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Term 3 Week 3

Monday, 1 August 2022

From the Principal

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to Week 3, Term 3. This week is Education Week but due to the high number of students and staff unwell we have decided to postpone the BBQ Breakfast, Open Classrooms and Whole School Assembly until later in the term. Thank you for your understanding.

Congratulations to the students who competed at the District Athletics Carnival last Friday. I have received a number of positive comments about our students sportsmanship and behaviour on the day. Congratulations to Senior Boy Champion, Isaac, Joint Senior Girl Champions Abbey and Ash and to Junior Girl Champion Ayla. Our Senior Girl and Junior Boy Relay teams will also be going to the next level of competition along with a number of students for individual events. Well done everyone!

Congratulations to the Boys Football team who defeated Nambucca PS and Bonville PS to go through to the next round of the PSSA Football competition.

Our Boys and Girls Touch Football teams will play in a gala day on Friday to decide the winners of round 3 and 4 of the PSSA Touch Football competition. Good luck everyone!

Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held this week. It is not too late to book a spot to talk to your child's teacher. See the attached flyer for booking information.

Our next P&C meeting will be held next Monday, 8th August at the Youth Hub from 6pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Attendance each day your child is well is important for their education. If your child is unwell please contact the school via a phone call, email or respond to the SMS from school. All students need a medical certificate if they away for more than 3 days. If you are planning a holiday during term time, you are required to ask for an extended leave form. Please contact the office and one will be sent home with your child.

A reminder for all parents to use the school crossing near the hall to cross the road in Lovell Street. Many parents are crossing in front of buses putting both themselves and children in danger.

Have a great week everyone!
Ness Cavanagh
Principal





Canteen Closed

Please note the Canteen will be closed on the following days, Friday 16th September and Monday 19th September.

Lunch and recess will not be available on these days. We apologies for any inconvienience and would appreciate all parents ensuring their child/ren bring lunch and recess on both these dates.

SRC Pyjama Day

Our SRC will be holding a Pyjama Day mufti day on Thursday, August 11. Students can wear their pyjamas to school and we ask that they make a gold coin donation to help the Student Council's fundraising projects.



Roz Everson, SRC Coordinator Uniform Shop

Our Uniform shop is open on Friday from 8:40-9:30. Uniform order forms are available from the office or on the school website under *CURRENT NOTES*. Please note, payment must be made by cash or cheque.

Fish Tank Donation

Thank you to Arden, Jade and their mum Karen for their kind donation to our fish tank. Come and check out the new plant, ornament and snail.

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PSSA Football

On Wednesday last week, our senior boys' soccer team took to the field at Connell Park for Round 2 and Round 3 of the PSSA Knockout. The team only had ten players with a few players unable to make the game. The first game was against Nambucca Heads Public School. Our boys started strong with two early goals. They carried this confidence through the game and continued to score another two goals before half time. The second half saw a shuffle in the positions to give everyone an opportunity. Bellingen scored another two goals before the final siren which left the game at air points to pile.

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The winner of the first game went straight into the Round 3 match against Bonville Public School. With only ten players and a ten-minute break between games, our boys knew that fatigue may play a role in this game. Bonville PS was a far more organised team with some handy players. Our boys had a few good opportunities but unfortunately the ball either just missed the goals or the Bonville keeper saved it. The score remained level at nil all at half time. The second half also started closely with each team having some missed chances. Finlay even hit the post near the top right corner, but the ball wouldn't go in. This was until our team found the back of the net after

a scramble in the goal box. This goal was soon followed by another two quick goals right at the end of the game which sees Bellingen PS into Round 4 of the PSSA Knockout.



There was no one standout player in the games as every player had tried their best, did their job and performed at a high standard. There was sportsmanship and comradery from our students, and they should be very proud of their achievement. The next match will be played against a strong Coffs Harbour Public School in the following weeks. Details to come.

Izaac Hillery, Organising 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 and C Facebook page
- Skoolbag app
- Bellingen Public School website





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2 Purple News

In 2 Purple we are always having fun and enjoying our learning. In writing we have been utilising model texts as exemplars to guide our writing development. Over weeks 1-5 we are utilising the following texts "Somebody's Land", "Dragon Boy", "Ceremony" and "Lady Pancake and Sir French Toast". Students have also been learning about Aboriginal artworks, learning about why we do Acknowledgement of Country and its importance. Students have been co-creating with the K-2 class our Acknowledgement of Country to be part of our morning routine.



We love mathematics lessons and have enjoyed using a range of hands-on activities to explore and develop our mathematical thinking, problem solving and reasoning.



Artworks- Students were able to showcase their personality, interests and self-using a range of colours, mediums and textures.







District Athletics Carnival

On Friday, 29th July, 60 students represented Bellingen Public School at the District Athletics Carnival. All students participated extremely well and displayed excellent sportsmanship. It was great to see the encouragement and cheering throughout the day. We came home with many ribbons, some Personal Bests and 4 Age Champion trophies. Well done to all recipients and to everyone who attended on the day.



L to R - Isaac – Senior Boy Champion, Abbey – Tied Senior Girl Champion, Ayla – 11 Yrs Girl Champion and Ashlina - Tied Senior Girl Champion

Our relay teams concluded the day with 2 firsts and 2 seconds. I almost lost my voice cheering them on, and they certainly made us very proud!



