



Student of the week



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Bedgerabong on Show!

Every Day Counts- Our focus on attendance for Term 3 has us aiming at achieving an average attendance rate for our school of 90%
Congratulations to the kids on achieving last Term's goal. As of last Friday we had an average attendance rate was 94.23%
Children's learning is enhanced by uninterrupted full days of school.



Lower Division

Week 4 – Stephanie S – great listening and participation in class discussion in Science.

Week 5 – Zailee B – for being consistently helpful.

Upper Division

Week 4 – Addie M – wonderful work ethic.

Week 5 – Ella P – Always trying to do her best in class.

Upcoming Dates for your Diary

- 25 Aug Scripture
- 25 Aug ICAS Maths this week
- 26 Aug Marimba performance @ the Hall for cuppa tea day 10.30am
- 26 Aug 2LVR radio station show 4.45pm-6pm
- 26-28 Aug Georgia Pengilly @ NSW PSSA Soccer
- 4 Sept Fathers' Day Donuts @ Bunnings 5-7pm
- 8-10 Sept Stage 3 Creative Arts Camp
- 19 Sept Western PSSA Athletics - Dubbo
- 22 Sept Scripture
- 23 Sept Touch Football finals - Sydney
- 25 Sept Wilbertroy Lagoon- Local Excursion
- 26 Sept BEDGERABONG TALENT SHOW/ End term 3
- 14 Oct Term 4 starts for kids
- 18 Oct Bedgerabong Community Trivia Night
- 22 Oct NSW PSSA Athletics
- 23 Oct NSW PSSA Athletics
- 16 Dec Presentation Night
- 19 Dec Last Day Term 4



27th & 28th March 2026 - Bedgerabong Sesquicentenary

2025 school term dates for kids

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Hello everyone- I hope this newsletter finds you well. It was so nice to see so many of our kids available to join us at the Show to play marimbas – we received some really positive and supportive feedback from locals in the crowd. We even received feedback from a couple of travellers enroute from Melbourne to Brisbane, that happened to stumble across our show and were blown away not just by the kids' performance, but the friendly, family-oriented show that we all worked so hard for. I suppose at times we just think what our community has is the norm, not realising how special our community really is. I'm really proud of our school's association with the Bedgerabong Show- we ensure the School Work section is always high standard and plenty of entries. We have staff holding executive positions on the Show committee and on the day, we had 8 staff members as chief stewards or stewards, one student assisting stewards and of course our P&C run the canteen all day. While I'm on the proud principal stand – our staff contribute far more to student opportunities than what you may just see at school. Did you know that our school staff conduct or support many extra curricula activities- for example district, regional and state school sports activities? Go Team B'bung!



We wish Georgia P all the best this week as she participates in the NSW PSSA girls' soccer championships on the NSW North Coast. Enjoy the experience Georgia- we are proud of you.

Attendance celebrations- last Wednesday we were very excited to hold our Term 2 attendance goal celebration. The kids were very excited to open and spend time enjoying nerf guns, bey blades, my little pony packs and playdough. See pictures on Community notice board page.

Book Week Celebrations- were a lot of fun last Wednesday. The kids all spoke so well in explaining why they had chosen their favourite characters or books to share with us. Thanks to the parents who were able to join us and assist in preparing the sausage sizzle for lunch. See pictures on page 4 & 7



Marimbas at the Hall – this Tuesday our marimba group will perform for residents of Jemalong Retirement Village and anyone else meeting at the hall for the regular Cuppa at the Hall. We are booked in to play from 10.30am – 11am.

Fathers' Day Donuts at Bunnings – our school community was asked/invited to support Bunnings promote Fathers' Day on Thursday September 4. Murray, Katy Brown and myself have accepted the offer. It may be an opportunity for any current or future school leaders to join us on Thursday Sept 4th 5-7pm or for any small part of that time. Anyone else that is keen and or available just to lend a hand would be great in keeping the Bedgerabong brand visible in Forbes. You don't have to go to town just for it, but if you're in town maybe just drop your kids off while you're shopping? Feel free to let me know if your child/ren are interested/available.

Talent Quest- is rapidly approaching. Most of our kids have started preparing at least one item, some kids have two. Be sure to mark Friday 26th September in your diary. Talent Quest to commence at 11.40am and we will have a BBQ lunch after. Any offers of support to help with BBQ would be greatly appreciated. Be sure to let me know in advance if you can help out.

Stage 3 Creative Arts Camp – be sure to check your emails for the latest information.

