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Term 3 Week 7

Monday, 29 August 2022

## From the Principal

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to Week 7, Term 3. Thank you for your patience last week when we had minimal office staff.

I have been reading students writing responses from Stage 2 and year 6. I am so proud of their emphathy, deep understanding, reflections and sympathy for others and for the environment. Year 4 have put some of their writing into their class page next week and I ask you to read them and be persuaded to help save the Bellingen River.

Last weeks Book Week theme was 'Dreaming with Eyes Open'. The illustrations are from author/illustrator, Jasmine Seymour and represents Country, Dreaming and everything hidden but also seen. We held our Book Week character parade on Friday 26th August. Students dressed up as their favourite book character or used the theme of 'Dreaming with Eyes Open,' to create their own unique costumes. The students paraded in front of their peers and an audience of parents and carers in the hall. Thank you to those who were able to attend. Congratulations to Ely (KA), Alexander (KJ), Teddy (1M), Eden (1P), Lulu (4O), Leo (3A), Kian (6M) and Brayden (6A) who were drawn out for the \$20 Book Vouchers.

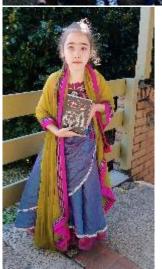


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Term 3 – Week 7 Monday, 29 August 2022



Students competed at the Mid North Coast Athletics Carnival at Coffs Harbour last Tuesday at the Coffs Stadium. Well done to everyone who competed. Good luck to the students who are moving on to the next carnival.

The P&C will be holding a Father's Day Stall under the small shelter next Thursday 1st September. They are providing gifts for \$5 that students can purchase.

The P&C meeting will be held tonight at 6pm at the Youth Hub

Our Kindergarten Orientation parent information evening will be held on Wednesday 7th September between 6-7pm. Our program has been sent to interested parents and is available at preschools and the office. If you know of any children who are beginning school next year and haven't enrolled yet, please ask them to contact the school for more information.

Thank you to Lorna Herman who donated a book for our library from her great grandson Solli Raphael. The book is called '29 Things You Didn't Know About Me'. Thank you Lorna.

Next week, the Tell Them From Me Survey will open for staff, students and community. We will send a link for families to complete the survey. Please support the school by completing it as it gives us information to improve different aspects across the school.

The lost property box is overflowing with jumpers, drink bottles and lunch boxes. We endeavour to give back

those items that have names on them but many still do not have a label. Please ask your child to check the lost property box near the canteen if you are missing items.

School hats are mandatory for playing in the sun at school. If your child requires a new hat please contact the school. Uniform price lists and forms are available from the office if you require one. Our P&C have endorsed the current uniform and we ask that students wear them every day.

Please remember to drive slowly and turn around at the end of the school zone when picking up students in William Street. Students cross the road on bike or foot between 8:40 - 9:10 and 3:10 - 3:25. It is a very busy road at this time. Please be careful.

Have a great week everyone! **Ness Cavanagh, Principal** 

#### **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.



#### Eat Fresh and Win!

The school is registered for the "Fresh for Kids" canteen campaign. This will end on the 16th September.

**How it works:** Each time a student makes a healthy selection from the school canteen or brings a piece of fruit or vegetable from home (on the days canteen is closed) they will be rewarded with a signature on their entry form. Upon collecting 2 signatures, students return their entry form to the canteen and the child is rewarded with a minor prize and a bonus card to win one of 10,000 Rubik's Cube and other major prizes.

All the completed entry forms back to Sydney Markets by Friday 23rd September 2022. The major prize draw will take place on Wednesday 12th October 2022 for both students and school.

For further details, and information on prizes you can check out the website www.freshforkids.com.au



Jen DaConceicao, Canteen Manager



## Father's Day

## Fathers' day is fast approaching.

Thursday 1st september the P&C will be selling special gifts for dads. All gifts are \$5 and all Children will get a chance to come up to purchase a gift.

If you are a baker and wish to bake some biscuit packs we would love to hear from you.

We are also seeking helpers from 8.30-12pm. It is a fun day helping kids choose that special gift.

