**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 28th November 2016**
Week 4 Term 9

**REMINDER: STUDENT-FREE DAY TOMORROW (REPORT WRITING DAY)**

**Principal News**

Although there is still two weeks (+ 2 days!) before the end of the term, this week we officially acknowledge the step that 5 of our students will soon take from Primary School into Secondary School. For Beau, Casey, Alex, Joe, their journey at Bethanga Primary School started back in 2010 as little preppies… Angus was not far behind though commencing in 2012 in grade 2. Although I have only known these students this year, I have grown to know them well – to appreciate their individuality, their care and compassion for others, their senses of humour and their drive to achieve goals. I look forward to celebrating this occasion with our graduates and their families at Café Borella’s on Thursday at 6pm.

This week we bid farewell to Cathryn Humphries. As our Blueearth Coach, Cathryn has delivered a dynamic and engaging program fortnightly to all of our students. They have learned about themselves and their impact on others. Students have learned key skills such as behaviour regulation, calming strategies, using a growth mindset to achieve goals and persevere. We wish Cathryn and her husband Neil all of the best as they embark on their next big adventure… parenthood! We look forward to hearing of the arrival of their bundle of joy!

**5/6 Camp 2017.**

Thank you to the families who have already paid the $60 deposit for the 2017 grade 5/6 camp. A reminder to those that haven’t that money is due by the end of this term.

**EQ Parent Surveys** Thank you to families who have returned the EQ survey. The information gained from these is invaluable in guiding the future direction of delivery of EQ at Bethanga Primary. If you are yet to complete the survey, please do so ASAP.
The 11th Dream Car Art Contest will run from November 2016 to 1 March 2017. Children are invited to draw a picture of what they imagine their dream car will look like. There are three age categories: under 8; 8-11 and 12-15 years.

The best three Australian entries in the three age categories each win a $750 Apple Store Gift Card. Their artworks are sent to Japan to be judged in the World Contest with entries from over 70 other countries.

There is also a trip to Japan to be won by one outstanding Australian entrant to be judged the Australian National Dream Car Champion.

Plus, schools could win a special cash prize! The top three schools that send in the most number of entries will each win $2000 cash.

There is also a one-off cash prize of $3000 that will be awarded to the school whose student wins the ‘Australian National Champion’ prize trip to Japan.
Acknowledgement of Student Achievement

Congratulations to the following students who were acknowledged at last week's assembly for being an active learner and making positive contributions to the Bethanga School Community.

Mark for staying calm in a crisis (sailing)
Wil for enthusiastic participation at the CSU Science Day
Eden for working very hard to complete and return homework.
Charlotte for working very hard to complete and return homework.
Daniel for outstanding results in spelling this term.
Cooper for working very hard to complete and return homework.

Uniforms
Attached is a final uniform order form for 2016. If you require any uniforms for the start of the 2017 school year please return completed form by Monday 5th December. Uniforms will be ordered on Tuesday so no late orders will be accepted.
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