

# Bega Valley

## PUBLIC SCHOOL

Great Expectations

Great Attitude

Great Opportunities

# Parent Information Session

- Kindergarten 2011 performance.
- Why is BVPS a great place to learn.
- Questions and Answers.
- Tour of the school.
- Morning Tea.



# Why is our school a great place to learn?



- Taking the best of both schools
- Opportunities to excel
- A rich learning experience
- A safe and happy school
- Strong community involvement
- Excellent facilities
- Innovative and challenging education programs

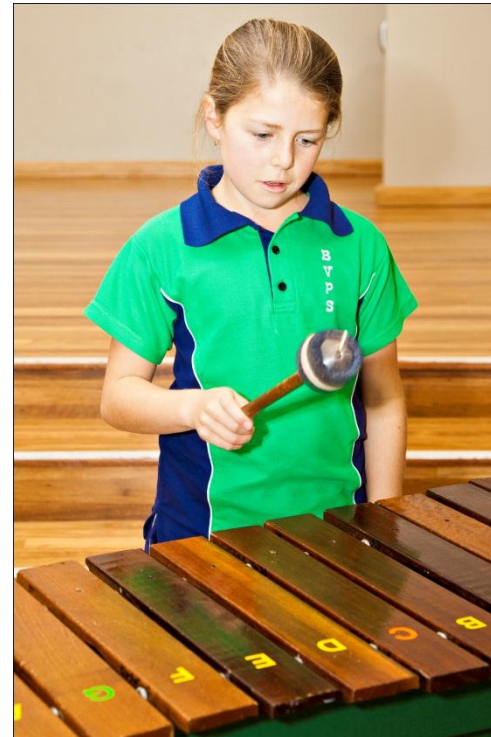
# Opportunities to excel

- Strong emphasis on literacy and numeracy.
- Highly qualified staff inspire our students to explore their individual interests in different subjects.
- Extra programs to extend students' abilities and passions.
- Support programs if required.
- State of the art technology opportunities



# A rich learning experience

- An innovative creative arts program offering drama, dance, art and music fosters the individual talents and interests of each student.
- We provide daily physical education for all and run successful sporting teams coached by very experienced staff.
- Extension programs for gifted and talented students





# A safe and happy school

- Outstanding Positive Behaviour for Success program.
- Values of Respect, Responsibility, Cooperation and Friendship taught in all school settings.
- Buddy Program in Kindergarten
- Focus on social skills, decision making and citizenship



# Strong community involvement

- Focus on home/school partnership.
- A strong P&C body which meets monthly
- New parent morning tea.
- Parent Social Club.
- Breakfast Club run by Red cross and Anglican Church
- Parent helpers always welcome in classrooms.
- Parents make valued contributions to the educational and managerial aspects of the school at all levels.



# Excellent facilities

- New Hall incorporating performing arts area.
- New State of the art library.
- 6 brand new classrooms and 11 refurbished classroom.
- 3 special programs areas.
- New administration area.
- Newly landscaped playground.
- Spacious Sporting fields.
- In total \$7.5 million dollars has been spent to provide facilities for the families of Bega.





# Innovative and challenging education programs

- BVPS will attract National Partnership money of \$1050 per student.

With this BVPS:

- will be employing a Highly Accomplished Teacher to ensure best quality teaching practice and will also be linking with parents.
- Extra support in the form of reading and numeracy specialist teachers.
- Additional teacher Aide positions
- Specialised programs in Aboriginal Education, Boys Education, Technology.



# The best possible start



- Kinder orientation.
- Give the children a taste of what big school will be like.
- Further transition for some students
- Chance to speak with kindergarten teachers about individual needs of your children.
- Best Start assessment to help identify specific needs.

# Smooth Start Transition Program

- Mary Pearce and Anastasia Norris will be working with families at BVPS on a voluntary basis to conduct ongoing transition program over 10 weeks.
- Please contact the school should you require further information.



# Questions about our school

- **How many children will be attending?**

- Between 320-350 students. Currently Bega PS has 220 and in recent years Bega West has had 240 students.

- **How will we get to know the teachers and know what is going on at BVPS?**

- The school is always looking at how to improve its communication processes. Newsletter, Parent morning teas and school website will be key to this process. Remember at anytime you can contact the school principal to discuss questions or concerns.

- **Where will the children play?**

There will three distinct play areas at our school.

- K-2 playground will be newly landscaped with rubber soft fall, play equipment and a cola available to make an excellent play area.
- 3-6 playground will be newly resurfaced area with handball squares, basketball court and quiet areas for children to play.
- Shared area- The children will have a shared area on the spacious back playing fields where children will have the opportunity to play with their friends and family in different stages of learning

# Questions about our school

- **What other opportunities does this bigger school offer that the old public schools didn't?**
  - The great programs from both schools have been identified by staff, students and community and are will be blended together for the very best possible opportunities for our students.
  - With an increased number of staff members, staff will be able to specialise in certain areas of interest which will provide greater opportunity for children's special interests to be developed.
  - A bigger school has given us an opportunity to employ an additional teacher classified at the highest possible level. Their duties will include developing a gifted and talented program to cater for the diverse needs of our students, working with teachers to improve teaching and developing community links.
  - Creative and Practical arts will also have greater emphasis due to increased enrolments. The school will have an enhanced ability to provide greater diversity for our students in music, dance and visual arts.
- **Is the school going to be ready on day 1 of 2012?**
  - A written commitment has been given to the Education Minister by Department officials from major capital works that the school will be totally ready on day 1 of 2012.