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#### Term 4 Week 9

# From the Principal

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to Week 9. The second last week of term. Although there are only 2 weeks left students are still engaged in their learning.

Congratulations to Jasmine Taylor who was awarded the Primary Artist at the recent Art Miinggiya 'Art in your Heart' exhibition. It is an Art exhibition celebrating our Shire's diversity and the healing practice of art. The art works are on display at The Art Space in Urunga. This exhibition is presented by the Seaboard Suicide Prevention Initiative, coordinated by Lauren Mills.

Swim school for Year 2 and 3 continues this week. Please ensure students swimming items and clothes are clearly marked and students have a rash shirt to swim in. Swim school will be held every day unless there are storms.

Thank you to the parents who were able to help the P&C with their working bee in the school garden yesterday. They were able to accomplish so much in one afternoon.

The student Art Exhibition was held today in the hall. Thank you to the parents who were able to attend. Thank you to Lanieka, Genevieve, Grace and Emilia who organised the exhibition

This Wednesday at 1:15 there will be a music concert in the hall. Students of Viv, Kate and Daniel will be playing for their families, where they will share the wonderful progress they have made this year. Great work everyone.

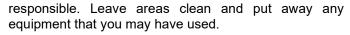
Year 4 will be going to the High School on Thursday to meet the school orchestra. There may be some new musicians in the making after they know what instruments are available.

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 Bellingen Public School we are SAFE, RESPONSIBLE and RESPECTFUL. This week our focus is on being



Have a great week! Ness Cavanagh Principal

#### **In-School Transitions**

Last Friday, while Year 6 were at the high school, students from Kindergarten to Year 5 spent time in the rooms that they will be in next year. This is part of the school transition program and allows the students to orientate themselves, see what is the same or different in the rooms and find out what they will be learning about; excursions; camps; sport etc.

The discussions were led by the current grade teachers. (Staffing for 2023 has not been finalised as yet.)

The current Year 4 were excited by the verandahs off the Stage 3 rooms; Kindergarten found out there isn't a toilet or sink in the Year 1 rooms and Year 2 noticed the 'old computer room' in the Stage 2 block offers a lot of extra learning space.









Elizabeth Mulligan, Assistant Principal

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# **Frog Rescue**

How fantastic of these two boys, bringing a lost green tree frog and releasing it in the pond for its safety



### **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.

# **P&C SCHOOL VEGGIE GARDEN WORKING BEE** THANK YOU! THANK YOU TO ALL THE FAMILIES WHO CAME AND VOLUNTEERED AT THE GARDEN WORKING BEE! IT WAS A LOVELY AFTERNOON AND WE ENJOYED A PIZZA DINNER **AFTERWARDS** MASSIVE THANK YOU TO RETIRING GARDEN CUSTODIANS LIZ SCOTT AND MISS VIV FOR THEIR CARE OF THE WONDERFUL GARDEN PATCH AT BPS OVER THE PAST 20 YEARS!

# Veggie Patch Makeover

If there was ever the most special gift for two old garden enthusiasts heading for retirement, it was gardening together with 29 willing workers in the Veggie Patch yesterday, Sunday December 4.

Thank you Sally and wonderful P and C members and their children and also parents of children who frequent Garden Club.

Here is what we achieved in approximately 5 hours; shed assembly, formwork removed, weeding and leveling in the raised bed area, weed mat placed, at least 40 barrow loads of gravel to the area (many of them by children) 2nd worm tub secured with correct gradient, worms released back into this, cracks in the fibreglass pond sealed and the pond returned to its trickling glory, watermelon break, garden beds topped up with compost, school made compost bagged, turned and a fresh heap made from the collective of weeds and cardboard, raked leaves to mulch the orchard, community spirit, friendships and Pizza and Pop for dinner!!



What a collaboration. Thank you for helping our outdoor learning area to be so much more streamlined, accessible and safe for children to work in.

This was a real gift for Miss Viv and myself as we can see our passion for educating children about waste management (turning scraps into compost), improving soils, and how to grow things, can continue with such an enthusiastic parent body, our teachers and staff that share the environmental crusade and the children who are very keen to look after their world.

Elizabeth Scott, BPS Music Co-ordinator and Avid Gardener





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.





# **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:-

- Emails Bellingen-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
- Bellingen Public School Facebook page.
- Bellingen Public School P and C Facebook page
- Skoolbag app
- Bellingen Public School website





# The Art Miinggiya :Art in Your Heart exhibition at The Art Space Urunga.

Congratulations to Jasmine Taylor, who won the primary school section of the exhibition. The organisers commented that they were impressed with the variety and depth of ideas in the student's work. Our school display is impressive and a few works sold at the opening! Make sure you see the show before it finishes on Wednesdav 7th December at Art the Space, Urunga.





Emily and Jasper also had entries in the exhibition.

# **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



# 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 <u>Bellingen-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u>. 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 Bellingen Public School website under Current Notes and/or Events

- Yr. 6 Formal Farewell Presentation, Dinner & Disco .
- **Giving Tree** •
- Year 6 Farewell 2022 Organising Committee .
- 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** 

#### December

	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 Bellingen 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>	Bellingen'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

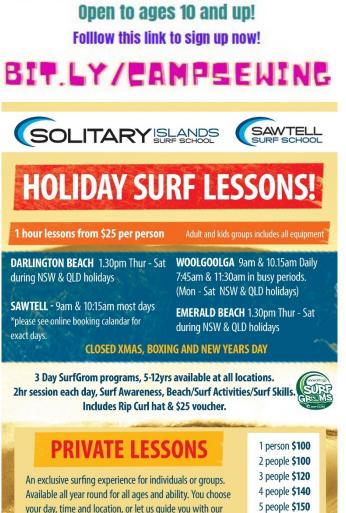
	First day back for students' years 1 – 6
Tue 31 <sup>st</sup>	Kinder Best Start

#### February

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

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Supported by Regional Development Australia, the Our Spaces film launch and housing panel event is taking place at the Majestic Cinema in Sawtell on December 13.

It is a short film about the 'sharing revolution' and features local people that have opened their homes who relay their personal experiences in doing so.

For those who may not be able to make the film and housing panel event, you can watch the feature on YouTube on the link below. For those looking to attend the event in Sawtell, please also register to ensure you can access a ticket. Details also below.

Tickets - <u>https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/our-</u> <u>spaces-film-launch-and-housing-panel-sawtell-</u> <u>tickets-433494061407</u>

YouTube video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jtU\_gwXul6s

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