Dear families and extended community members,

Last Wednesday we enjoyed the EQ assembly presented by our 2/3 class. It was wonderful to see so many family members come along to hear the very important message about friendship. We loved the story which was woven through the assembly! There are photos later in the newsletter so please check them out.

Well done to Regan, Sammy, Darci, Will, Tom, Baxter, Joe and Angus who participated in the Division swim trials at Waves last week. Mr H was impressed with your independence and commitment. Congratulations to Baxter who has made it through to the Regional trials to be held this Wednesday at Shepparton. All the very best Baxter!

It is incredible to think that we only have three weeks of school left for term one. Our year 5/6 students are on camp at Sovereign Hill and Bendigo from Monday 21st to Thursday 24th March (the last day of school.) A reminder to campers that medical forms need to be back ASAP and money needs to be paid by this coming Friday (11th March)

Easter Raffle: Don’t forget to send along your Easter raffle donations by Friday 17th March. The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 23rd March. Raffle tickets were sent home last week and must be returned to school together with money by Tuesday 22nd March.

Kind regards,

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

School Banking Dates: Wednesday 9th March; Wednesday 23rd March
MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK:

In week 6 our musician of the week was Alex Waldron. Alex always offers to help both her peers and her teachers. She will notice when something needs to be done, and will complete the task without needing to be asked. Alex brought her iPod to school and played a few songs for the choir. Thanks Alex!

Water play will be on next week as this week looks like being another hot one. Our students can bring along any water squirting device they might have or if they haven’t, you can get some spray bottles from the reject shop. The students might need to bring along another set of clothes and a towel but we will certainly let you know when we will have this water play day.

GYMKHANA: Just a reminder that all Gymkhana Lottery Tickets sent home must be returned by Monday 21st March.

Reading Helpers: If you are keen to help with reading in classrooms, please text Deb on 0419 419 928 and she will contact you to organise a time for a training session.

PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER THAT OUR SCHOOL IS NUT FREE!

Thank you!
### Coming up at Bethanga Primary...

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| Beginning 7th March | Regional Swim Trials at Shepparton | Good luck Baxter!!!
| Wednesday 9th March | BANK DAY | P.L.S. REMEMBER YOURS!!
| Thursday 10th March | MARC VAN | Return your books please
| **Week 8** | Monday 14th March | Labour Day public holiday |
| Friday 18th March | National Day against bullying and violence | School closed |
| **Week 9** | Monday 21st to Thursday 24th March | Sovereign Hill Camp for 5/6 students. |
| Monday 21st March | Deposit paid last year to secure place | Please pay $277 by 11/3/16 |
| | Harmony Day | 5.45pm |
| | School Council Annual General Meeting | |
| | Easter Saturday - 26th March | Traditionally we run a stall so please keep this date free |
| | Bethanga Gymkhana | |
| **Term 2 2016** |  |  |
| **Week 2** | Friday 22nd April | ATHLETICS CARNIVAL |
|  |  | Alexandra Park F-6 |
| **Week 3** | Monday 25th April | ANZAC DAY SERVICE AT BETHANGA HALL |
|  |  | Our students will sing and lay wreaths |
| **Term 3 2016** |  |  |
| **Week 1** | Tuesday 12th to Friday 15th July | Outdoor School (15 Mile Creek) camp |
|  |  | Year 3/4 students |
| **Week 3** | Wednesday 27th July | Indonesian Day at Tallangatta |
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