

Wednesday, 27th February, 2019
Term 1 Week 5

★ Newsletter

Principal's Message

Today our School Relay team -Mia, Fergus, Mallee and Keone—competed at the Zone Swimming Carnival in Alstonville. **They placed 4th which is an awesome result!**

This week we have had several staff changes due to Professional Learning, extracurricular activities (Debating) and illness. We thank you for your understanding of some last minute changes to classes.

On Monday I attended Best Start Training (Part 2) which involves the analysis of data, tracking student progress from their first few days at school through their Primary school years, using this data to plan appropriate teaching strategies and interventions and monitoring student progress and evaluating teaching effectiveness. It was a most valuable session. On Tuesday I met with our Director and other Principals in Lismore where we engaged in robust discussions around Data and Planning and Tracking our school's Strategic Directions.

Last week our students voted for their Student Representative Council Members. With Kerry and Ali both away on sick leave today, we will ensure have an update in next week's newsletter.



We invite parents to join us for **afternoon tea** on **Thursday 7th March** from **3.15pm**. This is an opportunity for our new families to meet other parents and staff from the school and build relationships within our school community. We hope you are able to join us

Regards, Kath Johnston, Principal

P&C News

Please note the change of date

A reminder that our first **P&C meeting, including the AGM**, for 2019 is now on **Thursday 14th March** @4.00pm.

All welcome. P&C membership is \$1.00.

We look forward to seeing you.

Regards Ronnie and Lisa.



IMPORTANT DATES

Term 1

Week 6

Monday 4th March: Musica-viva at Wangaree

Thursday 7th March: Welcome afternoon tea

Week 7

Thursday 14th March: P&C Meeting (including the AGM)

Week 8

Tuesday 19th March: COLOURSS Social (Theme-'At the Movies')

Thursday 21st March: Harmony Day

Week 10

Wednesday 3rd April: Byron Bay Writer's Festival Storyboard Writing Day at Rukenvale

Week 11

Thursday 11th April: BV Cross Country

Term 2 at a glance

Week 1

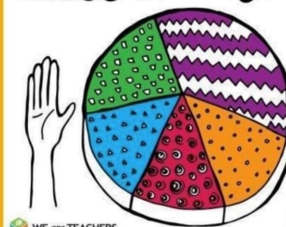
Friday 3rd May: District Cross Country at The Risk PS

Week 10

Yr 5/6 Canberra Excursion



A raised hand during Class means:



-  What page are we on?
-  Can I use the bathroom?
-  Can I get a drink of water?
-  I have a comment not related to the lesson
-  I know the answer

P and C News

TERM 1 - CANTEEN ROSTER

Below is the roster for **home cooking** for Term 1.

Healthy treats, savoury or sweet provided by parents to be sold in the canteen on Mondays for the children. The home cooking for Term 1 will be provided by parents 4/5/6 students. If you can't do your designated week, please try to swap with someone else on the list or let me know in advance.



Week	Date	Name
Week 6	4th March	Clark - Guise De Rego
Week 7	11th March	Rooney - Cameron Marychurch
Week 8	18th March	Hocking - Keune
Week 9	25th March	Jodie Marychurch - Erin Baldwick
Week 10	1st April	Schneider - Kelly
Week 11	8th April	Oss-Emer - Terry



A Message from our P&C President

Dear Barkers Vale Families,

the P&C is meeting on the **14th of March** for the first meeting for the year. If you're new to the school or interested in coming along to check it out then you are most welcome. Whether you can attend the meeting or not everyone is most welcome to contribute ideas and questions and suggestions. Please email any of these to the school or myself (lisa-timeisart@hotmail.com) and we will be sure to address them.

I would like to remind families of the importance of paying your child's school fees. Barkers Vale fees ARE voluntary but they are of great importance within the schools regular budget and they lessen the burden on the P&C to contribute their fundraised monies.

Our older students have their big excursion to Canberra coming up this year, expression of interest forms have gone out with base costing attached. The costs for each family will come down the more children go and, of course, the for we are able to collectively fundraise for the trip. At the next P&C meeting I will opening discussion about what can be done and who can do it to raise money to make it more affordable for all. There is also the opportunity for families (that want their child to go on the Canberra trip) to apply for funds that the P&C set aside to help out families in need PLUS the online banking option makes it much easier to pay the amount in instalments!

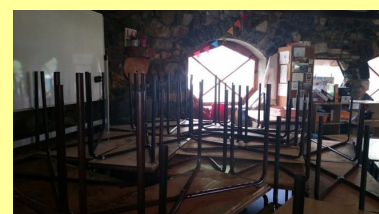
Our vegetable gardens really need to be topped up and refreshed. If anyone has a ute or trailer and is able to pick up a load of soil (from Lismore Refuse/Recycle/Garden compost) in the coming weeks the children would be mighty grateful. The P&C will gratefully reimburse you for the cost of the soil.

Take care of each other, Lisa Lucken (P&C President)

Furniture Available

With the delivery of our new classroom chairs and tables, we have some spare furniture we would like to offer to our community in exchange for a **small donation** to go towards subsidising travel to excursions.

Please let us know if you're interested or come up and see what's available.





COLOURSS SOCIAL



When: Tuesday 19th March
Where: Wiangaree Hall
Theme: At the Movies!
Time: 5.30 Dinner 6pm – 8pm Dance



Host School & Catering: Rukenvale P&C

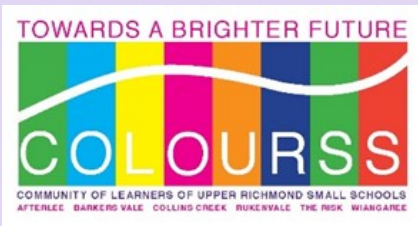
Meal Deal : Sausage sandwich, popper and sweet \$5.00

Menu

Poppers	\$2	Homemade Cakes	\$1
Tea/Coffee	\$2	Zopper Dopfer	50c

The dance is for Primary School students . High School students should not attend.

Come along and join the fun!



COLOURSS Performance - Musicaviva

Apologies for the late notice and quick turnaround, but this is an opportunity that I'm sure our students will enjoy. We have been invited to join our other COLOURSS comrades to a Musicaviva Performance on Monday afternoon at Wiangaree.

Cost is \$10 per student, which is being heavily subsidised by the school.

When: Monday 4 March 2019 @ 1.00pm (we will depart school at 11.50—just after lunch)

Where: Wiangaree Hall

Cost: \$10.00 per student (including bus which the school is heavily subsidising)

Transport: Bus

Who: K-6

Please sign the permission note and return to school by Friday 1/3/19 or Monday morning at the very latest (due to the late notice)



COLOURSS Performance - Musicaviva

I give permission for my child/ren _____ to participate in the planned performance at Wiangaree Hall on Monday 4th March 2019. Performance starts at 1:00pm. Wiangaree School students will walk to the hall with supervising staff. Other students and staff from COLOURSS will also attending.

I have enclosed \$ as payment or I will pay \$..... on/...../2019

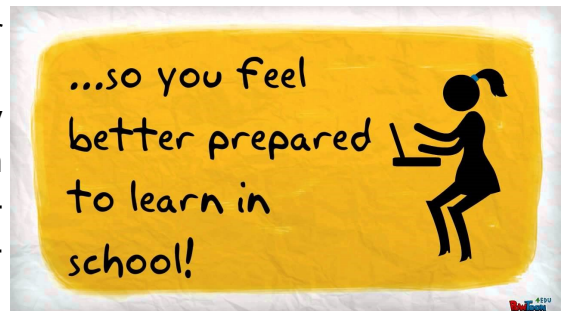
Comments if any

Parent/Carer Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Wellbeing

We are close to the middle of Term 1 and are noticing many of our students commenting that they feel tired.....tired for many reasons.... maybe not enough sleep / too late to bed, too much screen time, not enough water or not enough healthy food. This can impact their learning and social interactions.

While most of our students bring very healthy food to school, we are seeing a little too much processed/salty/fatty/sweet treats. We would appreciate if families could keep these to a minimum for school lunchboxes.



LIVE 54321+8
numbers to live by

The infographic is a collage of images and text promoting student wellbeing. At the top, the text "LIVE 54321+8" is displayed in large, colorful letters, with "numbers to live by" written below it. The infographic is divided into several sections: 1. A green section with the number "5" and the text "5 servings fruits & vegetables", accompanied by images of blueberries, tomatoes, green beans, orange slices, and a glass of orange juice. 2. A blue section with the number "4" and the text "4 glasses water", accompanied by images of four glasses of water. 3. A purple section with the number "3" and the text "3 good laughs", accompanied by images of two laughing children. 4. A red section with the number "1" and the text "1 hour physical activity", accompanied by images of a person jumping rope, a tennis racket, and a bicycle. 5. A blue section with the number "+8" and the text "+8 hours or more sleep", accompanied by an image of a person sleeping. 6. A grey section with the number "<2" and the text "<2 hours or less screen time", accompanied by images of a laptop and a tablet. 7. A vertical orange bar on the right with the text "54321+8" at the top and "everyday" written vertically. 8. A teal circle at the bottom left with an alarm clock icon.

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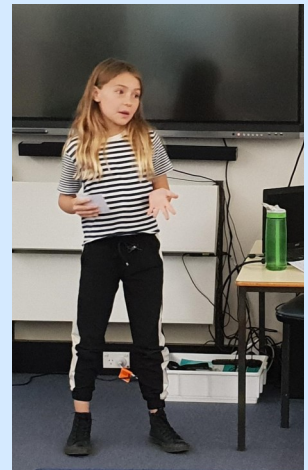
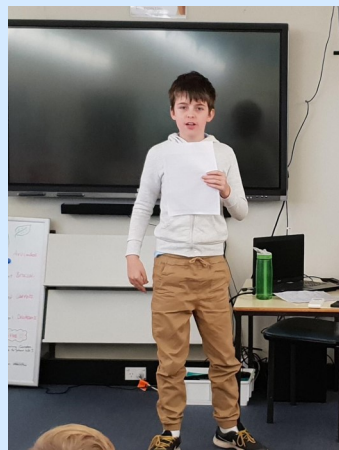
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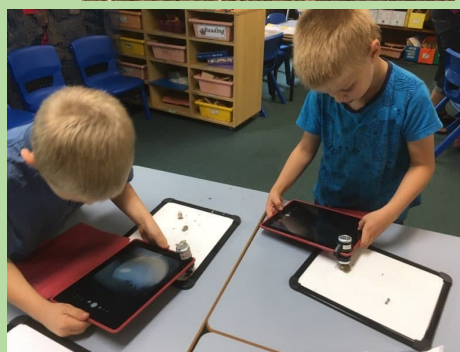
4/5/6 News Debating

Eight BVPS Year 5/6 students attended a debating workshop at Bangalow PS on Monday 25th February. All students participated enthusiastically and delivered convincing rebuttals and arguments after a very short preparation time. I was proud of their efforts but must apologise to parents for further strengthening their argument skills.



K,1 2 News

On Monday this week, K-1-2-3 made some 'bug pooters' for science. We went out into the playground to catch some bugs so we could study them. On Tuesday we used a special magnifier to look at the bugs, ants and some other things. They became so big that we could even see the hairs on a leaf.



PBL

- Positive Behaviour for Learning

Safe Responsible Connected

Harmony Day

Thursday 21st March, 2019

The theme of this year's Harmony Day is '*Everyone Belongs*'

Harmony Day is a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home – from the traditional owners of this land to those who have come from many countries around the world. By participating in Harmony Day activities, we can learn and understand how all Australians from diverse backgrounds equally belong to this nation and enrich it.

At Barkers Vale PS we will celebrate **Harmony Day on Thursday, 21st March**. We would like to invite parents, carers and friends to come along and run an activity – anything safe and enjoyable you would like to share with the children! This can be making something, sport, cooking, dancing, storytelling, singing... anything you feel would be worth sharing with the children of our school.

On the day each adult will run their activity with small groups of children (around 10 or maybe less) three or four times – depending on the number of activities there are. It will probably start around 11.30 – again, this depends on the number of activities we have to offer. The sessions will last about 30 to 40 minutes each. If you can't run a group perhaps you could come and join in or help out. (The colour for Harmony Day is orange so if you and/or your children can dress in orange, that would be great.)

Please fill out the slip below if you would like to help and I will contact you before the day to let you know how the day will operate. We will provide any materials we can, but we also do have a small budget for any goods **you** may need to purchase – **please keep receipts**. Thanks and we look forward to seeing you there.

Regards, Kath Johnston



Harmony Day - Thursday 21st March, 2019

YES, I CAN HELP! The activity I will run is _____

The equipment and type of area I will need will be _____

This activity would suit: (circle one) any age / younger children (K – 3) / older children (4 – 6)

My name is _____

My best contact number is _____