



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 10 2023

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Friday 15th September 2023

Upcoming Dates

Week 10

Friday 15th

Last Day of Term 3- 2:30pm

Finish

TERM 4

Week 1

Monday 2nd October

First Day Term 4

Friday 6th

Division Athletics

Week 2

Monday 9th

Year 6 Transition- Kiewa

Tuesday 10th

**Cluster Day- Science Focus-
Talgaro (ZF-2)**



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



From the Principal's 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!

Last week I was fortunate to accompany our 8 participating students to Melbourne to perform as part of the mass dance group in the Victorian State School Spectacular. Our students represented Bethanga beautifully! All of their hard work in the lead up was reflected in the pride they showed when giving 100% for every dance. Participating in such an event is very demanding. Our students displayed such empathy for each other (pepping each other up when their energy was waning), resilience and persistence when pushing through fatigue to continue to perform to a high standard and confidence in getting to know students from other schools and to perform in front of 5,000 people! Even at their tireddest, these students were enthusiastic to do it all again in 2024! I have asked students to reflect on the experience, you can see some of their responses later in the newsletter.

R U OK? is a public health promotion charity that encourages people to stay connected and have conversations that can help others through difficult times in their lives. Today to remind students of the importance of looking after our mental health and to support those struggling, they wore yellow to school. In the afternoon, we enjoyed a whole school EQ session in which students participated in activities to raise awareness around R U OK? Day. Students spoke about and role played many ways to ask someone R U OK? They explored further actions and different ways to ask further questions to get and keep the conversation going.

WELCOME MRS BAUDE!

This term we have been committed to finding a quality teacher to be the main teacher in Millewa moving forward. I am so excited to confirm that in our latest round of recruitment, we had great success appointing Mrs Jessica Baude to this role. Jess has taken time this week to get a feel for the school and students and will commence teaching Monday-Thursday (I will do Friday) in term 4.

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

We will see you again when term 4 commences on Monday 2nd October

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.

Everly: for your ability to take on feedback instantly. After a quick chat about often using the conjunction 'and' when writing a

compound sentence, you started thinking of other ones. When writing your narrative 'The Walking Tree' you were able to use conjunctions such as 'and' and 'but', well done, you're amazing!

Ollie: for his amazing efforts telling the time to the hour, half-hour, quarter past and quarter-to using an analogue, and then confidently converting it to digital time. Awesome work Oliver!

Maggie: for showing such enthusiasm when creating an algorithm for people to follow when completing an obstacle course. She worked beautifully in her team and had some very creative ideas to contribute. Well done, Maggie!

Jacob, Ivy, Denver, Olive, Quinn: Congratulation to these Millewa students for their consistent hard work and achieving their Pen Licence.

LIVE REPTILE SHOWS

AUSTRALIAN REPTILES AT WODONGA PLAZA

Tuesday 26th September
12pm and 2pm

Wednesday 27th September
10am, 12pm and 2pm

Thursday 28th September
10am, 12pm and 2pm



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YOUNG at heART

The amazing 'Young at heART' exhibition is fast approaching!

This exhibition by Wodonga and District Government Schools showcases the extraordinary talent of the youth of our region. This visual arts display has been brought together by the Wodonga District Arts Festival Committee.

Artworks created by students from Foundation to Year 12 will be on display at **Gateway Gallery** representing 15 Schools and 500+ students! A selection of our students will represent our school with their artworks being exhibited.

The exhibition is open Tues to Sat 10am – 4.00pm from **3rd – 28th October** and will be officially opened on **Saturday 7th October at 12.30pm**. We would love to see our families, friends and wider community members embrace this opportunity to celebrate the talents of our local youth.

To assist with the cost involved, it would be greatly appreciated if visitors could make a gold coin donation. The donation box will be located at the gallery entrance. We hope you enjoy the exhibition.

SPECIAL SCHOOL PHOTOS

By now, all families will have received their child/ren's school photos... they were so lovely! Always makes me smile seeing our school photos, natural, smiling faces and beautiful green hills in the background – we're so lucky! In addition to the class photos, we also had a whole school photo and a State School Spectacular photo, these are available to order via the Leading Image website:

1. Got to www.leadingimage.com.au
2. Click on 'order your school photos' and select VIC
3. Login using the code sent home with previously ordered photos
4. Order your special group photo

Please note, we did have a student away on the day so I will be taking an additional group photo of the State School Spectacular Group.



Saturday Tennis



The Bethanga Tennis Club is looking for Primary School aged children to join a junior team on Saturday mornings in the Kiewa-Talgarno Tennis Association.

Section 4 is for primary aged children with teams will consist of 4 players, and they will play three sets of doubles each Saturday morning.

Section 3 is the same format of four players, but they will play two games of doubles and two singles.

For further information about the Tennis Club please call Dianne Star on 0419436347.



