Bethanga Primary School
Newsletter
PRINCIPAL: Rachel Saunders

Our Purpose: We provide all students from Bethanga, Bellbridge and beyond with an inspiring and responsive curriculum to promote thinking and encourage curiosity. We nurture individual talents and needs in our setting underpinned by high expectations, quality opportunities and caring personalised attention in order for our children to reach their full academic and social potential.

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PLEASE REMEMBER THAT OUR SCHOOL IS NUT FREE!

Monday 21st November 2016
Week 8 Term 4

Principal News:
Week 8 is upon us! Welcome back to Jen who has been on long service leave for the last three weeks - she has been missed! After freezing weather last weekend, the sun turned it on for us this weekend! Great to see families out and about enjoying the sunshine and cooling off at the weir, river and pool! The hot weather is set to continue so please ensure your child has their school hat a water bottle that can be refilled during the day as we will be encouraging frequent drink breaks.

Thank you to the families who have already returned the EQ Feedback Forms. The information contained in these is valuable to us and assist with planning and delivery of EQ in 2017. If you have not as yet returned yours, could you please do so this week.

5/6 Camp 2017.

The Canberra Camp for students in grades 5/6 is scheduled for term 1 in 2017. A note will go home with students today so that we can have confirmed numbers of participants and deposits paid by the end of this term.

Thanks to our participation in the Walk to School Initiative during the month of October, the Towong Shire is providing $300 worth of sports equipment for the school! How fabulous that we not only benefitted individually by being active but the school will also benefit! Thank you to the Towong Shire for supporting this Vic Health Initiative.
HELP NEEDED: Tree Removal

We are still needing assistance with the removal of tree branches lost during a storm last week. If you happen to have a trailer/ute at home and would be able to remove this tree and dispose of it either at the recycle centre or at a private property with a bonfire stack can you please let me know ASAP.

Transition News

Foundation 2017: Last Friday, the year 5 Bethanga Buddies (Darci, Ella and Alex) went to Berringa Pre-school to visit Tully. Tully was very excited to show the kids around and introduce them to her kindy friends! They spent time doing puzzles, reading books and playing with kinetic sand. This was a great opportunity for Tully to meet her buddy (Darci) before our first school based transition session this Friday 9-11:30am. On Thursday before this session we will head out and visit Archer at his Pre-school... Can't wait!

Year 7 2017: Students attending WMYC next year have a Small Schools Transition Day at the campus they will go to in 2017 this Thursday 24th November (families should have received information regarding this directly from WMYC) This is a full day event with transportation the responsibility of families.

Medication

Just a reminder to parents that if students are requiring medication during school hours, a 'medical instructions' form needs to be filled out (these may be obtained from the front office). Medication will then be administered by the Principal and logged in the Medication register kept at school. This includes hay fever medication. Pain relief medication is not administered at school - students requiring this will either need a parent to come and administer or the student needs to stay home until they have recovered.

Please return all BOOKCLUB orders and payment by this Friday 25th November

Happy Birthday to Lauchy, Tom and Izzy who are celebrating birthdays this week!

Thank you to families and students who have already brought in their costumes for the school production... the big show is only 24 sleeps away!!! We will commence background props next Monday afternoon, if you are available to assist with the painting of these please contact me ASAP - your time and effort will be greatly appreciated!
Christmas is fast approaching! We will hold a Christmas Raffle which will be drawn at the School Production/Awards night on Thursday 15th December. We are asking if families could kindly donate items that could be used to create hampers as prizes. The greater the support... the more prizes there will be! I have also sent home letters to School Councillors to take to local businesses requesting donations, if you are not on school council but know of any businesses that may donate, please let me know and I will print off letters for you. Donations can be dropped at the office.

We have a family pass for 'Santa's Magical Kingdom' at Caulfield Race Course Friday 9th December 2016, originally obtained for the raffle but unable to be included due to the date of the show being before the raffle is drawn! If your family is interested in these tickets, please let us know when you drop off your donations, all interested families will go into a draw with the lucky family drawn from a hat Monday 5th December.

Musician of the Week

Week 5:
In week 5 the musician of the week was Eden Arkins. Eden did extremely well in the "we go together" competition. He has been learning the lyrics to all the production songs quickly. Keep it up Eden.

Week 7:
In week 7 the musician of the week was Will Mitchell. Will has been putting in a big effort during production rehearsals. Will has been improving his acting skills and has memorised most of his lines. Well done Will!

Week 8:
In week 8 the musician of the week was Morpheus Elston. Morpheus has improved his level of participation in music classes and has memorised most of the lyrics and movements in the production songs. Excellent effort Morpheus.
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