

Term 3 Week 1 2024 Newsletter published Thursday 18th July 2024

Upcoming Dates

<u>Week 1</u> Friday 19th Winter Sports Carnival 3-6

<u>Week 2</u> Tuesday 22nd Year 6 Wellbeing & Skate Session 1

Friday 26th Mudgee 100 days of School Dress Up Day

Mudgee Dinner & Movie Night

<u>Week 3</u> Friday 2nd August Art Show Opening Night

<u>Week 4</u> Tuesday 6th School Photos

<u>Week 5</u> Monday 12th Arts Festival- Galvin Hall Wodonga Senior Secondary College-11:30am



Happy Birthday to Melody, Hudson and Sylvie who are celebrating their birthdays this week or have done over the holidays.



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 RAPPORT – Respect Acceptance Persistence Pride Optimism Resilience Truth

From the Principal's Pen...

I hope everyone had a restful and rejuvenating break, taking full advantage of the time to recharge and prepare for the exciting term ahead. It's wonderful to see our school community come back together this week with renewed energy and enthusiasm! Term 3 has kicked off with a fantastic start, marked by engaged learners and vibrant social connections. Our classrooms are buzzing with curiosity and creativity as students dive into new topics and challenges. The sense of camaraderie and support among peers is stronger than ever, fostering a positive and collaborative learning environment.

Today we welcome Mrs Barber who has commenced as the teacher in Mudgee on Thursday and Friday. Mrs Barber hit the ground running with hands on learning and relationship building in Mudgee and reconnecting with familiar students from Milewa who she taught as Preps!

Tomorrow students in 3-6 travel into Wodonga for the Winter Sports Carnival, parents will have received additional information regarding events and venues – I look forward to seeing some of you on the sideline tomorrow.

Over the holidays our Anzac Garden had a much-needed make-over! Having been tucked away in a construction zone for 12 months, it was looking overgrown and scrappy. Thanks to our gardener Dave who has brought it back to life with edging and repositioning of our memorial rocks in addition to reinvigorating the Poppy sculpture created by students ten years ago!

Our Art Show is only two weeks away, hopefully families utilised the Opening Night ticket form sent home at the end of last term to generate interest and get family and friends onboard for this much anticipated event happening on Friday 2nd August. The order form has been sent home again today in case it was misplaced over the holidays – please get these back to us asap with ticket numbers and payment as this assists us with planning and organising catering requirements.

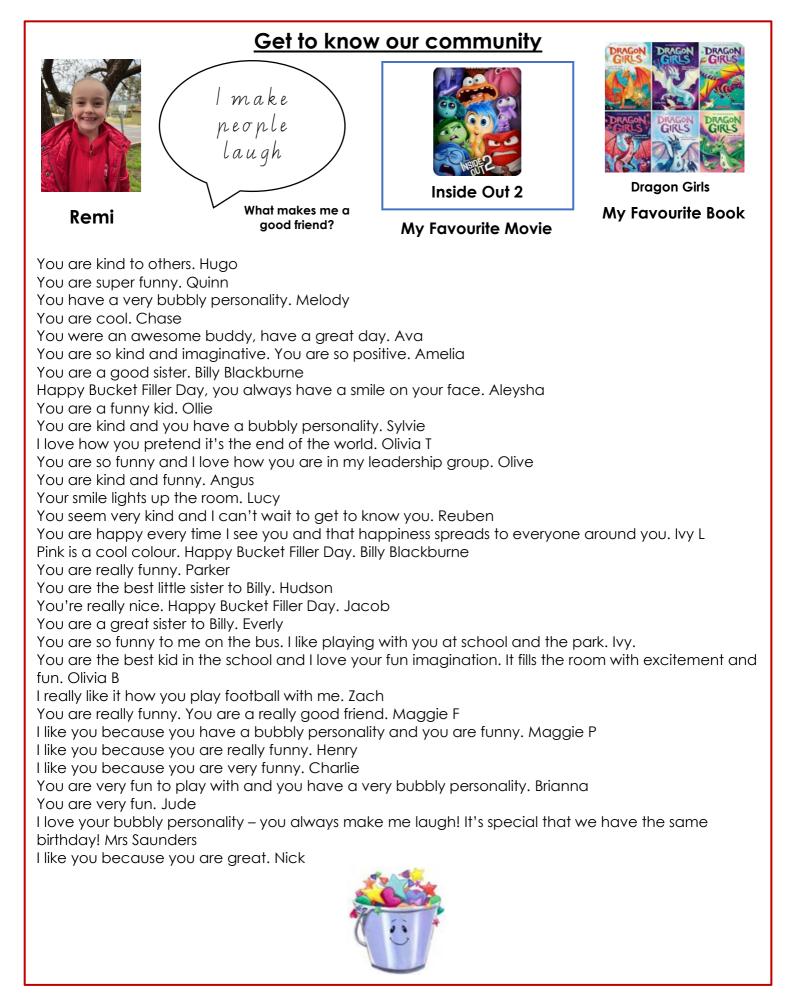
We look forward to all of the wonderful achievements and memorable moments that this term will bring. As always, thank you for your continued support and dedication to our school community.

