

Wednesday 29th August, 2018
Term 3 Week 6

★ Newsletter

Principal's Message

On Sunday I was delighted to be able to attend the Tournament of Minds competition at Kingscliff to watch our students, under the leadership of Mrs Elliott, compete. Our students did themselves and their parents proud. They performed their presentation with lots of enthusiasm and creativity. A huge thank you to Mrs Elliott for all of the time she has dedicated (away from her own family) to these talented students. Thank you also to the parents for their wonderful support and of course to the students. You are all winners in my eyes!



Thank you to our **Zone Athletes** — Mia, Eli, Thea, Francis and Elizabeth - who gave their best at the Zone Athletics last Thursday in Lismore among some very tough competition. Congratulations to Thea who qualified for the North Coast Regionals in Lismore next month. Thank you also to our parents who transported and supported our students at this special event.

Last Friday students in Yrs 2—4 enjoyed an incredible dramatic presentation of **George's Marvellous Medicine** at QPAC in Brisbane. The show provided lots of laughter, plenty of movement and some very creative set changes. We marvelled at the views on the Brisbane Wheel as we were treated to an extra long ride. I was very proud of our students and thank them for making it such a wonderful day. A huge thank you also to the parents who all arrived on or before time enabling us to get up to Brisbane in time for a quick food and comfort break before the show.



Regards,

IMPORTANT DATES



Term 3

Week 6

Friday 31st Aug : Whole School Assembly at 2.15pm

Week 7

Monday 3rd Sept: Life Education

Tuesday 4th Sept: School Photographer calling back for Yr 6 Photo and absences on photo day

Thursday 6th September: COLOURSS

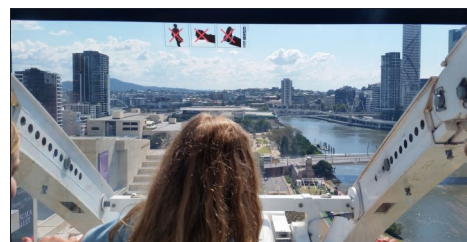
Science Day

Week 9

Thursday 20th September: COLOURSS

'Interspeak' Public Speaking

Friday 21st September: Whole School Assembly



Next Monday

Life Education Van Visit

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

When: **Monday, 3rd 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, 31st August, in a labelled envelope (or similar) with the correct money (if possible).

Regards, Julie McT



FOR A SAFER, SMARTER LIFE.

Life Education Van Visit

I give permission for my child/ren _____ to visit the Life Education Van at Barkers Vale PS on Monday, September 3rd. I have enclosed _____ to cover costs.

Signed: _____



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Tournament of Minds Performance

Last Sunday, students from Barkers Vale PS travelled to Kingscliff to perform their Tournament of Minds solution. Blossom, Cooper, Immy, Tilly, Mia, James and Mallee worked hard both during and outside school hours, having to create a model, video, drawings, field notes and play as part of the challenge. In the morning, the students performed their entertaining long-term (STEM) solution in front of judges and an audience. In the afternoon they were presented with a spontaneous (previously unknown) challenge to solve. I am very proud of their enthusiasm and commitment to the program, and the great result they came up with. Special thanks to the parents for accommodating the outside



school hours practices and for their fantastic support on the day. A video of the students' performance will be shown at the assembly this Friday, all guests welcome. (Not all students are available for an actual performance this Friday) In the meantime, here are a few photos from their performance.

Ali Elliott



NAPLAN ONLINE

From 2019 the NAPLAN test will be administered online. In preparation, all schools will sit a School Readiness Test to ensure equipment and processes work smoothly.

Our School Readiness Test will take place in Week 7 (next week), with current **Year 3 and Year 5 students** participating in this practice test. There is no need for students to feel anxious or to do any preparation for this test as the purpose is solely to highlight any possible technical issues. It is a great opportunity for these students to preview the online test.

We will aim to complete this test on Tuesday morning. If you do not want your child to participate, please let me know by Friday.

Ali Elliott



4/5/6 News

Students in 4/5/6 have received an assignment this week, which is due on 25th September (originally 26th but had to be changed). I have gone through the assignment in detail with the students, however if you have any concerns or questions, feel free to ask. It is a larger assignment as the students, particularly Year 6, are learning how to organise and plan in preparation for Year 7 work. Please encourage your child to begin working on this sooner rather than later to avoid a last minute rush and being overwhelmed. As a guide, students are encouraged to complete the first page this week, the second page in Week 7, the third page in Week 8 and the fourth page in Week 9. They should begin building their model by Week 8, ready for the Tuesday Week 10 due date.

Speeches are also coming up, and 4/5/6 students have been working on these during class over the past several weeks. They have all made a good start, selecting their preferred topic and brainstorming ideas. They will now need to complete these speeches at home. In-class speeches will be presented on Monday 10th September (Week 8). Selected students will move on to the next round and will be invited to present their speech at Inter-Speak on 20th September.

