



Bellingen Public School

'Courtesy and Knowledge'

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Term 3 Week 3

Monday, 3 August 2020

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to Education Week

This is the week we celebrate the fantastic things we do everyday at Bellingen Public School. Every student in every class is engaged in positive, engaging learning. All teachers continue to be life long learners and engage in professional learning to keep updated in new or changing teaching ideas to support the students under their care. The leadership team are continually undertaking professional learning to support the school and their teams in researched based, evidence driven courses and learning. What a great school we are part of!

School Plan

During the next 2 terms, we will be evaluating our current school plan in preparation for the 2021-2024 plan. We will be involved in the 'Tell them from me Survey' and students will also bring home a parent survey for you to fill out. The more information we can gather the better the results for the school to make informed decisions about how we will continue to improve and support our students.

Reports

Our Semester One reports will be sent home this Friday. Well done to all the students who have remained focussed on their learning through the difficult times of Semester One. The teachers comments definitely show they understand each child.

Parents on School Site

If your child is having difficulty coming to school please make arrangements with your class teacher for them to be met at the front gate. We have been given firm guidelines by the Deputy Secretary, Department of Education who have been advised by the AHPPC (Australian Health Protection Principal Committee) that for our protection no non-essential adults are allowed on site, this includes parents. Nobody has an exemption and we all need to work together.

Picking Up Students

If you need to pick up your child early or because they are sick, please ring the school when you arrive and we will supervise them to meet you at the front gate.

Sick Children

If your child presents with cold like symptoms the school will ring you to collect them. Please remember that this is the procedure that we MUST follow. Do not abuse the office staff or teachers if you have to pick your child up. If they are showing any signs of cold like symptoms, please keep them at home.

"All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them." – Walt Disney.

Have a great week.

Ness Cavanagh, Principal

World of Maths Incursion

Last Thursday and Friday all students from Kinder to Year 6 were involved in maths workshops conducted by "World of Maths".

There were no bells and whistles, funny puppets, upbeat music or characters for the students to watch or listen to; just highly engaging tasks that required cooperative team work and problem solving skills! The level of engagement and motivation by all students was astounding as they moved around the wide variety of mathematics experiences related to practical and real-life situations. These activities stretched their brains as they bounced ideas off each other to find solutions and answers.

Miss Megan, the World of Maths presenter, gave positive feedback about our students, praising the level of cooperation and team work displayed; the great listening skills; tenacity to not give up on a selected task and respect for equipment. Well done BPS!!





Stage 1 Awards

Kinder Aqua

Respect Awards: Harley and Monet

Other Awards: Isla - kindness and caring

Kinder Jade

Respect Awards: Kairan and Lottie

Literacy Awards: Aliyahna

1 Aqua

Respect Awards: Eadie; Nate. Showing respect to their peers, school and themselves at all times.

Extra Awards: Arlo - sensible and consistent participation in all lessons.

1 Magenta

Respect Awards: Oscar and Edward; Working respectfully with SLSOs and peers during class time.

Extra Awards- Toby

2 Purple

Respect Awards- Leo, Rosa

Other Awards: Miranda Borsuk

2/3 Jade

Respect Awards: Hannah

SRC Report

Our Student Representative Council met last Friday afternoon with Ms Everson. Our eight student leaders ran a fabulous meeting where they discussed how to run class meetings with class representatives, brainstormed and then voted on possible systems for selecting music for our new bell system and discussed raising money for charity by holding a Pyjama Day in Week 4. Our leaders will meet with Mrs Cavanagh this week to discuss the suggestions made for the new bell system. I was super impressed by our Year 6 leaders. They expressed their disappointment about missing Leadership Camp and other out-of-school activities they were looking forward to this year but are excited and enthusiastic about making some positive changes and running some fun events in school before the end of the year. Stay tuned!

