



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 8 2022

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Friday 2nd September 2022

Upcoming Dates

TERM 3

WEEK 8

Saturday 3rd September
**Young at heART Opening at
GIGS on the Causeway 2pm**

WEEK 9

Wednesday 7th September
MUDGE The Flying Bookworm

Thursday 8th September
R U OK? Day

Friday 9th September
STUDENT FREE DAY

Sunday 11th September
Berringa Peninsula Market

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

From the Principals Pen...

What a wonderful day we had yesterday at the NERSSA Athletics Carnival. This was a news experience for the majority of our students given it had not taken place since 2019! Students loved it! Everyone gave 100% effort, encouraged others (from all schools) and genuinely demonstrated our school values consistently – was so good to see!



Students proudly displayed their ribbons having finished in the top 3 for events. The top two from each age group, in each event qualify for the Division Athletics which take place at the same venue on Friday 7th October (Week 1, Term 4). Unfortunately this means some of our students in the 9/10 age group, although finishing with a ribbon in some events, do not go through to Division. Their scores are combined with both 9/10 groups (both boys and girls had two groups for this age group as there are so many students in this age bracket) so it is only the top two for the whole age group (boys and girls) that qualify. Congratulations to the following students who have qualified for Division:

Miles – Discus (16.27m) **Billy** – Shotput (5.76m)
Jack – High Jump (1.15m), Triple Jump (6.87m) 100m (16.18sec)

HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND EVERYONE!
Rach Saunders

PARENT OPINION SURVEY - OPEN NOW

58% of families have completed this survey so far

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school. This Survey is created by the Department of Education and is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and wellbeing. As has been evident in the past, we highly value the opinions of our school community and use survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies. Given the small size of our school, we hope to represent the opinions of ALL families in this survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. Information regarding the log on details specific to our school have been communicated through uEducateUs. The survey opened on Monday 15th August and **closes Friday 16th September** (the last day of term 3). The survey is conducted online, only takes 20 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. If you have any questions or queries about this survey – please do not hesitate to contact me.



Upcoming Staff Changes

Although staff absences are often unavoidable, we will endeavour where possible to communicate any planned changes in the newsletter each week.

Current Planned Changes:

WEEK 10

Monday 12th September
Madonna in Mudgee (F-2 Cluster Planning day)

Wednesday 14th September
Mrs Saunders in Millewa (3-6 Cluster Planning day)

Principal Commitments have required substantial time out of the classroom in Term 3, to support students with consistency, Mrs Hamam will teach in Millewa fulltime for the remaining 2 weeks of term.



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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.



Billy: The interesting twist he put on his clay dragon eye creation. He used careful joining techniques and included intricate detail in his design. His sculpture is interesting and unique!

Daniel: Standing up to others when they are not demonstrating our School Values – wonderful role modelling of what it means to be a Bethanga Student.

Miles: For outstanding growth in writing. Your recent narrative piece showed great uplevelling with wonderful descriptive phrases and engaging plot.

Millie: A great start to her narrative writing – can't wait to read the finish

Amelia: the interesting Magiclay leaves you sculpted so carefully. Each of your leaves has a unique design. You put a lot of thought into your artwork, completing it beautifully without rushing.

Jude: Sounding out words to create fabulous sentences.

Clay-mania!

During our most recent Art session, students used Magiclay (a fast-drying modelling compound) and airdry clay to create a variety of clay sculptures including leaves and dragon eyes. We had a lot of fun learning about clay joining techniques, using clay tools to make texture, and just having a play with clay!

When the time comes to paint our creations, we will explore *colour theory* and talk about vocabulary such as analogous colours, complimentary colours, primary colours, secondary colours and tertiary colours.

- Miss Turner

THURSDAY 8th SEPTEMBER 2022

Students will participate in awareness activities around R U OK? Day and are encouraged to dress in **YELLOW** on this day.

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GET TO KNOW OUR COMMUNITY

I am a good friend because...



