



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 4 Week 7 2022

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Friday 18th November 2022

Upcoming Dates

WEEK 8

Tuesday 22nd November
Year 3/4 Cluster Camp
15 Mile Creek departs

F2023 Transition no.1 10:00-11:00am

Friday 25th November
Year 3/4 Cluster Camp
15 Mile Creek returns

WEEK 9

Monday-Friday
Whole School Swimming

Tuesday 29th
F2023 Transition 2 9:00-11:30

Sunday 4th December
Bellbridge Carols by
Candlelight

WEEK 10

Tuesday 6th December
F2023 Transition 3 12:30-3:30pm

Thursday 8th December
Year 6 Graduation @ 6pm

Friday 9th December
Reports go home

Year 6 & Year 12 Breakfast
7:45-8:45am

WEEK 11

Monday 12th December
Growth Showcase 4:30-5:30pm
BYO Picnic dinner 5:30-6:30pm
Presentations 6:30- 8:00pm

Tuesday 13th December
Statewide Transition Day 9:00-
3:30pm

Wednesday 14th December
TSC Transition Day 2

Friday 16th December
Whole School Fun Day

WEEK 12

Monday 19th December
Water Play Day
STUDENTS LAST DAY

Tuesday 20th December
Cluster Curriculum Day

2023 SCHOOL YEAR
COMMENCES FOR STUDENTS
TUESDAY 31ST JANUARY

From the Principals Pen...

We have had such a wonderful week at Bethanga! We finished last week with the F-2 Melbourne Zoo trip which I was lucky enough to go on. Our youngest students did an amazing job displaying our school values throughout what was a super active and very long day! This was the first time that our Melbourne trip had happened since 2019 so was a first for all Mudgee students. New experiences with trains, buses, escalators... and animals that we had written information reports about – in real life!! Thank you to all of the students from Mudgee for their exemplary behaviour... it made the day so enjoyable for Mrs Grove, Georgie and myself!



Learning continues in term 4 but as we move into the second half of it, it is also a time for assessment and reflection on growth. It has made my heart sing listening to the excitement in the voices of students sharing their achievements with me – struggles overcome, new concepts learned and anticipation about new learning to come!

Teachers will use the results of this assessment, along with their observations and students workbooks to gauge levels of achievement that will be captured in our Semester 2 reports. These reports will go home with students at the end of week 10.

Kind Regards,
Rach Saunders



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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.

Quinn: excellence in Maths. Your fluency strategies are well-developed Quinn. You have demonstrated some fabulous skills to attack difficult numerical problems. Keep up the great work Quinn!

Hugo: the outstanding effort you put into your narrative writing last week. You increased your writing stamina so much writing almost two pages! Your Kirby story had us on the edge of our seats with lots of descriptive words and a splash of excitement with a big 'K-Boom!'. Keep it up, you're a superstar!

Annie: outstanding progress in Numeracy. We are all so proud of the amazing growth you have experienced in Maths throughout this year. You are consistently applying strategies that help you solve mathematical problems. Keep it up Annie.

Lucy: for your amazing work in writing last week. You are putting so much effort into improving your writing by revising and editing to use punctuation correctly. You are even including some great descriptive words, well done!

Ivy V: for the effort she put into her reading last week. Ivy could use the pictures in the book to work out some tricky words and was able to correct her reading when she knew she made a mistake. Excellent reading skills, well done!

Millie: for always being such a kind and helpful member of our classroom. We are going to miss you so much but are super proud of your learning this year. Keep smiling and all the best on your new and exciting adventure!

Samuel: the impressive effort and extra details you added to your perspective cow illustration. You used scale to create depth in your artwork and your final piece is brilliant. Well done, Samuel!

Carols by Candlelight

Bethanga Primary School students will be joining Talgarno Primary School and Bellbridge Early Years Centre for the annual Bellbridge Carols by Candlelight.

The carols will be held on Sunday 4th December at the Boat Club from 6:30pm (TBC)

The songs the children will be performing on the night are included below if they would like to practice at home.

Jingle Bells

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uSRMtoFpPL0>

Santa Claus is coming to town

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Rh2qJAybdM>

We wish you a merry Christmas

This song will be performed in AUSLAN. The signs are also attached.



