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Term 2 Week 2

From the Principal

Dear Parents and carers,

School Plan

Our school plan for 2021-2024 is now available on our school website.

ANZAC Service

Last Thursday our leaders led a very respectful ANZAC service in the hall. Thank you to Mrs Kelly who organised the assembly and our leaders who spoke well.



Mrs Mulligan, Isabella and Maya represented the school proudly at the Bellinger River commemoration yesterday and laid a wreath on behalf of our school.





District Cross Country

Congratulations to all students who represented Bellingen Public at the District Cross Country at Bellingen on Friday. I have only heard positive comments about your behaviour and participation. We wish all students 'good luck' at the Mid North Coast Cross Country on the 7th May.

North Coast Hockey trials

Congratulations to Anouk and Indie who trialled for the North Coast team in hockey on Friday. Congratulations to Indie who made the North Coast team.

Check in Assessment

Year 4 and Year 6 will participate in the Check in Assessment provided by the Department of Education today and tomorrow. This is an online assessment task in reading and numeracy that provides further information for teachers to support our students learning.

World of Maths

All students will be involved in maths hands on activities on Thursday and Friday provided by the 'World of Maths'. This a great opportunity for all students.

Leadership Day

Our school and house leaders will be involved in a fantastic day with leaders from Orama PS, Raleigh PS, Urunga PS, Dorrigo PS, Repton PS and Dundarrabin PS. They will be participating in team building and leadership activities at the Coffs Harbour Adventure Centre on Friday. This excursion will broaden the students leadership experiences and expose them to some challenging and exciting team building activities. I am sure they will have a great day.

Uniform Shop

Our uniform shop will now be open on Friday from 8:40 to 9:30am. If you need items at other times please contact the office and we will organise the items for you.

PSSA Cricket

Students will be involved in a PSSA Cricket competition on Thursday. This is our first PSSA cricket game, Bellingen will play Urunga PS at Connell Park. Mr Hillery has been training the team. Good Luck

P&C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting will be held next Monday at 6pm in the staffroom. Please come along and support the school P&C.

Hockey and Netball Gala Days

Next Wednesday, week 3, students will be involved in gala days for both netball and hockey. Goodluck to all students as they compete against other schools in a great day of sport.

PSSA Soccer Competition

Students will be involved in a PSSA boys and girls Knockout competition next Thursday, 6th May against Urunga at Connell Park.

Good luck everyone.

Ness Cavanagh, Principal

Attachments with this Newsletter

No Interest Loan Scheme

Training Band Program

P&C News

Welcome back from school holidays lovely people. We hope they were fun. It was lovely to welcome returning and new members to the P&C at the end of last term. We are looking forward to a vibrant and involved year ahead. We welcome our new Treasurer for 2021, Charlene Kellett.

A note from Charlene; I have two kids at the school. Edward in year 2 and Brooke in year 1. It is wonderful being involved more in the school. Full time work as an accounts administrator will hopefully assist me in this new position of treasurer. I'm looking forward to this new challenge and adventure.

Milo continues on as our Uniform Coordinator (what a champion!). We are also delighted that Diana Djukanovic has taken on the role of representing the P&C in the Sesquicentennial committee.

Our specific topic of discussion at the next meeting is ways the school is building resilience and strengths in students. We would love you to have a discussion with your children about where you and they feel the school is doing this well. Also of interest are any patterns at school that detract from the students' resilience. Ness will give an outline of programs the school has in place to support this. To allow for this in depth discussion, the meeting will go for 1 hour 30minutes. The next P&C meeting is on Monday, May 3rd. The start time is 6pm. Please take special note as it is a half hour earlier than usual.

Please feel free to come along and give the P&C a try. We are a friendly bunch of parents and we don't care if you have extensive experience in committees or none at all. We will welcome you with delighted smiles.

Hopefully we will see you next Monday.

Kim Childs, P and C President

The Lunch Makers program

During Term 2 Year 3 will be joining with MidWaste and the NSW Government's Love Food Haste Waste program to explore food waste reduction measures in NSW schools.

Week 2 of Term - 26 April

Our Lunch Makers journey starts this week.

Starting this week, for all of Term 2, students will be empowered to make their own lunches as part of The Lunch Makers pilot. This program aims to:

- cut food waste at school and at home
- help families save money, and
- have a positive impact on the environment

Our school has teamed up with MidWaste and the NSW Government's Love Food Hate Waste program to explore effective food waste reduction measures in NSW schools.

The Lunch Makers program is a great opportunity for our school to trial an innovative sustainability action while also helping our school families to save money. By cutting the amount of food wasted at school and at home, families could save up to \$4000 a year!

