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Term 4 Week 3

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## **GIANT RAFFLE**

Our Giant Raffle is off to a fantastic start! The total raised after just one week is \$400 Can we make it \$500 this week?? Our SRC and Student Leaders are doing a great job selling tickets each first half of lunch and recess in the shelter. © Tickets are only \$1each. © Parents are welcome to join in the fund by sending Money into school labelled "raffle" and Mrs Mulligan will make sure your name goes into the draw. The Raffle will be drawn in week 5. Thank you for your support. Mrs Mulligan



O Just some of the great prizes

## From the Principal

Dear parents and carers, Welcome to Week 3.

## Kinder Orientation

Our Parent information night via Zoom will be held this Wednesday 20th October at 5:30pm. Students will have four transition days from 9:30-11am on Friday 29th October, 5th November, 12th November and 19th November. A requirement is that students must have completed enrolment papers prior to attending orientation sessions. Unfortunately, parents are not allowed to attend at this time but hopefully by the end of term we will be able to do school tours.

## Check-In Assessment for Years 3-6

Years 3-6 will participate in a reading and numeracy Check-in assessment this term. This is a NSW DoE online reading and numeracy assessment to support schools to assess and monitor student learning. Yr 5 and 6 will complete them during weeks 2 and 3 and Yr 3 and 4 during weeks 4 and 5. If your child would like to use their own headphones or earbuds that plug into a computer please ensure they are labelled well.

## Giant Raffle

Our Giant Raffle is on again. Tickets are on sale for \$1 each. See the flyer for the great prizes that you can win. SRC representatives will be selling tickets under each shelter area during lunch and recess.

## Colour Run

The P&C Colour Run fundraiser is now planned for Tuesday 23rd November. This will depend on restrictions easing to allow the event to be held. Fingers crossed!

## Level 3

We continue to be under Level 3 restrictions for the start of this term. This means we follow these guidelines:

• Unfortunately, parents or non-essential visitors are still not allowed on site.

Masks are mandatory for all staff and essential workers

• Singing, chanting, bands and ensembles are not allowed to practise together.

Assemblies cannot be held.



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- Enhanced cleaning will continue. •
- Classes will open windows and doors for cross ventilation.
- Alternative arrangements will need to be made for graduation ceremonies.
- SRE/SEE lessons cannot be held.

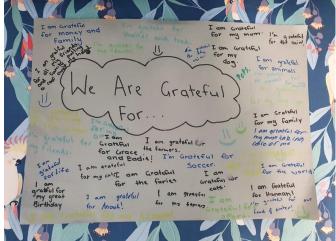
Have a great week.

## Ness Cavanagh, Principal **Uniform Shop**

## Uniform order forms are available under Current Notes on the school website and can be downloaded, completed and dropped at the office. Orders will be filled and sent home. Please call the office on 6655 1147 if you require uniforms or an order form sent home. Please note the Uniform shop accepts cash or cheques only.

## Gratitude

We're cultivating an attitude of gratitude here at Bellingen Public School! What are you grateful for today?



## **Student Shout Out!**

We are so proud of all of our students at Bellingen Public School and all that they do. Each week a student is selected to be featured in our Student Shout Out so that they can share their interests, aspirations and achievements.



Sport, because I like to run around. How long have you been at this school? 1 and a half years. What is your favourite food? Pizza, because I like all the toppings. What is your favourite sport? Soccer, I like when I get the ball off someone. Interviewed by Felix (6A) & River (1-6E)

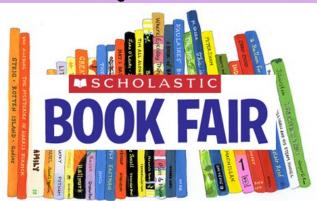
## Staff Shout Out!

We have an amazing staff here at Bellingen Public School and thought it was important for the community to get to know them. Each week a staff member is selected for a Staff Shout Out and they are interviewed by year six students. We hope you enjoy reading their interview.



