NEWSLETTER - Term 1 Week 9

What’s coming up…

**Easter Weekend - Public Holidays**
Friday 29th April & Monday 1st April

**Wednesday 2nd April**
P & C Meeting 7pm

**Wednesday 3rd April**
3.30pm Indigenous Community BBQ at Bega Valley Public

**Thursday 4th April**
AFL 3/4 Gala Day (All Year 3/4 attending)

**Friday 5th April**
56M Assembly 9.15am - Cross Country Ribbons will be given out at this Assembly

**Thursday 11th April**
Anzac Assembly

**Friday 12th April**
12E Assembly 9.15am

**Last Day Term 1**
12th April 2013

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**CREATING RESPONSIBLE CHILDREN PARENTING WORKSHOP**
Presented by Graham Parry Psychologist

Graham is a psychologist and District Guidance Officer with extensive experience supporting rural families and children.

Does parenting seem to be getting harder? Do you feel like you are fighting your children just to get the simple things done let alone the difficult things? This workshop is designed to change all that. You'll learn practical and easy strategies that can be used at home to get kids to behave for you like they do when they visit somewhere else. Yes: those friends who tell you what wonderful kids you have. It’s not a dream. It can happen. Come along, bring a list of things you would like to change and leave empowered to go home and shift the balance back in your favour without all the emotion. Graham's sessions always rate very highly with parents and the take home strategies work immediately!

Our school will be offering this workshop to all parents on 10th April at 6pm. We will put on a video and a light dinner for the kids whilst you talk with Graham until around 7:30pm. Please contact the office if you would like anymore information and register your interest on the attached form at the end of this newsletter.

**Easter Egg hunt**
A huge thank you to the P&C for organising the Easter Egg hunt. It was fantastic to see the children with the torches searching for the Easter eggs and also the community involvement was a real highlight. The night raised around $1800.

**School Dates**
School finishes on Friday 12th April 2013 with the students returning on **Wednesday 1st May 2013**. This year there are two Staff Development days at the beginning of term as the Department of Education prepares for implementation of the National Curriculum in 2014.

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Congratulations to the students for their behaviour

At our school we monitor positive and negative behaviours through a computerised tracking system. It is very pleasing that the majority of children always display the school values whilst at school. 325 out of 350 students consistently do the right thing.

This year we have had 26 children who have been identified as displaying negative behaviour at school and most of these have only appeared once on our system. The small number of children who repeatedly display antisocial behaviour have specialised behaviour programs to develop the desired behaviours for at school. These include structured games, social skills and behaviour goals.

If you would like further information on these programs please contact Mr Mott.

Attendance Goal

The final week for our current attendance goal is next Friday. We want the children here a minimum of 12 out of 13 days over a three week period with children achieving this receiving an ice block next Friday.

A reminder that all absences require notification to the school via the phone or note to the class teacher.

Cross Country

Cross Country ribbons will be handed out at next Friday’s assembly 5th April 2013.

Violin Lessons

We are lucky to have a violin teacher offering to work with our students.

They will be working on Fridays in term 2.

If you would like your child to have a go at playing the violin please contact Mr Bennett at the school. The school has violins for the children to use so all that is needed is a desire to learn to play this instrument.

Using signing to communicate

At our school we have a small number of students who use signing to communicate how they are feeling and their needs. Our students are beginning to learn this in order to help them support these students.

We are would like to put in a sign each week for parents to learn some of these communication techniques. This week's sign is;
Permission for Photos at school
At our school the children complete many activities using technology and often produce work or images electronically.

We are currently reviewing our website and would like to use more of this style to make a website valuable for parents to visit.

To do this we require permission. Please read the information carefully attached to this newsletter and return the permission slip before next Friday 22nd March, 2013.

CANTEEN ROSTER:

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS ON EASTER FRIDAY 29TH MARCH AND MONDAY 1ST APRIL—HAPPY EASTER

Friday 5th April
Kerrie Wheatley
Susan Bassett
Alison Randall

Monday 8th April
Mel Bonney
Cath James

Thanks to all volunteers.
Trish Warby

IMPORTANT CANTEEN NOTE:
The Canteen is only open on Mondays and Fridays.

YOUTH WEEK ART SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Linocut ‘Adrift’ Arone Meeks
Explore design and printing techniques with artist Tanja Riese
and make original small artworks --- POSTCARD size.
Two FREE art skills workshops will be run as part of Youth Week
at Old Bega Hospital sponsored by Spiral Gallery.

