

2 November 2018

Term 4 – Week 3

Message from Business Manager, Mr Bill Truscott



The sound of the students arriving at the start of another day always gets me excited. In so many ways I see these kids as mine. I'm so glad they are here. While I admit that it's a struggle to maintain in my memory the names of so many, I do know that I am a proud part of their journey.

On a daily basis I see so many different elements combine to create what we all appreciate in our College;

- I see parents and caregivers who believe in their children and invest in their lives by sending them to a Christian College. Driving them here. Driving them home. Talking about their day. Helping them see their potential. Helping them grow.
- I see those who arrive early – some before the sun rises - to ensure our College is tidy and safe to start another day. Emptying bins. Blowing leaves. Replacing supplies. Serving in ways hidden to many.
- I see the property team maintaining our gardens and buildings, moving furniture, fixing countless problems from small to large. None of them seeking praise, but all of them committed to our children.
- I see our canteen staff and volunteers eager to feed our children. In fact, volunteers everywhere. Reading. Gardening. Guiding.
- I see the office staff working on well after all the noise has silenced. Consistently supporting the work of the classroom.
- I see teachers, those who look our children in the face every day. Those who care way beyond just grades and learning. Those who care beyond today.
- I see leadership, committed to what is best for our children. Dedicated to everyone and each one. Committed to transforming lives.

I encourage you to look and see the parts. All of us together make up this body. Each of us and each of you. 1 Corinthians 12:27.

NSW PSSA Athletics



Amos Maddison and Victoria Robinson represented NSW CIS at NSW PSSA (All Schools) this week. This is a very high level of competition and the 5th in a succession of carnivals where both have had to finish in the top 2 or 3 at each level to qualify for the next.

Amos finished a credible 27th in the 11yr Boys Shot Put, and Victoria finished 15th in the Senior Multiclass Long Jump and 17th in the 100m.

However, it was in Discus where Victoria smashed her personal best by 3.37m, throwing 13.47m to claim a Bronze medal and earning a place on the NSW team to travel to Melbourne to compete at Nationals (SSA Athletics).

This is an extraordinary accomplishment and one that has only been reached by one other Belmont student in the past.

Congratulations to both Victoria and Amos for their achievements.



Prayer & Praise Points

- Please continue to pray for our HSC students as they continue their exams. It has been wonderful to have the opportunity to touch base with them and pray for them as they arrive to tackle the next one. We are blessed to be part of a loving, supportive community.
- Please continue to pray for our preparations for next year, for Sharon and the Executive, as decisions are made and timetables are put together. Please pray for the College Board, that they will know God's Leading and His wisdom as they work together and serve Him diligently.
- Praise God for new families joining our College, now and some ready to come across to us next year. It is such a privilege to be called to minister into the lives of new families.
- Please continue to pray for our College families, for those who are grieving, that their Heavenly Father will be their safe place and gentle comfort.

Upcoming Dates

- 5 Nov** – Yr 9 Exams begin
- 5 Nov** – Yr 10 Exams continues
- 5-9 Nov** – Yr 11 Hospitality Work
- 6 Nov** – Year 8 Exams begin
- 7 Nov** – PS Assembly
- 9 Nov** – Yr 7 Exams begin
- 12 – 20 Nov** – Yr 12 Schoolies Mission Trip to Thailand
- 13 Nov** – Prep & Kinder Parent Info Night
- 14 Nov** – Kinder Excursion to Edgeworth Trains
- 14 Nov** – PS 'Rise Up'
- 16 Nov** – PS Milo Cricket, Stage 3

Introducing our Term 4 Primary SRC Team...

Our new Term 4 SRC team received their badges in our Week 2 Assembly, and took part in their first SRC meeting in Week 1.



This term's class representatives are...

- S1A – Aidan Bell & Isabella Maiden
- S1AM – Zachary Lunnun & Victoria Collet Sanchez
- S1K – Georgia Hofman & Martin Hallin
- S2A – Eli Hallett & Bridie Yeomans
- S2EJ – Myles Black & Ella Bourke
- S2L – Josh Culjak & Landon Smith
- S3B – Ava Haub (Secretary) & James Chesterfield (Communications Officer)
- S3C – Josh Wolfenden & Rachel Collins
- S3D – Phoebe Duffy-Smith (Publicity Officer) & Brielle Sparrow
- S3K – Mia Webber (Chairperson) & Jazmyn O'Neill

Please pray for our new team as they continue the challenge of making our school an even better place to be.

Mrs Deb Horton (SRC Teacher Advisor)

Emails from the College to Parents/Caregivers

We have received feedback that some parents/caregivers are not receiving emails from the College. We have discovered that some BCC emails to Telstra email accounts are being blocked. This appears to be a Telstra issue that is beyond our control and is probably related to the Telstra spam filter.

In order to ensure that you receive our important emails please do the following:

- Call the College to ensure we have your correct email
- Check your spam folder for any BCC emails
- Add college@bcc.nsw.edu.au to your contact list to ensure future emails are received
- For Telstra Bigpond customers, if the issue is still unresolved contact Telstra on 132200.

