



Friday 31st March 2023
Term 1, Week 9

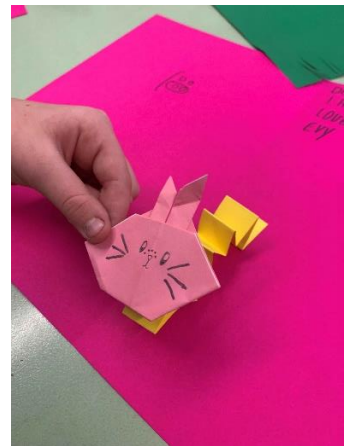
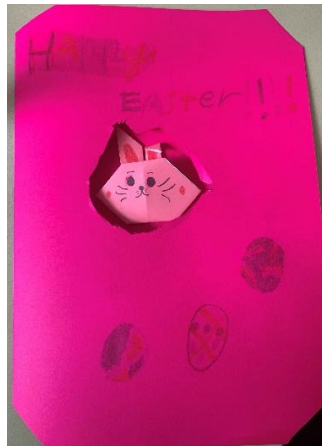
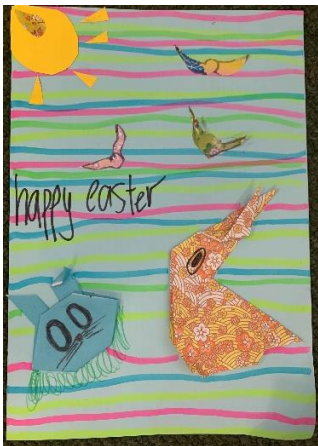
Beechworth Primary School is committed to the implementation of Child Safe Standards to promote the safety and wellbeing of all young people.

Principal's News

Welcome to our week 9 newsletter.

This week has been a big week for our learners. Lots of tired students who are struggling with the darker, cooler mornings as we push through the tail end of the term. We are super proud of their persistence as they continue to give their best each day in the classroom despite this.

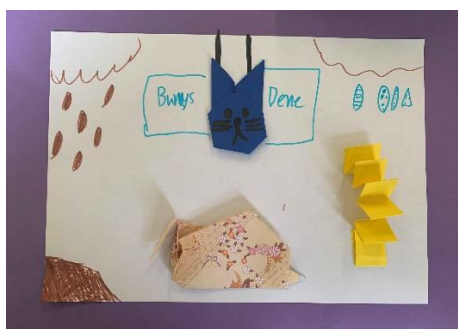
Next week will be a fun one as we engage in celebrations of our learning, participate in Easter activities aligned to our curriculum and come together as a community at our annual Easter Hat Parade on Thursday.



Last day of Term 1

The last day (Thursday) of Term 1:

- Easter Hat Parade, 9.10 am on the new basketball courts.
- Easter Raffle draw following the parade.
- 2.30 finish on the last day of term.



Temporary School Office

As of Monday next week the school office (reception and the business manager) will be located in the Temporary Office (the Big White Box) in front of the school whilst our office area is refurbished.

The office will work in the same way as previously with the expectation of all visitors signing in and out, late student arrivals visiting the office to sign in and parents signing out students who need an early pick up.

Road Safety

Keeping our students, families and staff safe is a high priority here at BPS. This includes coming to and from school. There are a few simple things we can do to assist this at these very busy times:

- Ensure we are parking legally, not parallel parking behind the parked cars in the provided parking spaces.
- Using the school crossings at both sides of the school to cross the roads.
- Making sure that we Stop and look before crossing the road and remember “walk, don’t run.”



Come and Try Day
Walking School Bus

**BRING A FRIEND/
BRING YOUR FAMILY**

Tuesday 4 April
8.15 am at the Old Post Office

To mark the end of TERM ONE, the **Walking School Bus** invites students and families to join the volunteers to celebrate the last week of term walking together to school.

Bring a friend or 2 and join us for a fruit snack to kick start your day!

Register your interest at school or online at
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WSBTr2023>

BEACHWORTH HEALTH SERVICE



STEM News

This week in STEM the 3/4 classes conducted an experiment which replicated the bursting of a seed pod. Throughout the term we have been looking at plant pollination, pollinators and plant reproduction. One of the things we learnt about was the different mechanisms plants use to get their seeds out into the environment. We learnt about mechanisms such as attachment (sticking to animals), water, wind, digestion (animals eating the fruit and then dispersing) and bursting.



For our experiment we used a balloon and bird seed to represent the fruit or pod which bursts open. The students then popped the balloon and measured how far the seed travelled. We found that the seed was able to travel up to 4m from where the balloon was popped.

The students are learning the basics of following an experiment procedure and reporting back with their findings.



Next week, for our last week of Term, all the classes will be engaging in a STEM engineering challenge.

Kind Regards,
Sue McDonald
Principal

susan.mcdonald2@education.vic.gov.au

Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$30 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

For the diary ...

Week	Date	Event / Activity
TERM 1		
Week 10	Thursday 6 th April	Last day for Term 1 – 2.30pm finish Easter Hat Parade
TERM 2		
Week 1	Monday 24 th April Tuesday 25 th April Wednesday 26 th April Friday 28 th April	Parent/Teacher Conferences – Student Free ANZAC Day – Public Holiday First day for students for Term 2 Student free day – Berry Street Staff Professional Development
Week 2	Friday 5 th May	BPS Cross Country
Week 3	Wednesday 10 th May Friday 12 th May	Whole School Science Incursion Mother's Day Breakfast
Week 4	Wednesday 17 th May	School Council meeting 5.30pm
Week 5		EDUCATION WEEK Activities
Week 6		Reconciliation Week
Week 7		Currently no planned events
Week 8	Monday 12 th June Wednesday 14 th June	Kings Birthday Public Holiday School Council Meeting – 5.30pm
Week 9	Monday 19 th June Friday 23 rd June	Halve Waste Incursions F-6 Last day for Term 2 – 2.30pm finish
TERM 3		
Week 1	Monday 10 th July	First day for Term 3
Week 8	Tuesday 29 th August	District Athletics (Year 3-6 only)
Week 10	Friday 15 th September	Last day for Term 3 – 2.30pm finish
TERM 4		
	Thursday 30 th November – Friday 1 st December	Year 3 & 4 Feathertop Chalet Adventure Camp

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 0459 555 671

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EASTER
raffle

It has been great to see lots of donations coming into school over the past week in preparation for our Easter Raffle. There is still time to make a donation to get your name in the draw to win an Easter prize pack.



