

Bega Valley Public School

Great Expectations ~ Great Attitude ~ Great Opportunities

NEWSLETTER - Term 1 - Week 9

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What's coming up:

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents /Carers

Stage 2 & 3 Swimming for Sport starts

Friday 25th Feb then every other Friday until the end of term

School Cross Country Wed 6th April

End of Term 1 Friday 8th April

Term 2

Staff Development Day Tues 26th April

Students return to school on Wed 27th April Friday 18th March 2022 was the date for the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence (NDA). Australia's key bullying prevention initiative celebrates 12 years of action, connecting schools and communities to find workable solutions to prevent bullying.

The theme for 2022 was Kindness Culture. By building Kindness Culture together, we can promote inclusion, respect and community belonging for all students in schools across Australia. Students at Bega Valley Public School wore orange to raise awareness and participated in lessons and activities that had a focus on bullying prevention. Students in Years 3-6 created an anti-bullying poster using their own slogans and tips.

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As a school community we can address bullying by being open with our communication. I encourage parents to keep an open dialogue with the school and please call us if you have any questions you would like to ask or want to discuss an issue so that we can resolve it together.



When someone says or does something UNINTENTIONALLY harmful and they do it once, that's

RUPE

When someone says or does something INTENTIONALLY kurtful and they do it once, OR you INTENTIONALLY do it back, That's

MEAN

When someone says or does something INTENTIONALLY hurtful and they KEEP DOING IT even when you tell them to stop or show them you're upset, that's

BULLYING



Melissa Fay - Principal



ARRIVAL OR COLLECTION OF A CHILD OUTSIDE OF NORMAL HOURS

Children learn best when routines are in place. Frequent absenteeism does impact on a child's learning and can also affect their social relationships and confidence at school.

Late Arrival after 9:05am:—A parent or guardian MUST

accompany the child to the office to sign in electronically, collect a late arrival slip and present this slip to the teacher. Children arriving late and unaccompanied will be asked to wait until their Parent/Carer is contacted.

Early Departure before 3:05pm:—A parent or guardian MUST

let the office know that they will be picking up their child/children and if possible to call early, preferably before 2.30pm, so we can organise the child/children to be at the front office for their pick up and to get signed out electronically.

A valid reason for late arrival and early departure is essential and recorded

School Hours

Regular school hours: 9:05am- 3.05pm

Lunch: 11.05—11.50am

Recess: 1.30pm—2.00pm

Term Dates for students 2022

Term 1: Tuesday 1st February to Friday 8th April 2022

Term 2: Wednesday 27th April to Friday 1st July 2022

Term 3: Tuesday 19th July to Friday 23rd September 2022 Term 4: Monday 10th October to Monday 19th December 2022

Pupil Free Days

Staff Development days in 2022:

Tuesday 26th April

Monday 18th July

Tuesday 20th December



VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

Dear Parents and Carers,

Every year we ask families to support our school through our Voluntary School Contribution Fund.

We appreciate that everyone's personal circumstances are different. If your family is in the position to be able to contribute this year, the funds will be used to purchase outdoor play equipment for the school.

At BVPS we invite families to pay the Voluntary School Contribution: \$30 per child or \$50 per family

The Invoice for the Voluntary School Contribution is attached.

Payment can be made directly through the Office or by logging on to the school website <u>https://bega-p.schools.nsw.gov.au</u> and clicking on "Make a payment"

Kind regards,

Melissa Fay Principal March 22nd, 2022



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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.**





The P&C will again be running the Easter raffle this year and we are relying on donated eggs to make up the prizes.

Donated eggs, small, large,

caramel filled can be dropped off at the school office. The year 5 and 6 kids will package the donated eggs into prizes (closely supervised no doubt)

Raffle books will be sent home next week. Tickets will be \$2 and we usually have 25 - 30 prizes that will be drawn at the Easter Hat parade at the end of term 1.





LOST PROPERTY

The weather is now starting to cool down. We have accumulated a large amount of lost property over the last term and all 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.

HAS YOUR CHILD LOST A JUMPER



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Expression of Interest forms for **Year 7 2023** have been sent home with all Year 6 students and need to be returned to the office **ASAP.** If you have misplaced the form please contact the office.



