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Term 1, Week 4, 2026

## FAQ's

Please click the link for responses to frequently asked questions.

<https://bellmeress.eq.edu.au/Ourschool/Contactus/Pages/FAQs.aspx>

## From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have continued to have a successful start to the school year with our students displaying great learning behaviours and showing our expectation of 'Determined to Achieve'. To achieve this expectation, our students demonstrate that they are focused on learning tasks, using feedback to improve their work, and setting goals to advance to the next level of learning.

For students to succeed, it is very important that they have a Growth Mindset. A growth mindset means that we have a positive approach to tasks and that if we make a mistake, we use this as a learning opportunity and have another go. We encourage students to have an attempt, that mistakes happen and getting things wrong is a part of learning. As the old saying goes, 'we learn from our mistakes.' We also talk about a growth mindset as a Flex Brain. The opposite is a rock brain.

### Pick Up Lane Expectations

A massive thank you to all parents who obey the rules and who are patient in the pick up lane at the beginning and end of the school day. Thank you for your support following the email I sent home last week.

Pick up Line Expectations are:

- Children are not to enter cars prior to the first zebra crossing. The pick up zone, where it is safe for children to enter, is between the zebra crossing and the dental van undercover area.
- Cars are not to pull out of the pick up lane prior to the first zebra crossing as this halts traffic and is dangerous for other children.
- If you are wanting to get out of your car to pick up your child, please park in the carpark.
- If you are in the pick up zone, please stay in your car at all times.
- Follow the car in front.
- Obey the staff member on the crossing that will allow children to cross exiting the school.

It is important that we all follow the expectations so that we keep all our children safe.

Jamie Tactor

Principal

## From the Deputy Principal - Mrs Martin

Happy Week 4 to our Bellmere Community,

### PCL Update

An integral part of any PCL team is parent representatives. This enables a cross section of our school community (staff, students and parents) coming together to discuss and inform decisions in continuing the creation and growth of a positive culture for learning at our wonderful school. If you are interested in joining our PCL committee as a parent representative (we currently have one parent rep waiting to join us), please send me an email at [cmart315@eq.edu.au](mailto:cmart315@eq.edu.au). I look forward to hearing from you soon.

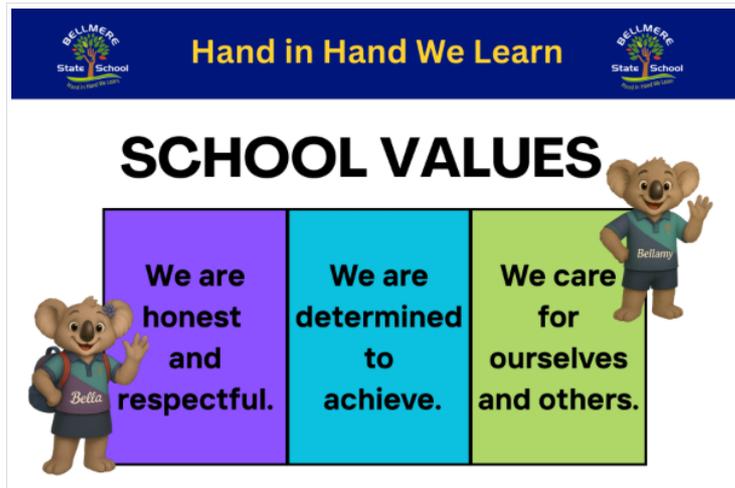
## PCL Values Matrix

Our Bellmere State School Values and Expectations Matrix is attached below. This Matrix is what all students strive to demonstrate daily including our 3 values – We are honest and respectful; We are determined to achieve; We care for ourselves and others. The expectations are the way we show our values. Bella Bucks are our schoolwide acknowledgement for students displaying our values.

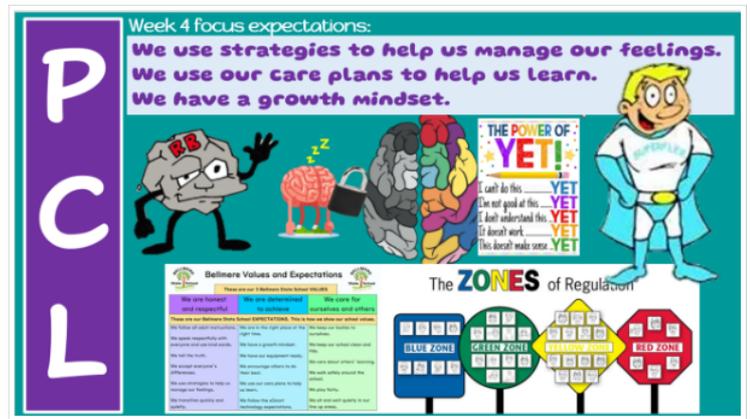
Bellmere Values and Expectations		
These are our 3 Bellmere State School VALUES		
<b>We are honest and respectful</b>	<b>We are determined to achieve</b>	<b>We care for ourselves and others</b>
These are our Bellmere State School EXPECTATIONS. This is how we show our school values.		
We follow all adult instructions.	We are in the right place at the right time.	We keep our bodies to ourselves.
We speak respectfully with everyone and use kind words.	We have a growth mindset.	We keep our school clean and tidy.
We tell the truth.	We have our equipment ready.	We care about others' learning.
We accept everyone's differences.	We encourage others to do their best.	We walk safely around the school.
We use strategies to help us manage our feelings.	We use our care plans to help us learn.	We play fairly.
We transition quickly and quietly.	We follow the eSmart technology expectations.	We sit and wait quietly in our line up areas.

