Beverford District Primary School Newsletter

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June 3, 2026
Term 2, Week 7

What's On at BDPS?

Term 2, 2026	
Friday June 5	2027 Prep Come & Try Session 1 Sporting Schools Soccer Clinics Session 3 (P-6)
Monday June 8	King's Birthday Public Holiday
Wednesday June 10	Thank a First Responder Day
Friday June 12	Gr 3-6 Winter Sports – Swan Hill P-2 Fun Day - Nyah
Mon June 15 – Fri June 26	Smiles Dental Van at BDPS
Wednesday June 17	School Council – 7pm
Tuesday June 23	Divisional Winter Sports Bring Your Wheels to School Day
Friday June 19	2027 Prep Come & Try Session 2
Monday June 22	Semester 1 Reports sent home
Friday June 26	Term 2 Ends (2.20pm finish)
Term 3, 2026	
Monday July 13	Term 3 begins
Monday July 20	Gr. 5/6 Aspire Program begins

SMILES DENTAL VAN

Forms due back tomorrow: Thursday June 4

Log Cabin Camp

The Grade 3-6 students had a wonderful time at the Log Cabin Camp between May 20 and 22. Students undertook adventure activities such as zip lining, giant swing, archery and abseiling challenge. It was a camp designed for new experiences and stepping out of our comfort zone.

The students also spent a day at Sovereign Hill learning about life in the diggings and Eureka Stockade. The night show AURA was a favourite for everyone.

A big thanks to Miss Pretty and Zach for staffing the camp. Being on duty 24 hours a day away from family is a tiring job and a big responsibility.

Principal's Report

Come & Try!

The **Come & Try sessions** for 2027 Prep students are coming up fast. The sessions are scheduled for 9.00am to 10.00am this Friday June 5 and again a fortnight later Friday June 19. Two more sessions on September 4 & 11 will take place in Term 3 also. Our prep numbers for next year look very promising as the school continues to grow, which is wonderful! Please register for the sessions by contacting the school.

We are having two long weekends in a row with the **Pupil Free Day** this week and the King's Birthday next week. The staff spent the Pupil Free Day moderating assessment & reporting and attending professional development. It is that time of the year when our teachers are assessing the growth of students and writing Semester 1 reports.

Education Week was celebrated at BDPS with an Open Maths Session that was very well attended. There was an article in the Guardian around Student Leadership and an advertisement that has led to some personalised tours of the school. Taking people around the school is one of my favourite things to do. Our calm engaging classrooms, friendly students and staff are very appealing to those on tour.

During **Reconciliation Week** we had Iree Paul run sessions on Aboriginal & Torris Strait Islander cultures. Iree is our Koorie Education Support Officer (KESO) who visits the school regularly and supports staff and students as needed.

Over the past fortnight all of our students have been involved in **Soccer Clinics**. We have had Nyah District Primary School visit to attend the two Friday clinics. The clinics have been funded by a Sporting Schools grant which will also allow the school to purchase more soccer equipment.

Next Wednesday June 10 the Junior School Council are organising a **"Thank a First Responder Day"**. This will include dressing up as a First Responder. JSC has also organised another "Bring your Wheels to School day on June 23.

Our **P-2 Fun Day and Gr. 3-6 Winter Sports** are on Friday June 12. The Fun Day is at Nyah District Primary School and the Winter Sports is at Alan Graden Reserve (netball) and Ken Harrison (soccer). These are always great days and another opportunity to connect with students from other schools. Notes have been sent home, please return them asap.

School Council purchased a **defibrillator** that is located near the front door of the school (as pictured). This is available to the public and its whereabouts will be advertised in the local community in the coming weeks.

Mrs Cleeland will be taking some well-earned **long service leave** over the final three weeks of Term 2. We hope Mrs Cleeland has a great break holidaying with her family. Mrs Wren and Miss Deacon will be teaching the Middle Room in her absence.

We congratulate the following students on their recent awards:

Mathematics Awards:
W5: Eedie & Isaac
W6: Maggie, Indi & Cohen

Junior Student of the Week
W5: Freddie
W6: Oliver

Middle Student of the Week
W5: Max
W6: Riley

Senior Student of the Week
W6: Mikayla

Have a great week.
Thanks Phil

WHAT WE OFFER

- Small class sizes
- Individualised programs for every student
- Excellent student behaviour
- Extensive Specialist program
- Wellbeing is explicitly taught

- Modern learning environment with spacious grounds
- Effective use of technology
- Positive relationships with families
- Serviced by Swan Hill Bus Lines
- Access to After School Care

PREP COME AND TRY DAYS

Friday June 5th (9am - 10am)
Friday June 19th (9am - 10am)
Friday September 4th (9am - 10am)
Friday September 11th (9am-10am)

Contact the school to register or to organise a tour!

