



Bethanga Primary School

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 personalized attention in order for our children to reach their full academic and social potential.

School Values **R**APPORT – **R**espect **A**cceptance **P**ersistence **P**ride **O**ptimism **R**esilience **T**ruth

Term 3 Week 9 2022

Newsletter published
Friday 16th September 2022

Upcoming Dates

TERM 3

WEEK 10

Friday 16th September

Last Day of Term 3 2:30pm finish

TERM 4

WEEK 1

Monday 3rd October

First Day of Term 4

Wednesday 5th October

World Teacher's Day

Friday 7th October

Division Athletics

WEEK 3

Friday 21st October

F-2 Excursion to Melbourne Zoo

WEEK 4

Friday 28th October

Cluster Day – Science Theme

Upper Sandy Creek PS

WEEK 5

Monday 31st October

Cluster Student Free Day

NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Tuesday 1st November

Melbourne Cup Day

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

WEEK 6

Friday 11th November

Remembrance Day



Happy Birthday to Denver and Aleysha who are celebrating their birthdays this week and over the holidays.



From the Principals Pen...

Term 3 has flown by in a blur! It really is hard to believe that we are three quarters of the way through this school year. I am so proud of our school community – students have continued to grow and shine so eager this week to complete assessment to gauge their progress... wonderfully motivated learners!

This week saw the installation of our Storybook Staircase... a wonderful addition to our school that makes me smile EVERY time I look at it. As well as representing Millewa and the books they have enjoyed personally or as a class, it was lovely to hear students from Mudgee talking about the books they recognized, the ones that had been read to them at home and the ones they wanted to read when they were older – fabulous to see our younger students aspiring to be strong readers (and they are working at it every day!)

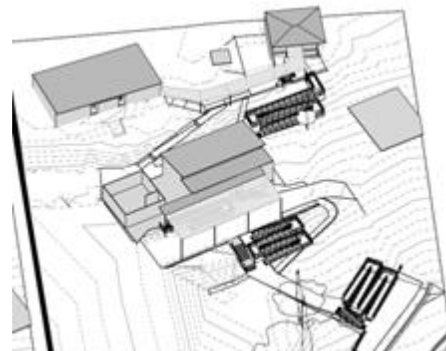
Over the holidays, our Ramps project will commence. This is a \$300,000 project made possible with funding by the VSBA (Victorian Schools Building Association) over 3 stages to enhance our school further making it accessible to people with mobility issues. Stage 1 will include the student toilets – a ramp from the back of the admin building zig zagging to meet the student toilets. Stage 2 will be decreasing the gradient of the existing ramp near the front office, which will also involve removing one side of the stairs leading to the office. Stage 3 will be the biggest! It involves access from the front of the school with a whole new entry to the school with two ramps (one at the entrance and one at the top where the existing garden is) linked with a new wider path to meet the existing stairs up to the office... it will be amazing but will require some modifications and disruptions over term 4 – I will work with the Project Manager to ensure disruptions have minimal impact of teaching and learning.

I would like to have a Working Bee on Sunday 16th October (T4 WK2) so that we can work to re-home the totem poles currently in the garden beds at the entrance and at the stairs as well as moving river rock and some plants from the front garden – more hands make light work so please pop it on to your calendar from 9am (with a BBQ lunch provided).

Please take the time over the holidays to recharge... Notice the small things, soak up some sunshine and embrace the quality time together.

Kind Regards,

Rach Saunders



5 Beardmore Street Bethanga VIC 3691



(02) 60 264 263



(02) 60 264 386



bethanga.ps@education.vic.gov.au



www.bethanga.vic.gov.au



Also find us on Facebook to keep up to date.

Student Achievement

Congratulations to the students who were acknowledged at assembly this week for being active learners and making positive contributions to the Bethanga Primary School community.



Parker: for the amazing effort you have put into our addition topic during Maths. You did a fantastic job learning number of different strategies including the 'Split Strategy' and you are a doubling super star. Well done!

Ollie: for the amazing growth you have shown in your ability to read high frequency words. You have learnt so many more sight words and should be so proud of your reading, we sure are!

Chase: for excellent completion of weekly homework. Your attitude, dedication and commitment to complete all your tasks is to be commended Chase. I'm really proud of you. Keep up the great work.

Brooke: for excellent contributions during your sustainability karaoke project. Your enthusiasm is so infectious. Keep it up Brooke!

Lunchtime Activities Term 4

Lunchtime activities will be up and running once again next term with Georgie and Jaymee.

Lots of great things have been planned. We are looking forward to some fun outdoor games and craft activities during lunchtime.



