



Bellinghen Public School

'Courtesy and Knowledge'

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Term 4 Week 4

Monday, 2 November 2020

From the Principal

Dear parents and carers,
We are half way through term 4. For a very disrupted year it seems to be rushing by with a lot of things to finish off the year.

Leaders

Congratulations to our leaders who have stepped up at every opportunity presented to them this term. They have led both Primary and Infants morning assemblies, supported younger students in the playground and provided tours of the school during Kinder Orientation to our perspective families. Well done everyone, you should be very proud of your behaviour and leadership.

Kindergarten Orientation

Our 2021 Kindergarten had a great time at school on Friday. It was wonderful to see how they quickly settled in and enjoyed Kinder Orientation. The next session will be held this Friday, 6th November and if you would like your child to be included please contact the office for an information pack.

World Teachers' Day

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the wonderful staff of Bellinghen Public School and their dedication to our students. Thank you very much!

2021 Enrolments

We are currently taking new enrolments for 2021. If you know of any students who are enrolling at Bellinghen PS next year please remind them to contact the office for an information pack.

Swimming School

Due to COVID restrictions we will be holding our Swim School in Term 1 2021.

COVID Reminders

Please remember to ensure your child has a drink bottle for school as we still need to lock down our bubblers. Students can fill their bottles from the taps provided.

Have a great week.

Ness Cavanagh
Principal

Uniform Shop

Uniform orders can be placed by having your child drop off an order form with payment to the office. We will fill the orders have them ready for students to take home or call parents to come to the gate for collection. Please note the Uniform shop accepts only cash or cheques, correct money would be appreciated. Order forms are available under "Current Notes" on the school website or call the office if you need an order form sent home with your child

Meals on Wheels Giving Tree

Every year at Presentation Day gifts have been collected by a representative from Open Arms Care for distribution by Meals on Wheels to our elderly residents on Christmas Day.

This year gifts will still be collected by the school and delivered to Open Arms Care.

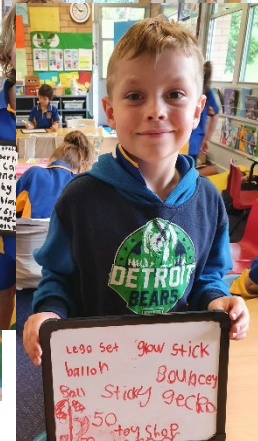
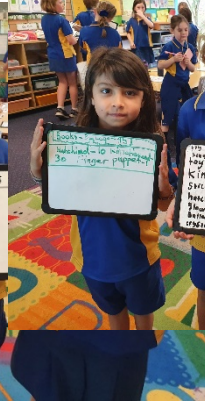
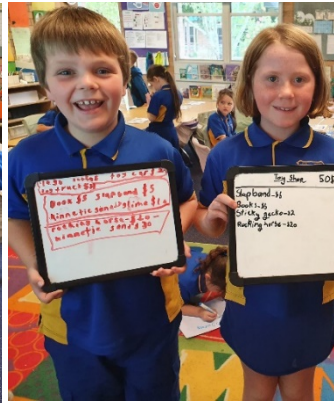
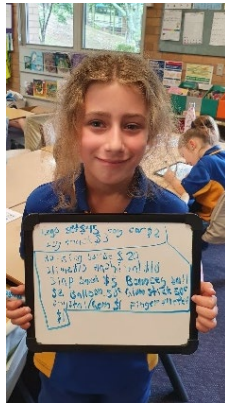
We ask that all families supply a wrapped gift for a man or woman with perhaps a personalised message on your card to really make someone's day. Students can drop gifts into our front office prior to Presentation Day, Wednesday 9th December.

Thank you for supporting this worthwhile program which has been a tradition at Bellinghen Public School for over 16 years.



Come get creative with 1/2 Orange!

Last term the children put their creative thinking caps on and worked together to adapt a few chapters from the book we were reading in class, *The Magic Faraway Tree* by Enid Blyton to be suitable for a stage-play. They ensured it had enough characters, a strong moral and interesting dialogue. Over the many weeks practising their play, we worked on dramatic techniques such as voice projection, characterisation and blocking to ensure they were ready for the stage 1 concert. The children also wrote a soundscape and used percussion and voice to act as an orchestra, providing the sound effects for the play. They performed brilliantly!



We have had a blast exploring how creative Mathematics can be this semester and one of our favourite activities is the Toy Shop activity. The children are given fifty imaginary dollars to spend and they have to work out how many of each toy they can get. This activity requires them to use the additive strategies they have learned and a whole truck load of creativity to get the most bang for their buck! What toys could you get if you had \$50?



We are exploring persuasive texts this term and have been looking at *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus*. In a directed drawing Art lesson last week, we followed step by step instructions in order to make the pigeon from the book. Each child then added a speech bubble and wrote in it what they thought the pigeon would say.

