NEWSLETTER - Term 3 Week 8

What’s coming up...

Thursday 3rd September
Bournda Excursion Year 6

Friday 4th September
Whole School Assembly
2.15pm
Class Performance 6B
Shared Class Work 34C

Monday 7th September
Smooth Start

Tuesday 8th September
Transition to Bega High School 6B 9.00-11.00am
STEM program

Thursday 10th September
Transition to Bega High School 6L 1.15pm-3pm
STEM program

Monday 14th September
P & C Meeting 3.15pm in School Library
ALL WELCOME

Wednesday 16th & Thursday 17th Monday 14th September
Year 3-6 Play Romeo & Juliet Matinees at Midday & Night Performances 6pm
TICKETS ON SALE $4.00

Friday 18th September
Whole School Assembly
2.15pm

Last day Term 3 Friday

PRINCIPAL MESSAGE:

This week it has been a pleasure to see the sun shining in our playgrounds for the commencement of Spring.

Many of our students have been involved with the Bournda Environmental Education Centre over the past week, exploring science, weather, photography, natural habitats and environments and utilising a range of technologies in the learning process. The Year 3 - Year 6 Performance is in full preparation now with less than 2 weeks until opening curtain. Tickets go on sale from today and will sell quickly so please purchase your tickets through the Office as soon as possible so as not be disappointed.

The Staff and Students of Bega Valley PS are very proud to be donating $2000 from Performance door takings to the Berk family. This donation will support Beth Berk to travel to Moscow to receive much needed treatment for her MS at the end of October this year. Beth is the mother of Bailen Berk and a Sonographer at Bega Valley radiology and has probably helped lots of parents from our school during their pregnancies. For more information or to help: http://www.gofundme.com/a1q0qw

Russia is the key! Get Beth MS Free!!

Some students in year 5 and 6 are taking the opportunity to hone their artistic skills each lunchtime with Mr Roberts. These students are looking forward to entering their efforts in the up-coming SCLC Art Show.

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SASS RECOGNITION WEEK

This week we are recognising the wonderful Support staff and administration staff who work tirelessly to support our school. The Office staff - Mandy, Jenny and Jenny A, the General Assistant Alan, the Library Admin Tracy, and our many School Learning Support Officers who work with your children each day to achieve their best!

With thanks to Gonski funding this year BVPS has employed two School Learning Support Officers to work with Teachers and students in the classrooms and the playground.

Travis Broughton works in Year 5 and 6 classrooms as well as runs a daily footy game each recess to engage children in structured sporting activities. Without this input more of our students might feel less involved in the playtime.

Sally Burns this year has worked in Year 3 and 4 to support literacy and maths programs, she is often found making extra lunches for children who may need help and is of invaluable support to the general administration of student welfare in the school.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR SUPPORT AND ADMINISTRATION STAFF!!

WHAT GONSKI MEANS
Australia remains a high-achieving nation in education but our overall performance has slipped in the last decade – at the same time as schools funding has become less equitable.

The Gonski Review found that Australia is investing too little in schools, and that the way we distribute the money is neither fair nor effective.

Students in disadvantaged areas are up to three years behind those of the same age who live in wealthy areas. One in five 15-year-old students does not have basic reading skills – the kind they will need to apply for and keep a job.

The Gonski funding arrangements are designed to ensure that the right resources are in every school to give children the individual attention and support they need to excel.

The six-year Gonski agreements the Federal Government signed with five States and Territories began in 2014 and were designed to bring schools up to an appropriate level of resources in six years.

GONSKI IS GETTING RESULTS
Where Gonski funding is being delivered it is having a significant impact on what students achieve.

Schools are able to provide:
- Smaller class sizes
- Extra literacy and numeracy programs
- Speech therapists and psychologists
- More one-on-one support for struggling kids
- Better training for teachers

WITHOUT GONSKI SCHOOLS AND STUDENTS WILL BE LEFT BEHIND
Gonski is all about bringing every school up to the level where it has the resources to properly educate every child.

Without the full funding, children in schools will continue to miss out on the support and attention they need to reach their potential.

The worst-affected will be the ones who stand to gain the most from Gonski: children with disability, those from disadvantaged and non-English speaking backgrounds and Aboriginal students.

