Hi everyone,

Last week, thirteen year 3/4 students and I had an amazing camp at 15 Mile Creek! We experienced bark hut building, damper baking, flying fox, rock wall, bush walking, initiatives and a creek walk (it was chilly!!!) At night the students played games in the dark with torches and also had stories and a photo slide show. Twenty six other students from our cluster schools attended and it was a fantastic opportunity to make new friends and take on new challenges. As a teacher, I enjoyed seeing our students in a different light and was very proud of their efforts, participation and willingness to help each other.

We are incredibly lucky to have such a wonderful department run camp only 1.5 hours away and the realistic cost means that we will continue to book this camp for our 3/4 camps in the future. By varying the time of the year for the booking we are also able to ensure that students experience new activities each visit.

I will run a slide show of camp photos once I have access to photos taken by other cluster staff. I will let you know next week when this will occur.

Today your family will have received a parent opinion survey which needs to be returned by Friday 1st August. It will only take 20 minutes to complete and your responses are confidential and sent to Melbourne for collation. I urge everyone to complete this survey. Last year we only had 57% of surveys returned. I have placed a letter in the survey for you to read carefully prior to completion. It would be incredible to have 100% returned. I thank you in anticipation of your completion.

We hope to see many parents and community members at our casserole dinner on Saturday night—Bethanga Golf Club ~6ish with a casserole to share.

Have a lovely week!

Cheers

Deb
DON’T FORGET THAT OUR SCHOOL IS NUT FREE!

Ambulance Policy. It is vital to note that school does not have ambulance cover for students and if a trip to hospital is necessary, then this cost will be borne by parents. This cost could be between $2000 and $3000!!!!!! Please make sure that you are covered. Our student insurance (taken out at the beginning of the year by some families) does not cover ambulance.

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY: Will be held Monday 11th August: Forms are being sent home today. ENVELOPES MUST BE RETURNED ON PHOTO DAY AND ALL CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS MUST BE COMPLETED ON LINE. PLEASE PLACE CORRECT MONEY (IF PAYING BY CASH) IN THE ENVELOPE.

This is a new process and company for us so please read all the information on the envelopes. We do not appear to have been sent enough family photo envelopes so more have been ordered and will be sent home to all families as soon as they arrive at school.

I hope that everyone has our casserole night in their calendar. It is coming up on Saturday 2nd August and begins at 6 ish. The cost is $5 per head. Please bring along a casserole to share. Our wood raffle will be drawn on this night. At present we have only had very limited tickets for the raffle returned. If you have lost your tickets but would like to purchase some then please place your money in an envelope with the name you would like on your tickets and we will fill them out for you. The cost is $2 per ticket. Please buy some tickets if you can.

Parent Feedback: Last term we ran an evening for parents to come along to give us feedback on how we are going at Bethanga Primary. I now wish to run two tea/coffee mornings for those who may not have been able to make it. Please come along to school from 9-10.am on Wed. 30th July or Friday 1st August. I will be available to chat on both mornings. It would be amazing if we could manage to have all families represented for at least one of our feedback sessions (evening or day.) Once these are complete then we will have a written feedback sheet for those families who may not have been able to make it to any session.

Winter Sports Carnival: Friday 1st August

Students from 3-6 will have the opportunity to participate in the Winter Sports Carnival this Friday 1st August, in Wodonga. We will be entering two netball sides and one football side. The draw and canteen menu will be sent home later in the week. Students participating in football are asked to bring a large towel to place on their bus seat for the ride home, as the grounds are expected to be muddy. Parents and friends are most welcome to attend.

Eisteddfod: Wednesday 6th August

P-6 choir will be performing two songs at the Eisteddfod. Section begins at 9:30 am. The students need to be at the school by 8:45 am to catch the Bus. Parents are welcome to come and watch the performance.
CASSEROLE EVENING this Saturday 2nd August:
Don’t forget!
A great chance to come along and catch up with parents and staff.

WOOD RAFFLE
Due to very limited return of tickets we will now draw the raffle at our casserole evening on Saturday 2nd August.

Please find your tickets and return to school or if you have mislaid them please pop money into an envelope along with your name and the number of tickets you would like to purchase and we will write them out for you.
Collecting and cutting the wood is very timely and for the sake of our volunteer woodcutters we would like to sell more than 60 tickets if possible.

Don’t forget—tickets are $2 each.

Thanks!
## What’s Coming Up at BPS?

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