Upcoming Staffing 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 8:




Friday 25th November
Madonna in Mudgee

Week 9:

Wednesday 30th November
Mrs Saunders in Mudgee (Mrs Smith at a PD)

Tutoring available



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GET TO KNOW OUR COMMUNITY



Millie

I am kind to others

What makes me a good friend?



Canada

A place I'd like to visit

A game I like to play



Everyone's in

It is fun playing dog games with you at the huts, you are a good friend – I will miss you when you move to Canada. Samuel

You are very kind to others and the things you think up in your imagination are cool. Bree

I am going to miss you because we have been great friends. Good luck in Canada – I hope you keep warm! Hudson

I like how you are so kind to me and you always play with me. Brianna

I am going to miss you when you leave. Lucy

You are a really kind friend to everyone. I will miss you when you go. Angus

I like how you play with me because you are nice to me. Ivy

You are the best because you always get me in our games of Great Wall of China – you are so good at that game! Jude

You are kind. You are also a good drawer. Billy

You are great at playing games. I will miss you! Maggie

I love how you are a really great friend to me and others. Olivia B

I like you because you are a kind and funny person and I love singing and making up songs with you. Sylvie

You are very kind to me and I am going to miss you. Eve

You are a good friend me and you are a good friend to others too. Because you play nicely with us. Olivia T

I have liked getting to know you. I will miss you when you move away. Everly

I like how you always play with me. And I like how always pick 'Everyone's It' for game votes. I will miss you. I hope you have a good life in Canada. Parker

I love that you're going to Canada I hope you have a good time over there. Hugo

I think you are really creative and kind. I like all the facts you know about Canada. I'm a little sad that you're leaving because you make my year five times better. Amelia

You are a very good friend to play with. I'm going miss you. Oliver

You are an energetic and nice person. Jacob

You are happy every day. I will miss you, safe travels! Annie

I just love your confidence! I love how dramatic you are and how you are always up for a chat. Mrs Hamam

You're everyone's reminder when it comes to excursions. You won't let anyone forget. Ivy L

You are my best friend. I will miss you so much. I hope we can be better at being pen pals. Melody

Your bubbly personality lights up the room we're all going to miss you when you move to Canada. Tell me if the maple syrup is better. Olive

You are a great friend. I hope you have a great time in Canada. Ava

We will all miss you when you are gone. Jack

You are a nice person. and we will all miss you. Safe travels to Canada. Miles

You are a sweet little child, and I will miss you when you leave. Billy Bayliss

You are a kind person. I like how you are a good drawer. Chase

I am really going to miss you. Have a great time in Canada. Quinn

You are a really good person. Denver

You are kind to your peers. I hope you have a good time in Canada. Brooke

You're so fun and you sometimes make me laugh in morning care. We will miss you. Aleysha



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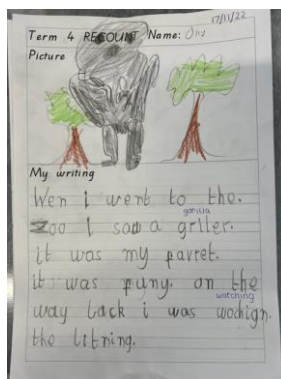
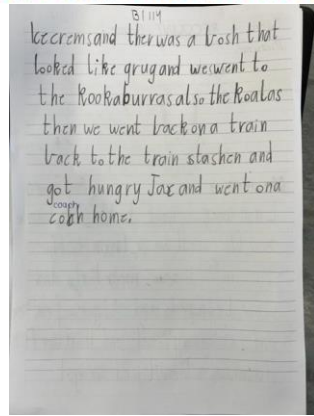
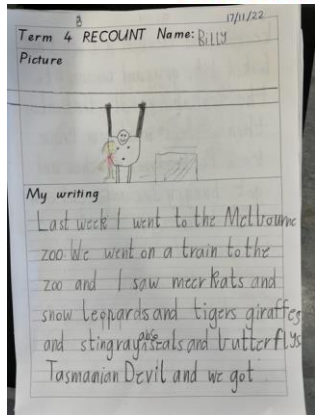


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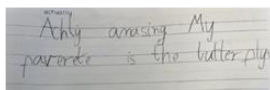


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Mudgee



Mudgee's Melbourne Zoo visit



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.

