

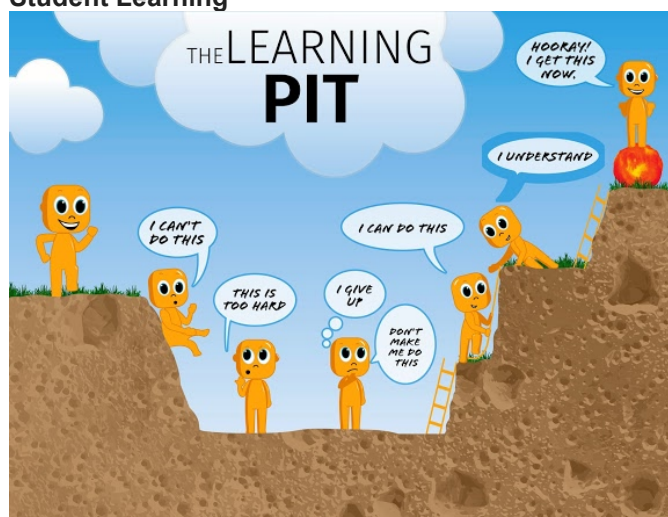


**Don't forget Grandparents Day 2019 - tomorrow  
Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2019  
9.30am to 11.00am.**

## From the Principal

Last Friday we celebrated our annual Country Fair, it was a fantastic afternoon of fun for all. Thank you to Mrs Mulligan and all the teachers for their work with this.

## Student Learning



What do students do when they get stuck, when they make a mistake, when they hit a learning road block? Successful learners flex their learning muscles and dig in, develop learning grit and strive to be successful. At Bellinghen Public School we want all students to dig in and build their learning muscles. In developing this across the school, students' will be explicitly taught about the "Learning Pit". The Learning Pit is a tool to use to be successful when you make a mistake, get stuck with your learning or are unsure what to do. The Learning Pit is a model that provides learners with a language to think and talk about learning. It helps build students' resilience, wisdom and self-efficacy. When students hit a learning road block they might fall into the Learning Pit, it is here where deep learning and retention

happens. Do I give up or quit? NO! I dig in and flex my learning muscles and continue to try, look at what support I need, believe that I will be successful as long as I do not quit. It is the mistakes, continued attempts and then success that is their real Learning Super Power. We as a school are looking to ensure that all students have the skills to embrace the Learning Pit and release their inner Learning Super Power. We are beginning this week in introducing all students to the Learning Pit. Ask your child over the coming weeks about it. What it is? How they use it? What they do when they get stuck? Have a lovely week.

**Dylan Harry, Relieving Principal**

## Country Fair Success

It may be fast and furious but what a great couple of hours the Country Fair is each year. The variety of stalls and opportunity for our students to make choices and help out certainly makes for a fun event and a time for learning.







Thanks to Matt and helpers in the canteen who scooped 70 litres of ice-cream and ran out; the P&C for donating the icecream and sprinkles and cones; the office for sausage and bread orders and money stuff; the SLSOs and Trevor for cooking the snags; Anthony for set up; each class and their teacher for running their stalls and the School Leaders for assisting with assembling and delivering 350 sausage sandwiches!!

We are looking at approximately \$3000 as the total raised. This will be used to purchase something that all students will benefit from such as additional seating in the playgrounds.

What a fabulous photo of happy raffle winners! A full list is attached.



#### PRIZE

Bubble ball X 2  
Boogie board  
Scooter and helmet  
Skateboard and helmet  
Slip 'n' Slide  
2 Tennis racquets & balls  
Over door basketball system  
Beach towel  
Nerf sports  
Frisbee  
Frisbee  
Basketball full size  
Basketball full size  
Netball pink  
Netball white  
Soccer ball full size  
Soccer ball " "  
Soccer ball " "  
Soccer ball " "  
Mini basketball blue

#### PRIZE WINNER

Josh Wing  
Jet Habgood  
River Wensley Walker  
Lachlan Borgert  
Anwyn Macdonald-Coles  
Ruby Rock  
Thalia Star  
Makaylah Schatzman  
Ella Warwick-Hogarth  
Boston Rose  
Arion Ritchard  
Mili Williams  
Grace Prevost  
Matilda Perrim  
Shae Steele  
Maddison Miller  
Fern Berry  
Braydon Matthews  
Aiddan Danzey  
Charlie Carter



Mini basketball pink	Laiken Curry
Steeden footy yellow	Immogen Davis
Steeden footy blue	Mia Bain
Sherrin AFL	Arlo Stehn
Mini soccer	Maree Saavedra
Mini soccer	Wilbur Carter-Lynch
Mini soccer	Geordie Galloway
Mini soccer	Abe Lewis

Thank you for your support of this annual event.

**Elizabeth Mulligan (Organiser)**

### String & Flute News

Senior Strings, Opera House Choir and Flute Ensemble make up the performers at Grandparents Day tomorrow, Tuesday November 29.

Instrumentalists to the hall at 10:10am and Choir, 10:25am.