Junior Theatre Celebration Announcement

36 of our performing students presented selections from *Beauty and the Beast Jr.* in the third annual Junior Theatre Celebration Australia in Newcastle, Australia on Friday 26th and Saturday 27th October. They were recognised for their incredible talents and were awarded Outstanding Acting.

Junior Theatre Celebrations allow students and teachers representing a diverse number of theatre programs to come together to share their talents, cheer each other on, and be part of an international community of people who care as much about the art form as much as they do.

The students, presented in front of John Foreman (Musical Director), Marty Johnson (iTheatrics Director or Education) Lucy Durack (Wicked & Legally Blonde), and New York composer Tim McDonald.



Students Sam Edwards and Monique Micallef were named to the Junior Theatre Celebration All-Stars, made up of outstanding performers attending the event. The All-Stars performed a song during the closing ceremony for all event attendees.

Live! @ The Colliery

On Wednesday, our third Live! @ The Colliery music concert took place in the BCC Hall. A capacity audience enjoyed a full program displaying the hard work of all our College music ensembles, including Concert Band, String Ensemble, Stage 2 Choir and Stage 3 Choir. We also enjoyed amazing solo performances in a variety of styles including Jazz, Music Theatre, Worship and Classical Art Music.



Our Choirs also enjoyed a choral workshop throughout the day with a visiting choir from Maitland Christian School. The choirs joined forces for the closing two songs sharing their passion and enjoyment of choral singing.

The concert provided an amazing opportunity for students to enjoy God's gift of music as well as developing in them confidence, performance skills and a love of music and singing.

Stage 2 & 3 Choir's Performed at St Luke's Carnival

Our Stage 2 and Stage 3 Choir's performed at the local St Luke's Carnival on the weekend, participating in this fabulous local event. Our students proudly represented our College with some wonderful performances. Thanks to Mr Brown for accompanying our choirs and Mr Stewart for organising.



CSSA Primary Biathlon



Ten Primary students travelled to Penrith Regatta Centre to compete in the Primary Biathlon, consisting of a 200m swim and 2km run. It's great exposure to the sport of Triathlon, which students can compete in once they get to Year 7.

Aidan Rae finished 5th in the Open Boys individual event, and Georgia Hall was 18th in the girls. Our top team in the Boys was Aidan Rae and James Chesterfield who crossed the line in 12th, whilst in the Girls, Amelia Bussell and Jorja Simolin finished 20th. Congratulations to our ten competitors.

CSSA Secondary Triathlon



Last week a team of 25 students represented the College at the CSSA Triathlon, competing in swim/bike/run over various distances. Congratulations to the following students for solid results:

Individual

Luke Hall 10th, Cooper Ashbourne 14th & Logan Melcum 15th.

Junior Boys Teams

- Cooper Ashbourne, Levi Smith, Toby Maddison 5th
- Lachlan Rae, Ryan Sweeney, Nic Goldsworthy 10th

Intermediate Boys Teams

- Brew Austin, Joshua Hale, Thomas Davies 5th

Junior Girls Teams

- Anna Bretherton, Claudia King, Taylah Cowling 13th

Choral Workshop at BCC

Last Wednesday, our Stage 2 and Stage 3 Choirs participated in a Choral Workshop with the Primary Choir from Maitland Christian School. The joint endeavor was organised by Mr Stewart and Maitlands' Music teacher, Mrs Ally Aitcheson. Students had a fantastic time working together, learning some new songs and fun warm-ups.



Thanks to Maitland for sharing your beautiful voices and shining faces with us at our first combined Choral Workshop!

AFL/Rugby Friendly Game with Wyong CS



Our Boys and Girls AFL and Boys Rugby teams made the trip to Wyong Christian School this week, for some friendly games in each sport.

The games were played in good spirit, yet were quite competitive and enjoyable for all who played.

Whilst the Boys played AFL, the Girls' side had a coaching session with development officers from Rugby NSW and then the boys did the same whilst the girls played their game.

The Boys Rugby game was very tight and Belmont led by 2 with just 1 minute on the clock. However, the heat was a factor and our side, fielding bigger players, ran out of gas, and Wyong finished with two tries inside the final 60 seconds.

The Girls AFL were dominant in a very one-sided clash and the Boys side held on to win a very competitive game.

BOYS AFL	Belmont 34 def Wyong 24
GIRLS AFL	Belmont 68 def Wyong 13
BOYS RUGBY	Wyong 43 def Belmont 33



Monday 3rd December

PRESENTATION NIGHT 2018

Civic Theatre 6.25pm



BELMONT CHRISTIAN COLLEGE COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP

• ALL WELCOME •

65 John Fisher Road, Belmont North
Thursday mornings 10am - 12pm

Come and enjoy a fun, safe space where your child can play and socialise with others, where you can spend quality time with your child while connecting with other parents / caregivers forming new and supportive friendships.

The program is lightly structured with indoor play, group time, morning tea and outdoor play. For children 0 – 5 years.

The session is supported by a qualified Early Childhood Educator and the venue is a purpose built facility.

For more information, please contact
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