School Banking

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and remember, School Banking day is every **Wednesday**.

Term 4 Rewards are now available.

- Snakes and Ladders game;
- Emoji wallet

Our Snakes & Ladders Game is a fun way for children to learn to count and follow instructions and is printed on FSC approved paper. Even the game pieces were made out of wood (and not plastic).

The Emoji wallet is a great way for students to practice using money in shops and counting change. A perfect time in the lead up to Christmas.

P and C Meeting

You are invited to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Bellingen Public P and C Meeting November 2, 2020

Time: Nov 2, 2020 06:30 PM Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/84196400831?pwd=SVg0TGZCc2o5dnVIZVNpSzdrbm94UT09>

Meeting ID: 841 9640 0831

Passcode: AFB14M



Kindergarten 2021

Do you have a child at home who will be coming to our school in 2021?

Please call us on 6655 1147 so we can add your child to our 2021 Kindergarten enrolment list.

Our Kindergarten Transition Program is now available and can be forwarded to you.

Diary Dates

November

Fri 6th Kinder Orientation
 Fri 6th Last day for Stewart House envelopes
 Mon 9th WSA
 Mon 9 to Fri 13th NAIDOC Week
 Wed 11th Remembrance Day
 Fri 13th WSA Assembly
 Tue 17th Book Fair
 to Fri 20th Book Fair
 Fri 27th 2021 Student Leader Speeches

December

Fri 4th Yr. 6 High School Orientation Day
 Wed 9th Presentation Day
 Mon 14th School Reports home

Mon 14th Yr. 6 Farewell
 Tue 15th Stage Fun Day
 Wed 16th Year 6 Farewell Assembly
 Wed 16th Last day of Term 4 for Students
 Thur 17th SDD
 Fri 18th SDD

January 2021

Wed 27th SDD
 Thur 28th SDD
 Fri 29th First day of Term 1 for Students

Healthy Lunch Box website

A one-stop-shop for everything you need to know about packing a healthy lunch box.



Need help packing a lunch box?

Check out our new [online presentation](#) that will show you how easy it can be to pack a healthy lunch box that your kids will love to eat!

For recipes, tips and more visit:

healthylunchbox.com.au



Cancer Council
Healthy Lunch Box

Attachments with this Newsletter

- Got It - Tips for Staying on Track - Child Development

Value of the Week – Democracy



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



Otitis Media effects one in three Kindergarten children and causes a mild hearing loss that can significantly affect your child's learning. Ensure your child has a full Hearing Assessment **before** they start school.

Hard to Hear, Hard to learn!

Full hearing assessments are available **FREE** at the following services:

- Coffs Harbour Health Campus **66567200**
- Galambila Medical Centre **66520800**
- HAP-EE-Aboriginal Screening with Sherilee McManus
Sherilee.mcmanus@hearing.com.au

You can help your child at home by:

- Reminding your child to **blow their nose regularly**.
- Regular nose blowing may help stop further infection.
- Ensuring your child knows how to dispose of their tissue correctly.
- Encourage **regular hand washing**, to reduce the spread of disease.
- Not smoking around your children.
- If your child has ear problems, **tell your child's teacher**.



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- Opportunities for training & professional development
- A unique opportunity to work from home.
- Become part of a national childcare accreditation system, in a growth industry.
- Working for a not-for-profit, community based organization.

If you are passionate about working with children and want to play a part in shaping their future, we are taking expressions of interest now for Family Day Care Educators.

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Nambucca Valley Family Day Care (including Dorrigo, Bellingen & surrounds)
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Aurora College

The virtual selective school for rural and remote students

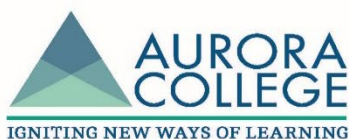
Aurora College is NSW's first virtual selective school, offering a mix of online and residential school classes. The school provides innovative, flexible learning in a whole new context, by allowing students to connect locally and learn globally.

Aurora offers selective classes in English, mathematics and science to gifted and talented Year 7-10 students from rural and remote areas across NSW. Students connect with their teachers and classmates in timetabled lessons through a virtual learning environment.

The college also gives Year 11 and 12 students the opportunity to study subjects not available in their own school. For details please visit our website.

Aurora College offers students expanded career options through innovative partnerships with businesses and with scientific, cultural and tertiary education institutions.

Students in the selective stream are chosen in the same way as students in all other selective classes in NSW government schools.



Applications for entry into Year 7 in 2022:

Opened 13th October 2020

Close 16th November 2020

Visit Selective High Schools website
<http://bit.ly/shs2019>

For further information about Aurora College, visit our website
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