



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 2 Week 7 2023

Newsletter published
Thursday 8th June 2023

Upcoming Dates

Week 7

Friday 9th

Report Writing Day - No Classes Scheduled

Week 8

Monday 12th

NO SCHOOL - King's Birthday Public holiday

Friday 16th

Parent Teacher Interviews

Week 9

Tuesday 20th - Friday 23rd

**Grade 3-4 Camp
15 Mile Creek**

Friday 23rd

Last Day of Term 2 - 2:30pm finish

TERM 3

Week 1

Friday 14th July

Winter Sports Carnival 3-6

Week 2

Friday 21st

VSSS23 Rehearsal 10:00-2:30pm



Happy Birthday to Bree and Nick who celebrate their birthdays this week.



From the Principal's Pen:

The end of Term 2 is fast approaching! There is certainly no slowing down between now and then though. Teachers and students have been engaged with Assessment over the last two weeks. This assessment informs Teacher Judgements for school reports, but it also highlights student achievement... a time to acknowledge student growth. Parent/Teacher interviews is another opportunity to celebrate student growth. These will take place next week – Friday 16th June. Students will still attend school on this day (I will teach Millewa in the middle session and then will fold the whole school for an EQ session in the afternoon). Parents are encouraged to arrive at least 5min before scheduled interview so that they can collect their child/ren before heading to the interview with Miss Sutton or Mrs Grove. If you have not booked an interview time, please do so ASAP via uEducateUs (there was a glitch with Mudgee bookings however this has been rectified). Student Reports will go home on Thursday 15th June (in addition to being published digitally via uEducateUs).

Next week we also have our Cluster Planning Days. These days are scheduled once a term (split over two days) and provide the opportunity for staff from Bethanga, Talgarno, Eskdale, Mitta, Upper Sandy and Walwa (Collectively identified as the Upper Murray Learning Community or 'Cluster') to work collaboratively to plan and prepare for the term ahead. In addition to this planning, part of the day is allocated to writing moderation and data analysis. Every student F-6 across the cluster is given the same prompt and the same protocols for a writing session. These writing samples are then assessed by each classroom teacher and then brought to our Cluster Planning Days for Moderation. Moderation ensures learners are assessed in a consistent, accurate and well-designed way. It ensures consistency – that a writing sample marked at 4.5 at one school would be marked at exactly the same level at another school. These sessions generate engaging, valuable professional discussion and increases our own understanding of the intricacies of the Victorian Curriculum and validates the accuracy of our teacher judgements. This writing also informs future focus for improvement through our Professional Learning Communities.

F-2 Cluster Planning Day will take place on Tuesday, I will be in Mudgee so that Mrs Smith can attend. On Wednesday, I will attend the 3-6 Planning Day.

In Week 9, our 3/4 students will head off to 15 Mile Creek for our 4 day, 3 night camp. This camp is an amazing experience linking strongly to our focus on EQ and wellbeing, encouraging students to extend beyond their comfort zone – to take 'safe' risks and challenge themselves to try new things requiring persistence and resilience! Thank you to all 3/4 parents who have returned permission and consent forms. Please ensure that the parent camp contribution of \$150 (if \$50 deposit was paid) is paid by Monday 19th June.

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.

Angus: for your commitment towards your book work presentation. You are trying hard to set out your work neatly. Well done, Angus!

Maggie: for the creativity and flair shown when you created a song during our 'writing for joy' sessions. It is inspirational to see your confidence shine through in all forms of writing. Well done, Maggie!

Everly: for the way she showed resilience throughout classroom activities and for demonstrating hard-work in every task that came her way.

Sylvie: for the way she showed leadership throughout our Bowling Games for Maths and for taking on every task with determination.

Brooke: for your daily efforts in our morning messages. You put care and thought into your writing pieces and try hard to add our focus to your sentences. Well done, Brooke!