Workshop 1: Printing using linocuts on
Saturday 6th April from 10 to 3 pm

Workshop 2: Solar Plate Printing on
Saturday 13th April from 10 to 3 pm

All materials will be supplied with a maximum of 15 participants per workshop
Age range 12 – 24 years.

Create works you can enter in Spiral Gallery’s POSTCARD Exhibitions
to be held in June 2013 at Spiral Gallery. Over 350 entries were received
in 2012 and we are hoping for an even bigger exhibition in 2013.
The exhibition will have a youth category with prizes awarded.

BOOK NOW at Spiral Gallery, 47 Church St
Bega to secure your spot.
Call 02 6492 5322 or register at the gallery
Open Mon- Fri 10 – 4 Sat 10 - 1
Email: spiralgallery@southernphone.com.au
www.spiralgallery.org.au
Dear Parent/ Caregiver,

We are seeking your permission to publish information about your child/family members for the purposes of sharing his/her/your experiences with other students, informing the school and broader community about school and student activities and recording student participation in noteworthy projects or community service.

This information may include your child’s name, age, class and information collected at school such as photographs, sound and visual recordings of your child, your child’s work and expressions of opinion such as in interactive media.

The communications in which your child’s information may be published include but are not limited to:
- Public websites of the Department of Education and Communities including the school website, blogs and wikis.
- Department of Education publications including the local newspapers, school newsletter, annual school magazine and school report, promotional material published in print and electronically including on the Department’s websites.
- Official Department and school social media accounts on networks such as YouTube, Facebook and Twitter.
- Publishing school events, activities, etc on BVPS website. Showing what, how, when your child/class/school have been participating in.
- Publishing photos could include your child individually, group, class or as in the background.
- Publishing photos with you as a parent in the shot, assisting at the school, with you observing or with your child or other children.

Parents should be aware that when information is published on public websites and social media channels, it can be discoverable online for a number of years, if not permanently. Search engines may also cache or retain copies of published information. Published information can also be linked to by third parties. We would greatly appreciate if you could sign the attached permission as we currently updating our website and would like to see the great work that each and every child does is published.

Yours sincerely

Troy Mott
Principal

Permission to Publish
I have read this permission to publish and:
Tick the appropriate box

☐ I give permission ☐ I do not give permission

to the school/Department of Education and Communities to publish information about my child as described above, including in publicly accessible communications.

This signed permission remains effective until I advise the school otherwise.

Child’s name .......................................................... Class ........................................

Parent/carer/caregiver’s name ..........................................................

Parent/carer/caregiver signature ........................................ Date............................
Bega Valley Public School invites our Indigenous Community to an afternoon BBQ to meet with the teachers and talk about your child’s needs and interests.

When: Wednesday 3rd April, 3.30pm
Where: Bega Valley Public School Quad
As emails become more and more part of daily lives it may be more convenient for you to receive our weekly newsletter via email. Please email the school via:

begavalley-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

if you would like to take up this option

LOST GLASSES

Lost at school - Blue Dolphin Glasses Case, with pink and black reading glasses in it. If found please contact Office.

LOST KITTEN

11 MONTH OLD BLACK AND WHITE KITTEN “Lilly” Lost Spindler Street area 0434257341 reward offered

BEGA TATHRA JUNIOR SOCCER

Registrations are still being taken for Bega Tathra Junior Soccer. $40 per player or a maximum of $80 per family. Ages are 5-12 years and attending primary school. Games start 4th May. Phone Jenny Weber on 64922485 to register now. Check out the website - begatathrajuniorssoccer.org.au

Bega Vacation Care Program is taking bookings for April School Holidays 2013 for children who currently attend or have enrolled in school. The program begins Monday 15th April and runs until Friday 26th April, 2013. Hours of operation are 8.00-5.30pm daily. Final day CLOSES 5.00pm Friday 26th April. Please make your bookings using the new bookings system by Thursday 4th April 2013. Please give as much notice as possible of cancelling books, as we usually have a waiting list to address. Contact Bandara Children’s Services for booking forms on 64924360.
Getting Your Newsletter By Email

Name:__________________________________________

Email Address:____________________________________

Please return to the school office.

Absentee Note Bega Valley Public School:

My child/ren ____________________________________________ of Class/es _________________________
were absent on:

________________________________________________________

Please tick box where appropriate.

☐ Sick       ☐ Family Leave       ☐ Appointment

Details:

________________________________________________________

Signed: _________________________________   Date: __________________

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Parent/Carer Names: ...............................................................

Child/ren’s Name:_________________________________________ Classes:________________________

Number of Children attending on the night: ____________________________