



**Bruthen
Primary School**

"Learning for Life"

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RESPECT

COURAGE

HONESTY

TEAMWORK

FUN

Newsletter Term 1 Wednesday 1st April 2026

School Council Members – President: Sarah Kennedy Vice President: Lucy Whillance Secretary: Kathleen Callow Treasurer: Kelsey Schueler
Executive Officer: Tina Tallberg; Lahnne Tong, Emily Earles, Rachel Rogers, Sally Whillance, Jade Simpson and Nicole Hood

Upcoming Events

April

Thursday 2nd - Last Day of Term 1. Early dismissal 1:30pm
Easter Raffle

Heads Up Term 2

Monday 20th April - First Day for Term 2.
- MARC Van visit

Tuesday 21st April – No Tucker Tuesday

Thursday 23rd April - School Photos.

Friday 24th April – Mitchell Cluster Winter Sports Practice.

Saturday 25th April – ANZAC Day

Monday 27th April – School Council Meeting.

Wednesday 29th April – Parent/Teacher Student Conversations.

Thursday 30th April – Parent/Teacher Student Conversations.

May

Friday 1st May - Mitchell Cluster Winter Sports Practice.

End of Term 1 Schedule

Thursday 2nd April is the last day of term 1.

Where has the time gone?

9:00 am Regular Classroom activities

12:00 pm Clean up classrooms

12:30 pm Clean up in the yard

1:00 pm Whole School Assembly
Easter Raffle Drawn

1:15 pm Easter Egg Hunt-little kids welcome

Final newsletter for Term 1.

As we come to the end of a busy term, we would like to congratulate all our students on their hard work, growth, and achievement. It has been wonderful to see students demonstrating persistence, enthusiasm for

learning, and pride in their efforts across all areas of the curriculum.

Term 2 Arrangements

I would like to share some important and exciting staffing updates. We warmly welcome Mrs Emily Forbes, who will be stepping into the role of Acting Principal for Term 2. Emily is currently in the role of Assistant Principal at Lucknow Primary School.

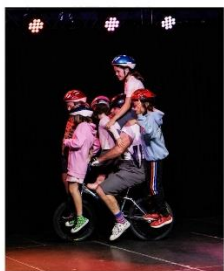
I will be stepping back into full-time classroom teaching in the F/1 room. I would like to thank Mrs Natalie Rainsbury for the incredible work she has done teaching and supporting our students this term. We are very fortunate to have such passionate and dedicated staff. Importantly, there will be no changes to the staff working in the F/1 classroom, ensuring a smooth transition into Term 2, for our students.

In further exciting news, we have been working hard behind the scenes to secure more funding for our school. Penny Young has been working tirelessly to support student well-being and engagement and collecting the evidence we need to secure funding. As a result of this work, we are thrilled to be advertising for three additional Education Support (ES) staff members. Which means we will have a full-time ES in each classroom along with two additional staff to support all students learning and well-being. Additionally, we will increase support in the office, with an additional staff member working alongside Rocky. This means our office will be staffed four days a week, improving communication and support for our families. We are very excited about these developments and the positive impact they will have on student learning and wellbeing across our school!

Thank you to our students, staff, and families for your ongoing support throughout the term. We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable break and look forward to another great term ahead.

BMX Incursion

Next term we look forward to meeting Scott Hone, a world-renowned BMX trick rider, who will take kids on an inspiring journey from his first childhood bike to the heights of circus fame. With dazzling tricks—riding forwards on the front wheel, backwards upside-down, and spinning in ways you never thought possible—Scott's performance isn't just a show about tricks—it's a powerful story of perseverance, creativity, and following your dreams whilst embracing life's adventures.



Thank you Justin Penglase - All Screens Gippsland

Parent Teacher Chats Term 2

We will have parent teacher chats in week 2 of Term 2, April 29th & 30th. Bookings will open on Ueducateus in Week 1. This is a great opportunity to celebrate all the achievements of Term 1 and see where to next, on your child's learning journey.

