



Bega Valley Public School

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NEWSLETTER - Term 4 Week 4

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What's coming up:

Smooth Start
Week 4
Fri 29th Oct

Smooth Start
Week 5
Fri 5th Nov

Smooth Start
Week 6
Fri 12th Nov

Smooth Start &
Parent Ordination
Week 8
Fri 26th Nov



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents /Carers

We have had the pleasure this week to welcome the preschool students from our local area to our Smooth Start Kindergarten orientation program.

It is fantastic that we can still go ahead with programs such as this with COVID safe practices in place to help support our new potential students with their transition into big school.

We are still accepting enrolments for 2022 so if there are families out there that would like to enrol their child for next year they can complete an online enrolment application or alternatively contact the school office for an enrolment pack.



Today was 'Day for Daniel' across the nation and I was so proud to see so many of our students wearing red.

Day for Daniel is Australia's largest child safety education and awareness day. Held annually on the last Friday of October, Day for Daniel honours the memory of Daniel Morcombe.

Parents, carers, and educators are encouraged to start a conversation with children and young people about personal safety. As a schools we have been conducting child safety education activities. It is important that we come together as a community come together to raise awareness of child safety issues.



Lost Property

We have accumulated a large amount of lost property over the last term. All of these items of clothing have no names on them.

If you are missing uniforms please see us at the front office, and please ensure that you mark your child/children's name on their clothing with a permanent marker to help prevent them being put in the lost property box.



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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.**



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.

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Let's get fundraising!

We are excited to announce we are holding a COVID Safe **BILLY G'S GOURMET COOKIE DOUGH** drive as a major fundraiser this term. All the funds raised will be used by the P&C to support the school.

Billy G's is an Australian family owned and operated business. There are ten (10) dough-licious flavours including their popular Choc Chunk and NESTLE® SMARTIES® cookie dough. There is even a cheese flavoured Doggie Dough for your special furry family members! Their cookie dough is only available through fundraising and is not sold in stores, so stock up!

Start Date 25/10/21

Final Orders Due 23/11/21

How Do We Fundraise? Students will receive a Billy G's Fundraiser order form with instructions on how to collect orders from family, friends and neighbours. Make sure you get the dough-rolling and create your online fundraising page today!

Incentive Prizes: Students who sell 1 tub or more are entitled to an incentive prize for their efforts. But why not aim higher? You have the option to set your own fundraising goal - the more tubs you sell the more prizes your child will receive!

There are 12 prizes up for grabs so start selling! Family and friends are your greatest supporters, so ask them first for support. You will reach your fundraising goal in no time! Prizes are automatically ordered at the end of our fundraiser based on the number of tubs you have sold.

Please note Billy G's is a completely cashless fundraiser. All orders must be placed online and paid by credit card/Paypal.

How do we create a Fundraising Page? Creating a fundraising page is easy!

1. Go to www.cookie dough.com.au to create your Fundraising Page by clicking the "Register Now" button and fill in your information as a parent/guardian.
2. Choose your goals and create a unique avatar!
3. Place your order using the "Order Now" button and share your fundraising page with your family and friends via the "Share" section so they can start buying some yummy cookie dough. How Easy



Sport News Term 4

Our Term 4 Schools Sporting Grant has allowed us to purchase and update our gymnastics and soft play equipment. This will be used by classes in PE lessons. We are looking forward to testing it out.

It has been great to see students using the sport equipment at recess and lunch with enthusiasm. We are focusing on playing in a cooperative, respectful manner when using the school equipment.

In Health and PD lessons our topics for Term 4 are Growth and Development and Child Protection.

Students will learn about body parts, how we change physically, socially and emotionally and how we cope with these changes.