Ali Elliott

Recycling Term 3

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

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

COLOURSS News

Science Day

Arrangements are well underway for our annual Science Day on Thursday 6th September. We will supply a bus to take students to Kyogle HS(Stage 3—Yr 5/6); The Risk PS (ES1/Stage 1-K/1/2) and Rukenvale (Stage 2—Yrs 3/4) for some exciting activities and challenges.

Inter-Speak Public Speaking

This year Barkers Vale PS will again host the COLOURSS Public Speaking competition on Thursday 20th September. Students from Years 3-6 are currently working on their speeches. A canteen will run on the day. There will also be some special activities for our K-2 students.

Intensive Swimming

Just a quick 'heads up', this year our intensive swimming program will be conducted in Term 4 from Monday 3rd December—Friday 7th September

Interrelate for Yrs 5 & 6

We have had to **cancel our COLOURSS Interrelate sessions** due to changes in cost structure which is now based on 'per class', meaning the sessions would cost our students almost \$70.00 We have, however been invited to join Kyogle PS for their sessions at a greatly reduced cost. As you can see, the sessions are spread across several days which can make transport difficult for some students.

This is a very valuable learning program for our students , so we hope you can attend.

If you are interested in attending. Please let us know.

Session	Start Date & Time	End Date & Time	Educator
Moving into the Teen Years Session1 Y5	13/09/2018 01:40 PM	13/09/2018 03:10 PM	Rodney Wyatt
Moving into the Teen Years Session1 Y6	13/09/2018 09:30 AM	13/09/2018 11:00 AM	Rodney Wyatt
Moving into the Teen Years Session1 Y6	13/09/2018 11:10 AM	13/09/2018 12:40 PM	Rodney Wyatt
Moving into the Teen Years Session2 Y5	19/09/2018 01:40 PM	19/09/2018 03:10 PM	Rodney Wyatt
Moving into the Teen Years Session2 Y6	19/09/2018 09:30 AM	19/09/2018 11:00 AM	Rodney Wyatt
Moving into the Teen Years Session2 Y6	19/09/2018 11:10 AM	19/09/2018 12:40 PM	Rodney Wyatt
Moving into the Teen Years Session3 Y5	26/09/2018 01:40 PM	26/09/2018 03:10 PM	Rodney Wyatt
Moving into the Teen Years Session3 Y6	26/09/2018 09:30 AM	26/09/2018 11:00 AM	Rodney Wyatt
Moving into the Teen Years Session3 Y6	26/09/2018 11:10 AM	26/09/2018 12:40 PM	Rodney Wyatt

Interrelate at Kyogle PS (please complete and return asap)

I would like my childin Year to attend the Interrelate sessions at Kyogle Public School.

I can provide transport for my child and others. Yes / No

I will need assistance with transport. Yes / No

Signed Date

Attendance Update

A few weeks ago we had a visit from Darryl Davis (Home School Liaison Officer) regarding student attendance. It is important (and an expectation of the Department of Education), that your child attends school regularly. We are pleased to see an improvement of the attendance of several of our students. Thank you.

Similarly, Darryl has been alerted via our online data that the amount of partial absences (students arriving late or leaving early) is concerning. We are committed to improving this. We understand that living out of town, we can't always make appointments out of school hours, but it is hoped we can try whenever possible to minimise disruption to your child's learning needs.

Did you know that when your child arrives late for school they can:-

- Miss out on important social interactions with their peers before class
- Miss out on communication of messages and learning expectations
- Become anxious as they may be unsure of what is happening
- Interrupt and distract other learners



We understand that families are busy and 'things happen', but expect that students will be here on time as much as possible. When this is not possible (as expected by the DET), a reasonable explanation needs to be supplied. Regular lateness may lead to intervention from Darryl, our Home School Liaison Officer.

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 7: Monday, 3 rd September	Kelly Glasson / Cameron Marychurch
Week 8: Monday, 10 th September	Lisa O'Brien & Sean Taylor / Jess Tandy & Peter Hocking
Week 9: Monday, 17 th September	Michael & Rechel Hawthorne / Nathan Kelly & Sequoia
Week 10: Monday, 24 th September	Cameron Marychurch/ Kylie Costello & Seth Neilsen

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 6: beginning Monday, 27 th August	Kath Johnston
Week 8: beginning Monday, 10 th September	Sequoia Harrison
Week 10: beginning Monday, 24 th September	Julie McTaggart

Student Safety and Wellbeing

Just a reminder of our 'Sun Safe' policy in regards to clothing. Although our uniform is not compulsory, we do have some **clothing expectations** in regard to appropriate length of tops, skirts and shorts. Shirts should have at least capped or short sleeves to cover shoulders—definitely no mid-drifts or strappy tops. Jewellery and make-up is strongly discouraged at Primary school.



HAROLD MERCHANDISE



Dear Parents,

Life Education NSW is a not for profit organisation that relies on the support of the community to assist us in reaching our fundraising goals. Every Harold product purchased helps us visit more children in NSW.

The sale of Harold merchandise to the children whilst the program is visiting each school supports our overall fundraising activities and helps cover the gap between the cost of delivery and what parents and schools pay for our program. These products help to remind children about the messages delivered to them during their Life Education session and have either a picture of Harold or the Life Education logo on them.