Mudgee



Mudgee teachers understand the importance of assessment within our classroom. We use assessment to help us individualise our lessons and focus on each student's point of need. We also use assessment to closely monitor the student's growth throughout the year and plot this data to see any patterns or gaps in their understanding. The other key importance of assessment is to provide feedback:

- *Feedback to teachers* and how we are tracking with our lessons
- *Feedback to parents*, through conversations and reports
- *Feedback to students*. When students understand they have made growth, they begin to show pride in their achievements and can set their own learning goals.



We are so proud of the growth we have seen from our students and we wanted them to acknowledge their achievements with our community.



I am proud of...

- Olivia B - building towers with blocks and my writing skills.
Angus - Writing more and spelling words by myself.
Billy - I am better at Maths, doing addition and subtraction.
Amelia - My reading, because I am really good at reading chapter books.
Maggie - my drawings, because I used to do messy ones but now I do clear ones.
Hugo - reading groups because I am learning computers and maths because I'm a super star.
Lucy - my writing, I am good at writing the joke of the day.
Samuel - my writing, because I am better at doing uppercase and lowercase.
Sylvie - my writing because I have started to write smaller and faster.
Bree - helping people and my drawing, because I started drawing stick people but now I draw actual people.
Jude - having more patience at assembly to wait for your turn for bucket fillers
Millie - doing more writing and reading harder levels.
Olivia T - doing neat drawings and publishing my writing.
Ivy - my reading, because I can do my readers at home.
Ollie - I learnt about time and how to read the clock.

GET TO KNOW OUR COMMUNITY

I am a good friend because...



Jack

I'm kind



Somewhere I would like to visit

A game or activity I love...



Jurassic World Evolution

Happy bucket filler day. Your smile lights up the room, I love your passion in sport and dinosaurs. From Annie

You seem funny and nice. From Quinn

I like how you are kind. From Jacob

You are very nice to me and I like how you like Pokémon. From Melody

You have been a good year 6 leader. From Ivy L

You're the funniest person I know. You are super and kind and my best friend. From Olive

You are really funny and an awesome friend. You are also very fun. From Ava

You're a great brother and a great friend and I think you are really funny and I'm sure a lot of people will miss you when you go to high school next year. From Billy

You have such an amazing personality. You are draped in kindness and show compassion for all. You are a natural born leader. Mrs Hamam

You are an excellent friend and you are extremely funny. You are my favourite partner in sport. From Miles

You are so kind and inclusive to everyone. From Reuben

Happy bucket filler day and I like trading Pokémon with you. From Aleysha

You are so funny, you're kind and you have a big smile on your face. Keep it up. From Brooke

You help me with my craft. From Ollie

Thank you for being my friend. You have done a great job as a grade 6. From Olivia T

You are so kind to me and I will miss you next year because you will be going to high school. From Amelia

You are a very smart person. I wish I was that smart too. From Millie

I like how you are one of the leaders at assembly. From Olivia B

You are a funny person to me and others. From Billy

You are a funny and caring brother to me and Billy. From Angus

I love you so much because you play with me. From Ivy

You are a very good friend. You are really tall. I bet you could easily reach me in crocodile. you must be a very good player. I love you. From Jude

You are a kind person and you make really good jokes. From Sylvie

You are very energetic and I like trading Pokémon with you. From Samuel

Whenever I see you, you have a smile on your face. It lights up the room. From Maggie

You look very nice and I hope to know more about you. From Lucy

You are so funny. I will miss you when you are gone next year. From Bree

You are very generous to me and others. Thank you for playing with me a lot. From Eve



5 Beardmore Street Bethanga VIC 3691



(02) 60 264 263



(02) 60 264 386



bethanga.ps@education.vic.gov.au



www.bethanga.vic.gov.au



Also find us on Facebook to keep up to date.

The Storybook Staircase



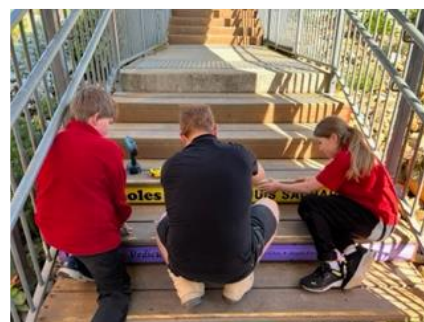
I think it was a very good project. It really fits in with book week and our favourite books. It's really cool to look at. My favourite book is rings of fire.

Ava



The stairs are really cool. They are all the books that all of our class really likes. It was lots of fun helping install the stairs.