Here's to a successful and enriching Term 3!





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Get to know our community



I love your kindness towards others and your quiet approach when helping those younger than you. Mrs Saunders

I like you because you are kind to me. Maggie P Your smile lights up the room. Remi You smile lights up the sky. You are so kind. Brianna I like you because you play with me. Zach You are really funny and pretty. You are really beautiful. Olivia B You have a bubbly personality and you are very funny. Owen You are a very jumpy person. Ollie You are kind and caring. Maggie F You are very kind. Charlie I like how kind you are and how I get to know you better. Jude I like you because you are nice to me. Henry You're a good person. Hugo You are a kind person. Quinn You are a great friend to me and everyone. Melody You're such a good friends to me and others. Your smile lights up the room. Olivia T You have the bubbliest personality ever. Thanks for being kind to everyone. Ava You are funny and kind. Billy Blackburne You are a great friend to everyone. Lucy You are a person whose heart is made of kindness. You are an excellent friend to me and everyone around you. Ivy L You are a great friend and you are very kind. Sylvie You are the best sister ever and you are very kind. Reuben You are super nice. Olive You are kind to me. Chase Happy Bucket Filler Day. Have a good day. Aleysha You are a kind friend and I like playing with you. Angus You are a nice person. Billy Bayliss You put a smile on my face and everyone else. Hudson You have a very big personality. Parker I like flowers and leaves. Ollie I love it when we get joined with each other in leadership. Everly You're super nice to me, thank you for letting me borrow your colours. Jacob



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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.

Ivy: A very creative effort in making her book up. She produced a poem for her children's book, all about a volcano. She worked really hard on this project, and created an amazing, well illustrated final product. Well done on your book Ivy! As well as acknowledgement for an excellent effort completing all homework tasks in term 2!

Billy: For a super effort creating his own book. He was really focused during the writing sessions and worked hard to get it completed. His drawings matched his pictures and it was a great finished product. Well done Billy!

Lucy: for an excellent effort completing all homework tasks in term 2!

Amelia: Your cooperation and kindness during our diorama making. You led your group with so much compassion and care for your team members and made sure all ideas were heard and included. Well done, Amelia!

Aleysha: for an excellent effort completing all homework tasks in term 2!

Quinn: for an excellent effort completing all homework tasks in term 2!



ART SHOW 2024

Our Art Show is approaching fast! Scheduled annually for the first weekend in August, it means we are only TWO WEEKS AWAY! Students have commenced preparations for their art works and we have over 20 local Artists keen to exhibit their works as well.

OPENING NIGHT

Our Art show will kick off with this Adult-only event on Friday 2nd August. This year, in addition to our exclusive Opening Night Auction for 6-10 Art pieces, we will also have

some Opening Night Silent Auction lots as well! This night is always a fabulous chance to catch up with friends, make new ones, peruse the art works and make your purchases before the Saturday exhibit – all Art Works are available on the Friday night!

