



# Bellinghen Public School

*'Courtesy and Knowledge'*

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Term 4 Week 8

Monday, 28 November 2022

## From the Principal

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to Week 8.

Congratulations to the Year 5 students who gave speeches for School Leaders 2023. Mrs Sommerville, Ms Taylor and I were very impressed with the quality of the speeches and the presentation by each speaker. Leaders will be announced at Presentation Day.

Swim school for Year 2 and 3 starts this week, for 2 weeks. Please ensure students swimming items and clothes are clearly marked with their names. Parents will not be contacted if students forget to bring their swimmers but will still attend and observe the lesson. Students who do not bring a rash shirt/vest/t-shirt to swim in will be unable to participate in the lesson.

Students are invited to submit an art work for sale at our student Art Exhibition on Monday 5th December which is being organised by Year 6 students – Genevieve, Lanika, Emilia and Grace. Students can submit artwork of any medium. All art work will be on sale for \$10. Parents and the community are welcome to visit and purchase an art work.

Welcome to Mrs Sarah Coffey who joins us as our new School Counsellor. Sarah will be working at Bellinghen Public School on a Monday and Thursday.

The Year 6 Farewell will be held in the school hall on Tuesday 13th December. Students are already talking about the night and looking forward to finishing their primary schooling with a dinner together followed by a disco.

On Wednesday 14th December we will be holding a farewell assembly for Mrs Mulligan and Miss Scott at 2:30pm in the hall. Everyone is invited to attend and farewell these amazing educators.

Our Presentation Day will be held on Thursday 15th December at 9:30 in the school hall. It is a day to celebrate students across sporting, cultural and education areas. Everyone is welcome to attend.

At Bellinghen Public School we are SAFE, RESPONSIBLE and RESPECTFUL. This week our focus is on being responsible. Leave areas clean and put away any equipment that you may have used.

Have a great week!

**Ness Cavanagh, Principal**

## P&C SCHOOL VEGGIE GARDEN WORKING BEE

**SUNDAY 4TH DECEMBER 2.30PM-5PM**

### PARENT HELP NEEDED!

Please come along and help improve the veggie garden learning space. We will be:

- putting up a small shed
- laying weed mat and spreading gravel
- shadecloth + more

**MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT  
WORK- FAMILIES ARE  
WELCOME!**



### FREE DINNER!

Food and drink will follow- please RSVP to [sallyjoyhawkins@gmail.com](mailto:sallyjoyhawkins@gmail.com)

## WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Canteen needs more Volunteers!

If you have a spare hour or two on either a Monday, Wednesday or Friday in between 9am to 11am, I would really appreciate your help.

Please contact the office for more information. Thank you

**Jen, Canteen Manager**

## Stay Connected

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

- Emails – [Bellinghen-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:Bellinghen-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)
- Bellinghen Public School Facebook page.
- Bellinghen Public School P and C Facebook page
- Skoolbag app
- Bellinghen Public School website

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## It Stops With Me

To address racism in a meaningful way, Year 6 students engaged in an impactful lesson on racism in Australia. During the lesson, students were encouraged to think about diversity, particularly in relation to people, groups, and their cultures, to affirm and celebrate difference and to use their understanding of diversity as well as taught how to act with respect, empathy and trust. The Year 6 students discussed the impact of discrimination and harassment on individuals, their families, friends and the wider community we live in. They also learnt how to identify racial discrimination and were equipped with the tools of how to address racism and create safe, respectful environments for all. The students were challenged to take action on behalf of people who have experienced racial discrimination or harassment. The overall message of the lesson was; we are never too young to take a stand against racial bullying and harassment. Each student created a personal pledge that will be an ongoing commitment to stop racism in their everyday lives by educating and calling out racism.

Further information can be found on the following websites:

<https://itstopswithme.humanrights.gov.au/take-action/support-the-campaign>

<https://racismnoway.com.au/>

<https://humanrights.gov.au/our-work/race-discrimination/what-racism>

Courtney Byrne, Classroom Teacher

**ARCO News**

**CLASSROOM NEWS**

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**RACISM. IT STOPS WITH ME**

stop people from making racist jokes proud of the new history we will make together  
#itstopswithme

**RACISM. IT STOPS WITH ME**

I pledge to always stand up for people and be when people are being racist. And support anyone who has gone through racism and help them through it.