Please contact Fleur on 0422 440 400 or bloominwell@gmail.com

#### **Canteen Closed**

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

## **String School Serenade**

If you love string playing and want to see the intermediate performance level of enthusiastic students in Bellingen, then come to our String School Serenade, Saturday September 3 at 3pm. We have Anya, Abbey, Vincent, Emily, Tiger and Ginger playing in the concert. It will be full of beautiful music and amazing talent.

Admission is \$12 for adults and children are free. Come to the Stockton Hall at the High School.

See the flyer for added inspiration.



Elizabeth Scott, BPS Music Co-ordinator

#### **Cluster Rehearsal**

Great focus during our Cluster Rehearsal at Narranga Public School, with five schools from the district heading to Sydney to sing.







Elizabeth Scott, BPS Music Co-ordinator



## **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 <a href="mailto:Bellingen-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au">Bellingen-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</a>. 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.

#### **COUNTRY FAIR IS BACK!**

Our student lead Country Fair fundraiser has been missing from our school calendar for 2 years. It is fantastic that we are able to hold it again this year. (It's been a bit of a tradition at Bellingen PS for many years.)

It will be held on the last Friday of this term between 12:30 and 1:45pm. Country Fair is a student organised and run fundraiser which is always great fun and well supported. Parents are welcome to attend from 12:30. It will conclude at 1:45pm (recess). Students can buy a sausage sizzle lunch on this day. The canteen will not be open.

More information in the next few weeks  $\bigcirc$ .

**Country Fair** 

A student lead fundraiser for our school

Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September ~ 12:30-1:45pm Students will receive 5 tokens - free!

Students can bring their own money too

and exchange it for Country Fair tokens to be used at each stall. They will not be carrying / using real money with them during the Country Fair.

All stalls will cost 1 or 2 'tokens'.

Lots of stalls ~ there might be.....

Cakes paper plane competition knock 'em down obstacle course guessing competitions icecreams

games galore and much more.

Giant kids raffle with loads of prizes!

Parents welcome.

Bring your money with you!!





# Year 5 Science Fun



Year 5 have Ms Everson for science this year. So far, we have investigated natural disasters; the shifting surface of the Earth; animal adaptations; and the properties of solids, liquids and gases.

Experiments and building are always fun, but we are also learning to write up our experiments, make a hypothesis, think like a scientist, what fair testing is and how to draw labelled scientific diagrams.

Here, we are investigating plate tectonics, volcanos and 'hot spots' in the Earth's crust using tomato sauce and toothpaste as lava and cardboard as the surface of the Earth We discovered the viscosity of lava can affect the shape of a newly forming volcano.

Messy!! Luckily, in addition to be being amazing scientists, Yr 5 are also great at cleaning up!











# Year 5 Science Fun















We investigated cyclones and the massive impact that they have on housing and infrastructure in many parts of the world. We then researched cyclone resistant house and bridge design features and drew our own labelled designs. We constructed our houses and bridges from paper, one piece of cardboard and 2 metres of sticky tape. Some groups may have forgotten about the 2m sticky tape rule!

We designed a fair test and tested our designs with our very own cyclone (aka a hairdryer). All the house designs kept their roofs, although a few houses left their foundation and flew across the room!





**Lunch Box Builder** 



## What's inside?





Zucchini and turmeric salmon patties



Chewy fruit and seed bar



Plums



Minty yoghurt dip



Water

## **Attachments with this Newsletter:**

- Come Teach Ethics
- BPS 150 Years Anniversary Book
- Yarrawarra Aboriginal Cultural Centre What's on

## **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



## **Diary Dates**

## August

Mon 29th P & C Meeting - New Curriculum initiatives experiences of being early adopters