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SPECTACULAR

I loved performing in the show and having my family there to watch- **Melody**

I loved making so many new friends and performing in the show- **Quinn**

I loved making new friends and performing "All Around the World"- **Brooke**

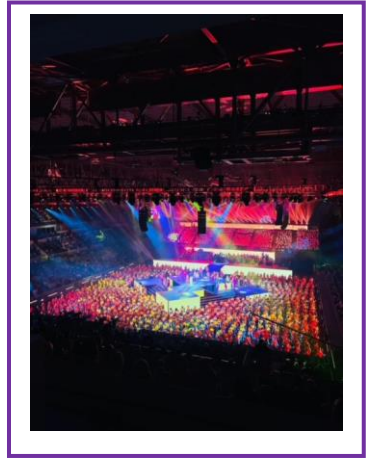
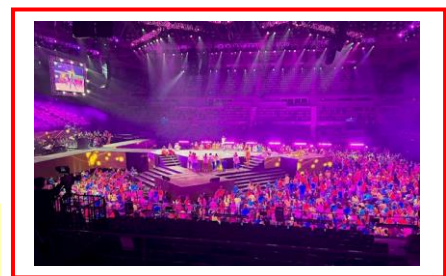
I loved dancing and having my family in the audience- **Billy**

I loved being in the stadium, and the whole experience was awesome! - **Annie**

Dancing to "All Around the World"- **Aleysha**

I loved performing in the show and having my family there. -**Ava**

I loved performing in the shows and being with my friends. -**Ivy**



Get to know our community



Bree



What makes me a good friend?



Fairy Floss

My favourite Ice cream flavour

My favourite game



Running Races

You are so energetic. Jude

You are so kind to me and the school. Sylvie

I love your energy. You are so persistent. Maggie

I love it when you play with me and check in with me when I'm sad. We are going to miss you when you leave. Everly

I love playing spider girl with you. Oliver

You have a good imagination. Nick

Happy Bucket Filler Day. Lucy

You are very kind and happy bucket filler day. Ivy

You are really funny to me and others. Olivia Bryant

You are really great at running and I'm going to miss you. Remi

You have a great personality. Parker

You are a nice leader to have in leadership. Olivia T

Have a great bucket filler day and every time you go past me you have a smile on your face.

You are also a great drawer. Brianna

You are an amazing optimistic person. Olivia Barrow

You are so kind to me and I wish you the very best at your new school. I'm sure we will miss you very much. Melody

I love you x 3560. Hugo

Happy Bucket Filler Day. Good luck at your new school. Jacob

Everyone will miss you. Hudson

You are a very good friend and you do good with your learning. Danni

You are funny and really energetic and I am going to miss you. Amelia

You are kind and caring to everyone. You are funny and full of energy. I will miss you when you are gone. Ivy L

You are so fun to play with and you are so funny. You have a bubbly personality. I will miss you, you are so kind and caring. Angus

You're a really good friend to me. Billy Blackburne

You are kind to me, you are amazing, you are very fast, you always have a smile on your face.

You are kind and funny, also I will miss you. Chase

I'm really going to miss you when you leave. I really hope you enjoy your new school. I know it can be tough to leave somewhere you have been for a while. Quinn

You are a great sister to Brooke, and a good friend to all. I am sure we will miss you. Reuben

You are such a sweet, caring, kind and funny girl Bree. I have had so much fun working with you this year, and I am going to miss you!! Jaymee



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GATEWAY PROGRAMS- TERM 4

Tuning in to Kids - Emotion coaching

For parents and carers of children aged between 2 and 10 years

This six-week program aims to help parents and carers understand their child's experience and connect with and support their child.

This program will look at:

- managing meltdowns
- tuning in to your children's emotions to help manage behavior
- emotion coaching – helping children to understand and regulate their emotions
- problem solving and self-care
- the different styles of parenting.

Location Gateway Health, 155 High Street, Wodonga

Date Tuesdays from 24th October to 28th November

Time 10am to 12pm

Cost This is a free program

To Register

Scan the QR Code or click [here](#) to rsvp by Monday 23 October.



Raising Resilient Children (from the Triple P International)

For parents and carers of children aged between 2 and 10 years

This session will provide information on:

- Recognising and accepting feelings
- Expression of feelings
- Building a positive outlook
- Developing coping skills
- Dealing with negative feelings
- Stressful life events



Location	Date and Time	Cost
Online (link will be provided)	Monday 6th November 7pm to 9pm	This is a free program

To Register

Scan the QR Code or click [here](#) to rsvp by Sunday 12th November.



For further information contact parenting team on 0457 279 796

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Parenting Programs - Term 4 2023

*There is no cost to attend these programs



Location	Program	Duration	When	Where	Register
Wodonga	Tuning in to Kids Emotionally intelligent parenting (2 - 10 years)	6 weeks	Wednesdays 24th October - 28th November 10am - 12pm	Gateway Health 155 High street Wodonga	Click here to register
Wodonga	Parenting Trans & Gender Diverse Kids & Teens	8 weeks	Mondays 9th October - 27th November 11am - 1pm	Gateway Health 155 High street Wodonga	Click here to register
Wodonga	Mother Goose (0 - 2 years)	Full term	Wednesdays 4th October - 6th December 10.30am to 11.30am	Gateway Health 155 High Street Wodonga	Click here to register

Adolescent Parenting	Raising Resilient Children (From the Triple P International)	Adolescent Parenting
For parents and carers of children aged between 10 and 17 years	For parents and carers of children aged between 2 and 12 years	For parents and carers of children aged between 10 and 17 years
This session will provide information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of teenagers - impacts and challenges • How you can support your teenager's emotions and help them build resilience • Connecting with your teenager • Helping to problem solve • Family values 	This session will provide information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognising and accepting feelings • Expression of feelings • Building a positive outlook • Developing coping skills • Dealing with negative feelings • Stressful life events 	This session will provide information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of teenagers - impacts and challenges • How you can support your teenager's emotions and help them build resilience • Connecting with your teenager • Helping to problem solve • Family values
Monday 30th October 6.30pm - 8.30pm Baranduda Community Centre Click here to register	Monday 6th November 7pm -9pm Via Zoom Click here to register	Monday 13th November 4pm - 6pm Feltham Community Centre Wodonga Click here to register



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