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Week 10 Term 2
Tuesday 14th June 2016

DATES TO REMEMBER WORKING BEE SUNDAY 26TH JUNE

Hello to all!

What a magical, sun-shining long weekend it was! Lovely chance to re-charge the batteries and spend some quality time with the family! I hope you enjoyed the extra day as much as I did. We had a busy week at Bethanga last week... Which is sure to continue in the last two weeks of term 2! Just a reminder to families that reports will go home next Wednesday 22nd.

Farewell to Mrs Pearce!

A cherished local resident, Mrs Pearce left Bethanga over the long weekend to take up residents at a smaller location in Baranduda. Students were sad to hear of her leaving as she has been such an integral part of Bethanga Primary School for so long. Students reflected on all the ways Mrs Pearce has contributed to our school and helped us out! Mrs Pearce was presented with a book written and illustrated by the kids sharing their thoughts and thank-yous (a few of the pages can be seen below).

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 22nd June
After a special assembly for Mrs Pearce and guests, we shared afternoon tea and gave Mrs Pearce a special send off with a ‘guard of honour’. Thank you to those that joined us at such late notice! Mrs Pearce assures me that she will return to school for concerts and events and would love to hear what the kids are up to.
A reminder to all parents of students in grades 3 and 4 that full payment of $200 is due by the end of the term ($150 final payment required).

Students from the other attending schools will join us for Matt’s visit on the first day back to answer questions and give last minute details of the camp. We will be leaving our school for camp at 9am on the Tuesday, we will then travel to Wodonga for another pick up and then head to camp!! Attending staff from our school will be myself, Miss Guymer and Mrs Wood (all attending a night each to accommodate for other commitments.)

Working Bee

The end of the term is fast approaching! At our last school council meeting, the idea of everyone getting together for another working bee was discussed – enthusiasm was high which is testament to the fabulous community we have and the pride everyone takes in our school! Priority will be on mulching the front gardens but there are many other jobs that can be done too! If you are free for an hour (or more!) please join us on Sunday 26th June from 9am.

Winter Warmers!

It has been lovely to hear of so many families embracing the challenge to get knitting for a good cause! The community project being undertaken by the Tallangatta Cluster Schools involves knitting 10cm x 10cm squares. These squares will be sewn to form blankets to be donated to those less fortunate than us. I invite families to join us in our quest to sew as many squares as possible before our Tallangatta Cluster Indonesian Day on the 27th July. Our unofficial tally has jumped from 50 squares to approximately 80!! Well on our way to reaching our target of 100 (or perhaps beyond!!). Thank you to everyone knitting, please send squares to school as you go as we will hopefully start sewing squares together to have blankets complete before Indonesian Day as it is a huge job that won’t be able to be completed in one day!

Knitting will take place at 2-3 breaks each week till the end of the challenge so if your children have started knitting at home they are welcome to bring it although we do have 6-8 pairs at school.

Bluearth For All

On Wednesday 22nd June, students in Years 3-6 are running a Bluearth session. Anyone can come to join in games, skill development and co-ordination activities planned and run by the students. The first session will run from 12pm to 1pm and the second session will run from 2pm to 3pm. Please arrive fifteen minutes before each session. Please also bring lunch, water and appropriate running shoes. Please come along!!!!
Netball

Thank you to Simone Eddington and Vicki Swinnerton who have volunteered to assist our senior netball team with some coaching prior to the carnival next term. Not only do we appreciate the time that goes into these sessions, but also the expertise so kindly given to the team. Simone is a representative netball coach so thank you for equipping our team with the skills needed in preparation for the Interschool Winter Carnival.

Healthy Harold

On Thursday we were fortunate to have three sessions in the Life Education Van. Students were entranced by Harold and his educator friend Rebecca. They did a fabulous job sharing messages of good health, good choices and a good life! It was lovely to see students bounce out of the van telling us how amazing it was and how funny Harold was (including senior students!)

Another great element of the day was to have the students of Talgarno Primary School join us. Students participated in a mix of literacy and EQ lessons and the 4/5/6 students had a great time co-operating in Blueearth Games.
### Term 2 2016

| Week 11 | Friday 24th June  
Sunday 26th June | Last day Term 2  
Working bee from 9am | 2.30pm dismissal |

### Term 3 2016

| Week 1 | Monday 11th July  
Tuesday 12th to Friday 15th July  
Friday 15th July | First day Term 3  
Matt from Fifteen Mile Creek visiting school  
Outdoor School (15 Mile Creek) camp  
Foundation students 100th day at school | Year 3/4 students |

| Week 3 | Monday 25th July  
Wednesday 27th July  
Friday 29th July | School Council Meeting  
Indonesian Day at Tallangatta  
Winter Sports for years 4-6 | 5.45pm at school |

| Week 5 | Monday 8th August | School Photos |

| Week 8 | Monday 29th August | Arts Festival week commences  
School Council Meeting | 5.45pm at school |

| Week 10 | Friday 16th September | Last day Term 3 | 2.30pm dismissal |

### Term 4 2016

| Week 1 | Monday 3rd October | First day Term 4 |

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**MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK:**
None this week

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

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