Beechworth Primary School

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Respectful, **S**afe, **P**ersistent, **C**aring ... **A**lways!

Friday 29th May 2026
Term 2, Week 6

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 6 Newsletter!

It has been another busy and productive week across our school community, with students and staff engaging in a range of valuable learning opportunities and events. This week's highlights include strong student engagement during Assessment Week as we prepare for end-of-semester reporting, reflections from the Principals' Conference, and a celebration of the enthusiasm, determination and sportsmanship displayed at our recent Cross Country events.

Reminder: Next Friday 5th June is a pupil free day to allow teacher focus on Report Writing.

Monday is a Public Holiday for the King's Birthday

Principal's Conference – "Leading together through Excellence and Equity"

This Thursday and Friday, Ngaire King and I had the privilege of attending the statewide Government Schools Principals' Conference.

We were fortunate to hear from leading voices in education, including Dr Nathaniel Swain, Simon Breakspear and Dr Carl Hendrick, whose insights challenged and inspired us to continue reflecting on best practice in teaching, learning and leadership. Their presentations reinforced the importance of evidence-informed practice, high expectations for all students, and creating school cultures where both staff and students can thrive. Listening to these respected experts has only further strengthened our commitment to ongoing learning and improvement.

The conference also provided a wonderful opportunity to connect with other school leaders from across the state, sharing ideas, experiences and strategies to support the diverse needs of our school communities.

The conference served as an important reminder of our shared purpose: to ensure every child's educational journey equips them with the knowledge, skills and confidence they need to thrive — now and into the future.

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORY TIME

On Wednesday the 27th May 2026 at 10.30 am "Luna Roo" was in hot demand! It has been selected as this year's book for National Simultaneous Story Time. On Wednesday, millions of children, parents, teachers, and library lovers across Australia and beyond came together to read Luna Roo at the same time — celebrating the joy of reading, storytelling and connection. Published by Little Book Press the story follows the spirited kangaroo Luna and her friends as they chase their football dreams across the outback, blending action, teamwork and fun to inspire young readers. Luna Roo was selected from 84 submissions from publishers around the country.

Each year our wonderful Chez organises something special for our reading of the chosen book, and of course this year was no exception. Thank you Chez!

Congratulations to our Cross Country Runners

A massive congratulations to our runners who participated in todays Division Cross Country event in Wodonga. A huge congratulations so go Evie (1st Place), Kasper (2nd Place), Eddie P (Top 12), Ted (Top 12) and Flynn S (2nd Place) who are all through to Regional Cross Country which will be held on Friday the 12th of June. Good Luck to all our sporting superstars.

Reporting & Assessment

As we reach the halfway point of the year, teachers and students are busy assessing and monitoring the progress of students learning so far in 2026. Over the coming weeks teachers will continue to collect assessment pieces to support the allocation of Victorian Curriculum progression points for mid Semester reports. This year we will be reporting against the **new revised Victorian Curriculum 2.0**.

We will be providing student achievement reports for Semester 1 this year as usual. The student reports will be distributed on Thursday 26th of June. The reports will continue to provide important details about student learning attainment, but full, written descriptive comments will not be included as a result of industrial action taken earlier this term by the Australian Education Union.

We will of course be pleased to discuss with you your child's progress at our next parent-teacher interviews scheduled for Week 3 of Term 3.

Parent, Teacher and Student Conferences – Term 3

Our Parent, Teacher and Student Conferences will take place in **Week 3 of Term 3**, on **Thursday afternoon and Friday morning**. Bookings for these conferences will open at the **beginning of Term 3**.

2027 Foundation Enrolments—NOW OPEN

Enrolments for **Foundation 2027** are now open at Beechworth Primary School. We're excited to welcome our newest learners and begin the journey together!

This year we are in the trialling process of completing enrolments online. To submit an enrolment application please read through the enrolment pack and then follow the link attached https://students.educationapps.vic.gov.au/s/ .

We encourage families to complete the enrolment process **by the end of July**.

Following **28 July**, families who have submitted an enrolment form will receive a short questionnaire to complete, helping us learn more about each child's interests and personality. At the same time, our Year 5 students will begin completing their **Buddy Program applications**. This information will help our Foundation Transition Team carefully match each new Foundation student with a Year 6 buddy who is a great fit.

2027 Enrolment Packs are available from the **School Office**, **Beechworth Kindergarten and Childcare**, and on the **school website**.

Kind Regards,

Sue McDonald -Principal (Monday – Thursday)

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Week	Date, Time	Event/ Activity
Term 2		
Week 7	Fri 5 June	Student Free day
Week 8	Mon 8 June	King's Birthday Public Holiday
Week 9	Wed 17 June	School Council
Week 10	Fri 26 June	**Term 2 Concludes - 2:30 Finish**
Term 3		
Week 1	Mon 13 July Fri 17 July	**First day for Term 3** Winter Sports Carnival - Wodonga

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Awards

This week's Values Winners

Mia, Gilbert and Eleanor

Golden Caring Award

A big congratulations to **Macie**, this week's recipient of our Golden Caring Award!

Macie is a caring member of our school community who brings kindness and positivity to those around her. She consistently demonstrates respect, consideration, and a caring attitude toward both classmates and staff, making her a wonderful role model within the school each day.