GRADE 3-6 LOG CABIN CAMP

P-2 Cultural Studies

WELLBEING

Beverford

with Mrs Blackmore

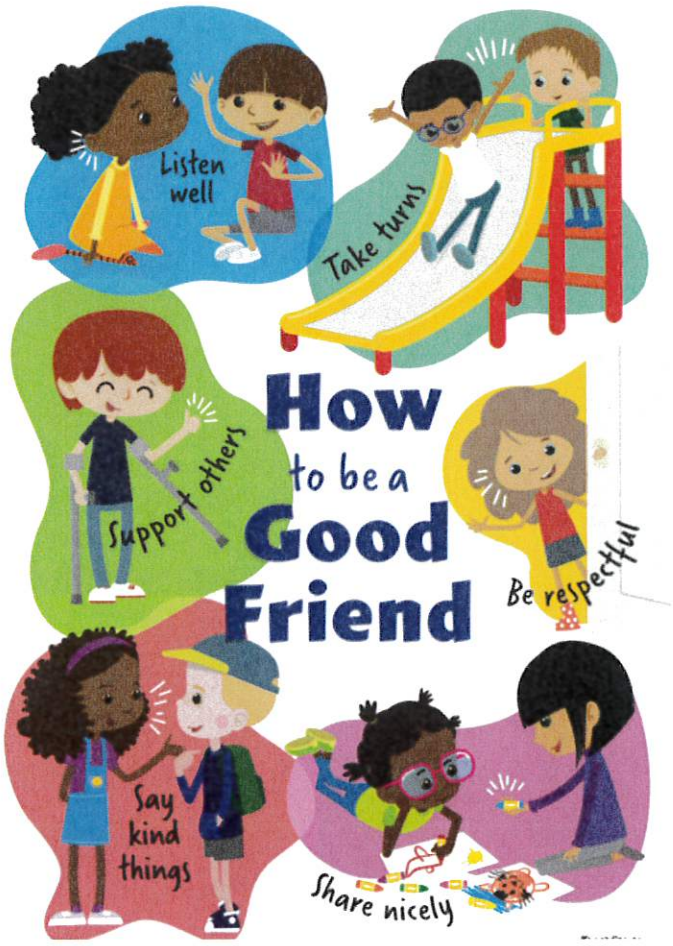
Friendship!

Over the next few weeks in our Social and Emotional Learning lessons, we will be focusing on friendships and what it means to be a good friend.

Students will explore why friendships are important for helping us feel connected, supported, and happy, and how having positive relationships contributes to overall wellbeing.

We will also be discussing the qualities of a good friend, such as kindness, respect, trust, listening, including others, and being there for one another.

Through these conversations and activities, students will learn that good friendships are built on how we treat others, and that we don't need to be the same to be good friends—we just need to be caring and respectful.



Helping Your Child Build Friendships

Friendships play an important role in children's happiness, confidence, and sense of belonging. Here are some simple ways you can support your child in developing positive friendships.

Talk About Friendship

Help your child understand what makes a good friend by talking together about:

- *Kindness and respect*
- *Listening and sharing*
- *Including others*
- *Helping and encouraging friends*

Encourage your child to talk about their friendships, feelings, and any worries they may have.

Create Opportunities to Connect

Children often build friendships through shared experiences. You can help by:

- *Organising playdates with classmates or neighbours*
- *Encouraging participation in sports, clubs, or community activities*
- *Supporting hobbies and interests where they can meet children with similar passions*

These experiences help children practise important social skills in a fun and natural way.

Practise Social Skills

Social skills can be taught and practised every day. Helpful skills include:

- *Greeting others*
- *Taking turns*
- *Asking questions*
- *Using kind words*
- *Solving problems calmly*
- *Saying sorry and thank you*

Role-playing different social situations at home can help children feel more confident.

Support Friendships as They Grow

Friendships can sometimes have ups and downs. You can support your child by:

- *Listening when they talk about friendship challenges*
- *Helping them problem-solve calmly*
- *Encouraging empathy and understanding*
- *Reminding them how to be a caring and trustworthy friend*

Building strong friendships takes time, practice, and support, and every positive social experience helps children grow in confidence.

MHiPS
Mental Health in Primary Schools

tips for making & keeping FRIENDS

1. To have good friends you have to be a good friend.

2. The more you know and like yourself, the easier it will be to find friends who treat you the way you wish to be treated.

3. Try to have lots of different kinds of friends. There is no such thing as a one-size-fits-all friend.

4. One way to meet new friends is to follow your curiosities, interests, and passions. In other words, do what you like to do and you will likely meet others who share common interests as you.

5. Make friends with people who like and accept you for YOU.

6. Good friends listen to each other, encourage each other, show they are interested in each other, respect one another, and help each other out.

7. Conflict between friends is normal; a good friend will put in the effort to work it out.

8. Refuse to say unkind things about your friends, even when they make a mistake. (Because we all make mistakes sometimes.)

9. If you make a mistake, apologize. If your friend makes a mistake, try to forgive them and move on.

10. Find ways to show your friends that you appreciate and care about them.

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First Responders Day Dress Up

Wednesday 10th June

You can dress up as a Police Officer, Doctor, Nurse, Ambulance or a Fire Fighter.

Bring Your Wheels to School Day

On Tuesday the 23rd of June everyone will be able to bring their scooter, roller skates, bike or their skate board to school.

You need to bring your own safety gear.

This will be a lunch time activity to have something fun to do.

It will be held on the basketball court.

The Junior School Council members will be running it.

Everyone will be able to join in.

You can only bring one set of wheels.

We should all have lots of fun!!

This is going to be the best day of Term 2!!

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