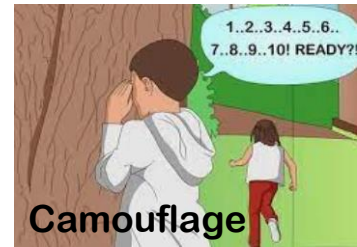
I listen to people

Melody

A game or activity I love...



Somewhere I would like to visit



Camouflage

I like how you are a great sister to me. I also like your very fun games, you are a bubble of joy. Your smile lights up the room. From Jude

You are so kind and playful and a good friend. From Reuben

I like how you are a really energetic person, your smile lights up the room. From Parker

I love your fun and bubbly personality. You have such a kind smile. From Ava

You are very kind to me and I love you a lot. I also like playing with you. You are one of the greatest friends I have ever had. From Bree

Thank you for being so kind, keep it up. From Jack

I like how you are a kind, funny and generous person. Your smile lights up the room. From Sylvie

You are so kind to me and others. You are kind to everyone. From Brooke

You are very kind to me and I love playing with you. From Lucy

You are a bubble of joy and happiness. Your smile lights up the room. You are adventurous and humorous.

You try everything. From Annie

You are really playful to me and others, you also let me play in your games. From Eve

I look forward to getting to know you. From Denver

I like how you are always kind to me and others. From Brianna

You're the best friend ever and you're so nice in morning care. From Aleysha

I think your personality is really bubbly and you are bright. I really like how nice you are to me and I am happy to be in year 3 next year so I will see you. From Amelia

I look forward to being your neighbour. From Quinn

I like how you play with me everyday and you're the best student in Millewa that I have ever seen.

From Olivia B



You are always very kind to others and your smile always lights up the room. From Ivy L

You are an amazing Millewa person. You are a really good friend to me. Thank you for being such an amazing friend, I feel like we are sisters. Love from Millie

I love seeing you run around the school with a smile and it's really fun to play with you. From Billy

On the first day of the year when I came to Bethanga Primary School, you helped me find my bug with Millie. From Maggie

You are a very kind and caring person and you make excellent huts. From Miles

You have a such a fun personality, and I like playing at the huts with you. You also have interesting games to play.

From Samuel

Your bright smile lights up the room. You always include everybody in your fun games. From Olive

I like your drawings. They are so cute. From Ollie

You are a great person. You always be kind to me and others. Thanks for being a kind person to me and others. From Chase

You are kind to me and others. From Billy

I love you so much because you are nice to me. I wish you are merry bucket filler day. From Ivy L

You are a really funny friend to everyone. From Angus

Thank you for being my friend. From Olivia T

You always choose the kind thing to do. Your smile lights up the room, From Daniel



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My Dad is Special because...

FROM



- My Dad is special to me because he lets me go to the post office and buy a lolly for Melody and me. Jude
- My Dad is special because he plays with me all the time. Ivy
- My Dad is special because he lets me use his old computer that can turn into an iPad. Maggie.
- My Dad is special because he always gives me treats. Olivia. B
- My Dad is special because he is always kind. Brianna
- My Dad is special because he helped me build the house. Parker
- My Dad is special because he takes me fishing a lot. Billy
- My Dad is special because he helps me when I makes things in the shed. Angus
- My Dad is special because he thinks of funny storries about our family. I laugh a lot at them. Amelia
- My Dad is special because he plays with me after school and always gives me a kiss before I go to sleep. Sylvie
- My Dad is special because he fixes my toys. Eve
- My Dad is special because he loves me and he cares about me. Lucy
- My Dad is special because he plays ninjas with me. Ollie
- My Uncle is special because he always lets me rides motorbikes and he cares about me. Samuel
- My Dad is special because he helps me whenever I need. Olivia T.
- My Dad is special because he lets me watch tv and he lets me eat popcorn all the time. Millie
- My Dad is special because he is the greats dad in the world and that's why I love him. Bree
- My Dad is special because he is very strong. Hugo
- My Dad is special because he gives me his old phone all the time. Hudson.



