

Message from Assistant Principal, Mr Steve Tidey



It's been another very successful year in the life of BCC. At the beginning of 2018 I really felt God's leading to clearly communicate my vision for our students and it is summed up in 3 words: *Belong, Believe, Become*. Over the year we have seen such a strong sense of community developing through many programs, events and intentional activities that showcase BCC as a Christ-focused school where students are encouraged to **BELONG**. Just witnessing, for example, the incredible mid-year performance of *Beauty and the Beast*, and watching the amazing development of the Common Grounds community garden highlight for me the growing sense that God is doing new things through His work here. As we maintain our focus on the importance of a personal relationship with God, and help our students explore aspects of faith we pray they will discover what it means to **BELIEVE** for themselves, and then come to find God's design for them to **BECOME** the person they were created them to be in the roles He has for them. It's exciting to see another Yr 12 cohort complete their HSC exams and position themselves for their next stage in life; they really have been influential in so many positive and meaningful ways, and have left a wonderful legacy for the years to come. I am thankful to the whole staff who, day-in and day-out, give so much of themselves in working with the young people you have entrusted to us. And, of course, I am thankful for our parents' and caregivers' support, and for allowing us to work with you in transforming young lives for God's glory.

I pray each of you will know the wonderful joy of Christmas embodied in the gift of Jesus as you share with family and friends and a season of rest into the new year.

CONDA Award Nominations

Congratulations to Belmont Christian College musical team who received three CONDA award nominations this week for our production of *Beauty and the Beast*. CONDA (The City of Newcastle Drama Association) is the organisation behind Newcastle's most prestigious theatre industry awards. The CONDA's encourage excellence in theatre making through a range of award categories. We are pleased to have received the following nominations:

- **Emily Poliszuk** for Excellence by a female actor under 18
- **Katie Collins** for Excellence by a female actor under 18
- **Mrs Anneliese Stewart** for Excellence in choreography

Congratulations ladies, we are incredibly proud of you and everyone involved in our show. Winners will be announced at the award ceremony on the 1st of December.



Prayer & Praise Points

Thank you for praying for your school community. It is through God's grace that we have the privilege of serving Him in this wonderful place. Please pray for:

- Our Year 12 students as they step out into their lives post HSC, that they will know God's Leading, Provision and Wisdom in their decision making. We are looking forward to celebrating with them at their formal next week.
- Families in our community who are grieving and who need to know the Gentle, Kind Comfort of their Heavenly Father. Please pray that we will know how to minister to them and extend God's love to them.
- Praise God for our flourishing Vegetable Garden that is testimony to our students of the wonder of creation and of God's provision.
- Please pray for decisions that are being made to help position our College ready for 2019 and into the future. We want to fulfill God's Calling on us as a ministry to our students and to the broader community.

Upcoming Dates

- 19 Nov** – Yr 11 Readiness Program
- 19 Nov** – Kindergarten Fire Truck Visit
- 20 Nov** – Kindy & Yr 7 Orientation Day
- 21 Nov** – Year 12 Formal
- 21 Nov** – Opening of Community Garden
- 22 Nov** – Last Day for Year 10
- 22 Nov** – Year 6 Graduation dinner
- 23 Nov** – Stage 3 T20 Cricket
- 23 Nov** – V8 Supercars Excursion
- 23 Nov** – Stage 2 Caves Beach Excursion
- 24 Nov** – Vanuatu Missions Trip
- 26 Nov** – Primary Basketball Gala Day
- 28 Nov** – Volunteer's Morning Tea
- 3 Dec** – Presentation Night

Remembrance Day

The Remembrance Day Service that commenced this last Sunday was an event that I was glad to be a part of. I realise that such events, like Remembrance Day, build and strengthen community which I believe is so valuable. The day itself was filled with good weather, good company and reverence for the soldiers who sacrificed so much for us. Throughout the day I couldn't help but notice the gentle breeze pass through my fingers, the stillness in the air, the calm of the day, all as if to say that the peace I now enjoy is because of their sacrifice. They gave us a gift: a gift that I don't want to take for granted; a gift given at a high expense.

Tim Taylor
School Captain



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.

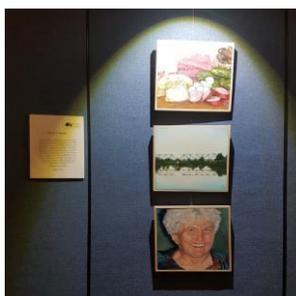
Fiver for a Farmer Flanno Day

To raise money for our Australian Farmers, Belmont Christian College united together to raise money for our drought-stricken farmers. The fundraiser involved the whole of the College. We called the actual day 'Fiver for a Farmer Flanno Day', whereby staff and students got dressed as farmers, wore a flanno shirt and rallied to support this very worthy cause! Year 6 students held an additional 'Cupcake' day, and together with this, and money collected in moneyboxes for the farmers, we raised a grand total of \$3700! The money raised was presented to our local Lions Club in a special assembly, who will pass this on to our Australian farmers for a very special Christmas indeed. Well done again Belmont Christian College!