Roz Everson, SRC Teacher

PJ DAY

On Friday of Week 4, August 14, our SRC will be holding a PJ Day. Students (and staff!) can wear their pyjamas to school and are asked to bring a gold coin donation. The SRC decided to donate all proceeds raised to the Mid North Coast branch of the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service. Pyjamas worn need to be sun safe and have sleeves.

Roz Everson, Learning and Support Teacher

BPS Wildlife



Great excitement last Friday when this little visitor was found in our playground! It made a difference as I am usually asked to remove snakes or concussed birds from the school! To safely collect up this little fellow and relocate him to the 'piney' where he burrowed down snugly into the dirt rather than the hard concrete was a lovely task to do wearing my WIRES volunteer hat. He was quite a determined visitor as I found 'him' again later, back around the school buildings. It is mating season so it may even have been a second echidna. Students will be reminded at assemblies to look from a distance and not try to touch this special visitor if they spot 'him' in the school grounds. You can help by reinforcing this with your children.

Mrs Mulligan, Assistant Principal

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.

P & C Meeting

Bellingen P and C would like to invite you to join our next meeting, to be held at **6.30pm on 3rd August**. This will be a virtual meeting hosted on Zoom. **ALL PARENTS AND CARERS ARE WELCOME**, and this might be a great opportunity to see what the P and C is all about from the comfort of your own home! The agenda for the next meeting includes discussion about 'Parent and Carers Day' fundraising, the BPS 150 year anniversary projects, and plans for a sustainability-based grant won by the P and C. If you would like to contribute to these discussions or want to know more about the role of the P and C, please consider joining us on Zoom. To join the meeting, click on the link below or paste it into your web browser:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/8549269795?pwd=V3V0RVRlMEFHNEI1bzNISIkzb0w1UT09>

Meeting ID: 854 926 9795

Password: 4Dphzf

We hope to see you there!

Kate Pullinger, P & C Secretary

Got it



Got It! would like to say a big

Thank You

To all the parents/carers for completing the Strengths & Difficulties Questionnaires.

For the busy parents who are yet to complete the questionnaire there is still some time as they are due back to the school by

Wednesday 5th August 2020.

We understand that this process may have been tough for parents/carers and could have been a little confronting to explore your child's behaviours. However, you have made an excellent step towards helping identify any social, emotional and behavioural concerns for your child.

If the completion of the Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire did trigger any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Got It! team on the number below:

02 6589 2598

Thank You!



Scripture & Ethics

Due to the small number of available scripture and ethics teachers this term, the executive team have decided to cancel all scripture and ethics instruction for term 3 only. A decision will be made towards the end of term 3 about the recommencement of scripture and ethics for term 4.

Belinda Mellalieu, Scripture Organiser

Stewart House – Donation Drive Postponed



Stewart House Donation Drive 2020

Your donation supports the 1,700 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and the ACT.

“ Stewart House was one of the highlights of my teenage years and I met so many people I am still friends with today. The dedicated staff that run this program are amazing. ”

- Past student, Facebook review 2/10/2018

**NSW Public Education's
Charity of choice**

Win a \$4,000 holiday to a destination of your choice

- Place a \$2 coin or equivalent in this envelope
- Complete entry details on the back
- Return to your school to be eligible for the draw



All entries must reach Stewart House by Friday 29th May 2020 in time for the draw at 12pm on this date

In light of the restrictions brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic, the final dates for entries, and the subsequent draw, have now been postponed from 29 May until a date to be decided in Term 4. Envelopes may still be returned to the school.

Uniform Shop

Uniform orders can be placed by dropping off an order form with the correct payment to the office. We will fill the orders and call parents when ready to collect. 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.