Thank you for sharing your talented singing and playing for your Grandparents.

**Liz Scott**

### Working Bee in the Garden this Saturday

An intimate group of workers did a terrific job in the garden on a very HOT Saturday!

Miss Viv, Ms Scott and Ann MacKerras were assisted by Jeff Mc Neil and Roz Everson and their daughters, Laura and Hannah. Leah Shae Hickey, with children, Delilah and Ruben were also wonderful assistants.

We trimmed limbs, w/snipped, erected shade cloth to better protect our seedlings, spread compost, prepared more beds, planted a lemon and lime tree, cleaned out the worm tubs, (collecting the magic vermi-compost created by the worms from kilos of canteen and classroom scraps) turned Compost Heap 2 for the last time and created Compost Heap 1 from the days weeding and horse manure collected by Miss Viv.

We never use fungicides or herbicides in our school Veggie Patch and it functions as a recycling centre for school scraps with compost and vermi compost being returned to beds. We use this process to educate young enthusiastic gardeners to become clever, passionate gardeners for life.

Without harsh chemicals we have created a magical habitat for birds, insects, amphibians and reptiles, who were all present at the working bee!

Special thanks are extended to Biomass for their generous donation of extra compost and to Renae Buckley for organising its 'pick up' during the holidays.

Thanks to Karen and Jade Thompson and Kim Childs for their donations of seedlings which are ready to be planted this week by Garden Club students.

**Liz Scott**

### Phone Policy

Bellingen Public School requires all students to hand in Mobile phones, iPads, iPods, portable electronic games, cameras and similar devices to the office at the beginning of the day. These devices can be collected at the end of the day.

Please see the complete version of this policy with this newsletter.

### Student Assistance

We know there are lots of demands on your wallet at the moment. If you need assistance to pay for school events eg. Gymnastics or Excursions, please contact the office. All details are confidential.

### Uniform Shop News

The Uniform shop is open Monday and Friday each week from 8.40 am to 9.30am. Payment is by cash or cheque only. Order forms are available from the office.

Completed orders can be left at the office to be filled, sent home with your child/ren or collected when ready.




## The simplest way

... to pack a healthy lunch box

The average school child will eat more than 2,500 lunches during their 13 years at school.

Cancer Council's website [healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au) is a one-stop-shop for everything families need to know about packing a healthy lunch box.

Parents will find information on the five food groups, what constitutes a healthy lunch box, sandwich alternatives, sandwich filling ideas, snack ideas, swaps for unhealthy snack foods, recipes and tips. The website features an [interactive healthy lunch box builder](http://healthylunchbox.com.au) where parents can get their kids involved in planning the lunch box and choosing foods they will eat and enjoy.



[healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au)

### Excursion Budgeting

Excursions can be paid off weekly, fortnightly, monthly or as it suits your family budget.

**Year 5 Lake Keepit excursion.** December, Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> – Fri 6<sup>th</sup> @ \$361 over approx 3 school weeks \$120/week.

**Year 6 Canberra excursion.** December, Mon 2 – Fri 6<sup>th</sup> @ \$618 over approx 4 school weeks \$206/week.

If you are experiencing difficulty in paying for any school expenses please do not hesitate to contact the school on 6655 1147.

We also have our online payment system located on the School Website, <http://www.bellingen-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>, click on **MAKE A PAYMENT** and follow the prompts to make a payment.

### Value of the Week – Democracy

## DEMOCRACY

from Greek **demokratia**  
 "popular government,"  
 from **demos** "common people,"  
 originally "district" (see demotic),  
 + **kratos** "rule, strength"



**BHS Orientations days**

# Bellinghen High School

## Year 7 2020 Orientation Days

**Friday 22 November 2019 - Small Schools (9:00am - 3:09pm)**

**Friday 29 November 2019 - All Schools (9:00am - 3:09pm)**

**Monday 2 December 2019 - Parent Information Evening (5:30pm - 7:00pm)**

The small schools orientation day is for students from Orama, Raleigh, Repton and St Mary's. All students will attend the All Schools Day. A range of activities are planned to assist with the transition of students from primary school. A letter detailing these events will be sent to all schools in Week 1 of Term 4. Should you require any further information, please contact Bellinghen High School on 6655 1315 or email [bellinghen-school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:bellinghen-school@det.nsw.edu.au).

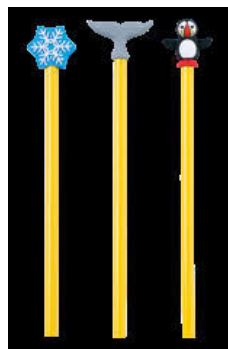
**School Banking**

Our School Banking day is Wednesday.

Available in Term 4, we have two new reward items from our 2019 Polar Savers range for students to redeem:

- **Water Skimming Bounce Ball**
- **Polar Pencils & Pencil Toppers**

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2019 School Banking program information pack from the school office or visit [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking)  
**Ashlie Davis & Sandra Ruming**  
**School Banking Co-ordinators**

**Volunteers****Do you volunteer at Bellinghen Public School?**

All volunteers need to complete a Volunteer application together with appropriate volunteer appendices and provide 100 points of identification. A Working With Children check is only required for overnight excursions or if you do not have a student relative at this school.