Laptop & E-Learning Information Evening



Monday
19th June 2023

6pm

In partnership with Educom IT Albury.
TSC will present laptop options for
2024 as well as information about
E-Safety and Compass

ICT and Junior Years Leaders: Mitch Harris & Ryan Watson

EVERYONE CAN LIKE:






RESPECTFUL
RELATIONSHIPS

Homework Club

Millewa parents please note: Homework Club will not run in the last week of term (Wednesday 21st June) due to staff absences.

Due to Student Voice feedback, beginning Term 3 Week 1, Homework Club will be moved to Monday afternoons 3:30-4:15pm.



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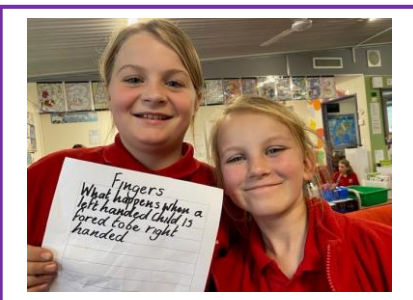
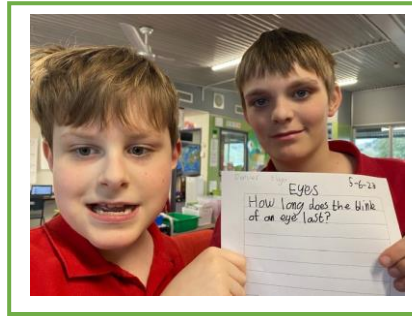
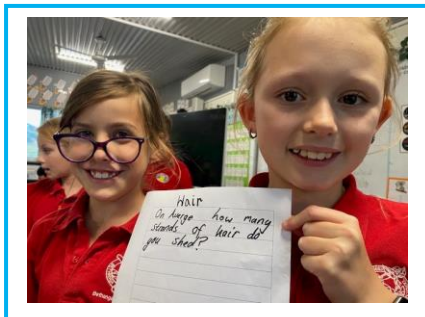
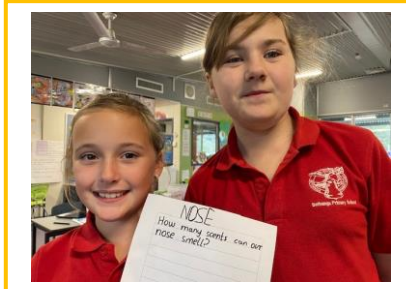
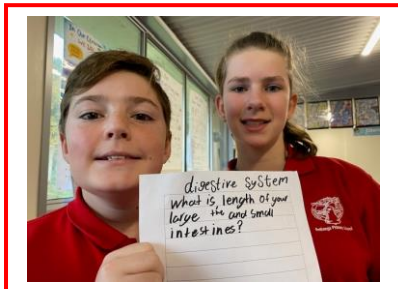
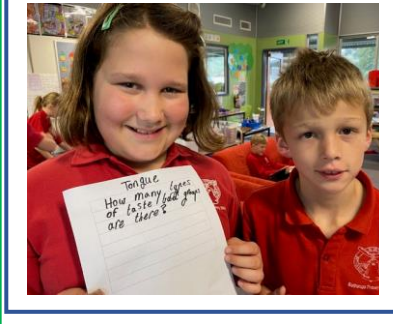
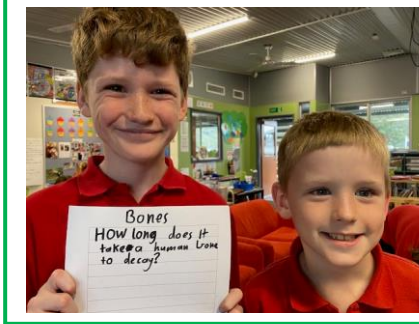
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Millewa

MARVELLOUS MILLEWA LOVE LEARNING ABOUT THE HUMAN BODY!