OPENING NIGHT TICKETS

Order Forms will go home today with the newsletter. We encourage parents to come along! Invite family and friends and prepare to have a great night! Tickets include nibbles and drinks... it also provides the opportunity to have first pick of the amazing art on offer! We would love to have 60 people in attendance for Opening Night. Please send in your ticket order forms along with the cash (or you can do a bank transfer and just add the receipt number to the order form). These order forms are due back to school with payment by Friday 26th July (end of week 2) this allows us to organise the logistics such as catering, seating etc.

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The State School Spectacular will be happening THIS TERM! Excitement levels are high.... Especially after students were presented with their VSSS24 Hoodies at assembly. Students are permitted to wear these as school uniform for Term 3. They look fabulous! We are grateful for Jaymee who took time on the holidays to personalise each of our hoodies with our names THANKS JAYMEE!



The Spectacular truly lives up to its name come show day! Tickets for the event are not exclusive to parents of students performing... this is a much-loved annual event with an audience of 3,000 at each show! Below is the information required if you would like to purchase tickets.

Ticket Information for VSSS24

The tickets for the VSSS24 will go on sale via Ticketek at 10am on Monday 22nd July 2024 <u>www.ticketek.com.au/spectacular</u> (the link will go live at the above time). It is important to remember that over 5000 tickets are sold on the first day so get in early to get the best seats!

There are two performances of the Victorian State School Spectacular a 1pm matinee and a 6:30pm evening show both on Saturday 14th September. The show takes place at the John Cain Arena (National Tennis precinct – formerly known as the Hisense Arena). Each show goes for approx. 2 hours and 45min (including a 30-minute interval). This means that families can catch the v/line train down in the morning and return on the 6pm train after watching the matinee if you are wanting to watch the Spectacular but are mindful of transport and accommodation costs.

The ticket prices are:

Adult \$40

Concession \$30

Child (U15) \$20

The show is suitable for all ages however can be loud (and long) for infants and toddlers.

Where are the best seats in the house?

As this is an arena event, there are students dancing on all sides of a central stage. Students from our Regional Hub will be dancing in quadrant 4, therefore, it is suggested that you purchase tickets in the sections listed below to have the best view of our students:

Quadrant Four (North-East)

SECTIONS: 7, 8, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 52, 53



YEAR 6 MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING PROGRAM

Al from Al's Skate Co is passionate about connecting people and addressing mental health at the same time as introducing them to skating. We are thrilled that he has been successful in securing funding to run a Year 6 program across our Cluster! This six-week program will bring the Year 6 students from Bethanga, Talgarno, Upper Sandy Creek, Eskdale and Mitta Mitta together. Each 90-minute session will include a 45-minute explicit mental health and wellbeing lesson followed by a 45-minute skate lesson. All equipment including safety gear if supplied. The sessions will occur at the Skate Park in Tallangatta (towards the end of the program we may visit other parks including Al's indoor skate complex). This program will kick off next week. Please ensure you have approved your child's attendance on uEducateUs.





Welcome back, Mudgee! We have all settled back into school really well, and have shared our wonderful holiday adventures. Through our writing process, we first shared what happened during our holidays with the whole class. We then drew pictures to help us plan our writing, using lots of details in our pictures. Finishing the writing process, we created a draft of our holiday recounts, using lots of descriptive writing. Holidays were fun, but we're all excited to be back at school.



On the holidays I went to buy a puppy. She looked all black and her name was stormy. Zach

On the holidays Uncle Adam, soon to be Aunty Hana, Nana, Pa, Texy, Melody and I all went on a catamaran in the Whitsundays for two and a half days. Out the front of the boat was what looked like a trampoline. Texy, Melody and I all slept in the same room. The next day all of us went snorkelling. I got to touch a tiny Zebra fish. I also saw a huge fish. After that we had lunch. There was a rose made out of salami. On the last day we set the sails and sailed back home. **Jude**

On the holidays I stayed at home for two days. On the first day I was home I played with my pet kitten named Buddy because I was bored. I was very happy because I love my kittens. **Brianna**

On the holidays I went to the movies. I saw Inside out 2. My favourite part of the movie was when Anxiety met the other emotions. **Charlie**

On the holidays I went camping with mum and dad. We camped in Mansfield, and it was fun when we had a fire. *Nick*



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