## PCL Values Magnet

We recently sent home the below magnet to each family with the eldest child in the family unit. Our current Prep students received this magnet during their final transition session at the end of 2025. If your family does not have a copy of this magnet, please contact the office and they will arrange one for you.



Week 4



Week 5



Enjoy your fortnight,

Candy Martin

## From the Deputy Principal - Mr Lyons

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Term One is well and truly in full swing, and our Year 2 and 3 students have settled beautifully into their learning.

In English, students have begun working on their spoken presentations. Year 2 students are preparing a speech where they will share ideas about a character, describe the character's traits, and express an opinion supported by reasons from the text. Year 3 students are developing a book review based on a story that explores the theme of overcoming a fear. We're looking forward to seeing their confidence grow as they practise presenting to a class, small group, or teacher.

In Mathematics, Year 2 students are learning about data and statistics, measurement, and 2D and 3D shapes. Year 3 students are exploring angles, using formal units of time, mapping skills, and probability. It has been wonderful to see students applying their thinking skills and mathematical language in class discussions.

In Week 7, our Year 3 and Year 5 students will participate in NAPLAN assessments. Further information will be shared with families closer to the time to help you understand the process and how you can support your child.

Thank you for your ongoing support. We are looking forward to a productive and exciting term ahead.

All the best,

## From the Deputy Principal - Mr Caudwell

Greetings to our Bellmere Community,

### Student Leader Investiture

We are currently going through the process of electing students into student leader roles. The following positions will be filled and these students will be inducted into their roles next Friday (27<sup>th</sup> February) at 9:15am in the Hall. Parents are welcome to attend.

- House Captains – Kabi, Wararba, Bell, Bunya
- Performing Arts Captains
- Multicultural Captains
- STEM Captain
- Senior Leaders
- Student Councillors (Year 4-6)
- Sustainability Squad (Year 3-6)
- Student PCL Representatives (Year 3-6)

We look forward to celebrating their achievements and working with them on their role throughout this year.

Our Captains (not Senior Leaders, Student Councillors, Sustainability Squad or Student PCL Reps) will be heading to Brisbane in the coming weeks for the annual Halogen Youth Leadership Day.

### NAPLAN Testing – Year 3 and 5

This week an email will be sent to all Year 3 and 5 parents with information about NAPLAN.

Parents, please remember to install the NAP locked down browser app onto student iPads. This can be downloaded from the App Store (NAP 2026).

Our testing period will be from Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March and our students will be participating in a readiness test on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> and Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March.

### Upcoming Noteworthy Dates This Fortnight

- Assembly P-2 – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb
- Captain speeches – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Feb
- Instrumental Music Workshop – Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Feb
- Assembly 3-6 – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Feb
- Student Leader Investiture – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb

Until next fortnight,

Terry Caudwell

## From the Office

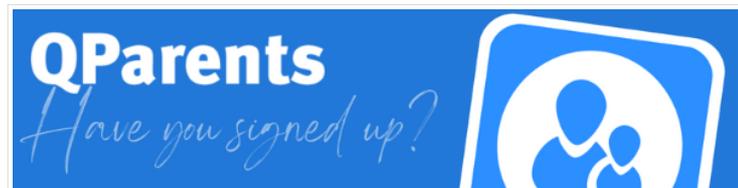
## STUDENT RESOURCE SCHEME PAYMENTS

Thank you to all parents who have made payments towards the Student Resource Scheme for 2026.

Payments can be made at anytime using the invoice BPoint link (amount can be changed to suit), via the QKR! App, direct deposit into the school bank account (BSB- 064-405 ACC – 10700604 using surname and SRS as reference) or by EFT in the office.

We are happy to arrange alternative payment plans or Centrepay deductions if this method is not possible. Please email Leah Doveston on [ldove18@eq.edu.au](mailto:ldove18@eq.edu.au) or [admin@bellmeress.eq.edu.au](mailto:admin@bellmeress.eq.edu.au) to arrange this. Students will be able to receive their resources once a payment has been made.

