



Bega Valley Public School

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NEWSLETTER - Term 4 Week 2

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What's coming up:

New School Visitor
Check-In starting
Monday 18th Oct

Smooth Start
Week 4
Fri 29th Oct

Smooth Start
Week 5
Fri 5th Nov

Smooth Start
Week 6
Fri 12th Nov

Healthy Harold
Week 7
Mon 15th—Fri 19th

Smooth Start &
Parent Ordination
Week 8
Fri 26th Nov



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents /Carers

Welcome back to Term 4!

We are so thrilled to be able to have students back onsite and learning face to face with their teachers.

I wanted to commend and thank every family for the huge effort they made during the lockdown to provide support and continuity of learning for their children. It is a huge challenge combining working and learning from home. So many students shared their learning from home achievements with us on our digital platforms. We were so impressed with how our school community made the most out of the situation.

A huge thank you needs to go to our staff here at the school too. Many of our teachers came in through the weekends to prepare at home learning packs and resources ready for the Monday morning distribution process.

Our teachers here at Bega Valley Public school are so incredibly dedicated to their students and were driven to provide, with a wide range of engaging resources, support to our students during the period of at home learning.

We continue to operate under Level 3 restrictions with COVID safe practices operating across our school such as mandatory mask wearing for our staff and ensuring regular hand washing routines and good ventilation in our classrooms.

If you would like any further details about Level 3 restrictions you can call me on 6492 1280 or you can find more details here at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families/level-3-schools>



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NEW School Visitor Check-in GUIDE as of Monday 18th October

Dear Parents/Cares

A single School Visitor Check-in system for every school across the state is coming from 18 October!

The Department of Education has partnered with Service NSW to provide a streamlined, digital school sign-in system for visitors and contractors at every NSW government school.

Benefits of the new system include:

- Accelerating your check-ins to as fast as 20 seconds!
- Linked to NSW Health's COVID-19 contact tracing ensuring every school is compliant with the NSW [COVID-19 mandate](#). [External link](#)
- Giving every school greater access to streamlined NSW Government services.

You can watch a short [parent and contractor video](#) which has been put on Facebook and School Stream or see the attached instructions on the next page to see how it works.

Who can use School Visitor check-in

- Visitors such as parents and carers, contractors, service providers and volunteers.

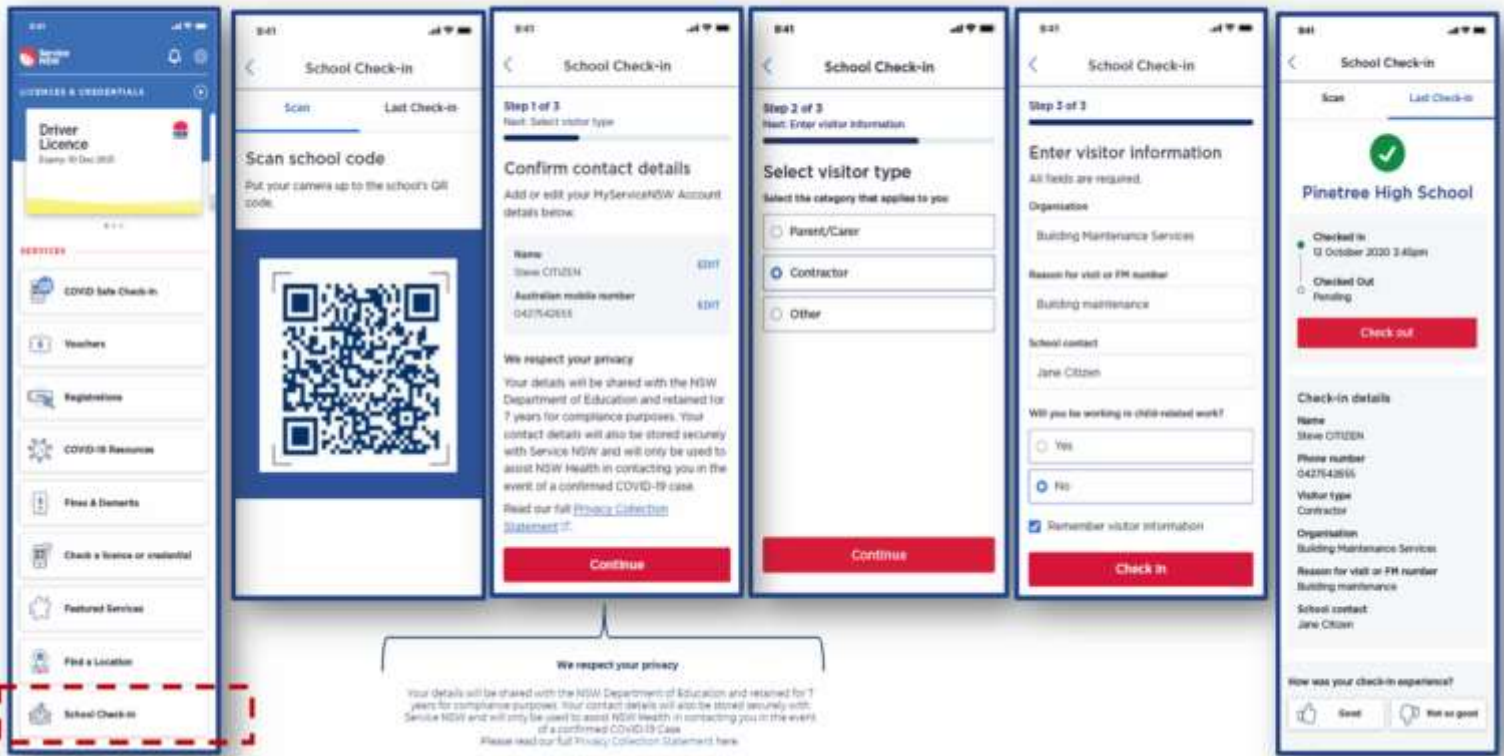
Students or visitors under the age of 18 are not required to use School Visitor Check-in.