L - R Senior Girls Relay 1st - Delilah, Mia, Ayla and Abbey



L - R Junior Boys Relay 1st - John, Arlen, Sage and Luka



L – R Senior Boys Relay 2nd - Farris, Finlay, Rusty and Aiden

I personally had a good time at the High Jump mat. I always enjoy coordinating this event, and Friday was no exception. All the age groups jumped well and cheered each other on. Some students really challenged themselves and reached heights they had never jumped before. For example, the Junior boys managed to jump 12-15cm higher than they did at our school carnival.

Students are commended for their behaviour and positive attitude throughout the day. Bellingen High School catered to the pre-ordered lunch orders, which were delicious. Thanks to Maree for assisting students on the day and to Mrs McFarlane for her great job marshalling the runners.

Students who came first and second place in each event will go through to the next level, on Tuesday, 23rd August at the Coffs Stadium. The first relay teams also will attend this carnival. Students will need to travel to this event with private transport. Please see the office for a note if you did not pick one up on the day. I am looking forward to another great day of sport with our awesome participants.

Ms Donna Williams

Athletics Co-ordinator

Shed Build

Hi families, you have done a marvellous job assisting our Garden renovation. We have parents involved in placing and filling the new beds, a parent who did the form work for the concreting and now with the slab poured and cured we would love the shed builders!!

The shed is at school in a flat pack and I think two dads or mums with a flair for building could have it up for us in a weekend.

If this is your expertise, please call me on 0403686267. In Nordic countries where they have Community Schools, parents are very proud of their schools and contribute to their grounds, plumbing, building, classroom activities etc. and I feel this garden project is reflecting this 'community feel'.It is wonderful for families and teachers alike and our children have a lovelier safer place to play and learn.

Thank you for your continued help.

Elizabeth Scott

BPS Music Co-ordinator and Garden Enthusiast



Brass Lessons

The schools in-house brass tutor is back.

Are you thinking about which instrument may suit your child, or does the idea of a brass instrument attract your

Brass instruments are: trumpet, trombone, French horn, tuba, euphonium. Particular qualities playing one of these instruments draw upon and develop are using the breath in a controlled and directed manner which regulates the emotional sphere.

The sound produced is amplified and directed via the bell on the instruments, so they are suitable for both children who really love expressing themselves and being heard and also for children who can use this practice as a way of developing their way of being heard.



I have has several years of teaching brass in the Bellingen Shire and come with a performance diploma on French horn from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music and also play and teach piano. My students can join school and community bands/ensembles and that's just the start. Please pickup a form to start lessons from the school office.

Kate Butcher, Brass Tutor



Lunch Box Builder



What's inside?

Easy pasta salad

Boiled egg

Apple and date muffin

Kiwifruit

Plain milk popper

Water



Book Club-Issue 5

Orders in Issue 5 with Scholastic Book Club are due back to school on the Monday 8th of August.

Attachments with this Newsletter:

- Taming Technology Parent Workshop
- Parent Teacher Interviews booking sheet

P and C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be on Monday 8th August, 6pm at the Bellingen Youth Hub. All welcome!

Diary Dates

August

Fri 5th Touch Football

Mon 8th P & C Meeting - BPS wellbeing policy at Bellingen

Youth Hub

Thur 11th Pyjama Day

Fri 12th

Opera House Cluster Rehearsal - Narranga PS Wed 17

Mon 29th P & C Meeting - New Curriculum initiatives -

experiences of being early adopters

September

Wed 7th Kinder Orientation - 6.00 - 7.00pm

Fri 9th

Wed 14th Cascade Camp for Year - New date Thur 15th Cascade Camp for Year - New date

Fri 16th Cascade Camp for Year - New date

Fri 16th Canteen Closed

Fri 16th Kinder Orientation - Tabloid Sports morning

Mon 19th Canteen Closed Fri 23rd Country Fair

Fri 23rd Last Day of Term 3

October

Mon 10th First Day of Term 4

Mon 24th P & C Meeting - School approach to teaching writing

Mon 24th Sydney Choir Excursion travel to Sydney

Tue 25th Sydney Choir Excursion -Town Hall performance

Wed 26th Sydney Choir Excursion travel home

Mon 31st Stage 3 Lake Keepit Excursion

November

Tue 1st Stage 3 Lake Keepit Excursion

Stage 3 Lake Keepit Excursion to Fri 4th Stage 3 Lake Keepit Excursion

Fri 4th Kinder Orientation - Orientation Day 1

Fri 4th

Fri 11th Kinder Orientation - Orientation Day 2

Tue 15th **Book Fair** Wed 16th Book Fair Thur 17th **Book Fair**

Fri 18th **Book Fair**

Fri 18th Kinder Orientation - Orientation Day 3

Mon 21st P & C meeting – transitions

Fri 25th Kinder Orientation - Orientation Day 4

December

Mon 19th Last Day of Term 4

School Organisation Bell times for our school

8:40 First bell – Teacher on duty

9:00 Line Up

9:05 Class

11:05 Eating

11:15 Lunch 1 (no bell)

11:35 Lunch 2

12:00 Class

1:45 Recess

2:10 Class

3:10 Home

School Office Hours

Our office is open from 8:30-3:45 Monday to Friday. If you ring out of these hours please leave a message on our answering machine. We will follow up the message on the next business day.

Contacting staff

If you wish to contact a staff member, please email the school on Bellingen-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au. Please put a brief outline of the reason to ensure the staff member has the information you need before they contact you. Staff will contact you either by phone or email as soon as possible.