Art, because I like seeing kids surprise themselves with their amazing artworks. How has education changed since you were at school? Computers weren't around when I went to school, and now there is heaps of technology. Also, when I was in school kids had to just sit and listen, but now children have more input into their learning. What is your favourite movie? Big Wednesday and Serenity. Interviewed by Deegan & Seth(6 Agua)

## Jemma Petty Book Fair is coming!!



## 2022 school travel applications are now open Applications for student travel in 2022 opened on Tuesday 12 October 2021.

Students who need a School Opal card or travel pass for 2022 can apply now. A new application will need to be submitted if they are applying for a school travel pass for the first time, or if they are requesting an additional travel entitlement as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody).

Students who change address, school, campus location, or who have repeated a year or received an expiry notification from Transport for NSW for their school travel entitlement should renew or update their details before the end of term 4. This will ensure that schools can endorse applications and current entitlements are updated and remain valid. School Opal card holders will have the changes applied to their existing card.

If a student's distance eligibility has changed based on their grade the system will automatically update their entitlement if they meet the new criteria. If they do not meet the new eligibility criteria, they will receive an expiry notification via email.

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

Term Bus Pass holders will receive a notification to reapply.

Students in the Opal network applying for an Opal card (including a Term Bus Pass) for the first time will receive their Student Opal card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2022.

Students living in rural and regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the start of the new school



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year from their nominated transport operator. It may come via the school or be sent directly to them at home.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.

## **Library News**

## Volunteers needed

If you can cover a bag of new hardcover library books, please let me know via email to the school Att: Belinda Mellalieu, or leave a phone message at the office.

I'll send home bags of books with contact cut and ready with your child, so please don't forget to mention your child's name and class.

## **Book Club**

Issue 7 of Book club has been sent home.

Orders are to be either returned to school front office with child's name and class clearly written on the front, or orders can be completed online.



## LOOP is the NEW Scholastic Book Clubs Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for Parents.

If you want to pay by credit card for your online Book Club order, our new platform makes it easy! It eliminates the need for paper order forms plus your online order is submitted to the school safe and sound.

### Log in to www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP or download our NEW iPhone and iPad App from the App Store!

For a quick start, just click on ORDER in the top menu or REGISTER first to save your details for next time

- Select your school and your child's class
- Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for)
- Enter the item number from the Book Club broch
- You can order for multiple children at once if they attend the same school
- All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child's classroom if you order by the close date
- There's no need to return paper order forms or payment receipt details to your school

For a quick how-to order video, log onto www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP and click on HELP in the top menu.



A big shout out to all the families who have been ordering scholastic book clubs, as the school receives a commission payment from all books ordered. This year alone, we've been able to replace dictionaries in all stage 2 and 3 classrooms, as well as add many non fiction and fiction books to our growing library.

## So thank you for your continued support. Mrs Mellalieu, RFF teacher/ Library P & C Meetings

All parents and carers are invited to the Bellingen Public School P and C meetings. Meetings are usually held on the first Monday of the Month at 6:00pm

Our next P&C meeting will be held on Monday, 1st November and start at 6:30pm. Details of meeting location or link will be sent out closer to the date.



## Giant Raffle Fundraiser

# **GIANT RAFFLE Prizes**



- Scooter and helmet
- Fitbit
- Variety of outdoor games
- Grip ball
- Zoingo Boingo pogo
- Footy/soccer
- Netball/basketballs
- Body Bumpers
- Quoits set
- Drink bottles
- Beach Cricket
- Snorkel and goggles
- Handballs!

& HEAPS more 🕮 !

## \$1 per ticket **Tickets available every day** 1<sup>st</sup> half lunch.

Value of the Week -

I understand democracy as something that gives the weak the same chance as the strong. - Mahatma Gandhi



Sandwich Alternative – Fried Rice Muffins



## **4 ORANGE MEMOIRS**

We are so happy to be back in the classroom and on the playground! Many thanks to all students and their families for their support during the Lock Down. It is lovely to see the students' smiling faces back at school and their enthusiasm towards all activities.



