Principal’s Message

Week 7! How time flies!

We had a glorious sun-shining day for our Bunnings BBQ yesterday! We were fortunate enough to raise $600! A fabulous outcome for our school! It was a great opportunity to not only raise money for the school but to also get to know one another. These connections between teachers and parents as well as parents and parents, strengthens the ties in our school community. Thank you to Pete Arkins, Adam Richardson, Franca Schmidt, Tracey Ladanay, Sarah Bayliss, Jo Mitchell, Helen Warr, Simone Eddington, Susanne Watkins, Katie Brown and Joe Swinnerton all of whom gave up precious time to support the school (Great to see a student giving of themselves to support their school community too).

EQ at Bethanga Primary

‘Be your own boss’

While flipping sausages yesterday, some parents and myself engaged in a conversation about this concept of ‘being my own boss’. When students are learning this concept, it often gets skewed to suit their egocentric needs eg. Mum is telling me to do something I don’t want to do, I respond with “You’re not the boss of me, I’m my own boss!” The concept with ‘Be your own boss’ is that children develop strategies for regulating their emotions and behaviour to make strong choices for themselves which in turn has a positive impact on themselves and others. Coinciding with this concept, is the idea that we can become ‘emotionally hijacked’, letting our emotions take over and behaving in a way that is usually impulsive with negative outcomes for ourselves and others.

To ‘be our own boss’ we need to be regulating our emotions, making strong choices and being an active learner. Whether it be in the classroom, playground or home, if a student is ‘emotionally hijacked’ and throws a comment at you about not having to listen because they are their own boss, one suggestion for the adult response could be “You are not making strong choices at the moment so I need to step in and be your boss, when you are calm and being responsible for your emotions and actions... then you will be your own boss again”.

School Banking Dates: Wednesday 25th May; Wednesday 8th June; Wednesday 22nd June
The residents of 'Cluckingham Palace' now officially have names!! Please welcome (from left to right) Schnitzel, Donald Trump, Ginger, Speckles and Happy Feet! Students are loving having the chickens and are engaging with them daily, they even recognise personality traits of our feathered friends (Happy Feet is very quick and Ginger is a bit skittish!) We have been fortunate to receive eggs daily from our girls. The F-2 students have been learning about measurement, this week we are learning about mass (teaspoon, tablespoon, cup, gram and kilogram) to consolidate this learning we will be baking on Friday with eggs provided by our resident chickens!
Coming up at Bethanga Primary...

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**MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK:**

Our musician of the week in Week 6 was Darci Mitchell. Darci demonstrated fantastic listening skills as she identified various instruments that she could hear in a new song called “Cool Kids”. She also learnt the melodic riff on the Glockenspiel very quickly. Keep up the good work!

**THANK YOU**

Thanks to Bruce Mitchell for cleaning the gutters and Jo Mitchell for tidying the front garden

**PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER THAT OUR SCHOOL IS NUT FREE!**

Thank you!

**Jumpers**

Please ensure with the colder weather that students not only have jumpers but that they are clearly named!
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