Marvelous Millewa have been learning about the human body this term. As quick as a flash, students in Millewa researched information about our body to quiz our newsletter readers. Please enjoy the challenge our grade 3-6 students have set you. Did you answer 10 questions correctly? What did you know already and what did you learn? The answers are provided for you below.



ANSWERS:

- Bones- It takes 6 to 30 years for a human bone to decay.
- Tongue- There are 6 types of taste bud groups.
- Digestive System- The small intestine is 6 meters long and the large intestine is 1.5 meters long.
- Nose- Our nose can smell 1 trillion scents.
- Muscles- The skeletal, the smooth and the cardiac muscles.
- Hair- You shed 50-150 strands of hair every day.
- Eyes- The blink of an eye lasts 1 to 150 milliseconds.
- Belly Button- True, there is a fear of the belly button. It is called omphalophobia.
- Fingers- Apparently it causes mental illness when a child is forced to swap hands from left to right.
- Teeth- Your teeth force bite is 250 psi.

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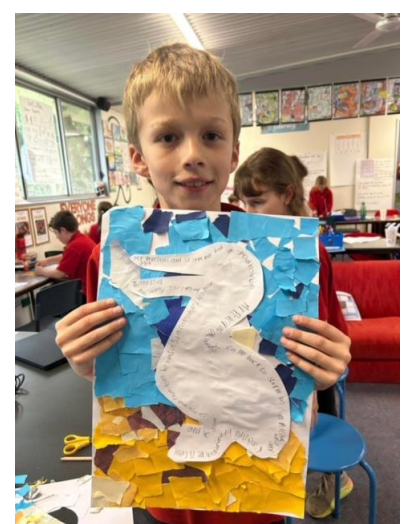
CONCRETE POEM

A concrete or shape poem is a poem that is shaped like the thing it describes. The shape adds to the meaning of the poem. To write a shape/concrete poem, it helps to start by writing down all the words that come to mind about the chosen topic.

For our Storm boy Concrete poems, we wrote about the friendship between Storm boy and Mr Percival before using words from this written piece to create our Mr Percival shaped poems. Adding to this piece, we created beachside collages using ripped paper.



Storm boy



Get to know our community



Maggie



What makes me a good friend?



Cookies and Cream

My favourite Ice cream flavour

My favourite game



Hide and Seek

I love you because you play with me. Olivia Bryant

You are a great friend. I love playing leaf party. Remi

Thank you for letting me come over to your house. Olly

I love you so much because we have play days. Ivy

You are a good person. Nick

I love how you have a bubbly personality, and you are extremely happy. Sylvie

Thank you for playing with me yesterday. Olivia T

Happy bucket filler day. You are one of my best friends. I hope you have a nice day. I like it when you play with me and play games that I like to play. I play games that you like to play. Everly

You are a good friend. Brianna

You are very funny. Jude

Happy Bucket Filler Day. Lucy

You are fun and full of personality. Olivia Barrow

You are nice. Parker

You're really funny and kind to everyone all the time. Denver

Maggie, you have a bubbly personality and your smile brightens my day. Billy Bayliss

You are kind, caring and you are a great person. Ivy L

You're always kind to everyone on the bus. Jacob

You are kind and caring to others. Archie

You're so kind and I love your bubbly personality. Olive

You are so kind me to me and everyone. Bree

You are so kind to me and others although I think you are also funny. Chase

You are kind to me and others. Billy Blackburne

You are a ray of sunshine and always positive about school. Ava

I like how when you walk past me you say bubble trouble. Angus

You are very sweet and also very kind. Melody

Happy Bucket Filler Day, have a great day. Aleysha

Have an awesome week. Quinn

You always have a smile on your face. Hudson

You are so kind, funny and a good friend. Reuben

You are amazing and kind because you include everyone you see, and you are so wonderful. Brooke

Happy Bucket Filler Day. I think that you are really kind and funny. Amelia

I love you x 1,000. Hugo

You are super adorable, you are really sweet, you are intelligent, kind and funny. Annie



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