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Term 4 Week 6

Monday, 16 November 2020

## From the Principal

Dear parents and carers,  
Last week we celebrated NAIDOC week across the school. It was full of activities and learning about our Indigenous history and culture. They participated in art, music, research, sport and various other activities with their classes. It was great to hear the reflections and understanding by all our students. Always was! Always Will Be!

During our Remembrance Day our leaders respectfully led a beautiful ceremony where they acknowledged those who fought and died for us in times of war. In particular they discussed Lance Corporal Kirby and his two brothers Robert and George who were among the Indigenous Australian soldiers who were awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal. Our students were very respectful.



## Fire Drill

Last Thursday the school participated in an evacuation fire drill. All schools must have regular drills to ensure we all know what to do in a real emergency.

## AFL

Students in years 3-6 will be involved in AFL clinics over the next 4 weeks. We have been able to organise this through a Sporting Schools grant.

## Leaders Speeches

Year 5 will be presenting their Leaders speeches to classes on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November. Please ensure Mrs McFarlane has your name if you wish to participate.

## School Vision

Our school is currently writing our new 2021-2024 plan and we would like your input into the School Vision. What do you want our school to stand for? How do you want it to be known in the educational setting (In town, in the valley, across the area)? Please send your ideas to the P&C or alternatively send them to school via email.

**Ness Cavanagh, Principal**

## 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

## Stage 1 Awards

Congratulations to the following students who were recipients of Democracy Value awards at last weeks Stage 1 assembly.

### Kinder Aqua

Noah and Elijah  
Special Award: Ethan

### Kinder Jade

Callie and Olive  
Achievement: Harper

### 1 Aqua

Democracy- Byron and Evie  
Achievement- Harper

### 1 Magenta

Democracy- Wren and Miles  
Achievement- Edward

### 1/2 Orange

Democracy - Gwendolyn and Lola  
Achievement - Valiant

### 2 Purple

Democracy: Kayhlee and Laney  
Achievement: Bodhi

### Stage 3 Awards

Congratulations to the following students who were recipients of Democracy Value awards at last weeks Stage 3 assembly.

#### 5 Jade

Toby and Isabella

#### 5/6 Aqua

Anouk and Ella

#### 5/6 Magenta

Arlo and Sunny

#### 5/6 Orange

Bob and Lainey

#### 5/6 Purple

Lani and Ruby



### Out of School Care

We want to offer families more flexibility with their work commitments and child care arrangements and to create more opportunities across the whole community. Having Out of School Hours Care available at local schools is a great way to achieve this.

As part of the NSW Government's \$120 million Before and After School Care (BASC) commitment, parents at all NSW schools were recently invited to complete a Have Your Say survey. The survey asked parents to tell us how they are using Out of School Hours Care, how much it costs them, whether they plan to keep using it, and what difficulties they experience in accessing it. The survey results have helped us to better understand the needs of families and what's important to them.

We are now asking all parents to complete a [quick follow-up survey](#) by **Friday 27 November 2020**.

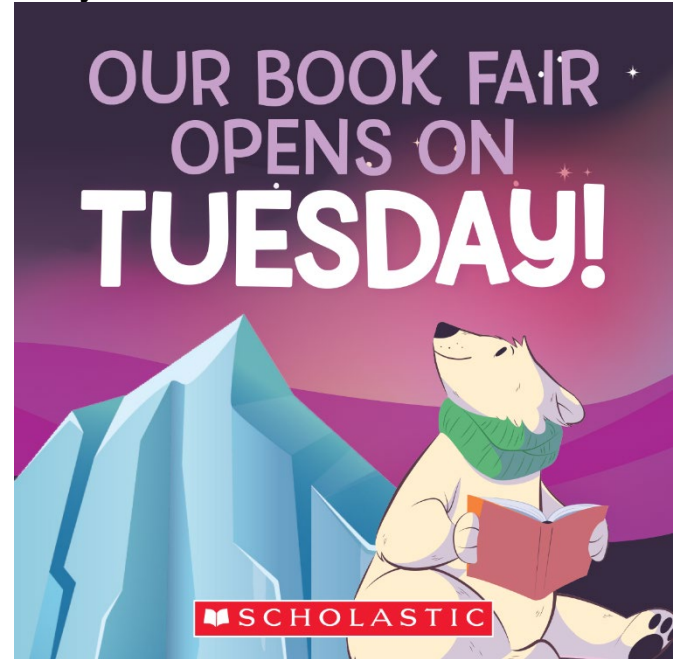
You can access the survey at <https://surveys.education.nsw.gov.au/s3/OSHCParentsurvey>. This information will help us to target the rollout of more before Out of School Hours Care services in the right areas