HARMONY DAY



All Screens Gippsland is a locally owned business based in Bairnsdale, providing a range of glass and screening solutions for homes and businesses across the region.

Their services include:

- Flyscreens for

windows and doors

- Security doors and screens
- Shower screens and bathroom glass
- Reglazing and glass repairs
- Custom-made screen and glass solutions

Known for their quality workmanship and friendly, reliable service. All Screens Gippsland takes pride in helping locals create safe, practical, and modern spaces in their homes.

We would also like to say a big thank you to Justin Penglase from All Screens Gippsland for generously donating a number of flyscreens to our Grade 2/3 classroom. This contribution has made a real difference to the comfort of our learning space, and we truly appreciate the support of our local community.

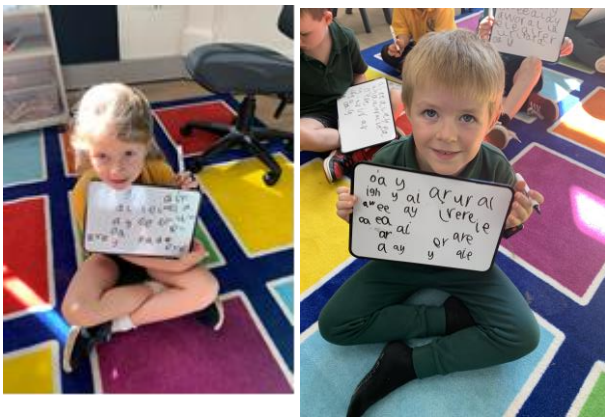
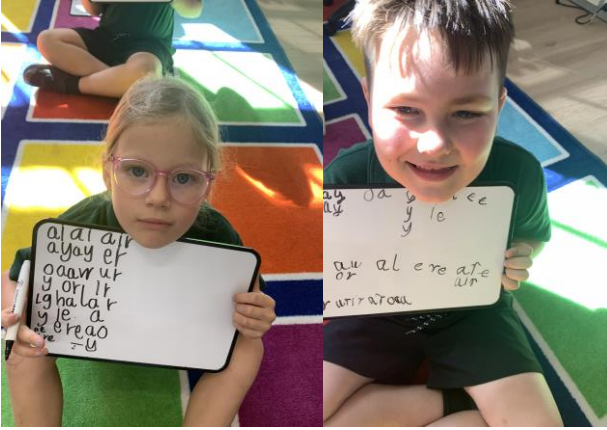
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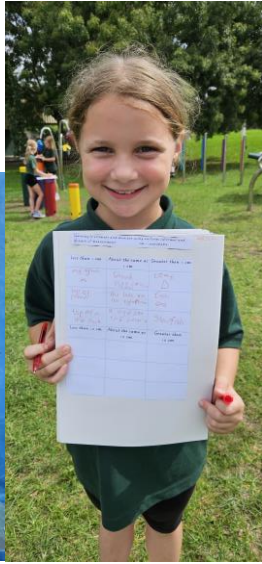
FOUNDATION/GRADE 1



GRADE 2/3

Our Grade 2/3 students have been busy building their reading and maths skills! In literacy, students are developing their ability to **listen carefully to their classmates read**, supporting one another by giving thoughtful feedback while practising their own **reading accuracy and fluency**. It has been wonderful to see students growing in confidence as they read smoothly and help each other improve. In mathematics, students have been exploring **length**, learning to **estimate and measure with increasing accuracy** using centimetres and metres. They have also been investigating the size of objects around the classroom and playground, identifying items that are **less than 1 cm, about 1 cm, and greater than 1 cm**. This hands-on learning has helped students develop a stronger understanding of measurement and the importance of using consistent units.





GRADE 4/5/6

Students in Years 4, 5, and 6 have been engaged in a unit of learning focused on natural disasters, with a particular emphasis on fires and floods. Throughout the unit, they explored how these events impact both people and the environment, developing their understanding of causes, consequences, and safety measures.

