Beechworth Primary School

**Be ...**

Respectful, Safe, Persistent, Caring ... Always!

**Friday 4th September**
**2026 Term 3, Week 8**

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

## The BUZZ at BPS

What a beautiful morning we had for our **Father's Day Breakfast**! The sun came out just in time for us to enjoy egg and bacon rolls together, and it was wonderful to see so many families sharing the morning with us. A big thank you to all the dads, grandfathers and male role models in our students' lives. We appreciate the important role you play in helping our children grow, learn and thrive.

**Alice in Wonderland**

It is officially production week, and the excitement is building! Our whole-school rehearsal on Thursday was a wonderful success, and I can confidently say that the show itself is going to be incredible. The students have worked so hard, and it is wonderful to see their confidence, enthusiasm and talent shine through.

We are very pleased to announce that a limited number of tickets have now become available and these will be offered to families who do not currently have tickets. A sincere BPS thank you to **Isla Fitridge** for making this possible! At this stage we cannot offer extra tickets to current ticket holders.

We also want to acknowledge the recent ticketing kafuffle and sincerely apologise for the confusion and frustration this has caused.

**Hats Are Back!**

With spring here, it is time to find those hats! Please have a look in the cupboards, locate the school hat and make sure it is ready to go. From **Monday next week**, students will be expected to wear their hats during breaks and outside learning. While you are searching for the hats, you might also want to find the swimmers, towels and goggles, as **Junior Swimming** is coming up the following week.

**Your Voice Matters**

Our annual Parent Survey was sent out earlier this term. Please make the time to complete this survey. Your feedback is incredibly valuable in helping us understand what we are doing well and, just as importantly, where we can continue to improve. We genuinely want to hear from you and use your feedback to help make Beechworth Primary School the best it can be.

Have a lovely weekend,

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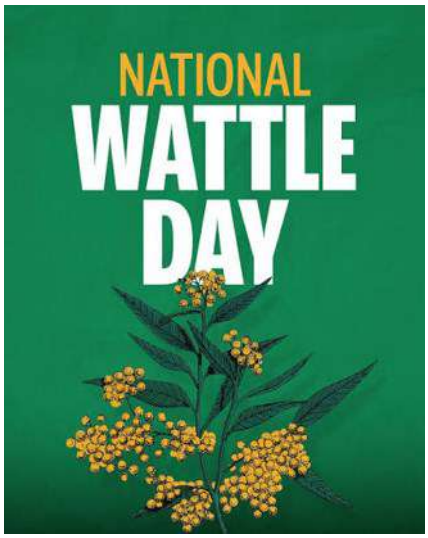
## National Wattle Day – Spring has Sprung!




The first of September is National Wattle Day. A wonderful day to recognise our beautiful national floral emblem, the golden wattle.

The golden wattle, with its bright yellow flowers and fresh green leaves, is a familiar sight across Australia and has become a symbol of resilience, unity and the Australian spirit. It is particularly special at this time of year as its flowering signals the beginning of spring. Wattle Day is also a lovely opportunity for our students to learn more about Australian plants, our environment and the changing of the season

So, as spring begins to bloom, keep an eye out for those beautiful splashes of golden yellow around our community!

**Happy Wattle Day!**

## Medication Reminder

A friendly reminder to all families about medications coming to school. We know mornings can be busy, but there are a few important steps we need everyone to follow to help keep our students safe.

All medication must be **sent directly to the school office** in its original packaging/container, clearly labelled with the student's name, dosage and relevant instructions. If your child needs to take medication while at school, parents/carers will need to fill out a medication from provided at the front office.

Please do not send medication loose, in a blister pack, or inside your child's school bag without first notifying the office and ensuring the appropriate documentation is in place. If you have any questions about medication procedures, please contact the school office.

Kind Regards,

Sue McDonald -Principal (Monday – Thursday)

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**Beechworth Primary School Office Hours are:**

**Monday – Friday 8.30 – 4.00**

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# Awards

## Monday 24th of August

### This week's Values Winners

Rowan J, DD, Archie G and Mila S

### Whole School Focus Award

A special congratulations to Charlie B, who has been recognised with our **Whole School Focus Award**. Charlie has demonstrated a wonderful commitment to being SAFE in all areas of our school and helping others make safe choices.

### Specialist Respect Awards

Congratulations to Evie M, Veronica T, Kasper M, Cayden G and Kit F who received Specialist Awards for demonstrating our school values in STEM, Art, PE and French. It is wonderful to see you showing respect, persistence and care towards others and you're learning.

### SWPBS Bronze Awards

Well done to *LW, Sage C, Rowan W, Sebastian R, Flynn S, Poppy M and Isaac H* on receiving their **Bronze Awards**! These awards recognise students who consistently demonstrate our school values and make positive choices throughout their school day.

### SWPBS Silver Awards

Congratulations to Ranoch R, Olivia V, Laurie B, Eadie M, Matilda C, Eddie J, James B, Ted P and Archie F on achieving their **Silver Awards**! This is a fantastic achievement and reflects your continued commitment to demonstrating our school values.