### QPARENTS



QPARENTS links directly with One School, the program used by the school to store student information including personal details, absences, all report cards and finance information.

QPARENTS registration is easy and can be completed using your tablet or phone. New parents will receive a QParents invitation code in early Term 1, and current parents should already have received theirs previously.

This link will guide you through the registration process. The fact sheet is provided for your information. Your child's EQ id is on the invoices we send you, directly below the address box at the top left of the invoice.

QPARENTS allows parents to connect instantly with their child's school to access and manage their child's student information, including:

- Attendance and absence details, as well as the ability to notify the school of an absence
- Behaviour information
- Academic report cards
- Class timetables
- Viewing unpaid invoice details, payment history, and making payments online
- Viewing and updating student details, including medical conditions and address
- Enrolment details
- Excursions and consent

You will need your unique code to register, please email [admin@bellmeress.eq.edu.au](mailto:admin@bellmeress.eq.edu.au) to request your invitation code. Please follow the instructions in the invitation email to create your account and register at <https://qparents.qld.edu.au/landing>.

### SIGN OUT PROCESS

We will continue the same sign out process for when children are leaving school early. Parents will need to come to the office,

sign their children out on the iPad in the reception area. Parents will receive a printed slip which they will show the office staff who will let them through the office door. Parents will then go to the child's classroom, give the printed slip to the teacher and collect the child. At break times the child will be called over the load speaker as it is difficult to locate the child during break times.

There will be a specialist timetable on the wall near the iPad so parents can see where their child is located in the school. Also, teachers will have a notice on their door to indicate where the class is. Eg STEM, MUSIC, PE, Library.

Steps to sign children out early:

1. Sign your child out on the iPad in the foyer.
2. Collect the printed sign out ticket.
3. Show the office staff the ticket, they will let you into the school.
4. Walk to your child's classroom.
5. Give the printed ticket to the classroom teacher.
6. Collect your child and exit via the office administration.

## Back to School Boost

The Back to School Boost provides a \$100 credit for each primary school student from the start of 2026. This \$100 credit will assist families with school costs during 2026. A \$100 credit will be placed on the account of all students enrolled from Prep to Year 6 from the 9th February.

If you haven't already completed consent for these funds to be applied to a particular school cost, please log into QParents to select where these funds are used.

If you are not registered for QParents yet, please head to QParents and register for an account, using the unique code provided by the school. If you need this number resent to you, please email [admin@bellmeress.eq.edu.au](mailto:admin@bellmeress.eq.edu.au).

Please note that the Back to School Boost cannot be used for the reimbursement of purchases made at external stores, nor can it be provided as a cash payment to families or students.

## Absences

It is very important that the school is notified of any student absences. The Department of Education requires a reason for each and every absence.

The methods for advising absences are as follows:

By email - [admin@bellmeress.eq.edu.au](mailto:admin@bellmeress.eq.edu.au)

By telephone - 5498 0666 - there is a dedicated absentee line where you can leave a message 24 hours per day.

Q Parents - if you have registered for the Q Parents app, you can advise absences this way.

## Breakfast Club

## E-Scooters and Road Safety

To ensure you and your child stay safe when using e-scooters, e-skateboards or e-bikes, please remember:

- only those aged over 16 can ride e-scooters and e-skateboards unsupervised.
- if your child is riding an e-scooter, e-skateboard or e-bike to school, they must have parental supervision and the parent must take the device home with them. E-vehicles must not be left on school grounds.
- helmets must be worn with the straps properly fastened (bicycle or motorcycle helmets) and bells fitted for devices with handlebars.
- no passengers/doubling – only one person riding an e-scooter.
- speed limit of 12km/h on footpaths and shared paths.
- to be legal, e-bikes must have pedals be the main sources of power, motor assistance of up to 25km/h and a maximum continuous motor output of 250 watts.
- serious fines may apply to riders, and parents, if caught breaking the rules.

StreetSmartsQld features educational videos and other helpful safety tips for riding e-scooters and e-skateboards.

[https://bellmeress.schoolzineplus.com/\\_file/media/2287/emb\\_queensland\\_rules\\_for\\_riders.pdf](https://bellmeress.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2287/emb_queensland_rules_for_riders.pdf)

## Stop, Drop, Go and Pick-Up Zone

*A message from the Principal regarding Parking and Pick-Up*  
*On Thursday last week, Mr Tactor sent an email to all parents and carers regarding parking and pick-up zone at our school.*

It is extremely important that we all work together to ensure the safety of all children and adults during drop-off and pick-up times. We understand this is a particularly busy part of the day, and I would like to thank everyone who consistently takes care to keep our school community safe.

Yesterday, police visited the school car park to speak with parents regarding parking and the use of the pick-up lane prior to 3:00pm. They advised that they have received several complaints about vehicles blocking Bellmere Road, both at the driveway entry and extending onto the road.