Art Express Nominations

Congratulations to two of our Year 12 HSC Visual Arts students for being nominated for possible selection for ARTEXPRESS 2019. Solomon Amos', "The Tongan Tribe" and Marlee Hammond's, "Alive in Death". This is a great achievement for Solomon and Marlee. Thank you also to our dedicated Visual Arts teacher Mr Chris Denzin. Well done all.



Alive in Death



The Tongan Tribe

Beauty & the Beast

This year's Secondary Musical, Beauty and the Beast, was a huge success in July. We are pleased to let you know that videos for each cast have been captured and uploaded to YouTube for our school community to enjoy.

Cast A Act 1 <https://youtu.be/iQQQVD3I9nU>

Cast A Act 2 <https://youtu.be/165sy-CkaTY>

Cast B Act 1 https://youtu.be/d4T3DRc_CGs

Cast B Act 2 <https://youtu.be/blSIDIVcpg>

Please note that the videos have been uploaded as 'unlisted' which means that you will need these links above to access the videos, you are unable to search for them in YouTube.



Uniform Changes

There are some changes to our uniform for 2019 and beyond.

All **Senior Secondary** students in Year 11 and 12 will move to a white shirt or blouse. The current blue shirt or blouse may be worn as an alternative and be an option to wear either for those in Year 11 and 12 in 2019, and for those in Year 12 in 2020. Students commencing Year 11 in 2020 will need to wear a white shirt or blouse.

All **Secondary boys** in Years 7 to 12 will move to grey shorts in summer and grey trousers in winter.

All **Secondary girls** in Years 7 to 12 will move to grey skirt all year round.

In 2019, students in Year 7 to 10 will have the option to wear navy shorts for boys or blue skirt for girls to allow time to plan and transition to the new uniform.

Socks: Boys K-12 will wear grey BCC striped socks, and girls K-12 will wear new white BCC striped socks.

The uniform shop has stopped selling uniform items with the old logo where a new logo item is available. **All old logo items will be phased out fully by the start of 2020** (with the exception stated above for Year 12 in 2020).

Please visit <https://shop.alintaapparel.com.au/> to make an appointment for fitting and to see the latest price list. Or phone the store on 0403587385.

The regular Shop hours are: Tuesday 1 – 3.30pm and Thursday 8 – 11am



THE UNIFORM SHOP

Blazer Fittings



Alinta Apparel is now taking appointments for Blazer Fittings. It is essential that all students requiring a blazer for 2019 attend a fitting appointment in November.

Fittings will be held on
- Wednesday 14th November 2.30pm-5.30pm
- Wednesday 21st November 8.00am-12.00pm

Bookings are essential by emailing kylie@alinta.com

Lay-by facilities are available in store.

Thank You

Uniform Shop
www.alintaapparel.com.au

Outside School Hours Care for 2019

Belmont Christian College is pleased to announce that commencing in 2019 the operation of Out of School Hours Care will be managed by Camp Australia - a specialist provider of OSHC. Camp Australia brings significant expertise through their operation of over 750 facilities across Australia. They have an online portal for bookings which makes managing your requirements simple and convenient. They will continue offering after school services to preschool and prep students and our existing staff of our OOSH will continue looking after our children with Camp Australia. There will be a restructure of fees which will deliver a reduction of fees. In addition, you may be eligible for Child Care Benefit or Rebate. To register or for more information visit www.campaustralia.com.au.

Bike Program in Primary PE

Stage 2 are finishing the year in PE with a unit on Cycling.

The students are participating in the "Let's Ride" program from Cycling Australia and will spend 4 weeks riding bikes and learning about the elements of a bike, signals, safety and braking.

Every Student has received a progression tracking poster and a helmet bag, as well as the option of 3 months free membership to Cycling Australia.

The funding has been provided by the Australian Government's "Sporting Schools" program.



Musical Guessing Competition

Thank you to everyone who entered our Cadbury Chocolate Guessing Competition to support our Musical Theatre students here at Belmont Christian College. Congratulations to Phoebe Duffy-Smith from Stage 3 who was our winner!





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★★★★★

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Katie, Sydney
★★★★★

"The end result is far and away the best programming teaching environment I have ever seen. Seriously now my primary school child can program in JavaScript."

Jeffrey, Melbourne
★★★★★



Book with confidence

We are so sure your kids will love Code Camp, if they don't want to come back after Day 1, we'll refund the remaining days!

21-23 January
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

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Computers Provided

www.codecamp.com.au/belmont

Alternate dates and locations available (no camps on public holidays)



Belmont Christian College

Wednesday November 21 2018
10:50am to 2pm
BCC Science Block

Common Grounds Community Garden Opening

for more information visit [BCC Common Ground on Facebook](#)
or call us (02) 4922 8300



Cooking Displays
Honey Bee Talk
Bush Tucker Talk
Seedlings for Sale
Cakes & Coffee

10:50 Grand Opening
11:10 Stage 2
11:40 Stage 3
12:10 Stage 1
12:40 Kindy

Bring your keep cup for coffee & tea



You are invited to our 'Thank You' Morning Tea.

We wish to celebrate you as a faithful volunteer for serving our College community so willingly.

Please come and enjoy a scrumptious morning tea.

Wednesday 28 November
10:45am to 11:15am
at the Library

From the Principal, Sharon Sopher
and BCC Staff.

Please RSVP to the office on
49228300 by 23/11/18.