We cannot as a nation accept a situation where some students are educated in schools which are properly resourced while others are held back by a lack of resources.

All governments and all political parties need to support this once-in-a-generation opportunity to work together and properly resource our schools.
Tarraganda-Bega Rural Youth is always looking for new members.

Rural Youth is a state-wide non profit organisation of young members, aged 5-30, run for and by its members. With monthly activities and meetings Rural Youth will give you plenty of fun and friendships.

Our major event on our annual calendar is the running of the Bega Show’s Animal Nursery. Annual membership is $6 for new members and $5 thereafter. If anyone is interested in joining Tarraganda-Bega Rural Youth they can contact:

Sue Mitchell-Davis 64923256 or Katie Britten ksjbritten@gmail.com
Or find us on Facebook at Tarranganda-Bega Rural Youth

**KEY WORD SIGNS**

**Words of the Week**

**Hot**
Also: hot food
Start with flat hand, fingers touching chin and thumb extended. Move hand out turning wrist so that hand ends with palm facing forward a small distance in front of shoulder. Can end lower and in the direction of the hot thing.
Usage Notes: Hot at in “that’s hot” not as in “I am hot” there is a different sign for that Hint: Hot food burns the mouth.

**Hint:** I’m so hot, I’m perspiring
We know you’ve heard the story told of Juliet and Her Romeo... Or have you REALLY?????

Come and see how BVPS does Romeo and Juliet!!

Tickets sell fast and are available from the office from this Thursday for $4.00 each.

Performances will be held on Wednesday 16th September at Midday and 6pm
Thursday 17th September at Midday and 6 pm

Bega High School & Bega Valley Public School Uniform Shop

20% Sale at Uniform Shop
10th and 17th September 2015
8.30 - 4pm
All uniforms in stock
No rainchecks
No laybys
No exchanges or refunds
contact number 0417028864

Open each Thursday of the school term shop located at Bega High School
Winter Opening Hours
11:00 am to 4:00 pm
For enquiries phone: 0417 028 864

THE BREAKFAST CLUB
The Breakfast Club is run every morning by Stephanie Stanhope and her lovely crew to benefit children who might be missing out on the most important meal of the day: BREAKFAST! Open from 8:30am-9am from the Canteen.

Keep an eye on this spot, as we will be listing the produce that we are using each month from our School Garden: This week the lettuce and broccoli are lookin’ good!

ROSTER
Canteen roster for next week - please call Sheryl on 64924729 if you can help fill a vacant spot.

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The canteen can only run with the help of our great volunteers. If you can spare a couple of hours on a Wednesday or Friday please contact Sheryl.
Canteen
We still need more volunteers in the canteen on Wednesday and Fridays, please see Sheryl in the Canteen to see where and when you can help.

Toy/Clothes Drive
The P&C is looking at holding a toy/clothes sale in Term 4. Please start thinking about any toys/clothes in good condition that you would be able to donate. If you are doing a Spring Clean over the next month or so please keep us in mind when culling items!

More information will be available in the next few weeks.

P&C Meeting
Next meeting at 3.15 on 14 September 2015 in Library – this will be a very important meeting as we will be discussing an item of significant expenditure, please make the effort to attend.

Facebook
Please join the schools Facebook page, it is a great source of information about what is happening in the school.
Benefits of Karate
For the young ones our training system offers a safe and caring environment where they can be physically active while learning new skills. Karate will increase confidence, co-ordination and flexibility. Children will be at a lower risk of suffering from bullying and develop the moral strength to resist incorrect peer pressure.

For grown ups our training offers time out from daily stress and improvements in health and wellbeing. Because of the release of endorphins during training with the enjoyment of gaining new skills and knowledge you will always finish a session confident and happy.

Increased strength and flexibility will help reduce the risk of injuries during work or domestic activities.

Besides the enjoyment of training with your club mates, there will also be combined training sessions with Candelo and Bega Clubs, interstate training days, karate camps and official dinners where you will get to meet a wide range of fellow karatekas.