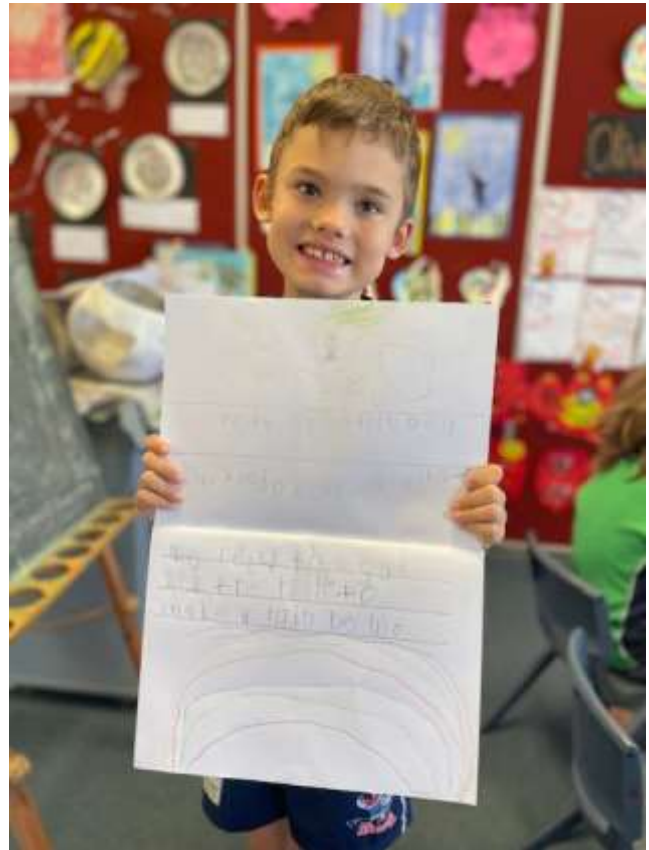
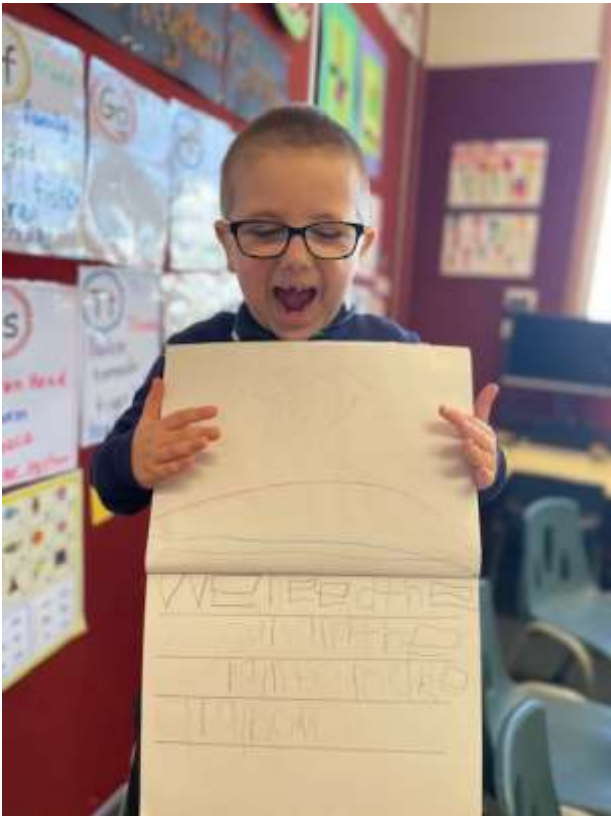


Mrs Roberts



Class News K3M

This term K3M have been learning all about our Solar System. This ties in perfectly with our science unit, Weather in my World. We have learned all about clouds and how they are formed, what makes rain and rainbows, night and day, through fun science experiments. We tie them into our English program, writing sentences and drawing pictures about all the planets, their moons and the sun. The boys have been trying their absolute best, learning so much along the way.



Class News 2/3 F

It has been great to be back in the classroom this term after five weeks of learning from home. 2/3F have settled back into routine well and are focussed on practising new skills to be ready for the challenges of next year. One of the skills we are practising is keyboard skills. The students will have the opportunity to practise daily using the online program Typing Club. There is a link to this program on the school weekly if you would like your child to practise at home.

In class, our literacy sessions continue to have a strong focus on writing, spelling and reading comprehension strategies. Last week we went through the process of planning, writing, proof-reading and editing a report on flying foxes and we are in the process of publishing our final draft this week. When the students have finished publishing their writing we will upload them to their portfolios on ClassDojo so that you can see the completed product at home.

In Mathematics so far this term we have focused on using place value and skip counting strategies to work out the total of a collection of notes and coins and to work out the amount of change. We are currently focusing on a range of strategies for addition and subtraction and knowing how to choose the most efficient strategy based on the type of problem.



After the lockdown conditions were lifted and students returned to school, the pupils in 5/6J were asked about their observations of lockdown.