## September

| Thur 1st              | P and C Fathers' Day Stall – gifts for \$5  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>   | Tell Them From Me Surveys Open              |
| Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>   | Kinder Orientation - 6.00 – 7.00pm          |
| Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>   | WSA   |
| Wed 14th              | Cascade Camp for Year – New date            |
| Thur 15 <sup>th</sup> | Cascade Camp for Year – New date            |
| Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>  | Cascade Camp for Year – New date            |
| Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>  | Canteen Closed                              |
| Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>  | Kinder Orientation – Tabloid Sports morning |
| Mon 19 <sup>th</sup>  | Canteen Closed                              |
| Wed 21st              | Education Week – BBQ Breakfast 7:30am       |
| Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup>  | Country Fair                                |
| Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup>  | Last Day of Term 3                          |
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#### October

| Mon 10"              | First Day of Term 4                                 |  |
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| Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> | P & C Meeting - School approach to teaching writing |  |
| Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> | Sydney Choir Excursion travel to Sydney             |  |
| Tue 25 <sup>th</sup> | Sydney Choir Excursion –Town Hall performance       |  |
| Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> | Sydney Choir Excursion travel home                  |  |
| Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> | WSA   |  |
| Mon 31st             | Stage 3 Lake Keepit Excursion                       |  |
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#### November

| Tue 1st               | Stage 3 Lake Keepit Excursion          |
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| to                    | Stage 3 Lake Keepit Excursion          |
| Fri 4 <sup>th</sup>   | Stage 3 Lake Keepit Excursion          |
| Fri 4 <sup>th</sup>   | Kinder Orientation – Orientation Day 1 |
| Fri 4 <sup>th</sup>   | WSA                                    |
| Fri 11 <sup>th</sup>  | Kinder Orientation – Orientation Day 2 |
| Tue 15 <sup>th</sup>  | Book Fair                              |
| Wed 16th              | Book Fair                              |
| Thur 17 <sup>th</sup> | Book Fair                              |
| Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>  | Book Fair                              |
| Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>  | Kinder Orientation – Orientation Day 3 |
| Mon 21st              | P & C meeting – transitions            |
| Fri 25 <sup>th</sup>  | Kinder Orientation – Orientation Day 4 |
|                       |  |

#### December

| Tue 13 <sup>th</sup>  | Year 6 Farewell          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Thur 15 <sup>th</sup> | Presentation Day         |
| Mon 19 <sup>th</sup>  | Year 6 Farewell Assembly |
| Mon 19 <sup>th</sup>  | Last Day of Term 4       |

**Community Notices - Bellingen Public** School does not endorse the following products or services.





Ease the pressure of school costs with Saver Plus and get \$500 in matched savings to help out. What is SaverPlus?

Saver Plus is a free ten month savings program that provides financial education and matches your savings up to \$500 for educational expenses.

## Can you join?

To be eligible to join Saver Plus you must:

- be a parent or guardian of a student attending school, or be attending vocational education yourself;
- have a current Health Care card or Pensioner Concession card;
- be receiving a Centrelink benefit, allowance or payment;
- have some form of regular income from work (you or your partner) **OR** receive child support;
- not have completed SaverPlus before.

Who do I contact for more info, or to join? **Graeme Grice- Coffs Harbour Coordinator** PH: 0428 428 444 or click here to complete an enquiry form.

Council is getting behind the RUOK movement which encourages people to stay connected and have conversations that can help others through difficult times in their lives.

On Thursday 8 September we will be hosting a 'A Cuppa with Council' in Maam Gaduying Park from 8.30am -10:30am where we are inviting our community to grab a coffee and have a conversation with some of our staff. The morning will also feature a series of information stalls

from local community groups so make sure you drop by

and grab a cuppa. Keep cups are encouraged!





#### WE ARE HIRING!

Want to make a difference in your community?

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Part-time lifeguard positions

Apply to be a swimming instructor:

Casual swimming instructor positions

Part-time swimming instructor positions

#### Why work for the Y?

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## OSHC EDUCATORS

· We are currently seeking passionate and keen Outside School OSHC Service's. Whether you are experienced or new to the

## We're coming to your community



## NSW Government services will be available in Bellingen on Thursday 22nd September between 9:00am and 3:00pm

#### This includes:

- driver licences, proof of identity documents, and Photo Card applications
- Driver Knowledge Tests
   Working With Children Checks
- NDIS Worker Check
   birth, death and marriage certificates
- · up to 70 government rebates and savings Stay NSW and Parents NSW voucher applications.



Visit service.nsw.govau or call 13 77 88 to check our schedule. Unfortunately, sometimes our routes change at short notice.