**RACISM. IT STOPS WITH ME**

I pledge to stand up for people who look different, background, colour or what they wear. I will never discriminate another person and will also stand up for people who have been affected by racism.

**RACISM. IT STOPS WITH ME**

I pledge to make sure that every one gets treated equally and fair no matter what race I will also pledge to educate people about racism and how to stop people being racist.

Mrs Vardabasso Mrs Young Miss Byrne

[racismnoway.com.au](https://racismnoway.com.au)

**REJECT RACISM** **Anti-Racism Pledges** **REJECT RACISM**

**RACISM. IT STOPS WITH ME**

I pledge to stop all racist comments and actions and to inform them if I know not to be racist and to help others who are being racist.

**RACISM. IT STOPS WITH ME**

I pledge to always stand up for and support people who are being discriminated against. I pledge to try to stop stereotypes of different races or religions.

**RACISM. IT STOPS WITH ME**

I pledge to never say any racist things and if I see someone else doing and saying these things to stand up and say "stop. It's racist to say that." I will know then.

**RACISM. IT STOPS WITH ME**

I pledge to join the ad to stop racism. Racism. It stops with me.

**RACISM. IT STOPS WITH ME**

I pledge to educate people and shut down racism. I pledge to support everyone, including First Nations people and not discriminate anyone for any reason.

**RACISM. IT STOPS WITH ME**

We pledge that all Australia should feel the same way like any one should. Every one should call out racism. No matter what. Australia should feel proud with all the different cultures we have.

**RACISM. IT STOPS WITH ME**

I pledge to discourage racism when people are being racist or joking about it and I will never be racist.

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## Meals on Wheels Giving Tree

Every year at Presentation Day gifts have been collected by a representative from Open Arms Care for distribution by Meals on Wheels to our elderly residents on Christmas Day. This year gifts will still be collected by the school and delivered to Open Arms Care. We ask that families supply a wrapped gift for a man or woman with perhaps a personalised message on your card to really make someone's day.

Students can drop gifts into our front office by Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

Thank you for supporting this worthwhile program which has been a tradition at Bellingen Public School for over 18 years.



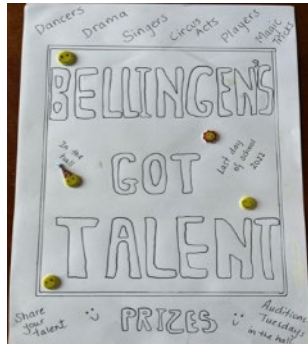


### Talent Quest

The Talent Quest is back. Students with a particular flair can audition for this event in the hall each Tuesday from 11:15am with Ms Scott. There is a fine lineup of Judges preparing and there will be prizes for First, Second and Third place getters. We can have approximately 20 acts and there is a 4 minute time limit.

Children can use backing music from Youtube as there will be tech help on the day. Costumes are encouraged for dancers and actors. Singers can use the microphone. This is a very fun event and a chance for children with remarkable or well rehearsed talent to shine. Children can perform solo or in groups. Parents are welcome to attend. On Tuesday December 13, auditions will be in the music room.

Elizabeth Scott, BPS Music Co-ordinator



### Kindergarten 2023

Do you have a child at home who will be coming to our school in 2023?

Please call us on 6655 1147 so we can add your child to our 2023 Kindergarten enrolment list. Our transition program is available.



### Bellingen High School Year 7 2023 Transition Days

Small Schools Transition Day: Friday 25th November - 9:05am to 3:08pm

All Schools Transition Day: Friday 2nd December - 9:05am to 3.08pm

Parent/Carer Information Evening: Monday 5th December - 6pm - 7pm

The small schools orientation day is for students from Orama, Raleigh, Repton, St Mary's and all out of area schools (including Bonville). The all schools orientation day is for students from all schools (small schools attend for a second time). If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the high school on 6655 1315 or via email at [bellingen-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:bellingen-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)



### Uniform Shop

Our Uniform shop is open on Friday from 8:40-9:30am. 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.

### Music Events for Week 7

Monday -Bill Lockley Scholarship for a Year 6 String Player heading to the Highschool are due.

Tuesday- More Auditions in the Hall at lunchtime for the Talent Quest

Wednesday- Open Rehearsal for parents as the four Stage 2 classes sing their songs from Classroom Music, altogether. Special guests, Cathryn Burgess's singing group.

Thursday- 2:30pm Free Concert to 'Meet our Performing Band' for students from yrs 2,3 and 4.