The class had a discussion, then completed a **Plus, Minus, Interesting** learning tool activity.



5/6J CLASS OBSERVATIONS

PLUS LOCKDOWN

- Felt more comfortable at home.
- Got to eat when you wanted to.
- Start early.
- Complete work in the order you wanted.
- Wake up when we wanted to.
- Didn't have to rush.
- Still played video games.

MINUS LOCKDOWN

- Had to work with my parents.
- Parents lack of understanding of school work.
- couldn't see friends.
- Stuck at home with siblings.
- Misunderstanding work and not having it explained

INTERESTING LOCKDOWN

- Felt different doing school work at home.
- Finish work earlier or complete when you wanted to.
- Zoom meetings.
- Doing other work.
- Using google chrome classroom
- didn't feel as judged
- More children affected by lockdown



School Travel for 2022



2022 school travel applications are now open

Students who need a School Opal card or travel pass for 2022 can [apply](#) now. A new application will need to be submitted if they are applying for a school travel pass for the first time, or if they are requesting an additional travel entitlement as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody).

Students who change address, school, campus location, or who have repeated a year or received an expiry notification from Transport for NSW for their school travel entitlement should [renew or update](#) their details before **the end of term 4**. This will ensure that schools can endorse applications and current entitlements are updated and remain valid. School Opal card holders will have the changes applied to their existing card.

If a student's distance eligibility has changed based on their grade the system will automatically update their entitlement if they meet the new criteria. If they do not meet the new [eligibility criteria](#), they will receive an expiry notification via email.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition that is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

[Term Bus Pass](#) holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

Students in the Opal network applying for an Opal card (including a Term Bus Pass) for the first time will receive their Student Opal card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2022.

Students living in rural and regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the start of the new school year from their nominated transport operator. It may come via the school or be sent directly to them at home. **Note:** some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

School Student Transport Scheme site change

On 1 October 2021 the School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) information and application portal was moved to **transportnsw.info**. This will assist families to find all their travel information in the one place.

Travel from Term 1 2022

We ask that parents plan ahead and make sure their child knows which service/s to use and has a valid ticket to travel; either a School Opal card or Child/Youth Opal card (within Greater Sydney) or a School Travel Pass (outside Greater Sydney), from the start of the school year.

Applications for the School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) open at the start of Term 4 2021 for travel in 2022, so parents/students can [apply](#) or [update](#) details early and be ready for the start of the new school year.

Most students using the Opal network will not need a new Opal card and can continue travelling on their existing card each year.

The start of the year is a difficult period for local bus operators, and students travelling without a valid ticket make service planning and operations increasingly difficult.

We recognise that for some families last minute changes to school enrolments mean they may not have a School Opal card or Travel Pass for the start of term. In the Opal network, we strongly encourage these families to have their children travel on a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their [local bus operator](#) to discuss their travel needs.

Bus operators are flexible and understanding, particularly at the start of the school year, and will ensure students can travel safely to and from school. But to best support our operators we encourage all students to have a valid ticket, as early as possible, from the start of the school year.

Please also remember that students using Opal cards must tap on and tap off in line with the [Student code of conduct](#) and [Opal terms of use](#).

HANDBALL TOURNAMENT



Loads of fun was had at our week long handball tournament.

Congratulations to winners Kade, Archer and Phoenix.

Well done to Declan for being such a great student compère.

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KINDERGARTEN 2022

Smooth Start Dates & Times

Fridays

**29th October, 5th November, 12th November
& 26th November**

Session Times

Session 1- 9.15 - 10.45
Session 2 - 11.15 - 12.45
Session 3 - 1.15 - 2.45

Parent Orientation

26th November

**To meet with the teacher, in the hall,
at the same time as your child's
smooth start session**



**The pathway to learning
starts with the first steps in
Kindergarten**



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IT'S TIME TO DANCE!

Join the fun with FLING's wide range of public class programs for young people and adults.

We've got classes in venues across the Bega Valley including Dance Gym, Parkour, Ballet and Young Dance Creatives, as well as Dance FIT, Tap and Beginner Ballet for Adults.

All our programs are designed by trained professionals to keep children, teens and adults active. Our classes stimulate creativity, build strength, coordination, confidence and new friendships in a safe and joyful environment.

Join now and get involved in our end of year performance. FLING is a Covid Safe Organisation.

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