Healthy Lunch Box website

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



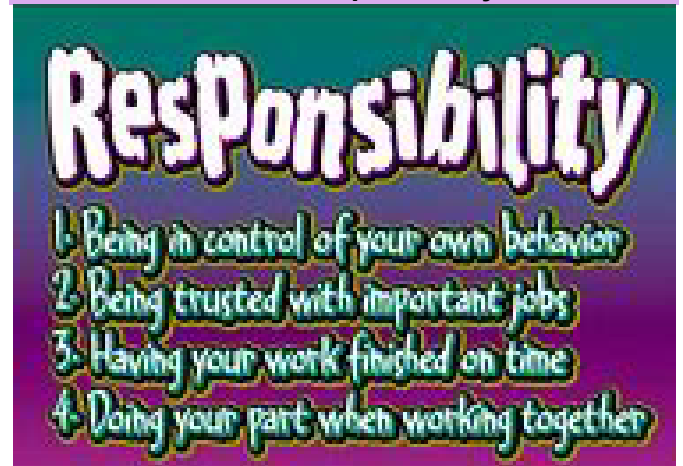
Here's what you'll find on the website:

- [Interactive lunch box builder](#) that helps parents and kids plan and pack a healthy lunch with foods they like.
- Lots of quick and easy [recipes](#) and snack ideas.
- Informative [blogs](#) about healthy eating for the family.
- [Sign up](#) to receive the Healthy Lunch Box e-newsletter for ideas, updates and recipes.

healthylunchbox.com.au



Value of the Week – Responsibility



School Banking

Completing your deposit slip for School Banking day.

Please ensure your child's deposit slip is correctly filled out before banking with School Banking. The below example indicates the fields that are required to be completed.

Commonwealth Bank of Australia ABN 48 123 123 124		Commonwealth	Save regularly and reach your goals	Deposit
Teller	Name <i>John Argyros</i>	Student ID <i>1 2 3 4 5</i>	Date <i>01 04 15</i>	Notes \$ <i>5.00</i>
Previous balance \$ <i>101.50</i>	BSB <i>1 2 3 4 5 6</i>	Account number <i>1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8</i>	Number of cheques	Coin \$.
Add this deposit \$ <i>5.00</i>	SAMPLE			Cheques \$.
Subtract withdrawal \$.				Total \$ <i>106.50</i>
Current balance \$ <i>106.50</i>	+896+			

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

Attachments with this Newsletter

- Bellingen Shire Taxis

Diary Dates

August

- Mon 3rd P & C Meeting via Zoom (see notice this newsletter)
- Fri 14th SRC Pyjama Day

September

- Wed 16th School Photos

October

- Sat 3rd Bellingen Public School Sesquicentenary (restrictions permitting)

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

BELLINGHEN SHIRE TAXIS

OPEN FOR BUSINESS...7 days

Taxi Tucker & Bevy Deliveries

Order from your favourite Restaurant/ Bottle Shop or Essential Business..... and we will Deliver straight to your DOOR.

Delivering to Bellinghen, Urunga, Mylestrom, Valla and Surrounds.

MEDICAL & AIRPORT Transfers to Coffs, Sydney & Brisbane DAILY





Wheelchair Maxi/Taxis/Limousine (social distancing with class)

Ph 6655 2221

PREBOOK: susan.mcleod@bigpond.com

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BELLINGHEN FARMERS & PRODUCERS MARKET

At Bellinghen Park
(Church St next to Tennis Courts)
Every Wednesday
2:30-5:30pm

For more info contact
bellinghenfarmers@gmail.com or 0402 564 206
bellinghenfarmersandproducersmarket.com.au

Easy parking
(incl mobility parking)

Amazing and diverse range of fresh produce

Nourishing meals and beverages to eat at the market or take home

Come and support our local farmers and food producers and do your fresh grocery shopping. All food grown and made within 200km from Bellinghen.

Support our farmers and food producers now for our future food security




RETURNING TERM 3



WEDNESDAY'S @ THE HUB

ALL DANCE BELLINGHEN



For more info contact Kylie 0408 178 585

Kindy Dance
AGES 2-6
3:30 - 4:00

Stage 1 primary
AGES 7-9
4:00 - 4:30

Musical theatre
ALL AGES
4:30 - 5:15

Stage 2 and 3 Primary
AGES 10+
5:15 - 6:00