



Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022  
Term 4, Week 7

*Beechworth Primary School is committed to the implementation of Child Safe Standards to promote the safety and wellbeing of all young people.*

## Principal's News

Welcome to our Week 7 Newsletter.

Sadly, the weather is not being our friend this week and we have needed to postpone our Walk-a-thon. The weather next week will also not be conducive to us moving forward with the Walk-a-thon so we will need to postpone until December.

### Sock Fundraiser

Violet and Eli, our 2022 Indigo Shire Youth Ambassadors, are running a fundraiser as part of their Leadership program. They are fundraising to support the **Aturo Friendship Committee** and their passion project - **Crohns & Colitis Australia**. They will be selling socks! The socks would make terrific additions to any Christmas stockings. Please see the enclosed advertisement at the end of the newsletter. They will be selling their socks after school.



### Classes and Teachers for 2023

Over the past few weeks we have been juggling the numbers (students in each year level) and our DET funding. We have had a very tricky job of organising our class structure for 2023. Next year we have 60 students in the Year 5 & 6 space, which would make classes of 30. However, we feel that this is too many in a class. This brings us back to the tricky situation of needing to have a 5/4/3 class for 2023.

We have come to the consensus that we will have the following classes for 2023:

1 x Foundation class, 1 x straight Year 1 class, 2 x Year 1/2 classes, a 3/4 class, a 3/4/5 class and finally 2 x year 5/6 classes.

We also have 3 teachers continuing Family Leave in 2023, which means that we are currently advertising for a full-time classroom teacher and a 2 day per week PE teacher. These positions are advertised on DET Victoria Recruitment online.

Please know that regardless of the class grouping, all BPS teachers identify and respond to the diverse individual student needs within the class when developing our teaching and learning, providing additional supports for those that need them and extending students who are ready to move on.

## Foundation 2023 Transition

We were very excited to start our transition to school program for our 2023 Foundation students this week. The transition program will gradually introduce our preschool children to 'big' school in order to gain confidence in their ability to independently experience school life. Next week's session will support our 2023 Foundation students in their familiarisation of our school.

## End of Year Events

**BPS Swimming Carnival:** Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December. Junior students (F-2) will participate in fun water activities attending the Beechworth pool through the middle of the day. Senior students (3-6) will attend the pool for the full day, competing in a wide range of traditional swimming races and some fun events. Parents are invited to attend and cheer our swimmers on. More details will follow in next week's Newsletter.

**Year 6 Graduation:** The date of the Year 6 Graduation has been set for Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> December, 5-6pm. Your Year 6 staff will communicate the finer details to you via Compass Newsletter leading up to the event.

**End of Year Assembly and Awards:** The date for our celebration of 2022 school awards will be Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December, commencing 9.15am. More details closer to the time.

## Up-coming SSGs

Student Support Group meetings for students with additional needs will be held in Week 9.

## F - 2 Japanese

This week our Year 1 and 2 students continued their work on The Hungry Caterpillar. We had so much fun working out how to use Chopsticks. As we explored the differences in eating in Japan and Beechworth.





## SWPBS Silver Awards

This week at our School Assembly we presented 13 Silver Awards for 60 SWPBS Values tickets. Last week we had 6 Silver Award recipients, apologies to those students for omitting their photo from the Newsletter. It is terrific to see these students stepping up and demonstrating our school values.



Have a wonderful week.

Kind Regards,  
Sue McDonald  
Principal

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## COVID – Positive Results

Parents and carers must report a COVID-positive result to:

- The school by phone on 5728 1066.
- The Department of Health via the [COVID-19 Positive Rapid Antigen Test Self-Reporting Form](#) or call centre on [1800 675 398](#).

Covid-19 RAT kits are available at the school office.

### For the diary ...

Week	Date	Event / Activity
<b>Week 8</b>	All week Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	First Nations Bedtime Stories Week Prep Transition Visit no 2, 9am-11am
<b>Week 9</b>	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> November Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 3/4 Anne Frank Excursion Prep Transition Visit no 3, 9am-1pm
<b>Week 10</b>	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> – Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Senior Swimming BPS Swimming Carnival
<b>Week 11</b>	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> - Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3/4 Valley Homestead Camp Step Up day Year 6 Graduation Class party day
<b>Week 12</b>	<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December</b> Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Student Free day – 2023 Planning</b> Last day of School for 2022 – 2.30pm finish

**Beechworth Primary School Office Hours are: Monday – Friday 8.30 – 4.30**

- Jeanette: Mon – Thurs 8.30-11.30, Fri 8.30-3.00
- Samantha: Mon – Fri 8.30–4.30

**TheirCare (Before & After School Care at BPS)**

- Service and Bookings: phone 0447 717 055
- Area Manager, Rick phone no: 0459 555 671

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Beechworth, Vic 3747

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## Craft

Use a pencil or skewer to scratch marks, lines and patterns onto the foam (look at the patterns in the illustrations for inspiration).