Touch Footy – I understand there are some questions about this... I'd be happy to answer any of your questions, just feel free to ask. First – be sure to book 2 days if you are joining us. We will travel on Monday Sept 22 and return Tuesday September 23. Here's where I'm up to- please understand I am working very hard to make arrangements for this to happen. We have yet to receive information about the venue - which has been held in Penrith, Blacktown and Liverpool areas in recent years- so I haven't booked accommodation - yet. I haven't been successful in getting responses from any bus companies yet either, but I am working on it every day. If you have a connection or you're keen to lend a hand, I'd be very grateful for any support contacting buses/sorting accommodation- feel free to contact me at school and we could work together. This is an amazing achievement so far. Did you know that it was in 2006 that Bedgerabong last made the same finals in the soccer competition losing 1-2 in the final- the only other time that our school has qualified for this event. I'm hoping the kids are keen and we can continue to stay focused and keep training.

Spec Fest - we have submitted a joint application to perform at SpecFest with Grenfell & Parkes East schools. I expect that if we are successful, it will involve us being away November 27-30. Fingers crossed we hear one way or another soon.

Little Class excursion to Wagga - a lot like my touch footy planning, I've yet to have a bus company confirm anything for me. I have had several requests from parents to make this event occur on certain dates. I will attempt to do my best- a lot of factors in play here- availability of staff, accommodation, bus, and venue bookings. If you have a connection or you're keen to lend a hand, I'd be very grateful for any support contacting buses/sorting accommodation- feel free to contact me at school and we could work together.

Athletics Results – congratulations to all 12 Bedgerabong students who travelled to Parkes last Friday to participate in the Lachlan District PSSA Athletics. All of the kids did their very best with some notable achievements- Addie Morgan, Olivia Gibson, Hunter Maxwell and Georgia Pengilly all being nominated to compete at the Western athletics in Dubbo on September 19. Keep an eye out for information and permission notes to come home soon. Keep an eye out for some pics on our Facebook page.

Contacting the School- just a reminder that throughout the school day our focus is on working with the kids. We may not always be able to answer your phone calls, especially days like last Friday where the only staff on site were also teaching and or supervising all day as our office staff, extra teachers and support staff were at the athletics. The best way to ensure your enquiry / message or change of plans is to put it in writing and send it to school. If it's an emergency, try my phone and if I'm not on site I'll make appropriate contact.

Wishing you all an amazing week. Remember- Choose Your Attitude, Be There, Make Someone's Day and PLAY!

Regards - Paul

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BIG CLASS NEWS with Mrs Faulkner

So proud of our primary kids – they did a wonderful job sharing with and guiding their younger schoolmates during Book Week Celebrations. In English we have been really enjoying the text 'Wonder' – a wonderful story that is definitely pulling at our heart strings so far. In Maths we are tackling multiplying larger numbers using the box or grid method. We have started learning a new marimba song – Land Down Under. We can't wait to perfect it. A big shout out to Georgia who will be representing Western at the PSSA Football Championships in Ballina. Go Georgia!



LITTLE CLASS NEWS- with Miss Hanns

- A big thank you to all families for the incredible Book Week dress-ups — the effort and creativity were fantastic, and we had such a fun day celebrating together!
- In English, we're diving into 'Boy' by Phil Cummings, a beautiful story that's helping us explore how we communicate through words, writing, and body language.
- K-2 students have enjoyed guided drawing activities based on the book, it's been wonderful to see students engaging thoughtfully and build their communication skills.



School Leaders' Report

The past two weeks have been packed full of excitement! Last week we started the ICAS tests so far, the tests we have done is writing English science spelling and next week we are doing the Math tests. But this week has been jam packed with fun. On Tuesday we had Musica viva come to school and sing us a few songs - here is the link <https://musicaviva.com.au/>. It was cool how we got to time travel through music and the girl singer, named Jess forgot how to ride a BIKE. It was such a cool experience, and all had so much fun. On Wednesday we had book week it was all so much fun, I dressed up as Daring Delly AKA Mathew Dellavedova. We also celebrated our attendance goal we had My little pony, play doe, bay blades and everyone's favourite - a nerf war. We had so so much fun and at the end of the day we got brand new Nike socks. That is the wrap up on the last two weeks.