TRAINING TIMES

Bega—Bega Valley Public School Hall, Auckland street Bega
   Mighty Mites—Monday 4.30pm—5.15pm
   Juniors—Monday 5.30pm—6.15pm
   Seniors & Students—Monday 6.30pm—8.00pm
   Seniors & Students—Friday 5.30pm—7.00pm

Candelo—Main Showground Pavilion, Bega Candelo road
   Mighty Mites—Wednesday 4.30pm—5.15pm
   Juniors—Monday & Wednesday 5.30pm—6.15pm
   Seniors & Students—Monday & Wednesday 6.30pm—8.00pm

Contact Shiwan Robert Graham (5th Dan) on 0427 945 930

Eden—Eden Primary School Hall, Imlay Street Eden
   Mighty Mites—Friday 5.00pm—5.45pm
   Juniors & Seniors—Friday 6.00pm—7.30pm

Contact Sempai Sherri Cooper on 02 6495 7179

You have nothing to lose—the first lesson is free!!!
Bega Valley Athletics Club Come and Try Afternoon

The 2015/16 Little Athletics season, which runs from October to March, is about to commence. Little Athletics is all about family, fun and fitness. Athletes develop basic running, jumping and throwing skills by participating in highly active training sessions and are eligible to compete in Little Athletics ACT carnivals.

Children who are 7 – 17 years of age are welcome to join the Bega Valley Athletics Club. A parent must come with their child/children to all training afternoons and help run events for the athletes. The athletics sessions involve age groups from U7 - U17 participating in many running, jumping and throwing events. This requires significantly more adult support than other sports. The club will be running Orientation to Little Athletics sessions to familiarise parents with the events. If it is cancelled due to wet weather, children are welcome to come to the first training afternoon on Thursday October 8, from 5.00 - 6.30 pm.

**Come and Try Afternoon**
**Date:** Thursday September 17
**Time:** 5.00 – 6.00 pm
**Venue:** Bega Athletics Field, Bega St. (behind Bega Valley Public School)

Please visit our website or email for more information.
Website - [www.bvlac.org](http://www.bvlac.org)
Email - [begavalleyathleticsclub@gmail.com](mailto:begavalleyathleticsclub@gmail.com)

Sapphire Coast Tennis

Looking for activities for your children this school holidays?

Sapphire Coast Tennis are running tennis camps at the BEGA Tennis Club for beginners to advanced players aged 5-16 years over the school holidays.

The camp runs for 3 days: **Mon 28th Sept, Tue 29th Sept, Wed 30th Sept**

**Times** 9am - 12 Noon Each Day  **Cost:** $65 per Child

Each day Children learn a different stroke or aspect of the game, related to the standard of the group. Structured practice follows, leading to lively games and competitions between groups. We also have snacks and fruit each day.

To register your child for the Holiday camp in Bega please call us on 0409 315542 or email [sapphirecoasttennis@gmail.com](mailto:sapphirecoasttennis@gmail.com)

SWIMMING IS A SKILL FOR LIFE!! IT IS ALSO THE BEST SPORT TO ENJOY THROUGHOUT THE AUSSIE SUMMER

• Swimming club is a fun way to enhance your skills in the water, improving swimming technique and fitness
• Swimming Club coaches are Austswim accredited
• You don’t need to be an Olympian, as long as you can swim a lap
• Swimming club actively encourages setting positive goals and training with your coach to meet them
• Swimming club provides a setting for friendly competition with the strongest emphasis being on improving your own personal best
• Swimming club means spending your summer staying fit in the pool instead of sweating it out at the oval or stadium
• It can be as competitive as YOU want

**COME AND JOIN THE FUN**  Bega Amateur Swimming Club information and registration day at the Bega Memorial Swimming Pool on Saturday 19th September from 2:00-3:00pm. Meet our coaches and committee to see if Swimming Club is for you.  Club nights are every Monday from 5.30pm
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: ______________

Change of address or phone numbers

Student Name/s: ____________________________________________________________
Residential Address: __________________________________________________________
Mailing Address: _____________________________________________________________
Contact Name: ______________________________________________________________
Relationship to student: _______________________________________________________
Phone (Home): ______________________________________________________________
(Work): _______________________________________________________________________
(Mobile): _________________________________________________________________
Emergency Contact Name: _____________________________________________________
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Signed: _________________________________  Date: _______________________

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Name: _________________________________________________________________

Email Address: ___________________________________________________________

Please return to the school office.