School Visitor Check-in will be ready from 18 October at all NSW Government schools.

For more information visit School Visitor Check-in on the department Website.

SCHOOL VISITOR CHECK-IN GUIDE

ServiceNSW app



Before and after

School Visitor Check-in



Note: Data flows subject to current pandemic requirements
Note: Schools can revert to a manual process in the event of a system outage

SCHOOL STREAM APP

The P&C is very supportive of the school using the School Stream app. You can download this app for free at the iTunes store or the equivalent app store for non-Apple phones.

The School is using this app to get information like newsletters, bus breakdowns, absent notes, excursion details etc. out to parents.

Once you have downloaded the app you will be able to sign up to Bega Valley Public School and get all the alerts in real time as they are posted.



FACEBOOK

Please join the school's Facebook page, it is a great source of information about what is happening in the school. Information from the school will go out on School Stream and the info from the P&C will go out on Facebook, so make sure you join both.



Tuning into Kids
VIA ONLINE

Starting: Wednesday 10th November
6 week course – every Wednesday

Where: Online via video platform
Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

RSVP Required – Max 10 people
Contact: headspace Reception on 64948844 to secure your spot

Designed for parents of kids up to 12 years old

A FREE six session parenting program for parents and carers of young people.

Family Support Service Inc. headspace

P & C Events

Please keep an eye out for other P & C run events during the year. Things are still a bit fluid with COVID; but we are aiming to do as much as possible and put a lot back into the school community. New members are always welcome and we also appreciate any volunteer help we can get.



SCHOOL CANTEEN

Dear Parents/Carers,

Unfortunately, our school canteen will not be operating this term. Hopefully it will be up and running again for Term 1 2022.



BREAKFAST CLUB

Our school's BREAKFAST CLUB will still be operating daily.



