School Photos – Tuesday 21 July

Have your returned your envelope for school photos? Envelopes MUST be in by Friday, 17th July. If you do not return the envelope on the due date, do not worry. Every student has their photo taken and you can still order directly from Don Woods Photography after photos are taken. Just call Don Woods Photography on 9150 9503. They will need to know school name, child’s name, child’s class and which pack you would like to order.

Spare envelopes for Student photos and Family photo envelopes are available from the office.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It has been my great pleasure to read all the Semester 1 Reports which will be going home to families this week. A great deal of time is taken and careful thought given by teachers, to write these reports after a cycle of assessment, planning, teaching and reassessment over terms 1 and 2. It has been wonderful to read of individual student achievement, growth, effort and persistence across academic and social areas. Parent/Teacher interviews early next term will provide an opportunity to discuss your child’s progress and possible future goals.

By the time you read this newsletter part one of the Athletics Carnival will be over with all races run. We can now look forward to day 2, the field events along with the Stage 1 Carnival which will be held at school next term on Friday, 17 July

Congratulations to Kinder Purple who ran their very first Stage 1 assembly last Friday. It was great to see so many parents present to support their children as they presented their dance item. Kinder Purple displayed bucket loads of resilience and patience as technology issues hampered their dance efforts. Well done Mrs Sutherland and KP.

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of term 2 already. I am looking forward to my son coming home from Uni for a few weeks, reading and generally relaxing. I hope that all families have a lovely holiday, recharge their batteries and return for a much healthier term 3. Don’t forget that 13th July is Staff Development Day. Teaching staff and SLSOs will be ‘off site’ at Valla. The office will be open on this day. Have a great break.

Elizabeth Mulligan
Principal

MT HYLAND

Mt Hyland Wilderness Retreat, what a place!

23 students from Yr 2 to yr 6 embraced the 'old growth' forest at Mt Hyland, incorporating its beauty in their playing and composition.

The String excursion included 6 fabulous parents (drivers and chefs) two teachers, concerts, soccer games, rhythm games, forest walks, art, craft, a sing-along at the bonfire, stories and delicious food.

A highlight, after much rehearsing, was to present our pieces and newly composed song in a final concert for Rosemary and Barry, our hosts.

A beautiful and respectful group of children to take away. I feel very proud of their behaviour and their dedication to learning their instruments.

All our school community is welcome to hear the Senior Strings players on Friday 26 from 2.10 to 3.10 in the hall.

What a great start to the holidays!

Elizabeth Scott and Jacquie Gill

Kindergarten 2016

Do you have a child at home who will be coming to our school in 2016?

Please drop in into the office or call us on 6655 1147 so we add to our 2016 Kindergarten enrolment list. We will send you your Kindergarten Transition when it is available.
A STORY FROM 1 MAGENTA

Once upon a time Jimmy ate a dreadful plum and he exploded. The plum had evil poison. Then I cried because he died.
Leila Paterson, 1 Magenta

MOVE TO LEARN

I love being part of ‘Move to Learn’ each Tuesday. This program gives the students in Years 1 and 2 a well-earned ‘brain break’ on Tuesday mornings and me the opportunity to get to know these classes and their skills in fine and gross motor activities. Parent helpers are more than welcome if you would like to join next term
Elizabeth Mulligan

BAND PERFORMANCE - REMINDER

Students involved with the Primary School Band program will be performing on Tuesday 23rd June 2015 at 5pm. This performance will be held at the Primary School hall and all family and friends are invited to come along and listen.
On the night of the performance please arrive at least 30 minutes beforehand with your musical instruments; dress will not be formal but neat casual.
All the best for the rest of this term and I look forward to seeing all of you tomorrow night.
Peter Morgan, Band Leader

HEAD LICE

Head Lice have been detected in a number of classes. Would you please check your child’s hair and treat with the appropriate treatment if you detect lice or eggs.
Students should not return to school unless this treatment has been administered.
We recommend that students with long hair keep it tied back

PLUMBER AND ELECTRICIAN WANTED

We’re looking for a Plumber and an Electrician who could help out the school with some possible work in our staff room.
If you can help please call Elizabeth Mulligan on 6655 1147.

ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY CLOTHING

The P and C, in conjunction with the school, provide clean and dry clothing to students whose uniform gets wet or dirty whilst they are at school. Having had a busy few days with wet weather of late, we have run out of boys and girls’ pants and skorts. If you are able to provide second hand items that fit this description we would be delighted to add them to our clothing pool, to help future accident victims!

“Respect is learned, earned, & returned.”

Unknown

Listening to others without interrupting is a way to show respect, in many settings, whether in class, the playground or during stage and whole school assemblies. Children take their cues, positive or negative, from adults. Adults or fellow students holding conversations while students or teachers are speaking can be very distracting and does not provide a good example. We can learn from Stage 1 who revise and practice Whole Body Listening skills every day.
“When you talk, you are only repeating what you already know...But if you listen, you may learn something new.” (Unknown)

Being Optimistic

If you tend toward mostly pessimistic thinking, you can get better at seeing what’s good. Here are some things to try:
- Notice good things as they happen.
- Train your mind to believe you can make good things happen in your life.
- Don’t blame yourself when things go wrong.
- When something good happens, give yourself credit.
- Remind yourself that setbacks are temporary.
- Notice how other people talk about themselves.