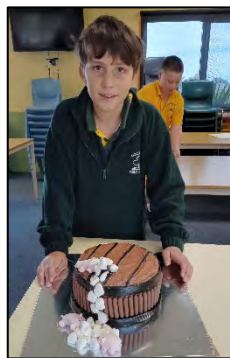
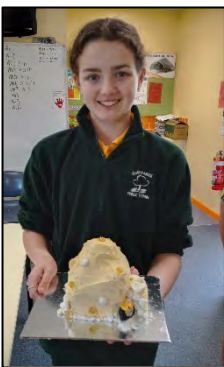
By Abri S

In the Garden with Miss Bayley

On top of ensuring our garden was ready for show weekend, we also sowed new seeds in the garden beds and greenhouse. In the top garden we planted Chinese Cabbages and continued pulling sneaky weeds from these beds. We tended to our snow peas, maybe picking a few too many for our own tasting. Little class helped to tidy up the green house, we introduced Cucumber, Capsicum and Tomato seeds in prep for warmer weather. Big Class were a huge help – they started clearing out overgrown weeds and refreshing our shed space.

Tootie Fruity

The kitchen was a buzz with cake decorating prior to the show. The kids used icing, lollies and their creativity to make some amazing creations for the show. Biscuits, muffin and fondant made some amazing creations. **Mrs Horan**



Singapore Noodles

Prep: 15minutes mins Cook: 10minutes Total: 25minutes

Ingredients

Sauce - 2 tbsp soy sauce, 2 tbsp Chinese cooking wine, 2 1/2 tsp curry powder, 1/2 tsp sugar, 1/2 tsp white pepper

Stir Fry - 100g / 3 oz dried rice vermicelli noodles, 2 tbsp oil separated, 2 eggs, beaten
1/2 medium onion, thinly sliced, 4 garlic cloves, minced, 1 tsp ginger, freshly grated
250g chicken, thinly sliced, 1 cup red capsicum / bell pepper, 3 tsp Lee Kum Char Sui Sauce

Instructions - Combine the Sauce ingredients in a small bowl and mix.

Place rice vermicelli noodles in a large bowl filled with boiled water and soak as per packet instructions. Drain and set aside.

In a small pan cook the egg, spread it out to make a thin omelette. Remove and slice.

Heat 1 tbsp of oil in a heavy based fry pan over medium heat. Add the chicken, cook until just cooked, add the Char Sui sauce. Add the garlic, ginger and onion, cook for 2 minutes until onion is slightly softened. Add capsicum and cook for 1 minute. Add noodles and Sauce, give it a few tosses. Then add the egg. Toss until the sauce coats all the noodles and everything is heated through – about 1 to 2 minutes.

Serve immediately.

Pumpkin & chicken ravioli

Prep 30m Cook 55m Serves 6

Ingredients - 350g sweet potato or pumpkin, peeled, cut into 1cm pieces, Olive oil, to drizzle, 1 bunch fresh chives, 450g chicken mince, 2 tsp ginger, pinch nutmeg, 2 x 275g pkt gow gee wrappers. 100g butter

Method

Preheat oven to 180°C. Line a baking tray with non-stick baking paper. Place the sweet potato/pumpkin on the tray. Drizzle with oil. Season with salt and pepper. Bake for 30-35 minutes or until tender. Set aside for 10 minutes to cool.

Finely chop the chives and place in a bowl, Add chicken mince, ginger and nutmeg. Stir to combine. Place half the wrappers, in a single layer, on a clean work surface. Place 1 tablespoon of chicken mixture in the centre of each wrapper. Top with 2-3 pieces of sweet potato/pumpkin. Brush the edges with water. Top with another wrapper to enclose filling, pressing edges to seal. Repeat with remaining wrappers and chicken mixture.

Cook one-quarter of the ravioli in a saucepan of boiling water for 5 minutes or until cooked through. Use a slotted spoon to transfer to a bowl. Repeat, in 3 more batches, with the remaining ravioli, reboiling the water between batches.

We served ours with a creamy garlic sauce but can be served with melted butter instead.

Creamy garlic sauce

Ingredients (11)

25g butter, 1 tbsp olive oil, 2 cloves garlic, crushed, 1 cup (250ml) chicken style liquid stock, 1/2 cup (125ml) cream, 25g parmesan cheese.

Instructions

Brown Butter: Melt 2.5 tbsp butter into a large pan over medium heat. It will begin to foam, just keep gently stirring until the butter starts turning from a lemony yellow to a light brown. Add garlic to pan and stir to combine with the butter for 30 seconds. Pour in chicken stock and cream, a pinch of salt & pepper. Simmer for 5 or so mins until the sauce starts to thicken slightly, then mix in parmesan. Pour over the ravioli and serve.

Community Notice Board

Bedgerabong Community Trust

Submissions for the September meeting of the Bedgerabong Community Trust will be taken until Monday 8th September. The meeting will be held on Monday 8th September at 8.00pm at the school. Submission forms can be collected from the school, either in person or by email but must be returned in time for the meeting.