We can't wait to see your Easter Hats on Thursday 6th April.

Girls Footy @ YFNC

we're recruiting!

Interested in playing footy?

YFNC is taking expressions of interest for a training / player development program for local girls and women.

WE LOVE FOOTY – and we're passionate about providing girls with an opportunity to be involved! Whilst we don't have all the answers for how it will look (yet!), we're excited to gauge community interest.



Complete the form (see our facebook page) to register your interest.



LA TROBE UNIVERSITY

UNDERSTANDING CHILDREN'S NUTRITION

MAKING MEALTIMES FUN, FRUGAL AND FILLING.

Hear from a panel of Early Childhood and Food and Nutrition experts and enjoy a demonstration by La Trobe's Melanie Lionello, Nutritionist and Cookbook Author @frommylittlekitchen

TUESDAY 4 APRIL 7.00PM - 8.30PM
LA TROBE UNIVERSITY
133 MCKOY ST, WEST WODONGA

Facilitator:

- Dr Steve Murphy, Senior Lecturer School of Education La Trobe University

Panel:

- Sara Smilevska, Clinical Dietitian and Lecturer Dietetics and Human Nutrition, La Trobe University
- Dr Elise Hunkin, Senior Lecturer and Course Coordinator - Early Childhood, La Trobe University
- Megan Hunt, Network Coordinator Albury Wodonga Local Food Network, Health Promotion Officer at Gateway Health and Mum to two young boys.

FREE EVENT, REFRESHMENTS INCLUDED. Register here

<https://understandingchildrensnutrition.eventbrite.com.au>




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Indigo Gymnastics www.indigogymnastics.com.au

HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

Online Signup

3 HOUR HOLIDAY SESSIONS
6-12 year olds

HOLIDAY ADVANCED REC
12+ year olds

COMPETITIVE
By Invitation

Book Now!



HotHouse THEATRE

ENROL NOW

April School Holiday Workshop Puppet Party

Unleash your creativity!
Join Associate Artist Rachel McNamara for a puppetry bonanza.
A three day workshop of fun-filled drama - learning about story structure, movement and building (recycled) puppets.
Plus on the third day present a small show of your work created!
Don't miss out - enrol today.

WORKSHOP INFORMATION

Ages: 8-12
Cost: \$180
Dates: April 17, 18 & 19.
Start: 9am - 3pm each day
Venue: The Studio, Butter Factory Theatre

*There will be a small showing of work at 2.30pm on the third day. Participants will need to bring along their own lunch, snacks and drink bottle. Please wear comfortable clothing that is easy to move around in.
HotHouse will adhere to all COVID safe precautions as recommended by the VIC Government.

Learn more > www.hothousetheatre.com.au/school-holidays-programs



Provided supporting

good Friday appeal
THE ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

FAMILY FUN DAY! 2023

LAST YEAR YOU HELPED US RAISE \$10,375.40

WHEN: GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 7TH
WHERE: M'EVROY TAVERN, ELDORADO
 37 MACKAY ST, ELDORADO, VIC 3746
TIME: 12PM GATES OPEN

WHAT'S ALL THE FUN ABOUT??

- Bendigo Bank Easter Egg Hunt
- Face Painting
- Easter Bunny Appearance
- Auction & Raffle
- Food & Drinks
- Harley Rides
- Kids Activities & Games
- Yabbie Races... and so much more!!

MEET WILLOW
 She's our inspiration behind this day
 She's Molly's Granddaughter
 GIVE SO THEY MAY GROW...

Patron sponsors:
 Community Bank
 Beechworth & District
 Bendigo Bank

Join Indigo Shire Libraries for Free Holiday Fun

From Plastics to?

Ages: 6 – 12.

Where: Rutherglen Library

When: Thursday April 13

Time: 10.00 – 11.00 am

Time: 12.00 – 1.00 pm

Where: Yackandandah Library

When: Thursday April 20

Time: 10.00 – 11.00 am

Time: 12.00 – 1.00 pm

Halve Waste
reduce • reuse • recycle

Weaving Wonders

Get creative and weave your very own basket. You will take home a basket as a gift for someone special or to store precious items in.

Ages: 7 – 12.

Where: Beechworth Library

When: Wednesday April 12

Time: 10.00 – 11.00 am

Where: Rutherglen Library

When: Wednesday April 19

Time: 10.00 – 11.00 am



Designer Pens and Notebooks

Are you ready to design your own writing materials? Join us to make a personalised pen and notebook using gift wrap, coloured paper, markers, paints and much more.

Ages: 5 – 12.

Where: Yackandandah Library

When: Friday April 14

Time: 10.00 – 11.00 am

Where: Beechworth Library

When: Tuesday April 18

Time: 10.00 – 11.00 am

Where: Tangambalanga St Mark's Hall

When: Thursday April 20

Time: 1.30 – 2.30 pm



As places are limited in all workshops, bookings are essential and can be made online at bit.ly/2JYFNlg or by telephoning 1300 365 003 and talking to library staff.