Optimism is a thinking style that can be learned, which means that pessimism can be unlearned! It can take a little while, so don’t feel discouraged. Becoming more aware of the two styles can gradually help you start noticing more ways to be optimistic. Just keep telling yourself, “I can be more optimistic and I’m going to keep practicing!”
STAY SAFE REMINDER!!
Please do not walk your children through the staff car park. ALL pedestrians should use the path near the bike racks and exit through the small gate only.

WOOL WANTED
Our students in Stage 1 are loving their weighted knitted chooks made by one of our volunteer tutors. We would love to make more chooks for other classes, however our tutor requires some more wool and stuffing. If you have any spare 8 ply wool and stuffing that you can donate to the school that would be great. The wool can be any colour. Please leave at front office.

STUDENT BANKING
The following items are available to redeem for tokens.
- Blue Wallett (2013 item)
- ET DVD
- Headphones (2013 item)
- Intergalatic Rocket
- Invisible Ink Pens
- Knuckles Game (2013 item)
- Planet Handball
- Projector Cup (2014 item)
- Scented Pencils (2014 item)
- Shark Keyring (2014 item)
- Swimbag (2014 item)
Collect a card from the office or write a note and include with your tokens and deposit.
Remember school banking day is Tuesday
Sandra Rumning
School Banking Co-ordinator

CANTEEN NEWS
The end of this week sees the end of second term and marks half way through the school year. Soon all of our studious little charges will be sulking at home because they are missing out on precious educational opportunities for two whole weeks.
After those two weeks when the studious munchkins return to their enjoyment of their studies the canteen will be there ready to feed your children to a better education.
This week’s special will be shepherd’s pie and peas, available on Thursday and Friday only at a cost of $3.50 or $5.00 with a drink.
A safe and enjoyable term break vacation to all.
Eddy Vardabasso
Canteen Supervisor

Canteen Roster - June
Tue 23 Leonie Jennings
Wed 24 Maree Martindale
Thu 25 Donal O’Sulllubhain, Laurie Rosa, Sharon B.
Fri 26 Leanne Harding
Tue 23 Leonie Jennings

UNIFORMS
We take pride in our school uniform. It’s what makes us a team.
Our uniform does not include ‘hoodies’ or caps.
There are many good quality second hand jumpers for sale from the canteen, at very reasonable costs or new uniforms are also available.
You can help by having your child wear their uniform every day.

Diary Dates

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EXCURSION BUDGETING

Excursions can be paid off weekly, fortnightly or monthly or as it suits your family budget. Below are some of the major excursion costs and the number of weeks till final payment must be received.

Lake Keepit Excursion, August 31 - September 4 @ $310 – 7 school weeks approx $44/week
Cascade Excursion, Aug 12- 14 @ $100 - 4 school weeks approx @ $25/week.

IGA LOYALTY PROGRAM

Did you know you can help raise money for Bello Public just by shopping at the IGA? The IGA have a long running program which donates a percentage of your shop to your chosen local organisation. Simply pick up a loyalty/rewards card from either the IGA or the front office at the School and present your card at the checkout. Every shop counts!

LOST PROPERTY

Label it! Label it! Label it! Our lost property is overflowing and only half the items have name tags. Please ensure ALL your childrens property is clearly labelled so it can be returned and teach your children to be responsible for their own property by returning jumpers and lunch container to their bags. Currently there are a number of larger size non uniform items that if not collected will find a new home at the Op Shop this Wednesday.

CURRENT NOTES

- School Photo Envelopes
- PSSA Rugby League note – girls and boys
- Cascade Year 4 EOI
- Year 5 Lake Keep It EOI
- Internet Access & Acceptable Usage Policy
- Year 7 enrolment forms for Year 6 –Overdue

Community Notices

Bellingen Public School does not endorse these products or services.

To All the Artists in our Bellingen Public School Community.

Bellingen Uniting Church is to host the inaugural Spiritual Art Prize and Exhibition: Heart and Soul. Open to artists from the region with categories for primary, secondary and adult entrants. There is over $2000 in prizes to be won. The theme MUSIC OF THE SOUL invites artists to portray that which inspires, resonates and connects with their spirit. The exhibition will be held from Saturday 19 September for a week. For full details and entry form please visit the website:

www.heartandsoul.space

Winter stories & songs for children

Free in the Storytent @ Bello Winter Music
(opposite Bellingen Memorial Hall)

Sat 4 July 10.30am & 12.45pm Sun 5 July 11.30am & 1.30pm

www.talesandsongs.com

The small shelter is the place to wait for your children at the end of the day. This reduces distractions outside the classroom and helps students stay focused.