Attendance rewards and Bookweek celebrations



Getting to know – Olivia G

Nickname: Liv, Livvy

Grade: Yr 4

Games I like to play: soccer

Favourite colour: purple, teal. **Favourite food:** tacos

Thing I like most about school: marimbas

Something my parents have taught me: never be unkind to others

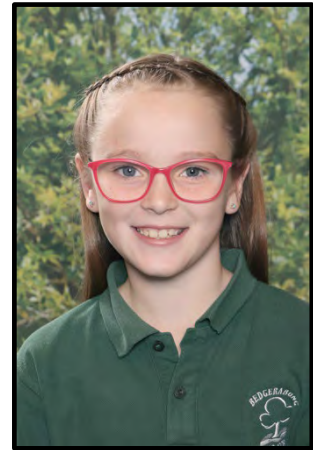
If I had a million dollars: I would buy a farm with lots of animals.

Fondest memory – for my 6th birthday, I got a horse

When I grow up I would like to: lasso a cow while riding a horse

If I could change one thing about school: more marimbas

If I could change one thing about school: fix the tap to stay on change the fridge so it opens for me on it's own and has an ice machine change laptops to log me in straight away



Getting to know – Harriet Hazel H

Nickname: K'bomb

Grade: Yr 5

Games I like to play: netball

Favourite colour: aqua

Favourite food: lollies

Thing I like most about school: recess and lunch

Something my parents have taught me: how to ride a horse

If I had a million dollars: I would spend it on lollies

Fondest memory – getting my HOOTS MASTERS!

When I grow up I would like to: be a day care teacher

If I could change one thing about school: get a pool





Happy Birthday to these recent and upcoming party goers.

Jul 8 Abri S
Aug 6 Hunter M
Aug 19 Phoebe M

Jul 31 Robert P
Aug 12 Xavier M
Aug 31 Stephanie S



Quote of the Week

Nothing is impossible, the word itself says 'I'm possible'. – Anon

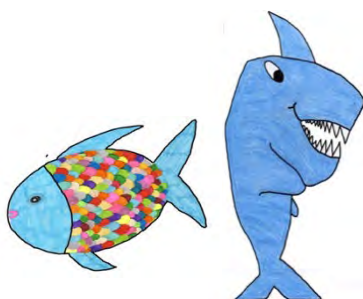
STUDENT SPECIAL SHOWCASE

Each newsletter we'd love to share some of the kids' extra curricular achievements away from school. This time we've heard from Mrs Morgan promoting - B'bong kids playing soccer in Griffith. If you have something to share please contact Mr Faulkner.

Please be sure to send us any achievements you'd like us to share with details and a photo (if you can)

B'bong Soccer Kids

The mighty Bbong strikes again kicking goals and having fun in Griffith for the Forbes & District Soccer Association



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Mr Faulkner
25-8-2025

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Forbes & District Soccer Club and Fitness Alley would like to present the opportunity to all 12 to 18 year olds to participate in fitness programs at the new Youth Gym at Botanical Gardens in Forbes. A Family Bootcamp will also run where parents can bring younger children with them and both adult and child can participate together.

The gym is only operational under the guidance of the manager, Amanda.

Session days –

- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Thursday

Session times –

- 4 – 4.45pm
- 5 – 5.45pm
- 6 – 6.45pm
- 7 – 7.45pm

Cost – \$50 for 10 weeks running during school term.

No more than 16 participants in each session.

Register your interest.



Expression of interest

Name:

Parent/Guardian name:

D.O.B of participant:

Email address:

Mobile: Parent/Guardian Mobile:

Sport/s played:

I am interested in the following session –

- Tuesday 4pm (12-15yr old) Wednesday 4pm (12-15yr old)
- Tuesday 5pm (15-18yr old) Wednesday 5pm (15-18yr old)
- Tuesday 6pm (girls only) Wednesday 6pm (girls only)
- Tuesday 7pm (family bootcamp) Wednesday 7pm (family bootcamp)
- Thursday 4pm (12-15yr old)
- Thursday 5pm (15-18yr old)
- Thursday 6pm (girls only)
- Thursday 7pm (family bootcamp)

You will be notified to confirm your position in the session.

Sessions will commence beginning of term 4 of school, 13th October 2025.



**BEDGERABONG
COMMUNITY
PRESENTS**

TRIVIA NIGHT

17TH OCTOBER 2025

7.30pm @

Bedgerabong Hall

**\$10 per person- cash at the door
FUN & GAMES**

BYO nibbles and refreshments

MARK IT IN YOUR CALENDAR

**Teams of 8-10
people**