Scripture/SRE News

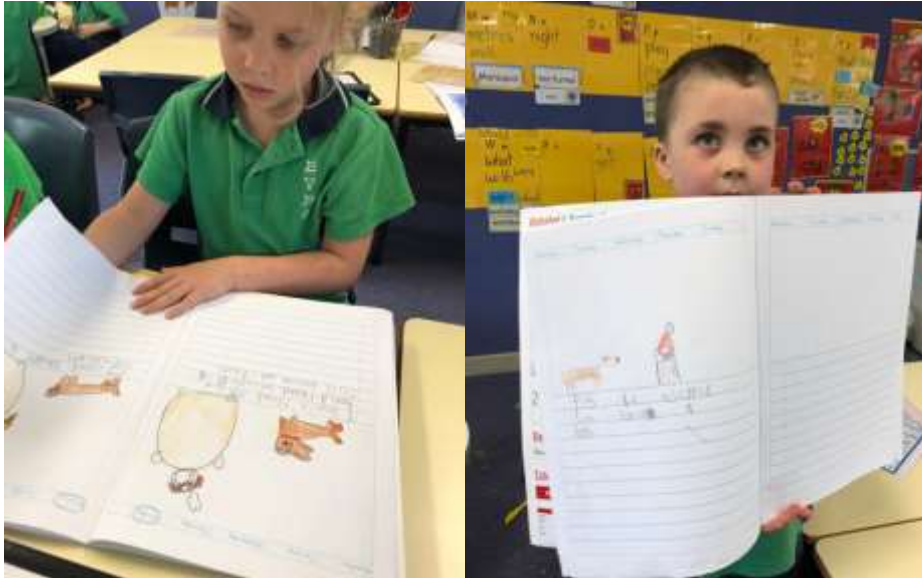
The SRE teachers are looking forward to teaching again soon. In the meantime, use this link for some SRE lessons at home. The lessons are put together by the publishers of the lesson material, Christian Education Publishers.

<https://cep.cmail19.com/t/r-l-tlkyukdt-ojjkkubu-t/>

Class News KA

We are all enjoying being back to school!

This term we continue to practice and extend our writing ideas. We are learning to create imaginative texts based on characters and events from Pig the Pug books. We have developed some creative drawings during art lessons and also throughout our daily writing sessions.



During news so far KA have enjoyed telling stories from their holidays and lockdown. In History this term we are learning about special events that take place. This week we have shared how students celebrate events in their home.



In maths this term we are continuing to look at different ways to make numbers and also enjoying learning about money this term and buying things from our class shop.

Class News 3/4 T

3/4T are back from holidays and ready for term 4! Well done to everyone who engaged in home learning, our class displayed excellent participation and effort throughout. A big thank you to all the parents and students who made the best of a difficult situation.

In Week 1 we resumed our normal routine, and I was very happy with the way the students all adjusted quickly. In class, we are continuing our focus on informative writing. We are researching, planning, writing and editing information reports about Australian and Chinese animals. Mrs Creasey is still coming in on Mondays and Tuesdays to share her expertise in reading, and Ms Bartlett is helping us with our Inferring skills.

In maths we are focussing on whole number and addition/subtraction. We have a few maths assessments coming up in the next few weeks and want to be on the top of our game!

In geography, we are learning how to look after our environment and sustainable living, while in science we are focussing on using the scientific method to investigate the physical world.

Since the last newsletter we have a few new students in our class; Tyson and Tiarna. Both have settled in really well and we love having them in 3/4T.



Class News 5/6B

It is fantastic to see everyone back to start Term 4 after a very unusual period of learning from home. It has been great to see everyone re-engaging with our school routine and we are looking at finishing the year in a very positive way. We are hoping to provide as many opportunities as we can for a memorable Term 4 particularly for the Year 6 students who have begun their final term of primary school.

To start this Term we have begun to become familiar with the learning dispositions that will become part of our day to day practice. The dispositions were decided upon by staff and students as being central to being an effective learner.

We have discussed the dispositions of what will make a quality learner and what our strengths and weaknesses are in this area. Our learning dispositions are:

Reflective

Innovative

Resilient

Collaborative

Independent

Ask your child what these dispositions mean to them.

We look forward to a fantastic Term 4.



Library News

PRC Champions 2021

Premiers Reading Challenge 2019-21



206 students completed the Premier's Reading Challenge this year. This is an increase of almost 20% from last year. Well done everyone for completing the challenge during this difficult year.

A special mention to 3/4T who all completed the Reading Challenge. It is the first time a whole class has completed the challenge. Fantastic work!



Overdue Books

We currently have 529 books overdue. Please check at home to see if you have any library books which need to be returned.