As part of their assessment, students selected either a fire or a flood to research in depth and present as an information report. They were guided by a clear set of success criteria, which supported them in structuring their work, presenting accurate information, and demonstrating their learning effectively. The completed reports showcased students' growing knowledge, research skills, and ability to communicate information in a clear and engaging manner.



Mitchell Cluster Winter Sports Practice

Students in Grade 4/5/6 will be walking down to the Bruthen Football Oval on Friday 24th April and Friday 1st May to practice the Winter Sports Teams event of T/Ball, Soccer and Netball. Students will leave at 11am each day and return by 1 p.m. As this is a local excursion no permission forms are required.



Thank you to all those parents who have accepted the offer to be on the School Council.

School Council met on Monday 23rd March to elect our new office bearers and welcome our new committee.

This year your parent representatives are as follows...

President: Sarah Kennedy

Vice President: Lucy Whillance

Secretary: Kathleen Callow

Treasurer: Kelsey Scheuler

Executive Officer: Tina Tallberg

Committee Members

Rachel Rogers

Lahnie Tong

Emily Earles

Jade Simpson

Sally Whillance

Nicole Hood

TUCKER TUESDAY



There will be no Tucker Tuesday the first week of Term 2.

HOLIDAY *intensive* SWIM PROGRAM

FAST TRACK YOUR CHILD'S SWIMMING ABILITY!

Monday 13 - Friday 17 April
Cost \$65.00 for ages 3 and up

On confirmation of booking a \$20 deposit will be required to secure your child's spot.

Enrolments due Friday 3 April

DAILY 30 MINUTE LESSONS OVER 5 DAYS!

ENROL ONLINE OR SCAN THE QR CODE



43 Palmers Road, Lakes Entrance
(03) 5155 333
lakesaquadome.com.au



APRIL 13TH - 17TH

APRIL HOLIDAY CLASSES

GYMNASTICS - NINJA - TRAMPOLINE

\$15 FOR 1HR SESSION - \$50 FOR 4HR SESSION

BOOK YOUR SPOT NOW



FOR MORE INFO EMAIL
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Little Legends

Come and join the fun.
 Every Thursday 9:30am-11:00am at
 the sports shed during the School
 Term.

Neighbourhood Houses
The Heart of Our Community

Gippsland Community Foundation

FREE COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP

Little Legend's

Held @ Bruthen Primary School

Every Thursday during Term
9:30AM-11:00AM

Please bring a peice of fruit & water bottle

Outdoor play, games, kids crafts, music, dress-up days, story telling and much more!

FOR MORE INFO CALL 86DNH 0497 544 440

Are you looking for a fun and enriching experience for your little one? Then look no further than Little Legends Play Group! Designed for children ages 0-5, our playgroup offers a vibrant and engaging environment where young minds can thrive.

Each week with Kellie brings a new adventure, with activities ranging from active play to creative art projects and musical exploration. We also incorporate story time and music sessions to spark imagination and foster a love of learning.

Little Legends Play Group is more than just playtime - it's a chance for you and your child to develop socially, physically, and emotionally in a supportive and stimulating setting.

Bruthen & District Neighbourhood House

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL OR SMS 0497 544 490

LITTLE LEGEND'S TWEEN-AGES/CHB LEVEL-UP

EXPLORING INDEPENDENCE
FRIENDSHIP & BELONGING
LIFE & SOCIAL SKILL GROWTH
NAVIGATING CHANGE & TRANSITION
SELF ESTEEM & STRENGTHS
SAFE ENVIRONMENT

TWEEN SOCIAL GROUP
AGES 9-13

4:00PM - 6:00PM
EVERY WEDNESDAY
DURING SCHOOL TERMS
36 MAIN STREET BRUTHEN
FREE PROGRAM AGES 9-13 SIGN UP TODAY

GIPPSLAND Community Foundation

Little Legend's 0-13 is a BDNH initiative supported by the Gippsland Community Foundation, Bruthen & District Neighbourhood House thank GCF for their ongoing support, which allows us to continue making ourselves a stronger, more resilient community. We deeply value our partnership with GCF and our shared commitment to fostering growth in our region.