

'Ganandhimila-nj - We learn'

Term 1

Week 7

12 March 2025

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

MEET, GREET AND EAT

A huge thank you to all the families that attended our Meet, Greet and Eat evening. The school decided to try something new compared to our previous Meet the Teacher night, and we found it to be very positive. Students were able to take families into their classrooms, after a short disco and sausage sandwich, making for a more relaxing evening for all. Also, thank you to the families who completed the short survey, as this gave us some valuable information about school engagement.

AWARDS ASSEMBLY

Our first awards assembly for 2025 took place last Friday. Congratulations to all students who received a bronze, silver or gold award. We had a great discussion during our morning tea, and I am very proud of all the students following our school expectations of being Respectful, Responsible and Safe.

SCHOOL MAINTENANCE

The Department of Education's Assets team work closely with me on both reactive and proactive maintenance. We currently have work being carried out on our school hall. We are having the outdoor screening replaced due to rust and corrosion. The work wil take approximately four weeks to complete. We still have access to the school hall, and the workers are being incredibly supportive to work around the school's needs, such as the use of the hall.

LEADERSHIP DAY

We are excited to share highlights from the recent Year 6 Leadership Day held at Narooma High School, attended by our budding leaders from Parliament and our Year 6 sporting captains. The day was filled with enriching workshops designed to inspire and empower our students. They explored various career ideas, participated in collaborative art projects, and experienced traditiona Indigenous games for boys while girls enjoyed weaving activities. A special leadership session was led by Campbell Page, providing valuable insights into effective leadership skills. We ended the day with fun orienteering and teamwork sessions with Bournda, fostering cooperation and problem-solving abilities. We are grateful to the high school for inviting us and can't wait to go back later in the year.

REPRESENTATIVE SPORTS

Many of our senior students have been very busy with trials for representative sporting teams lately. Our students have also been successful in making some of these teams as well.

AFL Girls South Coast Team

Bella and Ruby Br have both been selected to represent the South Coast in Sydney in June. We look forward to seeing how they go.

Basketball

Robbie made the Sapphire Coast team, playing a match against Eurobodalla. Robbie was then picked in the Far South Coast team and played in a tournament at the Snakepit in Wollongong. His coach was very impressed with him and spoke about what a wonderful representative of our school Robbie was.

<u>Swimming</u>

Robbie, Radja, Hudson P and Emerson represented the Sapphire Coast at the South Coast Regional Carnival in Dapto, swimming in the senior Boys Relay, finishing fourth in their heat.

<u>Soccer</u>

Indi G tried out for the Sapphire Coast Team, and has been selected to trial for the Far South Coast team this Thursday.

State Knockout Cricket

As reported by Mr McLean, our State PSSA knockout game was very engaging, with Bermagui Public School showcasing their determination and sportsmanship against Narooma Public School. Batting first, Bermagui put forth a spirited effort, scoring 59 runs, with Robbie leading the charge as the top scorer with 17 runs. The team's bowlers displayed impressive skill, applying pressure on Narooma's batsmen throughout the innings. Although Narooma chased down the target in the 18th over with 2 wickets remaining, Bermagui's resilience and teamwork were commendable, highlighting their potential for future years and fostering a strong sense of camaraderie among the players. Thanks to Mr McLean for his coaching and organisation of this year's State knockout team.

WHATS ON



TERM 1

12-24 March	NAPLAN Years 3 & 5
21 March	Harmony Day
25 March	3/4S Waste Excursion
3 April	Netball Gala Day
7 - 10 April	Parent Teacher Interviews
10 April	Kinder to Year 2 AFL Skills day
12 April	Easter Hat Parade
11 April	Last Day of Term 1

TERM 2

30 April	First Day of Term 2 for Students
7-9 May	Stage 2 Kianniny Excursion
19 May	School Photos
4 July	Last Day of Term 2



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BEST START

Kindergarten families will be provided information about the skills, knowledge and understandings your child demonstrated during the Best Start assessment over the next week. Please contact Mrs Roche through the school office if you have any questions about the summary of observations for your child.

