Principal’s Message

I hope everyone got through the crazy weather on the weekend safely. The school grounds are extremely soggy at the moment as is everywhere. To keep our school carpets clean we ask that students take off their shoes before coming into the classroom. It helps a lot if your child wears shoes to school that they are able to take on and off quickly. So if your child can’t tie shoelaces yet, please think about having pull on shoes, if possible. We do remind children to stay off the wet grass but sometimes they forget, so a change of clothes in case of a slip over would be a good idea too.

These students have made it to the next level of swimming. Congratulations

Fergus Law
Claragh Law
Annalise Markwell-O’Neill
Esha Oss-Emer
Sunai Squire

The zone carnival is this Thursday 26th of February. Notes will be going out ASAP.

In Week 7 the children are invited to attend two extra curricular activities. The permission notes for both are included in this newsletter., Please return with the correct money as soon as possible but no later than the Wednesday 4th March.

Thank you

Alison Ryan,
Relieving Principal

Survey

As part of our school’s self evaluation, we would like to know the opinions of parents. Could you please complete the attached survey and return to school as soon as possible. Feel free to add further comments.

Term 1

Week 4
Monday 23rd February: No Canteen
Tuesday 24th February - GYM is now on every Tuesday starting 3.15pm in the school hall,

......looking ahead........

Week 5
Thursday 26th Feb: Zone Swimming

Week 7
Monday 10th March: Music/Drama
Visiting performance at school
Thursday 12th March: Excursion to Lismore.

Week 9
Thurs/Fri 26/26th March: Yr 6 Camp

Week 10
Tuesday 31st March: COLOURSS Social

Wednesday 1st April: Harmony Day
Harmony Day 2015

Barkers Vale PS will be celebrating Harmony Day again this year, offering fun and inclusive activities for the whole school. This year we will celebrate on Wednesday, 1st April (that’s the last week of term).

On this day teachers, parents and friends of Barkers Vale offer activities for groups of children (Kindy to Year 6 or as required) for about 40 minutes per session. We usually have three or four sessions.

In the past the children have enjoyed activities such as scarecrow making, Harmony Day ribbons, sport, cooking, grass heads, masks, crafts, yoga, flag making... I could go on! Anything enjoyable and suitable for children.

So if you have a special area of interest or would just like to come and have a go at something please consider coming along. It’s a lovely day at school.

This is just a note to let you know the date so we can all plan ahead and save the day. I will send out a note closer to the day seeking firm offers of help. If you want to know more contact Julie (Mrs Mac) at school. We would love to see you there.

Regards, Julie McT
School performance– To Be Or What To Be

In the tradition of the great travelling clowns of Europe, Frank Ozo charms and enthrals children of all ages with his hilarious antics and cheeky wit.

To Be or What To Be begins with Frank having misplaced his magician’s hat. A search ensues and Frank looks for it in his magic hat box. Hat after hat is produced out of this seemingly empty box but none of these is his magician’s hat. What is a magician to do without his magic hat?

Frank’s search for his elusive magician’s hat takes the audience on a journey of choices and responsibilities while tackling the age old question of what to be when you grow up.

Variety is the word that best describes this very funny vaudeville style show. Frank juggles balls, scarves and hats and has objects appear and disappear right before your eyes.

Puppets also feature with an hilarious sequence involving the famous characters, Punch and Judy. Frustrated that he can’t find the perfect job, Mr Punch has an unexpected encounter with a wayward baby crocodile. It is this exciting adventure which leads him to discover his true vocation. Mr Punch becomes head of reptile conservation at the local zoo, illustrating that everyone is good at something.

Using magic, mime, laughter, songs and the element of surprise, Frank explores issues such as ethics, safety, career choices and problem solving with his audience.

This is a great performance for all ages.
When: Tuesday 10th March, 2015 at 2pm
Where: BVPS Hall
Who: All BVPS students
Cost: $5 per child

All notes and money need to be returned to school by Wednesday 4th of March, 2015.

Alison Ryan

PERMISSION NOTE FOR TO BE OR WHAT TO BE

My child/ren ________________________________ will be attending the performance of To Be Or What To Be, Tuesday 10th March, 2015.

I have enclosed $ ______________________ (5 per child) to cover the cost of the performance.

Signed: _______________________________________________
School Excursion— Byron Bay International Film Festival

The Byron Bay International Film Festival Schools Program aims to be an inspiring and fun-filled festival of the best in Australian and international shorts, animations and documentaries for young people aged 6 to 16 years.

RATIONALE—THINKING BEYOND THE SCREEN
People all over the world tell stories in many different ways using oral, written and visual language. Stories can reflect particular views and values and are a powerful way to document ideas and events. Whether you are watching a film for entertainment or as a learning experience, thinking and talking about it can help everyone to understand more about the film’s story and its messages.

NOTE: In order to get into Lismore and seated in the theatre by 10 am we will need to leave school by 9am. This means students will not be able to come to school via bus on this day. We will, however, be back in time for buses in the afternoon.

When: Thursday, 12th March, 2015. Leaving at 9am and returning at 3pm.
Where: Star Court Theatre Lismore and Wade Park, Lismore (for lunch and play).
Who: All BVPS students K-6
Cost: $5 per child. The school is subsidising the rest.
Bring: Students will need to bring lunch, recess and a water bottle. If possible students are asked to wear their school shirt.

All notes and money need to be returned to school by Wednesday, 4th March, 2015.

Alison Ryan

PERMISSION NOTE BYRON BAY INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

My child/ren _________________________________ will be attending the performance of Byron Bay Film Festival on Thursday 12th March, 2015.

I have enclosed $ ____________ ($ per student) to cover the cost of the performance and bus travel.
I understand that my child will not be able to catch the bus to school the morning of the excursion.

Signed: ____________________________________________