## Wordless Illustrations

Working with a partner, choose one of the illustrations from the text **Little Bird's Day** and the verbs you made while listening to **Little Bird's Day** to retell that section of the story in your own words.



## Extension

- ☐ Write a conversation between two characters in the story to show what they might be thinking or feeling.
- ☐ List and order the events that take place during Little Bird's Day.





A simple, universal story of a day in the life of Little Bird as she sings the world alive, flies with Cloud, travels with Wind, nestles with Moon and dreams of flying among the stars.

**3/4 Dunstan**



Here comes the sun rising upon the horizon, fiery flames crackle on the suns surface. Time to wake up little fuzzy bird as an adventure awaits. Its time to sing at the top of your little fuzzy lungs...

Willow & Lily J



Warbling in the warm sun to wake up the lazy sleepers.

Warble, warble she went in the morning breeze, in the gum tree on Sunday morning.

Elsie



**Cacoo , Cacoo , Cacoo**

Rosie & Kiana



The wind was gusting and howling,  
wwwwwwssssssssssssssssssssshhhh  
hhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh. Bending and  
swaying the native gum in its wake.

Destry & Riley



I circle like a ballerina, twirling in the wind.  
To get the juicy nectar of the beautiful  
native flowers.

Naomi



Huffing and puffing, cloud comes to play  
with little bird playing and dancing.

Addison & Hazel



As I rise up into the sky my wings are  
fluttering. I huff and puff, I circle for ages  
then I find other birds just like me. I follow  
them into the dusk.

Jolie



It's time to wash little bird, as the blowing rain makes her drenched.  
It's time to glisten little bird.

Harper & Toby



I flutter with the rain to wash my dusty feathers. I spread my wings in anticipation of the arrival of the drying sun from behind the clouds.

Charlotte & Justin



As dusk fell over the warm savannah, the cool breeze grew as it whistles through trees. Little bird listens as breezes settled. Little bird watches as the animals lazed, enjoying the last bit of sun.

Lexie



The bird was looking for a tree to roost in for the night, so she survives from predators. She glides to a tree to sleep.

Ralph & Miles



Stars surrounding me like I'm gliding in a snow globe with the cold wind breeze swirling around my ruffled feathers.

Jack



Time to rest tiny bird, rest in the light of moon, it will be morning soon.

Bonnie



I nestle with moon, while dreaming that once I will fly harmoniously fly among the stars.

Aurelia



We flew toward the tree so we have now a good place to have a nap.  
I wake up in the dead of night to find some foods to eat but bingo the dingo was at the trunk of the tree so I went back to sleep in the tree.

Cain & Andy





**Democracy sausages**  
will be available at our upcoming  
State Election Voting Centre  
Beechworth Servicemen's  
Memorial Hall  
101 Ford Street  
Beechworth  
**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November**

**WILD SOCKS**

Violet and Eli from Beechworth Primary School  
are selling socks to support:  
**Aturo Friendship Committee**  
and their passion project -  
**Crohn's & Colitis Australia**

*Where are my socks?*

SOCK SIZES	PRICE
Children's size S + SM	\$6.00
Other sizes M, L +XL	

Crohn's & Colitis Australia

## SCHOLASTIC Book Club

ISSUE 8  
**BOOK CLUB**



## Scholastic Book Club Issue 8

**Last issue for 2022**

**Orders due back November 30**

## It's Your Time to Dance!!!

**Saturday Dance Fever workshops for kids, teens & adults in 2022.**

**Starts this Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> of November through to December 3<sup>rd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>!**

**Preparation classes for 2023!**

Lead by Franja Bailey

Qualifications: Bachelor of Human Movement Science, Diploma in Dance & Post graduate qualification in k-12 Education and Teaching.

### Dance timetable:

#### Junior Dance, movement & rhythm.

9- 9.45am 3-4 yr olds (guardian advised)  
10-10.45am 4-5yr olds (guardian advised)  
11-11.45am 5-7yr olds

#### Senior years

3-4pm 14yrs + Hip Hop & Contemporary dance  
4-5.15pm Women's Dance & Movement course  
African, contemporary, ballet & jazz & final class is Go - Go dancing with a special guest!  
(Different genre per class, listed in order of content being taught!)

#### Cost:

4 classes @ \$50 pay at commencement of first class per person or \$15 per class. (Family concessions available.)

**Venue: Salvation Army Hall** - Enter by Ford St, front door.

**Contact: Franja Bailey, 0421 024 998 See you there!**

#### Middle years

12.30-1.15pm 8-10yr olds Hip Hop & Street  
1.15pm - 2pm 8-10yr olds Contemporary Ballet  
2-3pm 11-13yr olds Hip Hop & Contemporary