Term 4 Transition Calendar

- WK1 Enrolment Packs sent to families
- WK 3 Completed Enrolment Forms due back to TSC Mon 17/10
- WK4 Students complete student activity (What I want TSC to know about me)
- WK6-WK8 School Visits – TSC Staff Member to meet with Primary Classroom Teacher
- WK9 TSC Formalise 2023 Year 7 Classes and Peer Support Leaders
- WK11 Tues 13th & Wed 14th Dec Headstart Days (full days at TSC)
- Wed 14th Dec Parent Information Evening @ 6pm



Enrolments for 2023 are now open. You can visit our website (bigchildcare.com), email bethanga@bigchildcare.com, phone 0423304823 or see Kaitlin for a paper copy and to get any further information. Kaitlin can also send a paper copy home with your child or post it to you.

Kaitlin will be at Bethanga Primary School all day every transition to School Day to speak to parents and answer any questions. Tuesday 27th November Kaitlin will be hosting a small morning and afternoon tea for parents as well as holding an information day. Everyone is welcomed to attend. Summer Holiday days are open too. Please contact Kaitlin to book your child/ren in.

16 - 20 JANUARY

- MON 16 JAN | COURAGE** \$70 - \$25
Remember the wonderful 1970s musical *Grease*? Learn a new trick, learn dance a basket, or even try the ringo water! Our ringo has a much fun to be had on this special day, so jump on in!
- TUE 17 JAN | PIZZA PARTY** \$70
Ain't no party like a Pizza Party! You'll be supervising your own dough and creating your very own pizza, what will you make? It can't be bread! It's a must, so we'll show you how to make that delicious crust and it's all yours!
- WED 18 JAN | SLIME TIME** \$70
Slime, slime and everything in between, don't wear your coat, clothes because it's going to be a crazy messy day! You're going to get all the slime and make! We'll be washing our hands, we'll hose them down at the end!
- THU 19 JAN | POKEMON PLAN DAY** \$70
Welcome to the World of Pokemon, it's time to get ready to catch them all! Time to test our knowledge, design your own Pokemon cards, design your own Pokemon and so much more!
- FRI 20 JAN | ICE CREAM FACTORY** \$70
I scream, you scream we all scream for ICE CREAM! Welcome to the Ice Cream Factory where we show you how to make all the different flavours, and of course you can taste test the final product!

23 - 27 JANUARY

- MON 23 JAN CHOCOLATE FACTORY** \$70
Welcome to the Chocolate Factory! You can expect homemade chocolate, chocolate sprinkles, chocolate ice cream, chocolate dipped in chocolate! We're not holding back on this whole day of your favourite treat!
- TUE 24 JAN | AUSTRALIA DAY** \$70
Let's celebrate everything Aussie! You can expect Australian food and games all day long whilst celebrating the original Australians of our land and the different cultures that make Australia the place it is today.
- WED 25 JAN | BIG FUN DAY** \$70 - \$30
Today we are going on an excursion to Ashby West OBC to have a fun day with lots of different activities.
- THU 26 JAN | POKEMON HOLIDAY** \$35 - \$35
Big Childcare is offline today due to the public holiday. We're going to recharge, and we hope you get the chance to do the same with your family too, as 2023 is going to be a BIG year!
- FRI 27 JAN | IMAJ SCIENCE** \$70
Join us at the mad science laboratory for amazing, crazy and wild experiments that'll be making things go fast, when anything that will make you turn into an officially Mad Scientist by the end of the day!

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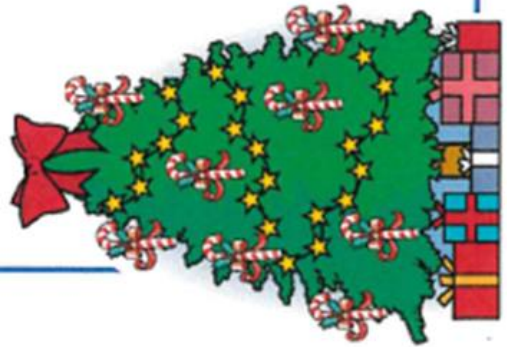
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Merry Christmas Song




We wish you a merry Christmas

We wish you a merry Christmas,
We wish you a merry Christmas,



and a happy new year.



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