Friday- Junior Strings Concert -1pm in the Hall for parents.

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 [bellingen-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto: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.



## Current Notes

These notes are current and can be found on the Bellingin Public School website under **Current Notes and/or Events**

- Yr. 6 Formal Farewell Presentation, Dinner & Disco
- Stage 3 Changes in Puberty
- Giving Tree
- Bellingin High School Transition & permission note
- Year 6 Farewell 2022 Organising Committee
- School Swimming Scheme Year 2 and 3
- Meet the Orchestra Year 4
- Year 6 Farewell – photo request

## Attachments with this Newsletter:

- School Holiday Student Gifted and Talented Program
- Special Library Story Time - Elf on the Shelf
- Renting Matters

## Diary Dates

### November

Mon 28 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming Program Years 2 & 3
Tue 29 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming Program Years 2 & 3
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming Program Years 2 & 3
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup>	Stage 2 Combined Choir – 1:00 – 1:45pm #

### December

Thur 1 <sup>st</sup>	Swimming Program Years 2 & 3
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Swimming Program Years 2 & 3
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup>	All Schools High School transition
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Junior String Concert #
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming Program Years 2 & 3
Tue 6 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming Program Years 2 & 3
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming Program Years 2 & 3
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>	Piano Concert – Hall 1:30pm to 3:10pm #
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>	Guitar Concert – Hall 4pm
Thur 8 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming Program Years 2 & 3
Thur 8 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 Orchestra at Bellingin High School
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming Program Years 2 & 3
Tue 13 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Farewell
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup>	Senior Choir final rehearsal
Thur 15 <sup>th</sup>	Presentation Day
Thur 15 <sup>th</sup>	Presentation Day – Senior Choir and Band #
Thur 15 <sup>th</sup>	Music Assembly (all students learning an instrument) #
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>	Bellingin's Got Talent 9:30 to 11:00 #
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 walk out
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>	Last day for students
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>	BYO Concert 6pm BHS "Proms and Songs" #
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup>	SDD
Tue 20 <sup>th</sup>	SDD

# Parents welcome

### January 2023

9 <sup>th</sup> -13 <sup>th</sup>	Camp Creative Bellingin
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>	SDD
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup>	SDD
Tue 31 <sup>st</sup>	First day back for students' years 1 – 6

Tue 31<sup>st</sup> Kinder Best Start

## February

Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Kinder Best Start  
Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> Kinder 1st day

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



## COME & PLAY HOCKEY

Bellingin Hockey Club are inviting all Junior players (4-13) to a 'Come & Try' hockey session run by our club.

**New players** – Come give it a go for FREE & have fun.  
**Existing players** – Bring a friend, play some mixed fun games  
For further information email [bellinginhockeyclub@gmail.com](mailto:bellinginhockeyclub@gmail.com)

**Tuesday 22nd and 29th November**

**Aged 6-13 Years**  
**4-5.30pm**

**Bellingin High School MPC**

**Hockey Sticks available for use**

**Ideally bring a mouthguard**

**REGISTER TO PLAY**

Upon registration new players receive a stick set and a Bello Hoodie





**Community  
Christmas Carols**

7.00 pm Wed 21 December  
Bellingen Uniting Church grounds



**Family Carol singing**  
*All welcome!*

Carols by **Glowstick** light



**BEL'S BOHEME**



**OPEN NOW**  
Mon- Fri 9:30-4. Sat 10-12

**Women's Fashion  
Homewares  
Accessories**



**Located INSIDE  
Cuts Both Ways  
salon, URUNGA**

RIVERS DANCE CENTRE 86 PRESENTS

**THE  
LION KING  
PRODUCTION**

RIVERS DANCE CENTRE'S ADAPTATION OF  
DISNEY'S AWARD-WINNING MUSICAL

SUNDAY 4TH DECEMBER  
10AM & 3PM

VENUE: BELLINGEN  
HIGHSCHOOL

**A DECADE  
Of Dance**

AN ENERGETIC & ENTERTAINING VARIETY  
OF PERFORMANCES FROM BOTH OUR  
RECREATIONAL & PERFORMANCE TROUPES

PURCHASE TICKETS ON OUR WEBSITE  
[WWW.RIVERSDANCECENTRE86.COM](http://WWW.RIVERSDANCECENTRE86.COM)