Keep an eye out for the inspirational ideas we'll be sharing over the coming weeks and encourage your kids to get involved!



Spotlight on Three Magenta

This year we have been looking at giving and receiving effective feedback. We reflected on the video 'Austin's butterfly. This video shows a student's progress in drawing from a basic first draft to an impressive final draft. We then emulated this and through self and peer feedback and numerous attempts all our pictures developed beyond what any of us thought possible. We learned that we underestimate our ability and often settle for a first attempt, but with time, clarity, reflection, and feedback we are capable of much more than we imagine.



In class, students work with learning partners. Learning partners are randomly selected. This gives students opportunities to work with a variety of people during the year, build new relationships, and learning how to effectively work with others.



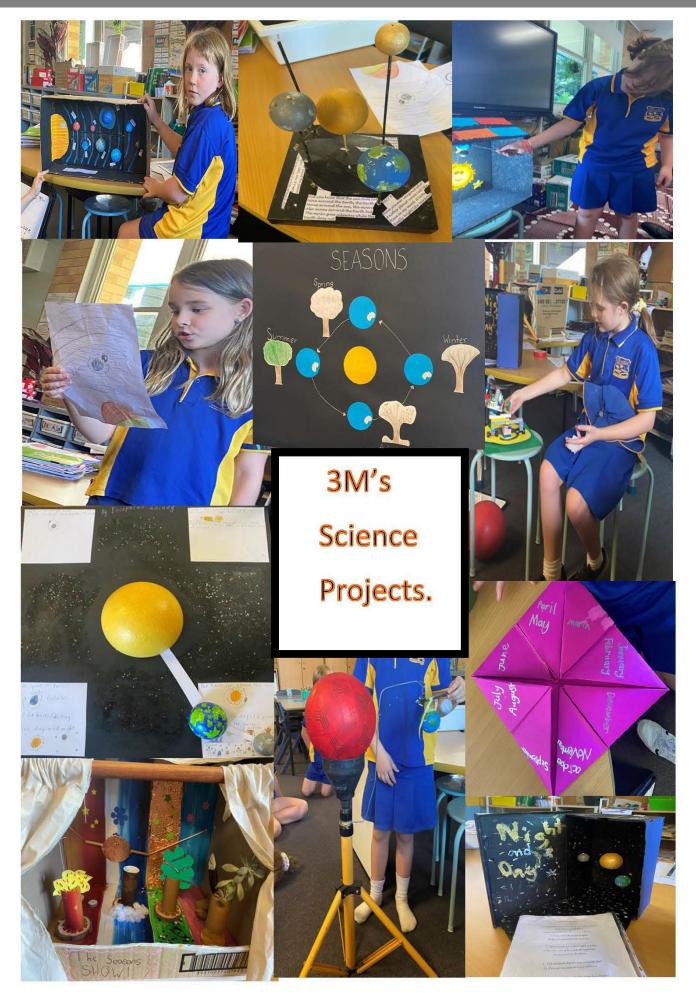




At the end of term one, year three took part in a garbage bin audit. We looked at what waste was placed into different bins around the school. We placed the rubbish into four piles; fruit and veg scraps, sandwiches, other food, and plastics. We found that a lot of the rubbish that goes into the bins is not rubbish. We found unopened packets of noodles, muesli bars, hot cross buns, and a lot more food that had been thrown away uneaten. Once the rubbish was sorted into piles each pile was weighed and photographed so that we could compare the same bins at another time to see if there is any improvement. We then made sure that all scraps were put into the worms or compost. All of us were very shocked at how much food was wasted at our school.









Current Notes

These notes can be found on the Bellingen Public School Website under Current Notes

- Lake Keepit Yrs 5 & 6
- GRIP Leadership Conference School Leaders
- Cricket Urunga vs. Bellingen Cricket Team
- PSSA Round 1 Soccer (Boys & Girls) Soccer teams
- World of Maths all students
- Bellingen Show colouring in compeition (collect a copy from the office)

Learning in Harmony

To kick off our first Training Band session this week, our Band Director, Hazel, has composed some special little exercises aimed at making learning as exciting and satisfying as possible for our new band students. The program, 'Learning in Harmony', will allow our young musicians to play together from the start, while ensuring that they are all developing the necessary technical skills across a range of different instruments.

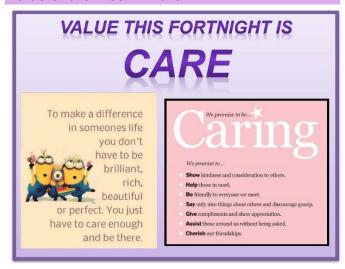
The Training Band expression of interest letter is attached. Please have a read and send in the form if you would like your child to benefit from the wonderful opportunity of learning woodwind, brass, percussion or bass guitar in a band.