All volunteers need to sign in at the office or other designated sign on site. Please see the office for more information.

**2020 school travel applications now open**

Applications for student travel in 2020 opened on Friday, 11 October 2019.

Students progressing to year 3 and year 7 no longer need to re-apply if they:

- are continuing at the same school
- are residing at the same address
- have not been sent an expiry notification from Transport for NSW.

Where a student meets the new distance eligibility, the system will automatically update their entitlement. If they do not meet the new eligibility, they will receive an expiry notification via email.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition which is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

Term Bus Pass holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

If students need to update their information or re-apply, they should go online to <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails>

Applications need to be submitted before **31 December 2019** to ensure student entitlements are updated and their current entitlement/card is not cancelled. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2019, the system will automatically cancel an entitlement/card and a new one will need to be issued.

Students in the Opal network applying for a SSTS or Term Bus Pass entitlement for the first time will receive their card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2020.

Students residing in Rural and Regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the commencement of



the new school year from their nominated operator, this may be distributed via the school or sent direct to their address. Note: some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students/Parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

### Payments online

All school student related payments can be made on-line. Just go to our school's website and look at the top menu bar for the **MAKE A PAYMENT** sign, and click from there. Please complete the mandatory fields only. I encourage all parents and carers to use this facility as it is far more secure and easier for all concerned, including our students, teaching and office staff.

### Diary Dates

#### October 2019

Tue 29 Grandparent Day

#### November 2019

Fri 1	Kinder Orientation 9:15-11am –Welcome to School
Mon 4	P & C Meeting, 6.30pm, School Library
Wed 6	State Athletics, SOPAC
Thur 7	State Athletics, SOPAC
Fri 8	Kinder Orientation 9:15 - 11am – Literacy
Mon 11	Remembrance Day – Piggott Park
Tue 12	RTA Road Safety day
Fri 15	Kinder Orientation 9:15 - 11am – Numeracy
Mon 18 – Fri 29	Yrs. 2 & 3 Swim Scheme
Fri 22	Kinder Orientation 9:15 - 11am – HSIE
Fri 22	Finalise payment for Lake Keepit excursion
Fri 22	Finalise payment for Canberra excursion
Wed 27	Yr. 6 – 7 Transition
Thur 28	Yr. 6 – 7 Transition
Thur 28	Narrator Visit Yr. 2-6
Fri 29	Yr. 6 – 7 Transition

#### December 2019

Mon 2	P & C Meeting, 6.30pm, School Library
Mon 2 – Fri 6	Yr. 5 Lake Keepit Excursion
Mon 2 – Fri 6	Yr. 6 Canberra Excursion
Mon 9	Combined Piano concert
Tue 10	Student Leaders speeches
Wed 11	Presentation Day
Fri 13	Strings Concert 12:30 – 3:00pm
Fri 13	Woodwind Concert – 6:00 – 7:00pm - Hall
Mon 16	Yr. 6 Farwell dinner
Mon 16	Reports sent home
Tue 17	Stage 3 Pool Day
Tue 17	Stage 1 Picnic Day
Wed 18	Talent Quest
Wed 18	Year 6 Walkout
Wed 18	Last day of Term 4
Thur 19	SDD
Fri 20	SDD

#### June 2020

Tue 9 School Photos

### Current Notes

- Personal Development Years 5 & 6
- Stage 2 Changes in Puberty
- Grandparents Day – Invitation

- Grandparents Day – Catering request
- Intention to apply Selective High School 2021
- Canberra Excursion EOI - Final (Yr 6)
- Lake Keepit – Yr 5
- Canberra EOI Yr 6

### Attachments with this Newsletter

- Raising Thriving, healthy children

**Community Notices - Bellingen Public School does not endorse these products or services**



**CALL OUT FOR  
CREATIVE WORKS**

**FROM ALL RESIDENTS OF ALL AGES  
ON THE URUNGA SEABOARD**

**FOR A COMMUNITY ART EXHIBITION  
At The Art Space Urunga  
23–29 November 2019**

**THEME: “HEART OF THE  
COMMUNITY”**

**Celebrating  
Urunga Neighbourhood Centre’s  
25th Anniversary**

**CONTACT MARIE FOR INFO & ENTRY APPLICATION**  
Email: [community@unc.org.au](mailto:community@unc.org.au) ~ Ph: 6655 6993  
**All works to be received by 12 November 2019**

Logos for Bellingen Shire Council, The Art Space Urunga, and Urunga Neighbourhood Centre are displayed at the bottom.



**Free dental  
for your child**

Call Vicki at **BRAD PEARCE DENTAL** for more details  
Your child's eligibility can be checked here today!

**6655 1495**      **5 William Street Bellingen**

Children between the ages of 2 and 17 must be assessed for eligibility

**medicare**