If your child does not require Out of School Hours care, we ask that you please still complete the first section of this survey as it gives us important information about the level of demand at your school.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the BASC Program team by phone on 1300 244 145 or email at: [BASCReform@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:BASCReform@det.nsw.edu.au)

### Book Fair

**Book Fair will be on from Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November.**



Each student will have the opportunity to come and look through the book fair. Unfortunately, parents are not allowed on site this year, so children will bring home a purple wish list for you. You will then be able to decide to pay online, details are on the back of the wish list, or send your child to school the next day with the cash. Students are welcome to bring cash on their Book Fair day and purchase what they'd like, there will be class teachers, myself and Library monitors here to assist and help.

Please see the list below of which classes are visiting the Book Fair each day.

ALL students will also have time to purchase during 2nd lunch EVERY day.

#### Tuesday

5/6O & Kinder Jade

5J & Kinder Aqua F

3/4P

5/6A & 1 Aqua

5/6P & 1 Magenta

#### Wednesday

2/3J

1 - 6E

3/4 Magenta

1 Aqua, collect time

1 Magenta, look and collect books

#### Thursday

3/4O

5/6O

5/6M

1/2 Orange

2 Purple

#### Friday

3/4 P

3/4M

Kinder Jade

Kinder Aqua

**Belinda Mellalieu, Librarian**

## 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 Bellingén Public School for over 16 years.

### 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.

### Diary Dates

#### November

Tue 17<sup>th</sup> Book Fair  
Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Years 3- 6 AFL Sporting Schools starts  
to Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Book Fair  
Fri 27<sup>th</sup> 2021 Student Leader Speeches

#### December

Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Yr. 6 High School Orientation Day  
Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Presentation Day  
Mon 14<sup>th</sup> School Reports home  
Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Yr. 6 Farewell dinner  
Tue 15<sup>th</sup> Stage Fun Day  
Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Farewell Assembly  
Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Last day of Term 4 for Students  
Thur 17<sup>th</sup> SDD  
Fri 18<sup>th</sup> SDD

### January 2021

Wed 27<sup>th</sup> SDD  
Thur 28<sup>th</sup> SDD  
Fri 29<sup>th</sup> First day of Term 1 for Students

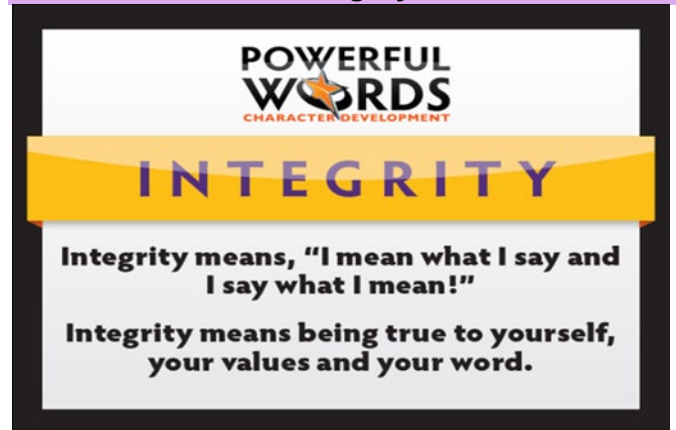
### February 2021

Thur 4<sup>th</sup> Swimming Carnival  
Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Swimming Carnival - back up date.

### Attachments with this Newsletter

- Got It – Tips for Staying on Track – Descriptive Praise

### Value of the Week – Integrity



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