Please note that the pick-up lane is signed as a 2-minute zone between 8:00am and 4:00pm. This means drivers must not leave their vehicles unattended or remain parked in this area for longer than two minutes.

The police clarified that this area is not to be used for waiting or parking before 3:00pm.

I also sought clarification regarding the period immediately after the 3:00pm bell, when many parents briefly wait 5–10 minutes for their children to arrive at the collection point. Police confirmed that this is not an issue, as the traffic is moving forward and vehicles are actively collecting students.

Please keep in mind that the car park is not owned by the school; it is council property, and these regulations are in place to ensure the safety of everyone using the space.

I have had multiple discussions with council regarding parking and traffic flow after school, and these conversations will remain important as new developments continue in the area. We have been advised that local law officers and police will continue to monitor the car park and may issue fines for vehicles not complying with the regulations.

As always, our highest priority is the safety of our students, families, and staff. Thank you for your cooperation and ongoing support.

Regards,

Jamie Tactor

**DELIVERING FOR QUEENSLAND**

## Stop, Drop and Go Zone



**How to Use It:**

- **Queue Up:** Join the line of cars and move forward as space opens, like a taxi rank.
- **Stop Briefly:** Pull into the designated bay and stop for a maximum of two minutes.
- **Drop/Pick Up Quickly:** Let children exit from the passenger side onto the footpath immediately; they should be ready with bags.
- **Stay in Your Car:** Drivers should generally stay in the vehicle unless helping with seatbelts.
- **Move On:** Drive away as soon as the child is safely out (or in) to allow the next car to use the zone.

**What to Avoid:**

- **Parking:** Do not leave your vehicle unattended or park in the zone.
- **Waiting:** If your child isn't ready, drive around the block and re-join the queue.
- **Blocking:** Don't overtake other cars in the zone or block other users.
- **Late Arrivals:** Don't enter the zone until dismissal time to avoid congestion with early prep pickups.

**Key Rules:**

- **Purpose:** For quick drop-offs/pick-ups only, not parking.
- **Time Limit:** Strictly enforced (usually 2 minutes) to prevent congestion.
- **Safety:** Use passenger-side doors; it's dangerous to have kids get out on the roadside.

## Playgroup



## Triple P Parents Online

[https://bellmeress.schoolzineplus.com/\\_file/media/2275/tripleparentsdirect\\_flyer.pdf](https://bellmeress.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2275/tripleparentsdirect_flyer.pdf)

## Host a Red Bow Event for MD

[https://bellmeress.schoolzineplus.com/\\_file/media/2276/red\\_bow\\_tea4md\\_flyer.pdf](https://bellmeress.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2276/red_bow_tea4md_flyer.pdf)

## Positions Vacant

### POSITIONS VACANT



We are looking for School Crossing Supervisors in your area to help get our kids safely to and from school.

School Crossing Supervisors must be available for work in both morning and afternoon shifts on a rostered basis (in all weather conditions).

In return we offer the following:

- ✓ Casual pay-rate starting at \$38.40 per hour
- ✓ Relief opportunities on your days off
- ✓ Long service leave entitlements

Commencement of employment for the successful applicant is dependent on:

- The favourable outcome of a pre-employment health assessment
- A Positive Notice Blue Card (you **do not** need to have a blue card to apply for the position)

To find out more and apply online, please visit [www.tmr.qld.gov.au/school-crossing-supervisor-scheme](http://www.tmr.qld.gov.au/school-crossing-supervisor-scheme).

## Save the Date

What's on at Bellmere SS in Term 1 2026

February	
18	Prep – 2 Assembly (2pm)
19	Multicultural and STEM Captain speeches – 9:15am in Hall (Yr4-6)
19	Performing Arts Captain speeches – 9:45am in Music Room (Snr choir, IM)
19	House Captain speeches – 2:15pm in various locations (Yr4-6)
25	3 – 6 Assembly (2pm)
27	Student Leader Investiture – 9:15am in Hall (whole school)
March	
2	Clean Up Australia Day
4	Prep – 2 Assembly (2pm)
5	Bella Buck Afternoon @ 12:50pm in Canteen for eligible students
10	Young Leaders Day – excursion for captains
11	3 – 6 Assembly (2pm)
11-19	NAPLAN period
12	Yr6 Surf Awareness presentation (9-11am)
13	Moreton Bay Rugby 7's Gala Day U9-U12
18	Prep – 2 Assembly (2pm)
19	Yr6 Water Safety Day (Kings Beach)
20	Ride Safely to School Day
23	Harmony Week begins
25	3 – 6 Assembly (2pm)
31	Cross Country Carnival

2	Easter Hat Parade (Prep-2) in the hall @2pm
2	Last day of Term 1
3	Good Friday public holiday