Principal News:

NO SCHOOL TOMORROW DUE TO CURRICULUM DAY

'Music by the Lake' was a lovely way to end last week! A beautiful picturesque setting and a relaxed atmosphere allowed everyone to catch up and enjoy the kid’s performances - nice to bring the community as well as our three local educational providers together - something to continue annually I think! Thank you to the parents that sold icy poles on the night - all money raised continues to be added to our library fund.

Speaking of library fund, I am excited to announce that the furniture for the library will be ordered this week! The students were so excited to explore Tallangatta library on Friday - a beautiful space that demonstrated that you don’t need a huge space to have a fabulous library! Students had many ideas about what they would like to see in our space! The library specific furniture is from South Australia and is made once ordered so it is likely to be 6 weeks before it arrives at school, however it does mean we will definitely have our library up and running for the commencement of the 2017 school year!

Thank you so much to parents who came along to help out at our working bee yesterday. It was an extremely productive morning with four gardens weeded and pruned as well as the clearing of gutters and excess grass around the chook pen. There is still more to do around the chook pen however it requires a slasher/whipper snipper if you have a heavy duty whipper snipper that would be up for the job, could you please let me know.
Recognising Student Achievement.

Congratulations to the following student who received awards at assembly in week 4 (no assembly last week), they should be very proud of their contribution as active learners and caring citizens at Bethanga Primary School.

**Harper Eddington** for great use of wow1 words in his writing

**Lauchy Eddington** for an amazing underwater story

**Mark Hird** for a positive approach to learning in maths

**Casey Mitchell** for representing our school with a positive attitude and enthusiasm at a state level.

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Remembrance Day 11th November 2016

We will hold a Remembrance Day service at our ANZAC garden at 10:50am this Friday. All families are welcome to attend to honor those who have fallen with a minute's silence. Throughout this week, poppies and wrist bands are available for purchase from school.

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Curriculum Day – NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL TOMORROW TUESDAY 8TH NOVEMBER

Teachers will be at school tomorrow working on the teaching and learning for 2017 and ensuring that it aligns with the Victorian Curriculum which is mandated from 2017.

The Sailing Program for students in years 4-6 will commence this Friday. Thank you to parents who have volunteered to assist with transport for this program - your assistance allows us to continue to provide this amazing program free of charge to families. Parent volunteers will need to be at school at 11:25am (if rostered for ‘TO’) and then at the Sailing club at 3pm (if rostered for ‘FROM’) for the return to school.

Transport arrangements are as follows:

**Friday 11th November**

TO:  Ross Hogan, Dean Medwell, Kelly Mitchell, Angela Fuge
FROM: Ross Hogan, Ron Bruton, Robert Medwell, Angela Fuge

**Friday 18th November**

TO:  Ross Hogan, Sandra Samuels, Kelly Mitchell, Ron Bruton
FROM: Ross Hogan, Sandra Samuels, Kelly Mitchell, Robert Medwell

**Friday 25th November**

TO:  Ross Hogan, Dean Medwell, Kelly Mitchell, Angela Fuge
FROM: Ross Hogan, Ron Bruton, Kelly Mitchell, Vicky Swinnerton

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Happy Birthday to...

Jack B and Ella who are celebrating birthdays this week.
Transition at Bethanga Primary School

Transition for our 2017 Foundation students will commence next week. Please see below for details. Enrolments are still welcome so if you know a family with a child starting school next year, please pass this information on.

Friday 18th November 2016
Berringa Pre-school 9:30-10am
Mrs Saunders will bring your grade 5 buddies to your kindy so you can show us around! Share a book, play some games - a chance to get to know each other in a familiar space.

Friday 25th November 2016
Bethanga Primary School 9-11:30am
Come and visit us! Join in with some literacy activities, explore the ipads, feed the chickens and get to know your new school! Stay for a snack and a play before finishing at 11:30am

Notes for parents:
- Bring a water bottle, a piece of fresh fruit and a snack (a school hat will be given to new students on the day).
- Orders will also be taken for hot lunch on the 2nd
- See Mrs Saunders if you would like your child to catch the bus home on the 2nd Dec

Friday 2nd December 2016
Bethanga Primary School 1pm-3:30pm
Join us for ‘Hot Lunch Friday’ followed by playtime with friends. After the break, join in with our whole school EQ (Emotional Intelligence) games session... lots of fun! At the end of the day, you can catch the bus home with the other students (and Mrs Saunders!)

Tuesday 6th December 2016
STATEWIDE TRANSITION DAY
Bethanga Primary School 9-3:30pm
You're a big kid now!! Join us from the start of the day with your 2017 classmates! Experience a session in the art room, literacy, numeracy and sport!

Notes for parents:
- Bring a water bottle, a piece of fresh fruit, a snack, lunch and school hat.
- Students will be provided with a transition pack full of activities to get them excited about starting school in 2017. You'll also find some useful parent tip sheets
Excursion to Tallangatta – Friday 4\textsuperscript{th} November

We had a fabulous day out as a whole school on Friday! Not only did we participate in ‘Music Count us in’ which saw us joining with 6 other local schools to sing ‘Let it Play’ Simultaneously with half a million other students all around Australia, we also spent time in the centre of Tallangata. Students enjoyed discovering items from yester-year at the Old Time Theatre Memorabilia Store. We appreciated Ray Crispin allowing us to take a look! We spent time at the new library which was beautiful – very inviting, light, airy but then a feel of cosiness too! Students will bring home registration forms today if you would like them to become a member of the library. Thank you to Miss Miriam Briggs who organised the Music Count Us In event.

For full photo gallery, please download our school app (School Stream and then search for Bethanga Primary School)