NEWSLETTER UPDATE

This year we will be moving to a more eco-friendly version of the newsletter. It will be published twice a term starting from term 2 and will be sent in digital form unless a paper copy is requested. If you haven't already filled this form in, can you please do so and return it to the front office



BEGA VALLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER UPDATE 2022

In an effort to be more environmentally conscious and reduce paper use, Bega Valley Public School is moving to a digital form of the school newsletter. We are asking all parents/carers to **update their email addresses to ensure they receive their copy**.

Please fill in the details below with your email address.

Students Name:

Parents Name:

I would like to receive my newsletter by email

email address is:

Signed: Date:

PAPER COPY

If you would still like to receive a **paper copy** you may opt in to have one printed. This will only occur if you let us know by **filling in the form below and returning it to the front office.**

I:would like to receive a paper copy of the newsletter

Signed: Date:

Class News 3/4J

It has been a fantastic start to the year for 3/4J! The students have enjoyed getting to know their teachers and classmates and have quickly adjusted to new routines. In both Reading and History, students have explored the topic of Australia. We have read and viewed a variety of rich texts, which have strengthened our knowledge of Australian landscapes and life in Australia prior to European settlement. Whilst engaging with content, we have built a bank of comprehension strategies including, making connections, predicting, visualizing and summarizing.

In Writing, students have begun unpacking Narrative text structure. They have completed a number of sentence building and vocabulary activities with the aim of 'dressing up' their sentences. In Math's, we continue to explore Number and Measurement concepts, including place value, addition, subtraction and time. Finally, in Science we have enjoyed learning about gravity and motion - using toy cars and ramps of various shapes and sizes to test speed and distance.

All in all, a great start to the year!





Class News K6M

K6M has had a great start to 2022. This term we have been learning about what life was like for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) Peoples before their first contacts with European explorers. The class have been exploring ATSI People's long connection to Country.

We have been reading the book *Follow The Rabbit Proof Fence* by Doris Pilkington Garimara and looking at the early relationships formed between European settlers and Aboriginal people.

We have had a disrupted start to our swimming program with both weather and COVID impacting our time at the pool.

However, it is always so pleasing to see the Children's' confidence grow in the water.



Class News K60

K60 has had a fantastic start to Term 1 this year. Students are engaged and have been learning through hands-on tasks completed throughout the day.

K60 have been practicing their cooking skills in preparation for providing all staff with morning tea. Each week the students of K60 have researched, prepared, presented and sampled a new dish. All students are looking forward to show casing their fantastic cooking skills to the teachers.





Class News 1/2J

In Art, 1/2J are focusing on the topic Still Life. We learnt about elements such as shape, size, colour and texture when completing still life drawings. We used models to make our drawings more interesting and took inspiration from sunflowers growing in the Bega Valley School Garden.

Students used their imagination to create their own vase, adding patterns and colour with crayons and paints.







Class News K6B

What a fantastic term it's been in K6B! We have had a very busy time with lots of great learning happening. One of the highlights so far have been our Digital Technology lessons in the library. We have been learning all about digital systems, hardware and software and exploring the basics of robotics by learning how to code with BeeBots and OzoBots.

The class also engaged well with our learning in preparation for the National Day of Action Against Bullying last week. The students had lots of great ideas about how to prevent bullying and made some posters to teach others what to do.



Class News 1/2B

1/2B has had a busy start to the year and has completed some great learning. We work well as a group and enjoy doing cooperative learning activities. We have been introduced to our school learning dispositions and focussing on being independent and collaborative learners in the classroom.

We have especially enjoyed our DigiTech lessons with Mrs Deen and K6B. We are learning how to login, create word documents and code robots. We have been practising number skills and sight words using the Beebots. We are all growing in confidence using robots and have discovered learning can be fun.



Class News 3/4F

In 3/4F we have had a busy start to the year. We have enjoyed getting to know each other and establishing our classroom routines and Code of Cooperation.

A strong focus on our School Values of Respect, Responsibility, Cooperation and Friendship, as well as our five Learning Dispositions, have helped us set up the class for a great year of learning.

It has been pleasing to see students embracing all learning opportunities this term including other programs such music as swimming.

This term on Thursday afternoons 3/4F have engaged in our DigiTech program with Mrs Deen. Students were able to work in groups to build a robot with Lego WeDo and then use simple coding to operate it remotely. This has complemented our Science Unit on forces and has been a great way to explore push forces, pull forces, balanced forces and the effects of fiction. I think the class would agree that DigiTech has been one of our favourite times of the week this term.



