

Friday 6th October 2023
Term 4, Week 1

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 back to Beechworth Primary School for Term 4.

The first week back of Term 4 has proved to be quite eventful at our school, with a mix of beautiful and wild weather putting our new building to the test. During the school holidays, most of the builders' outbuildings were removed, granting us greater access to our yard. TheirCare has now been relocated to the new multi-purpose building, and we're pleased to announce that the senior toilets are now complete.

Exploring these new spaces with our students this week has been a delight. Many of them are expressing their admiration for how impressive our school looks now and how unique and special these new areas feel. Throughout this term, both students and teachers will continue to use and inhabit these new spaces, and we will be engaging with the students to discuss the best ways to utilise these facilities and understand the positive impact on us.

We are a SunSmart School

At this week's assembly, we discussed the important of Sun Safety. We encourage each and every student to embrace the SunSmart spirit by wearing a school hat daily. If you find yourself in the unfortunate situation of having misplaced your hat, worry not!

We have a generous collection of lost property where you might just find your missing hat waiting to be reunited with you.

Additionally, for your convenience, you can easily acquire a new school hat for just \$15 at the school office.



I spy with my little eye... FROGS! 🐸

Have you happened to spot a pair of frogs greeting you at the car park this week?

This amazing artwork was generously donated to us by the 'High Country Hop' and we couldn't be more excited to have this delightful artwork as a warm welcome to our school. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the High Country Hop for this fantastic addition, we absolutely adore it!



We also want to express our thanks to Steve for installing the artwork for us.
Thank you, Steve!

Beechworth PS chickens SHINE at the Royal Melbourne Show

We hope you had a wonderful and restful school holiday break. While many of us enjoyed some well-deserved relaxation, our school's feathery friends, our beloved chickens, were busy strutting their stuff at the Royal Melbourne Show!

Here's the roundup of the fantastic achievement for our BPS chooks and students at the recent 'Royal Melbourne Show School Chicken Competition':

- **Overall Placing:** BPS took the 6th position out of 20 schools, showcasing our dedication and passion for our feathered companions.
- **Creative Talents:** Harry Reid, Devi Baulacky and Grace White made us proud by securing the third position in the 'Any Other Art' school section. Their creativity and enthusiasm shone brightly!
- **Artistic Flair:** Pyper Jennings displayed remarkable artistic talent, earning the prestigious 1st and 2nd position in the 'Any Other Art' school section. What a fantastic achievement!
- **Photography Excellence:** Ralph Bird demonstrated an eye for capturing moments, securing the 2nd position in the Photography school section. His remarkable attentiveness and genuine care for the chickens deserves praise.

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks for all the families who attended the show and supported our students and chickens. It was truly heartwarming to see so many BPS students proudly representing our school in their uniforms. Your support means the world to us.

We are thrilled to announce that this event will become an annual part of our chicken program here at BPS. It's an excellent opportunity for our students to showcase their talents and for our chooks to be in the spotlight.

Congratulations to our talented students and feathered companions on their outstanding achievements at the show. We look forward to another successful year ahead and hope to see even more participation in the future. Thank you for being a part of our wonderful BPS community.

We have EGGS!

We have some egg-citing news to share with you! Our lovely hens have been hard at work, and we now have a surplus of fresh eggs arriving each day. If you and your family would like to enjoy these delicious eggs, we have a special arrangement for you. Starting this Friday, you can collect your own eggs from the canteen fridge (sign on the door).

Egg Collection Details: **When:** Every Friday
 Where: Canteen Fridge
 What to Bring: Please bring your own egg carton to help us minimise waste.

If you wish to make a donation to help care for our feathered friends and maintain their coop, your generosity would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for being a part of our community, and we look forward to seeing you at the canteen fridge on Fridays. If you have any questions or need further information, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Student Investigations

Student Investigations in the senior section will continue through this term, featuring a variety of exciting opportunities. Stay informed about these engaging subjects by regularly checking the newsletter. The activities to look forward to include:

- Creative card making (scrap booking)
- Bicycle Adventures
- Woodworking sessions in collaboration with Beechworth Men's Shed
- Friends of the Library program
- Dragonfly Program – empowering young people
- The art of Origami
- Enjoying the outdoors as part of the Outdoor Buddies Program

Stay tuned for more details and get ready for some enriching experiences this term!

Mango Madness – Order on Compass

If you love mangoes here's your chance to indulge in fresh, juicy Kensington Pride mangoes and support PAFA fundraising drive.

You might have spotted the new 'Canteen' functionality on your Compass App. This feature is designed to facilitate the ordering and payment process for your mango order. For more details, please see flyer below and refer to the Compass post posted earlier this week. If you require any assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to Samantha in the office.

SWPBS Awards

This week, we are delighted to acknowledge the achievements of three terrific students who have been honoured with Silver Awards.

Congratulations Lucas Armstrong, Tiki King and Lucy Roach for your continued enthusiasm towards our school values of respect, safety, persistence and caring... Always!