# FATHER'S DAY

## BREAKFAST 2026

# Beechworth Memorial Hall

## Wednesday, September 9th

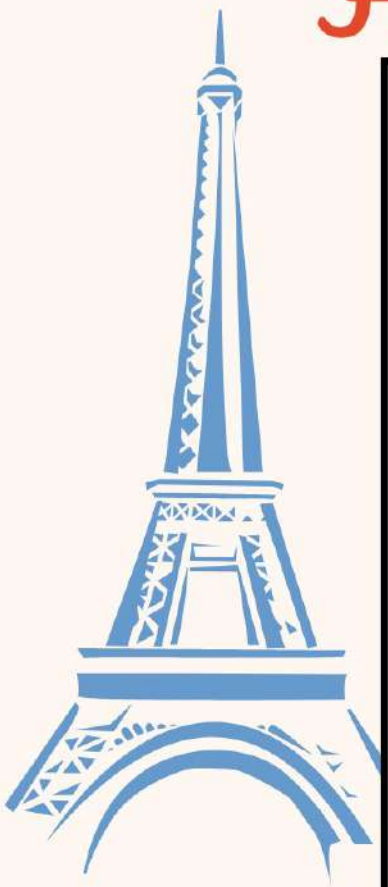
Senior Students, FAF, 1/2C, and 1/2G

## Thursday, September 10th

Senior Students, FJA and 1/2D

## Doors open 6:15pm-Show starts 6:30pm

# What's happening in French at BPS



## Coming Soon in Term 4:

**Histoire du livre de la Jungle**

**A Bilingual Puppet Show**
**Presented by**

Carrousel Theatre

THE FROG'S FIRST SONG

MY NONNO LOVES
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BOB DOB

Pollinators love flowers!

# FORT TOWN

MORE INFO

A hall full of blankets and cardboard boxes, ready for you to build your dream cubby.

No instructions. Just free play and your creativity.

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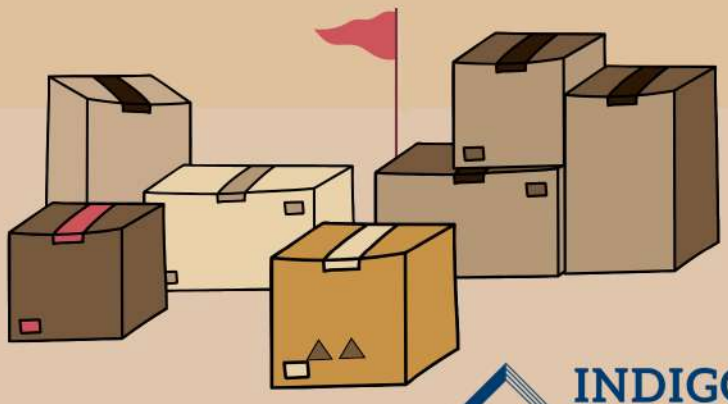
| **Monday - Foundations**<br>The first structures go up.<br>Fort Town takes shape. | |
| 10:00 | Little Builders |
| 12:00 | School group sessions<br>*(booked separately)* |
| 2 - 6:00 | Open build – all ages |
| **Tuesday - Fort Town Rises**<br>The town grows and stays open into the evening. | |
| 10:00 | Low sensory hour |
| 11:00 | Open build - all ages |
| 1:00 | All Generations Afternoon tea – all welcome |
| 2:00 | Open build – all ages |
| 5 - 7:00 | Twilight build - all ages |
| **Wednesday – Show Day** | |
| 9:00 | Open build |
| 11:00 | Town closes |
| 1:00 | Circus theatre show:<br>**FoRT** by **Asking for Trouble**<br>*(booked separately)* |
| 2: 30 | Pack down Fort Town |

## MON 14 – WED 16 SEPTEMBER

## BEECHWORTH MEMORIAL HALL



INDIGO SHIRE COUNCIL

· FREE · ALL AGES · DROP-IN · ALL MATERIALS PROVIDED

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| Week | Date, Time | Event/ Activity |
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| **Term 3** | | |
| **Week 9** | Wed 9 Sept<br>Thurs 10 Sept<br>Fri 11 Sept | BPS Production night 1. (FAF, 12C, 12G & Senior Cast)<br>BPS Production night 2. (FJA, 12D & Senior Cast)<br>Grade ⅝ Write Around the Murray Excursion (Albury) |
| **Week 10** | Mon- Thurs<br>Fri 18 Sept | **Junior Swimming week**<br>Last Day for Term 3 – 2.30pm finish |
| **Term 4** | | |
| **Week 1** | Mon 5 Oct<br>Thurs 8 Oct | First Day for Term 4<br>French Incursion– Puppet Show– Whole School |
| **Week 2** | 15 & 16 Oct | Year 3 & 4 Valley Homestead Camp |
| **Week 3** | Mon 19 & Tues 20<br>Wed 21 Oct | Year 5 Buddies Excursions to Kinders<br>Social Enterprise Market Day |
| **Week 4** | | No planned Activities |
| **Week 5** | Tues 3 Nov | Melbourne Cup Day Holiday |
| **Week 6** | Wed 11 Nov | Remembrance Day |
| **Week 7** | Mon 16 Nov<br>Tues 18 Nov<br>Wed 19 Nov | Pupil free day for Assessment and Reporting<br>Foundation Transition begins (9-11am)<br>School Council |
| **Week 8** | Mon- Thurs<br>Tues 24 Nov | Senior Swimming<br>Foundation Transition Day 2 (9-11am) |
| **Week 9** | Tues 2 Dec | Foundation Transition Day 3 (9-1) |
| **Week 10** | 7-9 Dec<br>Tues 8 Dec<br>Tues 8 Dec<br>Thurs 10 Dec<br>Fri 11 Dec | Year 6 > 7 Transition week<br>Statewide Step-up Day<br>Foundation Transition Final Day (9am -1pm)<br>Year 6 Graduation<br>Class Party day! |
| **Week 11** | Tues 15 Dec<br>Wed 16 Dec<br>Thurs 17 Dec<br>Fri 18 Dec | Whole School Swimming Carnival<br>Whole School Concert<br>Last Day of school for 2026 <br>Pupil Free day for 2027 Planning |