bunnings Warehouse, where we hope to raise a further \$1500 to build a permanent house for a needy family in Vanuatu.

Students and families are commended for their generous support.

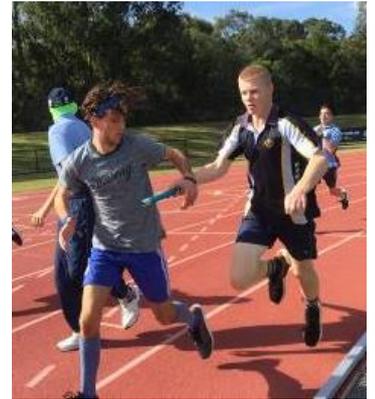
Alex Cameron
Science & Marine Coordinator

Secondary Athletics Carnival

Friday 25th May saw another well attended Secondary School Athletics Carnival at Hunter Sports Centre Glendale. The competition was hot throughout the day, with Liddell taking out the victory.

Congratulations to the following Age Champions.

	Boys	Girls
12 Yrs	Tristan Inman-Bamber	Evelyn Cossgrove
13 Yrs	Toby Maddison	Lana Barnett
14 Yrs	BJ Butt	Grace Middleby
15 Yrs	Flynn Mills	Georgia Hale
16 Yrs	Isaac Smith	Kiana Toole
17 Yrs	Isaac Watts	Sophia Pyke
18 Yrs	Benjamin Fryer	Sophia Laurie



House Points

- 1st – Liddell – 1505
- 2nd – Robinson – 1395
- 3rd – Cuthbert – 1392
- 4th - Booth – 1366

Mark Hall
Sports Coordinator

Secondary Zone Football Gala Day



On the 18th May our College sent four soccer teams to Tamworth for the Zone Football Gala Day. It was great to actually make it this year after being stuck on the side of the road in 2017. Each of our teams played well

on the day with the U15 Boys making it through to the finals undefeated. We took on the local favourites and last year's winners, Carinya, in the semi-final and came out on top convincingly 2-0. We then faced Maitland in the Grand Final. It started off a tense affair with both teams playing cagey football. As the teams settled the game opened up and became more physical with both attacks creating chances. However, at the final whistle it was still 0-0 and so the whole day came down to a penalty shoot out. Once again the boys showed a great deal of confidence, slotting home three penalties, while Maitland failed to score at all.

Congratulations boys for a great team effort, with a special shout out to the whole defensive group who didn't concede a single goal all day. Well done.

Nate Armsberry

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BBQ Lunch

6th July

Gold coin activities

Mufti Day

How many coins will you collect?

Empowering

On 5th and 6th June, many students from Years 7-11 went along to the Empowering Conference in the Newcastle Exhibition Centre. It was a couple of days full of high energy worship, inspiring talks and seminars aimed at helping the students take the message of Jesus 'to the streets.' A big focus of the conference was to encourage a sense of meaning and purpose as well as achieving your goals with God's help.

The worship was the huge highlight for all the students that went along. When asked to write down their favourite thing from the conference, the answer was overwhelmingly the energetic and passionate worship led by various churches in Newcastle. Some even said that this conference was the best one they had been to over the years it has been running.

All in all, it seemed that the students had a lot of fun and were very glad to have been given the opportunity to go along.

Cody Bros
Chaplain



Belmont Rotary's Morton Award

Five BCC students were the recipients of Belmont Rotary's Morton Award on Monday night. Each student received a certificate and generous cheque to encourage them to persist in their music endeavours. The awards were selected in audition by a panel of Rotary members at the beginning of this term and were chosen for their excellence and aptitude. From left to right, our awardees were Daniel Culjak (Saxophone), Rebecca Wigney (Violin), Regan Swaine (Drums), Adelle Austin (Piano - Adelle was the overall winner) and Peter Hyslop (Piano). Congratulations students!

Chris Stewart
Creative Arts Coordinator



BCC Students supporting "Sleepout for Soul Cafe"



Alita (S2L) and Isaac (S1A) King and their family are supporting the "Sleepout for Soul Cafe" by roughing it for a night and sleeping outdoors on a cold winter's night in June. Since 2003, Soul Cafe has provided the poor and vulnerable of Newcastle with a safe place to have a meal and connect to both other people and services. The work that the amazing volunteers do at Soul Cafe simply cannot continue without financial support from the Newcastle community. The annual sleepout fundraiser generates the necessary funds to continue to provide the homeless in our community with the help that they need. Please consider sponsoring Isaac and Alita on their debut sleepout for the homeless. Head to this link for more information. Thanks

<https://www.mycause.com.au/page/171637/ignite-community-newcastle>

SkoolBag App Upgrade

Our College's app, SkoolBag, is being updated with some improvements to give you more control over the content and notifications you receive.

You do not need to download an update, however, you will notice some changes when using the app.

Save Subscription Group Settings across devices

You will be invited to set up a username and password when opening the app. These details will be saved to allow for quick access in the future. Your account details allow you to log into the SkoolBag app on different devices and see the same groups and subscription settings. After logging in, you will be prompted to subscribe to groups.

Groups Menu

The Groups icon at the bottom of the screen will now show information that only relates to the specific groups to which you've subscribed. You can modify these group settings at any time if you decide to change your group preferences.

Personalised Notifications

Once logged into SkoolBag, the notification icon in the upper right corner will only appear in relation to your notification preferences. For example, if you have subscribed to the Secondary or Primary, you will see a notification icon when updates have been pushed out to that Group.

You will still have access to information about the whole school via the "Home" section, but these changes will help you tailor our app to better suit your needs.

CRU Day Camp at BCC

Dates: Mon 23 – Fri 27 July, 2018

Location: Belmont Christian College

School Years: K-6 co-ed

Drop-off/Pick-up: Drop-off is between 8am-9am. Pick-up is between 5pm-6pm

Online Price: \$249

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Fri 29th June 2018 7pm
Sat 30th June 2018 1pm & 7pm

Hunter Theatre
Cameron Street Broadmeadow