In the classroom, students have been focused on Literacy tasks and Maths activities. Last week, they worked collaboratively on a Persuasive Writing task. This involved looking at work samples and creating a checklist for when work was proofread, then edited. Each student drafted a piece of writing, with a clear set of criteria to refer to. The students then worked in pairs to give feedback to each other, providing comments and suggestions on how to improve the writing. The photos shown give a perfect picture of how well the students embraced this task. I was very impressed with all students!



In the playground we are seeing the children making the most of their set area each day. As the weather is getting warmer during the day, it is important that everyone has their hat, and that all jumpers are clearly labelled with names. Water bottles are a must – as the school bubblers are turned off now - due to current restrictions.



We have been enjoying co-operative games during Sport. Last Friday, we played Bin Ball which was fun! It was great to enjoy the shade of the shelter after spending our lunchtime on the top oval. We are so very lucky to have shade in our playground to escape the suns heat.

Another great achievement for 4 Orange is our Composting Project. We built a compost pile with Ms Scott last term, and we tended to it each week before lockdown. A small group of Stage 2 and 3 students who were at school during those weeks showed great commitment in turning the compost each week with me. In week 1 of this term, Ms Scott proudly came in to show our class the lovely, nutrient-rich soil which was produced from our Compost Pile. It was a fascinating and worthwhile process. I hope that some students take their new knowledge of Composting into their home lives and turn scraps into soil – now and in their future!



## Donna Williams, Classroom Teacher



## **Stay Connected**

There are a number of ways to stay up to date with news at Bellingen Public School. Apart from our weekly newsletter. How about trying:-

- Bellingen Public School Facebook page.
- Bellingen Public School P anc C Facebook page
- Skoolbag app
- Bellingen Public School website



## Colour Explosion Obstacle and Fun Run

The P and C along with the school are hosting a Colour Explosion Obstacle and Fun Run with a new date to be decided. The Colour Fun Run is to raise money for a set of Djembe drums for the school music program, improvements to outdoor areas and other yet to be decided projects. We are asking for wish lists from staff and students.

Start fundraising! Students raise 3 x more when they fundraise online. Visit <u>https://myprofilepage.com.au/</u> to create your child's cybersafe fundraising profile.

How do prizes work? Help your child fundraise by setting a prize goal. It's ok if they change their mind, you order prizes later. Student's can choose a prize based on the total amount they raised or mix and match smaller prizes. Thankyou for supporting our school.

Happy Fundraising Kim Childs and Fleur Blainey Deen

**Diary Dates** 

## October

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> WSA Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Kinder Orientation

## November

Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	Kinder Orientation
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	Kinder Orientation
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	Kinder Orientation
Tue 16 <sup>th</sup>	NRMA Roadshow
Tue 23rd	Colour Run
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup>	WSA

## December

Thurs 16th Last day of Term 4

## Attachments with this Newsletter

- Six a side football Urunga
- Sawtell Surf School



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

## **Ethics**

## Bites - online ethics

Ethics lessons aren't able to be taught in school at the moment - but there is an online alternative based on the Primary Ethics curriculum.

**Bites** are short stories that present ethical dilemmas designed to get children practising their skills of close listening and careful reasoning.

There are **Bites** for K-2 and for Y3-6. They come with notes for parents/carers and are available to all children.

A completely new series of Bites for Term 4 is now available:

https://primaryethics.com.au/education

## Local election work opportunities

Expressions of interest are now open to work at the elections in December. Working at an election is a great way for members of the community to earn money, learn new skills and deliver democracy by helping people to have their say. There are positions available during the election period and on Election Day itself. More information, including position descriptions, pay rates, and the link to apply, can be found on this page of the Electoral Commission website.