Aleysha



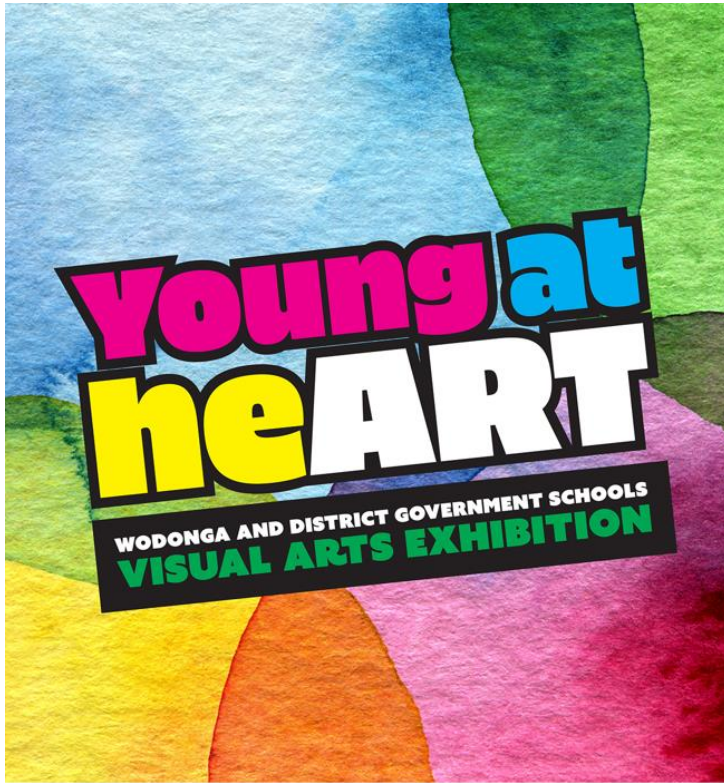
I really like the stairs because I really like all the books and it looks like a bookcase. It was super fun, I really liked helping to install them.

Melody



**THE
FINISHED
PRODUCT!!**





**GIGS (GATEWAY ISLAND GALLERY AND STUDIOS)
ON THE LINCOLN CAUSEWAY**

August 30th - September 24th
OFFICIAL OPENING DAY
Saturday 3rd September 2pm-4pm

Transition at Bethanga Primary School

Starting school is an exciting time in a child's life. However, with this excitement can come feelings of uncertainty and nervousness. To ensure these feelings are minimised, we endeavour to make your child feel a part of our school before they start! This makes for a smooth transition and a great start in 2023!

THE FOLLOWING TRANSITION ACTIVITIES ARE FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED TO COMMENCE SCHOOL AT BETHANGA PRIMARY IN 2023 (Enrolment forms are available at kindy or school, please complete ASAP)

14th - 18th November 2022

Bellbridge Early Years Centre visit

(official day organised closer to the date to accommodate for when children are at kindy)

Tuesday 22nd November 2022

Bethanga Primary School 10-11am

Tuesday 29th November 2022

Bethanga Primary School 9am-11:30am

Tuesday 6th December 2022

Bethanga Primary School 12:30-3:30pm

Tuesday 13th December 2022

STATEWIDE TRANSITION DAY
Bethanga Primary School 9-3:30pm

CONTACT THE SCHOOL FOR FURTHER DETAILS

WODONGA WATERPOLO CLUB

SEEKING NEW PLAYERS AGES 11+
SEASON STARTS OCTOBER - APRIL

NO SKILL NECESSARY, NEW PLAYERS WELCOME TO ALL NEW EVENTS, TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT DAYS

TEAMS:
U14 & U16 BOYS
U14 & U16 GIRLS
SENIOR MEN - C & B GRADE
SENIOR WOMEN - C, B & A GRADE

UP & COMING EVENTS:

- DEVELOPMENT CAMP 18TH SEPTEMBER (ALL AGES & SKILL LEVELS)
- COME & TRY DAYS 20TH & 22ND SEPTEMBER
- REGISTRATION DAY SUNDAY 9TH OCTOBER 4PM @ BLAZING STUMP

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST TO PLAY, FOR DEVELOPMENT CAMP, REGISTRATION DAY & SOCIAL EVENTS VIA OUR FACEBOOK - WODONGA WATERPOLO CLUB OR EMAIL.

WAVES WODONGA | HELLO@WODONGAWATERPOLO.COM.AU | f | ig

GET INTO SOFTBALL THIS SUMMER

SEASON STARTS **OCT 8, 2022**

WHO CAN PLAY? **ALL AGES & ABILITIES**

COME & PLAY AT SOFTBALL ALBURY WODONGA

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR HOME RUN HEROES PROGRAM DATES AND COME & TRY SESSIONS

JELBART PARK ALBURY | HOME RUN HEROES | SCAN HERE:

For more information visit: www.revolutionise.com.au/saw/home/