The educator will provide the opportunity for children to purchase these products during the school visit. *Please **DO NOT** make online payments to your school. Please provide the correct money in an envelope with the item written on the face of the envelope along with your child's name and class.* This allows the educator to process orders efficiently and accurately. Orders will be returned by the conclusion of the visit. You can also check out our **NEW** product range online by visiting www.lifeeducation.org.au/shop



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Small Harold Soft Toy	\$8.00				
Total Owing	\$		Total Owing	\$	

NB Harold Products are subject to availability Life Education NSW thanks you for your support.



Help support Life Education

I would like to donate \$ _____ to Life Education NSW. Gifts of \$2.00 or over are tax deductible.

I would like to hear more from Life Education NSW

Parent/Carer Name: _____

Email: _____

Postcode: _____

Visit Life Education at www.lifeeducation.org.au

PBL News

Our focus in PBL this week is regarding the **Toilets**.

During some popular games, some students have been using the toilets as a hiding spot. This is not safe nor responsible practice.

Today we met with students and staff to discuss the expectations around the use of our toilets. Students were reminded of our original PBL plan which was agreed upon in 2016.

We are **SAFE** when we:-

- ◆ Go in pairs
- ◆ Play in the playground
- ◆ Wash your hands with soap

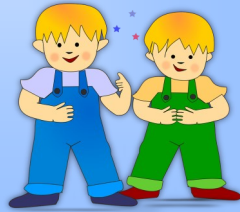


We are **RESPONSIBLE** when we:-

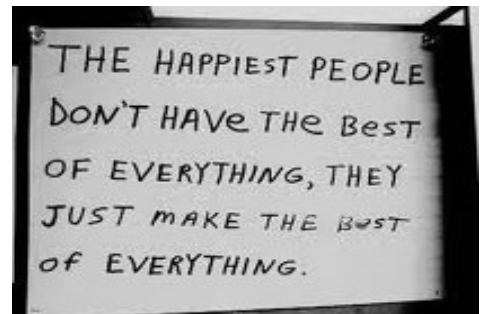
- ◆ Flush the toilets
- ◆ Keep the toilets clean and tidy

We are **CONNECTED** when:-

- ◆ We keep a shared space clean, tidy and safe for others.



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COLOURSS Science Day

When: Thursday 6th September **NEXT THURSDAY**

Where: Rukenvale PS—Yrs 3/4, Kyogle HS - Yrs 5/6 and The Risk PS- K,1,2

Who: Rukenvale, Wiangaree Collins Creek, Afterlee, Barkers Vale and The Risk PS

What: Students will need to bring their own lunch and recess, plus plenty of water.

How: Students will travel by bus and be dropped off and collected from their relevant schools.

The Theme for this year is 'Game Changers and Change Makers'.

The school is subsidising the cost of the bus to keep costs to a minimum

COLOURSS Science Day Permission Note

I give permission for my child(ren) to travel by bus to the COLOURSS Science Day on Thursday 6th September.

Payment for bus of \$5.00 (or \$10.00 per family) is enclosed.

Signed

Date

Community Notices

HANGING ROCK'S GOT TALENT

Whether you are a gum leaf player, a ballet dancer or a rock band, come to the Hanging Rock Hall and demonstrate your talent for a chance to win big prize money.

**Saturday November 3rd
from 3pm at Hanging Rock Hall**

Juniors are 8 to 15 year olds and Open is everybody else.

**Open Section First prize \$400 Second Prize \$100
Juniors Section First prize \$100 Second Prize \$50
People's Choice prize \$100**

Registration is compulsory with a deadline of October 20.

There are limited performance time slots so book now to avoid disappointment. Strictly for amateurs only. Send your name, contact details and a 25-50 word description or video of who you are and what you do.

Email to: hangrockhall@gmail.com

Junior contestants kick off the Talent Show at 3.00 pm sharp and prize winners will be awarded at 5.30.

Open section begins at 6.00 pm and the winners will be announced at the completion of this section.

Join us and celebrate local Talent.

Kyogle Writers Group Short Story Competition 2018 Title: ANIMALS

Send your entry of 500 words or less plus a signed Entry form to kyoglewriters@gmail.com or deliver both to Kyogle Library by 14th September 2018. Conditions of Entry forms are available from Kyogle Library or via our Facebook Group page - Kyogle Writers Group. Cash prizes will be awarded to the winners in 5 categories and presented to the winners at Kyogle Library on Saturday 20th October at 10:00am.

Find us on Facebook Groups - [KyogleWritersGroup](#) or collect an entry form from Kyogle Library, Stratheden Street Kyogle. Scan and send back your entry via kyoglewriters@gmail.com or deliver to Kyogle Library.

Entry Forms and details are available at the office.



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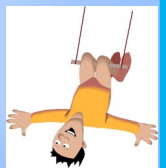
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CIRCUS @ BARKERS VALE PS

The circus class will be doing an informal Performance next Tuesday 4th September at 4.00pm at the hall for anyone who is keen to come and watch. It's free. The children attend Barkers Vale and Rainbow Ridge schools.

Thank you for your support, Simon.



**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