MOBILE PHONES AND SMARTWATCHES

The mobile phone ban applies during all school hours, including break times such as lunch and recess, as well as while students are on school-organised excursions. This includes smartwatches and other devices that allow connectivity.

This means students must hand their mobiles/smartwatches into the office when they arrive and pick them up five minutes before the bell.

Students can still carry their phones and watches while travelling to and from school.

Individual student requests for exemption will be managed by the Principal and assessed by the school for medical and learning needs.

We will always ensure you can contact your child in an emergency through all our current procedures.

2025 NSW AMBULANCE SCHOOL AND GROUP COVER SCHEME

The department has renewed its NSW Ambulance School and Group Cover Scheme policy for 2025.

The policy is in place to make sure that any student who has a medical emergency and requires an ambulance while at school or on an organised school excursion or activity will receive this service, at no expense to the school or parents.

In the first instance, students are covered by their family's private health insurance or concession health care card, where available. If the student is not covered by either of these, they will be covered by this policy.

Brendan Constable - Principal

SCHOOL HATS!
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\$10 each



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CHARITY DRIVE

Stewart House provides essential medical care, confidence-building activities, and a supportive environment where public school children in need can reset, thrive, and embrace a brighter future.

Envelopes must be returned to enter the draw!

Draw: Friday, 23 May 2025

Important:

Online payments ARE NOT an automatic entry into the draw.

Please return your envelope(s) to your school with a receipt number (if paying online) for entry in the draw.



HARMONY DAY

Friday, 21 March

Wear something <u>orange</u> to celebrate that '<u>Everyone Belongs</u>'

A short assembly will be held, where class teachers will present two Harmony Day awards per class. These awards will reflect the values of Harmony Day.

Fruit break – a platter of oranges and carrot sticks will be available for students.

KINDERGARTEN

Exciting news from our kindergarten room!
Our students are embarking on a journey to explore the connection between sounds and letters. Throughout the year, they will focus on two sounds each week, progressively building their knowledge and laying a strong foundation for their literacy skills. We can't wait to see their enthusiasm as they learn and grow!

Week 7



LITERACY NEWS



Week 8



YEARS 1 To 6

Students in Years 1 to 6 will be concentrating on the graphemes associated with the sound boxes outlined below.

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Meet, Greet and Eatl















Since 2018, Primary Ethics has grown steadily, this year we have more children than ever enrolled in Primary Ethics classes—so many, in fact that we don't have enough teachers for all the children who want to be in the program.

Could you be an ethics teacher at Bermagui Public School?

Ethics teachers receive free training from Primary Ethics. Primary Ethics is a not-for-profit organisation approved by the Department of Education to design curriculum and training for the ethics program. Training is available either face-to-face or through online workshops. Primary Ethics provides detailed lesson plans and materials.

Gabby Rose, one of our dedicated ethics teachers says: 'I love facilitating ethics! I've worked across a range of classes and regardless of age each group is joyful & curious. Practically it fits into my life, I work full time but can offer 30 mins of my week to be part of the school environment. As a parent it's also a great way to see the world our kids are in, meet the staff, and hear the kids' perspectives. It's a highlight of my week!'

Once you're trained it only takes about I hour per week to prepare and deliver your class—perfect for people working from home or with flexibility in their life. All you need is an interest in children's education and development of critical thinking skills.

Ethics lessons are on **Thursdays at 2.25-2.55pm**. Ideally, volunteers are available every week in term time.

In ethics classes, children learn how to think critically, reason logically, discuss respectfully and support their arguments with evidence, rather than forming opinions based on habit or peer pressure.

If you or someone you know is looking for an opportunity to make a valuable contribution to our school, please use the QR code to apply,

or visit https://primaryethics.com.au/volunteer/

or contact Cath Renwick via email thecathrenwick@gmail.com or phone 0419 491 104 for more details.



CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR AWARD WINNERS

bardju-waraga **Footprints**

1/2CS dharrani-waraga **Spotted Gums**

Chelsea Violet Meesha Kamryn Thea Koa

Riley Ella Hayden Poppy Sibella Cameron

1/25 galungara-waraga 🎑 Lillipillies

3/4LK bidhu **Mountain**



Jaidee Saphira Fox Quineana Blake William M

Rumi Rachel Sadie Harley Mackenzie Luther

3/45 barra barra Sea

Bobby

Hazel

Frida

Kelsea

Barry Banjo



5/6C maaran-waraga **Seagulls**

> Indi A James E Ruby Bl Winnie Arthur T Hudson H



Gus Paul

Hudson P

Hollie





Byron Ben Radja Fox Emerson Bobby

Stevie Isabel Saphira

PBL AWARD WINNERS

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PBL WINNERS



Week 5

Indi H, Angel, Kobe, Leyton, Lily A, Isaac, Lily H, Frida, Billi-Anna



Week 6

Byron, Charlotte, Xander, Parker H, Stevie, River, Lucy, Riley, Barney, Kyron, Odin, Kallum, Rumi, Kamryn, Zara, Lillyanna, Ella, Bindi, Tarah, Talia, Sibella



AWARDS ASSEMBLY

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED THEIR BRONZE, SILVER AND GOLD **AWARDS**









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BEHAVIOUR

POSITIVE

Our 2025 executive committee is as follows:

President: Jo Varley

Vice President: Chelsea Nash

Treasurer: Kelly Jubb Secretary: Melonie Zyla

To stay up to date with meetings and events make sure you follow the Bermagui Public School P&C and Canteen Facebook page.

Jo Varley P&C President

P&C NEWS

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NEW AIRCON IN THE SCHOOL CANTEEN!

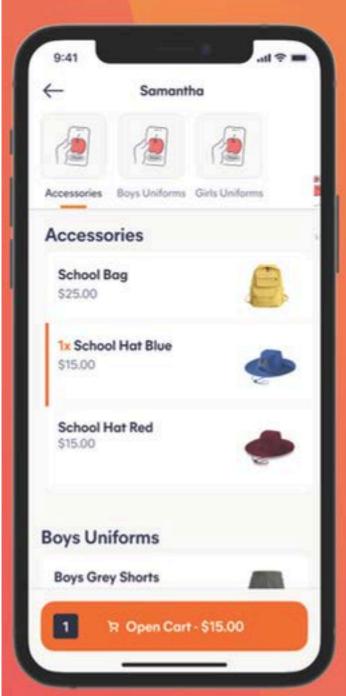
Stevie has been keeping cool in the canteen this summer, enjoying her new split system air conditioner. It wouldn't have been possible without the generous donations from Bermagui Beach Hotel & Bermagui Refrigeration and Airconditioning. You guys rock!!



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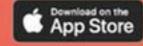
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Free 8-16 March 2025 entry CULPTUREBERMAGUI.ORG.AU GLIMPSE OF NATURE III -Jordan Tarlinton

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Visit our Mobile Service Centre to access services like:

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- Working with Children Checks
- NDIS Worker Checks
- · birth, death and marriage certificates
- · cost of living support and more.

Call 13 77 88 or visit service.nsw.gov.au to check our latest timetable.

Severe weather may mean our timetable has to change at short notice, we strongly recommend you check on the day.











Wednesday 9, Friday 11, Wednesday 16 and Friday 18 April



Workshop - Mystery Bay Thursday 10 and Thursday 17 April



Junior Ranger Coastal Adventure - Dalmeny Tuesday 8 and Thursday 24 April



Junior Ranger Coastal Adventure - Eden



Whaling Station Thursday 10 and Tuesday 15 April



Wednesday 9 and Wednesday 23 April



Traditional Weaving Workshop - Hobart Beach Wednesday 9 and Wednesday 16 April

Adventure

School Holiday Program

Thursday 10 and Tuesday 15 April

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