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For the diary ...		
Week	Date	Event / Activity
TERM 4		
Week 2		No planned events
Week 3	Wednesday 18 th October	School Council meeting
Week 4	Monday 23 rd & Friday 27 th October	Year 5 Buddies Excursion to Kindergarten
Week 5		No planned events
Week 6	Tuesday 7 th November Wednesday 8 th November	Melbourne Cup Holiday – No School Smile Squad
Week 7	Tuesday 14 th November Wednesday 15 th November	Prep Transition Day 1, 9.00–11.00am School Council meeting
Week 8	Tuesday 21 st November Thursday 23 rd & Friday 24 th November	Prep Transition Day 2, 9.00-11.00am BPS Production
Week 9	Tuesday 28 th November Thursday 30 th Nov – Friday 1 st Dec	Prep Transition Day 3, 9.00-1.00pm Year 3 & 4 Feathertop Chalet Adventure Camp
Week 10	Monday 4 th – Thursday 7 th December Monday 4 th – Thursday 7 th December Tuesday 5 th December Wednesday 6 th December Friday 8 th December	Senior Swimming Program (Yr 3-6) Junior Swimming Program (F-Yr 2) in Wangaratta Prep Transition Day 4, 9.00-1.00pm School Council – final meeting for 2023 BPS Swimming Carnival
Week 11	Tuesday 12 th December Thursday 14 th December Friday 15 th December	Statewide Step-up Day Year 6 Graduation Class Party Day
Week 12	Wednesday 20 th December	Last day of school for 2023. 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)

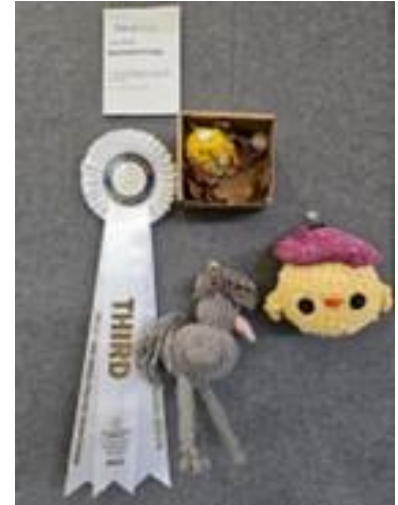
- Service and Bookings: phone 0447 717 055
- Area Manager, Rick: 0459 555 671



School poster



Shannen, Ralph & Laurie



Creative talents



Photography excellence



Artistic flair



BPS chickens



THE ROYAL MELBOURNE SHOW



**Fresh North Queensland Mangoes
Direct from the farm to you!**

Support The BPS Parents and Friends Association Mango Fundraiser

If you *love mangoes*, here's your chance to indulge in fresh juicy Kensington Pride mangoes and support our fundraising drive.

We are selling trays of mangoes picked and packed during the premium harvest.

Due to weather conditions, Australia's Mango supply is going low this year, so this is a great way to secure good value Mangoes and support our school!

**Cost per Tray is: \$26 for approx 4.5kg Mangoes
Place your order by: Friday October 20**

Order and Pay on Compass! Mangoes will be delivered to the school in early December.

Whole School Theatre Production



The production will take place over two evenings with the younger grades split between the two. If you have students in Prep/1 the show will be on Thursday 23 November. Students in grades 1/2 will perform on Friday 24 November. Students in all other year levels will need to be available for both. Please let us know asap if this is not possible.

Ticket allocations and more details will be available soon. Please continue to hold onto cardboard boxes for costume making and if you have any sewing or art skills and you would be willing to help out, please contact the school office and put your name down.



THIS GIRL CAN - INDIGO SHIRE

We're celebrating This Girl Can week by partnering with the Yackandandah Football Netball Club to host a FREE football skills session with AFLW Richmond Assistant Coach Emma Grant and VFLW Essendon Player Sophie Molan.

Join us Friday 13 October 4:00 - 5:30PM
All are welcome - no bookings are required.
Just show up at Butson Park, Yackandandah to have some fun.

www.indigoshire.vic.gov.au/thisgirlcan



#ThisGirlCanVIC



Smile Squad is visiting BPS starting Wednesday 8th November

Smile Squad provides standard strength fluoride toothpaste that is generally used by ages six and over, unless recommended by a dental or trained health professional.

If your child is under six, please talk to a dental or trained health professional to find out if your child might benefit from using this toothpaste. You can also choose to put the toothpaste away until they turn six or give it to someone else in your family to use.

Do I need to attend my child's appointment?

No, you do not need to attend your child's appointment. You can attend if you would like to, and you can take your child to the community dental clinic if you prefer.

The Smile Squad team look forward to seeing you soon.

Sign up to Smile Squad at:
<https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic>

OR use the QR code:





Performing Arts Group

Weekly on Mondays
3.30 - 5.00pm

Perfect for 5-12 year olds

\$15/week or \$150/term



Strength, Stretch & Core

Weekly on Mondays
6.15 - 7.00pm

Perfect for people in physically demanding jobs inc trades, nurses

\$12/week or \$100/term



Begin/Inter Contemporary Dance

Weekly on Mondays
5.15 - 6.15pm

Perfect for those confident to move their body wanting new skills

\$15/week or \$150/term



Women's Dance, Move, Connect

Weekly on Mondays
7.00 - 8.15pm

Perfect for all women, including teens

\$15/week or \$150/term



Rhythm, Movement & Tumbling

Weekly on Thursdays
1.00 - 2.00pm

Perfect for 2-4 year olds

\$12/week or \$120/term



Mums & Bubs

Weekly on Thursdays
2.00 - 3.00pm

Perfect for 0-2 year olds

\$12/week or \$120/term



Dance Grit & Grip

Weekly on Thursdays
3.30 - 5.00pm

Perfect for 5-12 year olds

\$15/week or \$150/term



Beginners Line Dancing

Weekly on Thursdays
5.00 - 6.00pm

All ages welcome

\$15/week or \$150/term



Beechworth Dancers

Weekly on Thursdays
7.00 - 9.00pm

Beginners welcome

To book phone 0412 858 019

At Quercus Beechworth we would like all of our community to be able to participate in activities should they choose to. If cost is a barrier, please get in touch with us as free places are available. community@quercusbeechworth.com.au



Book your place at
www.quercusbeechworth.org