Keep up the terrific work, Macie**!** We're proud to have you as a role model at our school.

Specialist Respect Awards

This week's Specialist Awards have been proudly awarded to Amity, Elizabeth, Rowan, Bertie and Eleanor for consistently demonstrating respect during their specialist classes. These students have shown kindness, consideration, and positive attitudes towards their peers and teachers, setting a wonderful example for others. Congratulations on this well-deserved recognition!

SWPBS Bronze Awards

This week we were delighted to be able to present so many SWPBS Bronze awards! It is great to see our students living our school values. Well done to *Aminata, MW, Evelina, Rafferty, Sanitago, Cedric, Luna, Augie, Remy, Spencer, Mia, Lila, Otis, Ranoch, Kadidia, Tiki, Adeline, Sophie, Louis and Vito* we are super proud of each of you!

The annual Kaitler Classic riding event was held last weekend. Two courses - the long Epic loop down to the Yack tracks and back and the Beechworth Epic loop.

A good contingency of Beechworth Primary students and families teamed up for the duo competitions.

Archie and Ted teamed up taking on the big fellas in the short men's category. Team Flynn and dad took out the win to be number one on the podium.

Team Eleanor with mum, and Team Hugh with dad, completed the long, gruelling course with over 850 metres of climbing.

Team Cath and hubby rode in for third place on the podium for the long course mixed event.

Great to see so many Beechworth Primary families out there having fun on our local trails.

District Cross Country

2026

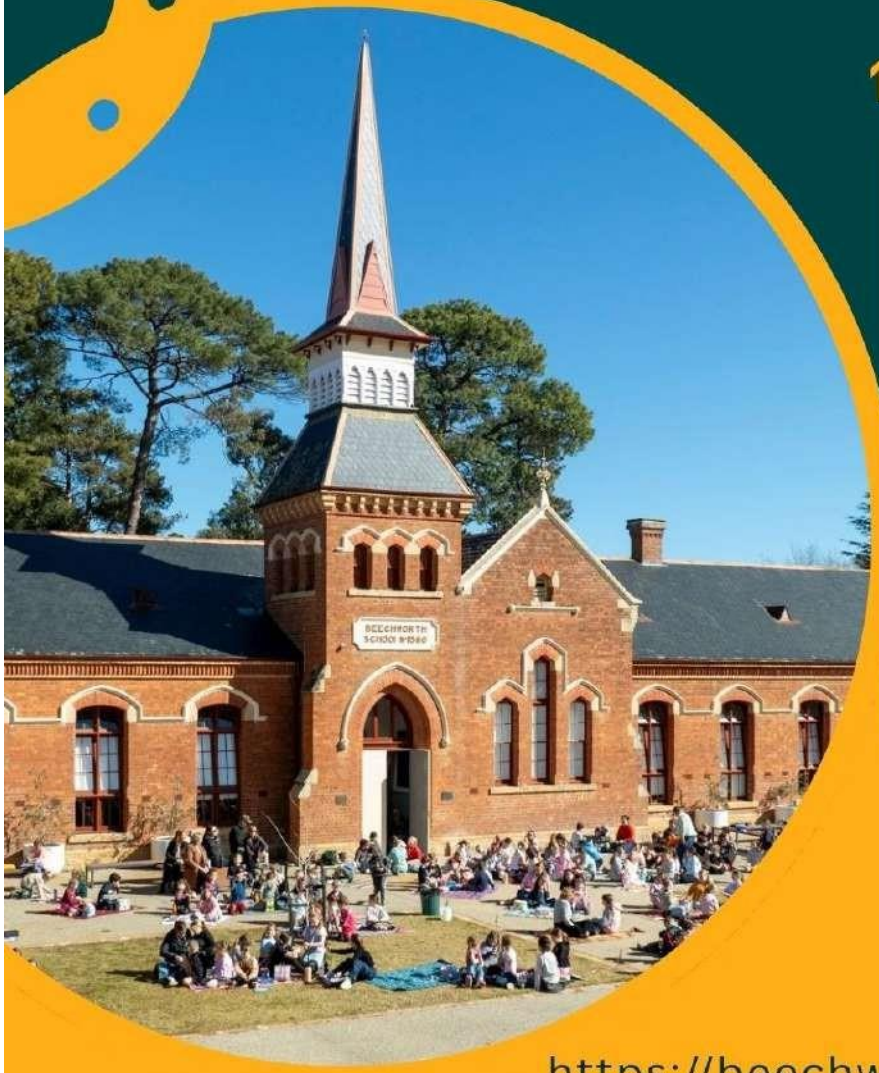
Last Friday, Beechworth Primary School walked up to the golf course to participate in the District Cross Country. Lots of students made it through to the next level. We all had successful runs and went home with big smiles on our faces.

By Evie M and Archie G

BEECHWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Transition Program 2027

Term 2: Enrolments currently open
Term 3: Submit enrolments by end of July
Kindergartens excursion to visit Beechworth PS
Term 4: BPS Year 5 Buddies excursion to Kindergartens



OPEN DAY
19th May 9:30-3:30

TRANSITION DAYS & DATES

Tues Nov 17th
(9am-11am)
Tues Nov 24th
(9-11am)
Tues Dec 1st
(9am-1pm)
Tues Dec 8th
(9-1pm)

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