**Principal’s Message**

We have come to the last week of term already and there are still lots of things happening! This week we have Lewis Walker sharing his knowledge on Tuesday (see article in here) and the Book Character Parade / Ice Cream SRC fund raiser on Thursday (I’m still thinking about my costume…) Thanks to all staff and students who made Lake Ainsworth such an enjoyable experience last week. We had extremely good reports back from the Mrs Behrend, Miss Ryan, Ronnie and camp staff about our wonderful Barkers vale children. We wish everyone a happy and safe holiday. School returns on Tuesday, 6th October.

Regards, Julie McTaggart

**PBL (Positive Behaviour For Learning)**

We have booked Lyn Parker to talk to us about PBL (Positive Behaviour For Learning) at Barkers Vale PS on Monday 19th October. Through PBL we will be able to work together to develop an agreed set of values and develop strategies to become a more cohesive school community—students, staff and community. It was disappointing that she had to postpone from last week, but we look forward to her visit next term. We invite all interested community and staff to attend.

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**3/6 LAKE AINSWORTH CAMP**

Last week 3/6 went to Lake Ainsworth and had lots of fun. They did cooperative activities, archery, raft making, bike riding, rock climbing, kayaking and they made Damper.

Tuesday—cooperative activities, afterwards archery.

Wednesday—raft making and bike riding.

Thursday—rock climbing then kayaking.

Friday last day—damper.

We had to switch some activities around because of the weather.

By Mia and Angel
**Book Character Parade and Silver Price Book Sale**

On **Thursday, 17th September**, students are invited to dress up as a character from a book. We will aim to start our parade at **9.30am**. Primary students will then present some of their book reviews. After this the students will be able to buy books that have been discarded from our library collection for silver coin prices i.e. 5, 10, 20 or 50 cents. Parents are invited to come and enjoy the parade with us.

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**Barkers Vale Recycling**

The recycling team will put the bags on the library veranda to be collected EACH THURSDAY. It would be great if they could be collected that afternoon after school.

This is the proposed roster. From The SRC and Mrs Mac

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**Recycling Term 4**

Our Term 3 recycling programme has run very smoothly and a big thank you goes to all the people who helped out. This includes parents, school staff and the fabulous recycling team at school. We need to create a new roster for Term 4 and so we are again looking for volunteers. Just a reminder of what is involved:

- The bags need to be collected from the veranda near the library. (It’s usually not too much...)
- The team collects the recycling on Thursday morning and places it on the bench on the veranda.
- The recycling can be collected from Thursday afternoon on, but the sacks need to be back by the following Thursday morning.
- We need volunteers to do just one week in the term, at this stage.

If you can help, please fill in the form below and return it to school ASAP. I will collect the responses and print the weeks allocated in the next newsletter. **Please remember, you can volunteer again if you have already done recycling and new volunteers are most welcome.**

Regards, Julie Mac and the SRC.

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**YES! I would like to volunteer to collect the BVPS recycling in Term 4.**

Name: ________________________________

Contact details: ____________________________________________________

Any requests / unavailable dates? _________________________________________
Visit From Lewis Walker

On Tuesday, 15th September we are fortunate to be having a visit from Lewis Walker. Lewis is an Aboriginal Elder who has visited our school on previous occasions. His presentations are educational, informative and enjoyable and both staff and children have enjoyed his visits. This event will be held at school and will be paid for by the school, so there will be no cost to parents. The SRC from last semester requested more Aboriginal education activities so we are pleased to be able support that request.

Regards, Julie McT

B.V.P.S REGIONAL SPELLING BEE

Last week Emogen, Gwyn, Angel and Esha represented Barkers Vale in the Regional Spelling Bee on Monday the 7th of September. Emogen lasted till the 2nd round and got out on tongue. Gwyn lasted till the 2nd round and got out on accord. Angel lasted till the 3rd round and got out on culinary. Esha lasted till the 6th round and she got into the top seven, she got out on alchemy.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE PEOPLE WHO REPRESENTED BARKERS VALE PUBLIC SCHOOL!! 😊 😊 😊

Hanging Rock Hall

Invites you to attend an evening of Celebration for the Spring Equinox
ON SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER
With a welcome ceremony and mystery play starting at 5.15pm followed by Butterfly Blessings and Sun Pole Dance

The Sun and Earth and Spring VERNAL EQUINOX CELEBRATION

.... In the air without a care dancing here and there
More gracious than a flutterby
**Ice Creams (and more) for Sale!**

The fabulous Barkers Vale Student Representative Council are selling ice creams at lunch time on the day of the Book Character Parade, Thursday 17th September. The SRC have carefully voted on flavours and have decided on chocolate, vanilla and strawberry with caramel topping and sprinkles as an option. **The ice creams will cost $1 with an extra 50 cents for toppings or sprinkles.**

As well as that little treat, the SRC members have also volunteered themselves to bring in some extra goodies (cake, slice etc.) to sell at 50 cents each. It should be a yummy, exciting day!

Thanks from the SRC

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**Thank You!**

The Father’s Day Raffle run by the Student Representative Council (SRC) was a wonderful success thanks to our generous sponsors, ticket purchasers and SRC. We raised $210.50 for the SRC bank account and that money will be spent wisely by the SRC on future needs or ventures to benefit the children at Barkers Vale School. Thank you again all those who supported us. Just to make sure they know how grateful we are, here is a list of our sponsors:

- **Masters** in Lismore.
- **Green Bank**, 1/39 Cullen Street, Nimbin.
- **Armonica Café** at 50B Cullen Street, Nimbin.
- **Nimbin Ayurveda**
- **Success Martial Arts**
- **Angus Gough Honey**
- **Nimbin’s Stoned Ground**
- **Local artist Kerry Negus.**
- **Bunnings** in Lismore
- **The Sugar Bowl**, Summerland Way, Kyogle.
Cricket Skills Programme Term 4

On **Monday the 12, 19th 26th of October and Monday the 2nd of November** Barkers Vale School has been fortunate enough to be able to book in the *Milo in2Cricket Skills Program*. This is a programme that supports motor skills development, cricket skills and maximum participation in games. The children learn how to bowl, trap, hit and throw balls and develop their teamwork skills. We have had the instructors at the school in previous years and they provide hands-on, fast, fun and very well constructed activities, aligned to the NSW Physical Education Curriculum.

The children will be involved in one session on each Monday varying from one to one and a half hours, depending on age. This will only run for the four weeks. We would encourage all children to participate in these activities as it is a really great chance to improve skills while being coached by an individual actually skilled in the game.

The sessions cost $3 for each one, so the total for all four sessions will be $12. Please fill out the permission slip below and return it to the school by the end of Week On, Term 4 (October 9). If you have any questions or problems, please don’t hesitate to call us at school.

Regards, Julie McT

I give permission for my son / daughter ________________ to participate in the *Milo in2Cricket Skills Program* being held at Barkers Vale Public School on **Monday the 12, 19th 26th of October and Monday the 2nd of November**. I have enclosed $12 to cover costs.

Signed: _____________________________ Date: ___________
On Thursday, 10th of September Kindy, Year One and Year Two (plus a few Year 3 to 6 children) travelled to Tropical Fruit World at Duranbah. We had a great day out and saw exotic fruits, ate yummy bananas, macadamia nuts and fruit, went on a tractor ride, cruised on a boat, rode on a train and played in a great play area. It was a really fun time and I am proud to say that all the children on the excursion behaved perfectly! Here are a few photos to show you what fun we had. Oh… and it was educational too (of course)!