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My Dad is Special to me because...

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My dad is special to me because he is nice to me and because without him, I would not be alive. Melody

My dad is special to me because he takes me down to the fields and kicks the ball with me. Miles

My dad is special to me because he is really funny and kind. Reuben

My dad is special to me because he is nice to me and when he goes to pick up Maddy he brings me McDonalds. Aleysha

My dad is special to me because he takes care of me and he is really funny and he makes funny jokes. Daniel

My dad is special to me because he is always nice to me and because he lets me join in with things he is doing, like fixing our caravan. Olive

My dad is special to me because he always helps me with my homework. Billy Bayliss

My dad is special to me because he is always there for me and he helps me when I am stuck. Jack

My dad is special to me because he always reads me a book at bed time and he heats my wheat pack up and cuddles with me. Annie

My dad is special to me because he does a lot of hard work and he tucks me in at night and he takes care of me. Quinn

My dad is special to me because he takes care of me and he gives me nice things. Ivy Lodge

My dad is special to me because he cares for me, he loves me and he is the best company ever and he brings me spring rolls for lunch. Ava

My dad is special to me because he gives me hugs all the time and buys me lots of gifts. Brooke

My dad is special to me because he is very kind, he takes care of me when Mum is at Supercheap, he is funny and he is very good at basketball. Chase

My dad is special to me because he loves me. Denver



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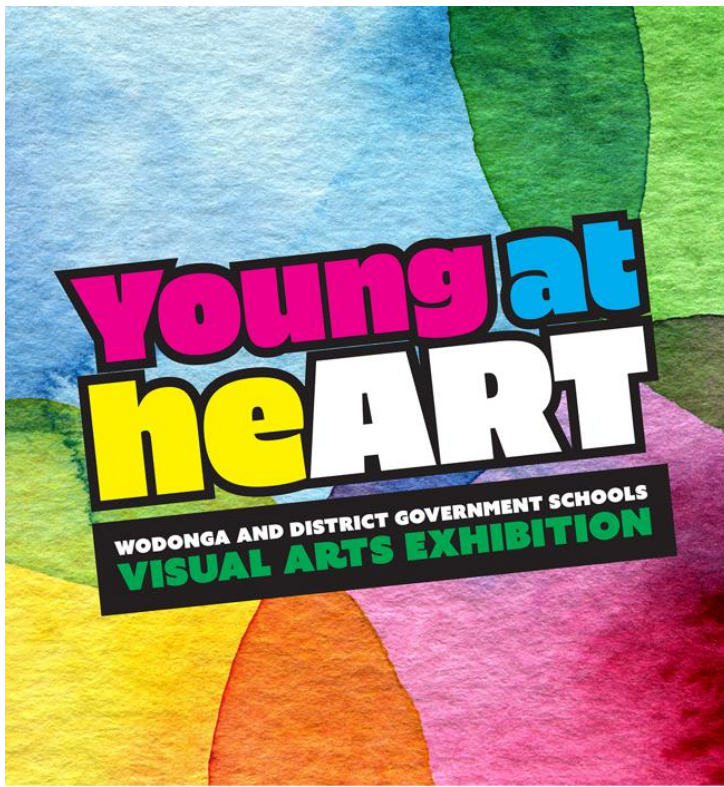
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**GIGS (GATEWAY ISLAND GALLERY AND STUDIOS)
ON THE LINCOLN CAUSEWAY**

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



**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.

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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



Big enough to deliver, small enough to care.

Year 7 Laptop and E-Learning

When: Monday 12th September 6pm

Where: Tallangatta Secondary College

Intended audience: Enrolling students, students in Year 9 transition to Year 10.

In conjunction with Educom IT Albury Tallangatta Secondary College will present information about the digital learning platforms as well as device options.

Educom IT will present a range of different devices, insurance/warranty options/processes and there will be opportunities for questions/guidance.

For anyone who cannot attend please contact the school 02 6071 5000 so information can be distributed after the evening.