Last week's BPS Concert Band rehearsal featured playing as a Marching Band! Watch this space for more exciting developments in our Band Program.

If you are not already familiar with Anita Collin's research, her Ted Talk on the 'The benefits of music education' is well worth a look:

https://www.ted.com/talks/anita collins the benefits of music education?language=en

Value of the Week - Care



P & C Meetings

All parents and carers are invited to the Bellingen Public School P and C meetings. Meetings are held on the first Monday of the Month at 6:00pm in the staff room. The next meeting will be held Monday, 3rd May 2021.

Monthly meetings are capped at one hour. Items not covered will be held over to the following meeting.

Stewart House

For over 40 years, the Stewart House Donation Drive has been their major annual fundraising event in NSW public schools. Staff and students are encouraged to enter the draw. For as little as \$2.00, you could win a prize valued at \$4000.



Stewart House Donation Drive 2021 Celebrating 90 years!

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

Staving at Stewart House was an important component of my chilhood. I am thankful for the experience and that there were people out there that truly believed in kids from complex backgrounds, without judgement.))

Email message from past student (10/10/2020) NSW Public Education's Charity of choice

Win a \$4,000 holiday/gift voucher

- 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 28th May 202 in time for the draw at 12pm on this date

Please consider making a \$2 donation and return your envelope by Friday, 7 May 2021. Additional envelopes are available from the office.

Tylers Game Report

On the 22nd April , I (Tyler Travers) played for the North Coast of NSW Representative Rugby League team.

I played against the best Rugby league player from Foster all the way to Tweed Heads.

I had a really fun day, playing 3 full games and even scored a Try in the last game of the day. Unfortunately I was not selected for the NSW trials in Tamworth.

It was such a great experience and was certainly a day that I will always look back on.



Tyler Travers, 6A



School Banking

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and remember, School Banking day is every **Wednesday**. Thank you to all our student bankers.

This year rewards will be a mixture of rewards from past years, this will ensure that none of our School Bankers miss out on items from last year. These include the tomato seed kit, water skimming ball, and much more! If you have earned 10 tokens you will be sent a redemption slip to order your reward.

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.





What's inside?



Zucchini and corn fritters



Baked beans



Mixed berry scone



Grapes



Yoghurt tub

Water

Canteen Helpers Wanted

We are on the lookout for volunteers to join us on our exciting journey of enhancing the health and wellbeing of our School Community. Bonuses are your children are happy to see you in their favourite place – school and you'll get to meet new people and make new friends within our school community. Simply collect the volunteer form, obtainable from the office, complete and hand it back to the front office and we can get you onboard our team.

Matt Knight, Canteen Supervisor



Uniform Shop

Great News! The Uniform Shop will re-open on Fridays from 8.40 – 9.30.

If you cannot make this time uniform orders can still be left with the office to be completed. Orders will be filled and delivered to students to take home or we can call you when they are 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 into the office to collect one.

Diary Dates

April

	Check In Assessment Yr. 4 Check In Assessment Yr. 6
Thur 29	PSSA Boys Cricket @ Connell Park
Thur 29 Fri 30	Yrs. 4, 5 and 6 – World of Maths Yrs. K. 1 and 2 – World of Maths
Fri 30	Leadership Camp

May

June

Fri 4 th	PSSA Touch Football Gala day
Mon 7 th	School Photos
Wed 9 th	Readers & Writers school workshop
Fri 11 th	Athletics Carnival @ BHS
Fri 25 th	Last day of Term 2

July

Mon 12 th		
	First day for students Term 2 District Athletics	

August

September

Last day of Term 3 Fri 17th

October

Mon 4th Labour Day Public Holiday Tues 5th First day for students Term 4

Tues 5th World Teachers Day

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







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Access frequently used services including:

- Driver Knowledge Tests
- Cost of Living service
- · Birth, death and marriage certificates
- Driver licence and Photo Card applications and renewals
- · Working With Children Checks

Visit service.nsw.gov.au/msc to find out when we're next near you.





Driving Tests available by appointment only to book call 13 77 88





BELLINGEN DORRIGO JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

Calling all boys & girls aged 11 & 12 yrs old.

With the season start fast approaching (May 1st) we are still after more numbers for the above age groups.

New players welcome, no experience necessary.

Registration cost \$120 includes: club shorts, socks, Team polo shirt, & drink bottle. Active kids voucher accepted.

For more information contact us through our fb page, email belligo@live.com.au or see us at training Tuesday & Thursday 4pm-5pm @ Connell Park