Class News 1/2A

We have had a wonderful start to the year. The past few weeks though we have had a lot away each day. It looks like we are almost back on track with almost a full class.

This week we have been learning about repeating patterns in Maths. With Ms Gordan we have been investigating how hexagons tesselate together.

Last week in writing we were focusing on the book 'The Snail and the Whale'. We have created some origami whales and crepe paper to make an underwater scene from the book.



Class News 4/5B

45B has settled into routines with the start of this term. We are getting familiar with expectations, what our learning dispositions mean and how to recognise when we are successful at a task. 45B has been exploring visual literacy through our literacy units with an emphasis on Australian landscapes. We have created two landscapes in different forms with another form of collage landscape later this term. In pairs, students have begun creating their own visual literacy piece using Powerpoint as the medium. In History, we are exploring what Australia was like for Indigenous peoples before Europeans arrived. The students are busy creating an historical timeline to represent what we know. The Year 4's have been fortunate to attend the Stage 2 AFL Gala Day. The students had fun participating in modified AFL games against other school teams. Our next major sporting event is the Cross Country Carnival. We have begun our running training during fitness in preparation for the big race. Recently, 45B participated in Bullying No-Way Day activities. The focus of this day is to define what bullying is, recognise bullying including cyber bullying and think of different tips to help prevent bullying or to stop bullying. Students created their own anti-bullying tips to assist others, typed them onto a document, then took a photo of themselves to put into the document to create their own helpful bullying message poster. Looking forward to next term!



SPORTS NEWS

Swimming Stage 2 & 3

Swimming for sport for Stage 2 and 3 students continues this Friday 25th March and next Friday 1st April. The teachers and swimming instructors have been very impressed by the efforts of all students at the pool. Students are displaying the school values of respect, responsibility, co-operation and friendship whilst learning new skills and practising safety techniques to enable them to feel more confident in aquatic environments.

A fantastic effort!





MUSIC NEWS

Our Music Program is up and running. We have lots of new and returning students learning instruments such as trumpet, trombone, clarinet, saxophone, flute and guitar. Once students are on their way to being musicians on their chosen instrument, we include them in the school concert band and stage band. This is a fantastic opportunity for our students to become life long musicians.

In the last week of this term we have the annual SCLC Creative Arts Camp. A group of students from BVPS will be attending this camp and learning new skill in drama, dance, circus, woodwork, crocheting, visual art & tie dying. This is a going to be a fantastic experience for our budding artists.

In week 6 of Term 2, the SCLC Music Camp is being held. This will be our 11th annual SCLC Music camp and has been a very much loved event on the calendar of many past BVPS students. The camp runs for 4 days and 3 nights at Kianinny Cabins in Tathra. Students from Bega High School, Eden Marine High School and all surrounding primary schools are able to apply to attend. We take students with a range of abilities and experience catering to beginner and advanced young musicians.

Applications are available for all Stage 3 students at BVPS from myself, school office or via this link <u>https://forms.gle/42cuRSCgLz4NV55p9</u>.



GET HOOKED ON HOCKEY

COME and TRY DAY

Keith Mitchell Sportsground Valley Street, **BEGA** 4:00pm - 5:00pm Thursday 24/03/2022

www.sapphirecoasthockey.org.au



PAMBULA NUPPERS - COME AND TRY DAY!



Date: Sunday 27th March 2022 Time: 8:45am - 11:00am Venue: Pambula Surf Life Saving Club For boys and girls ages 5 to 14 Free BBQ Car parking and toilets available



Please bring: swimmers, towel, sunscreen, hat, drink

Please RSVP to: secretary@pambulasurf.org.au

Pambula SLSC will be patrolling and water safety will be provided but parents and carers are required to stay on the beach.





NETBALL FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

BEGA DISTRICT NETBALL ASSOCIATION

NETTA SKILLS: 5 - 9 YEAR OLDS: 4PM - 5PM(coach vanessa de jong)

JUNIORS: 10 - 15 YEAR OLDS : 4PM - 5.30PM (COACH IGOR PAJUCZOK)

COMPETITION DATES

TERM 2: MONDAY 2ND MAY - MONDAY 20TH JUNE

TERM 3: MONDAY 25TH JULY - MONDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER

\$50 (INCLUDES T-SHIRT AND AFTERNOON TEA)

ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS ACCEPTED

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SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINICS !!

In partnership with Basketball NSW the Merimbula Basketball Association is excited to announce two exciting school holiday basketball clinics:

