

Wednesday 8th August, 2018  
Term 3 Week 3

# ★ Newsletter

## Principal's Message

This week we had 14 students represent Barkers Vale and COLOURSS at the **Kyogle District Athletics Carnival**. A huge thank you to the students for their outstanding effort and to the parents who transported and supported our team to Kyogle.

Last week we had a visit from Darryl Davis. Darryl is the Home School Liaison Officer for the Department of Education, monitoring **student attendance**.

"Regular attendance at school is essential for students to achieve quality life outcomes. Schools, in partnership with parents, are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students. Parents or carers of children of compulsory school age are responsible for ensuring their child attends school every day." DEC

We understand that in times of illness it is important for students to recover at home to minimise the spread of viruses and speed up recovery. Please be mindful of the impact unnecessary absences can have on your child's educational and social wellbeing. We will be focusing our attention more closely on attendance as a response to the findings of Darryl's visit.

### George's Marvellous Medicine at QPAC

Interest in attending *George's Marvellous Medicine* at QPAC in Brisbane on Friday 24th August has been wonderful with all places filled, however several people still require payment to secure their place before it is offered to other students. If you have a difficulty with this please don't hesitate to give me a call to negotiate a payment plan.

Regards, Kath Johnston, Principal

## IMPORTANT DATES



### Term 3 - Week 3

Tuesday 7th August: Kyogle District Athletics (qualifying students only)

Thursday 9th Aug: Cricket at BVPS and P&C meeting

Friday 10th Aug —Whole School Assembly 1.45pm

### Week 4

Thursday 16th Aug: Cricket at BVPS

### Week 5

Wednesday 22nd August: Book Character Parade

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August - School Photos and Cricket at BVPS

### Week 6

Thursday 30th Aug: Cricket at BVPS

Friday 31st Aug : Whole School Assembly

### Week 7

Monday 3rd Sept: Life Education

Thursday 6th September: COLOURSS Science Day

### Week 9

Thursday 20th September: COLOURSS

'Interspeak' Public Speaking

Friday 21st September: Whole School Assembly

### Week 10

24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> September – Interrelate (/Yrs 5/6)

Thursday 27th September: Pet Day at BVPS

### George's Marvellous Medicine at QPAC

Student(s) Name(s)

I enclose payment of ..... Signed ..... Date .....

# P & C News

Hello Barkers Vale families,

Halfway through the year already! I hope everyone had a happy and safe holiday.

We have a P&C meeting at 4pm on Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup> of August. All are welcome. If anyone can't attend but has a question or issue they'd like raised/addressed please feel free to email me ([lisa-timeisart@hotmail.com](mailto:lisa-timeisart@hotmail.com)).

There are a great many activities on the calendar this term, plenty to keep those brains and bodies active!

Take care everyone, Lisa Lucken (P&C president)

## Recycling Term 3

Thank you to the following students who volunteered to recycle this term. Well done!

Week	Who
4	Mia, Immy & Jazper
6	Blossom, Liz & Thea
8	Twyla, Avalon & Gracie
10	Francis, Keone, Noa & Sage

## School Photos

The School Photographer will visit our school on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August. Order forms will go home next week.



The expert  
in anything  
was once  
a beginner



DEVELOPING A **GROWTH MINDSET**



INSTEAD OF.....	TRY THINKING....
I'm not good at this	What am I missing?
I give up	I'll use a different strategy
It's good enough	Is this really my best work?
I can't make this any better	I can always improve
This is too hard	This may take some time
I made a mistake	Mistakes help me to learn
I just can't do this	I am going to train my brain
I'll never be that smart	I will learn how to do this
Plan A didn't work	There's always Plan B
My friend can do it	I will learn from them

## Recycling at Barkers Vale School Term Three, 2018

We have been running a very successful recycling system here at Barkers Vale PS for several years now. This involves the children, parents and school staff volunteering once a term to collect all the paper and plastics around the school.

This term we are going to recycle each fortnight rather than each week. I will do the end of the term, as it is usually rather large.

Below is a copy of the roster so far. If you can help out with recycling this term we would be most grateful. Please call the school on 66 897 202 or send in the note to let us know if you can help. We usually collect the recycling on a Thursday morning so it can be collected that afternoon.

Thanks for your help,

Regards,

Julie McTaggart

Week	Who
Week 3: beginning Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> August	Martin Freeman
Week 4: beginning Monday, 13 <sup>th</sup> August	Jodie Marychurch
Week 6: beginning Monday, 27 <sup>th</sup> August	Kath Johnston
Week 8: beginning Monday, 10 <sup>th</sup> September	Sequoia Harrison
Week 10: beginning Monday, 24 <sup>th</sup> September	Julie McTaggart

## School Assembly Week 3 (Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August)

This term we will be holding a Whole School Assembly in week three (10<sup>th</sup> August), week six (31<sup>st</sup> August) and week nine (21<sup>st</sup> September). We would like to invite parents, carers and friends to attend these assemblies. They will begin at the end of recess each of those Fridays (1.40pm).

In week 3 of this term we will have an action-packed assembly, as we will be thanking the outgoing Semester One SRC (Student Representative Council) and welcoming the new SRC for Semester Two and presenting their badges.

We have also invited a special guest to speak to our school at the assembly in week 3. The SRC have been looking for a way to support people in need in the local community. I contacted the Nimbin Neighbourhood Centre during the holidays and Vicki from the centre will be coming to speak to the school about how they support people who are homeless and in need in our local community. The SRC will be offering their support to this programme.

Later in the term we hope to have a speaker from Friends of the Koalas, another group the SRC voted to support (again). As we have sporadic sightings of koalas in and around the school, we thought that we could contribute to the group so that we can keep seeing healthy koalas!

We hope to see you on Friday the 10<sup>th</sup>!

Regards, Julie McT and the SRC

## Headphones

For many years we have supplied headphones for student use in the computer room. We regularly reinforce the respectful use of this equipment to ensure their longevity, however the (mis)treatment of these has been quite disappointing at times



resulting in very few functioning headphones being available. We will no longer continue to replace these and ask that students supply and be responsible for their own headphones. This decision has not been taken lightly, and has been discussed at length with staff. There are still be a few pairs available which we hope will be more respectfully cared for.



## Kyogle District Athletics

Congratulations to our Athletics Team who competed yesterday at



Kyogle, especially Mia— 11yr girls champion !! and Thea—joint runner up junior girls champion!!

I believe Eli performed magnificently in the High Jump raising the bar to 1.30 Metres! All of our students were impressive, the effort they put in, their support for each other and their sportsmanship

Mrs Behrend and Ms Elliott





# Canteen Dessert Roster Term 3

We have a wonderful canteen here at Barkers Vale PS, thanks to great leadership and cooking skills from Wren Brockhurst. We are seeking support from families with the *Dessert* portion of the canteen menu. This term it is the parents / carers of Years 4,5,6 who we ask to provide a *Dessert* item. *Dessert* just means the donation of a cake, some biscuits, slice or some sort of yummy treat to go with the main meal ordered each Monday from our canteen. Here is the proposed roster for Term 3. If you can't do your designated week, please try to swap with someone else on the list or let the school know in advance (66 897 202).

**Please label your *Dessert* with the ingredients.**

Regards, Julie McT and the Canteen Committee.

Week	Who
Week 4: Monday, 13 <sup>th</sup> August	Marley Myles & Jamie North / Gareth Bjaaland & Bronte Webster
Week 5: Monday, 20 <sup>th</sup> August	Yindi Soler / Tania Hodson & Darryl Schneider
Week 6: Monday, 27 <sup>th</sup> August	Misty Potter / Lanie & Jake Shedden
Week 7: Monday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Kelly Glasson / Cameron Marychurch
Week 8: Monday, 10 <sup>th</sup> September	Lisa O'Brien & Sean Taylor / Jess Tandy & Peter Hocking
Week 9: Monday, 17 <sup>th</sup> September	Michael & Rechel Hawthorne / Nathan Kelly & Sequoia
Week 10: Monday, 24 <sup>th</sup> September	Cameron Marychurch/ Kylie Costello & Seth Neilsen

## PBL News

In PBL this week we are still focusing on Safe, Responsible and Connected behaviour on the play equipment.

How are they going?

Staff have been keeping a close eye and are very impressed with most of our students, however we sometimes still need to remind a few that it's one at a time on the slippery slide.

- ♦ We are **safe** when there's only one on the slide
- ♦ We are **responsible** when we take turns, and
- ♦ We are **connected** when we're having fun with our friends and looking after each other.



## STEM

STEM students are working hard on their projects. This term they are creating musical instruments using recycled items. If you have any of the following items, please send them in (clean):-

- Old dessert spoons
- Metal cooking oil cans (4 litre)
- Plastic buckets

## TOM

Tournament of Minds

The Barkers Vale Public School team have selected their challenge – opting for the STEM discipline. They are now working on their model and script. With such a tight deadline, they will need to stay after school again this Thursday  
Thank you Ali Elliott



I would like to sincerely thank Ms Elliott for all the additional (personal) time she continues to dedicate to provide these special, additional learning opportunities for our students. We really appreciate your hard work. I would also like to acknowledge the wonderful enthusiasm of our students who engage in these valuable learning opportunities.

Regards, Kath Johnston

Our playground is always a great place to be creative..... Do you like our echidna?



## Community Notices



### **Come and Try Day**

at

Kyogle Golf Club

On Sunday 9th September

At 10:00am

Followed by a Free BBQ

Boys & Girls – Ages 6 -17

**“Clubs Supplied”**

No need to book just come on down!

For more information contact:

John: 0427 145 905

Cheryl: 0428 69 148



**A CONCERT  
OF  
SONGS**

at NIMBIN CENTRAL SCHOOL  
ROOM H16/17

FRIDAY AUGUST 24<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM

**PRESENTING** VOCAL & INSTRUMENTAL  
STUDENTS PREPARING FOR  
EISTEDDFOD

FAMILY - \$10.00 PERFORMERS - FREE  
ADULTS: \$5.00 ~ SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN \$2.00

enquiries - val mace - 6689.1700  
0477 059 613

# Life Education Van Visit

The Life Education Van will be visiting Barkers Vale PS this term. Here are the details:

When: **Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September.**

Where: **At school.**

Cost: **\$5 per child.** (The school is covering half the normal cost of \$10).

Who: **We would like all children to attend, as the content covered by the Life Education programme is part of the NSW Curriculum that we are required to teach.**

The children will be split into three groups for the visit: K/1/2, 3/4 and 5/6. The programmes to be covered are as follows:

**K/1/2: Safety Rules:** Problem solving, personal safety, seeking help, how to care for others and behaviours that maintain friendships.

**3/4: bCyberwise:** Explores cyber safety through animation, vox pops (the voice / ideas) of children, relevant scenarios, discussion and problem solving.

**5/6: Relate Respect Connect:** Teaches the knowledge, skills and attitudes that children need to develop and maintain safe and respectful relationships both on and offline. Including effective communication skills, development of empathy and conflict resolution skills.

If you have any questions or problems, please contact the school.

**Please fill out the form below and return to school by Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> August, in a labelled envelope (or similar) with the correct money (if possible).**

Regards, Julie McT



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## Life Education Van Visit

I give permission for my child/ren \_\_\_\_\_ to visit

the Life Education Van at Barkers Vale PS on Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>. I have enclosed

\_\_\_\_\_ to cover costs.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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