

Term 3 Week 3 2023



Ben Lomond Public School Newsletter



**On Wednesday
afternoon we got
to look at a Rally
car.**

**Thank you
Mr Opie**



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Relieving Principals report

Welcome back to school for term 3 and what a term we have ahead of us. We have lots of exciting things planned to support the kid's educational development. I would like to welcome Miss Emily Say and Mrs Judi Sheedy. Miss Say is an experienced teacher from Glen Innes and Mrs Sheedy has worked across multiple schools in the New England and Gunnedah area. Ben Lomond Public School students are lucky to have both these wonderful ladies join our team and the staff are enthusiastic to work alongside them.

Over the last weekend of the holidays the staff of Ben Lomond Public School travelled to Tamworth to complete two days of engaging Professional Learning. 200 Department of Education employees from small schools across the Rural North West attended the Small School conference. At the conference our staff participated in multiple workshops ranging from mental health, school finances and curriculum instruction. In addition to the workshops, we listened to keynote speakers. These speakers spoke of reliance, ways to best support our students in hard times and the curriculum reform. Thank you to Oxley Vale Public School for hosting the event and the event organisers.

This week the 4/5 students are at the Great Aussie Bush Camp with Miss Barnes. Both Miss Barnes and the kids are excited to do all the amazing activities. Ben Lomond Public School and will be joined with students from the other Snow Gums Learning Alliance schools and other small schools. This gives the kids opportunities to socialise and form relationships with other kids and explore an amazing camp. I would like to thank Bald Blair Public School for their organisation to get this amazing opportunity to happen for our kids.

Educations week is this week; however, half our school is at camp. To overcome this timetabling issue Ben Lomond Public School along with the Snow Gums Learning Alliance will be celebrating Education week next week. On Wednesday 9 August we will be headed on two different excursions. Four students, three from Ben Lomond and one from Red Range will be participating in the Inclusive School Sport Unit's Ten Pin Bowling Day in Armidale. The remaining student will be attending the Education Week celebration day at Black Mountain Public School. The students will give their speech that they have been writing at school and participate in other activities. In addition to the excursion, we would like to invite parents, carers and other significant adults into our classrooms on Friday 11 August to showcase our daily number sense games that we do at the beginning of our maths lessons each day.

Already this term I have had parents come to me about student behaviour on the bus. Bus behaviour is something that is very important. I have spoken to the bus company and to the students about the importance of safety on the bus and we have put the students on a seating arrangement to try and overcome the issue. If there are more issues, please call the bus company and we can work together with them to try and overcome the problems.

Later in term 3 we will be conducting Parent/Teacher meetings in week 5 and the students will be getting a note with time preferences in the next few weeks. If you know that you are unable to attend these please contact the school and we can make alternate arrangements. The staff are looking forward to working with you and your children to have a fantastic term 3. Remember that our doors are open, and you are welcome to make an appointment to see Miss Barnes or myself.

Elizabeth Opie
Relieving Principal



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Photos from our adventurers Raphael, Dougal and Seb





Gubi Gabun Mobile Children's Service

offering Rural Remote Playgroups to the New England....

If you have a child 0-5 and would like a mobile playgroup to visit your community, please let us know.....



Funded by the Australian Government department of Social Services

Expressions of Interest in a Playgroup at Ben Lomond

Play sessions are facilitated by trained Early Childhood Educators and offer a chance for young families and carers to meet, socialize and gain skills to increase the educational outcomes for their children in rural areas...

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Glencoe

**Play sessions
2023**

**Glencoe Hall
10am-12noon**

Term 3 – Mondays

31/07/23 & 14/8/23

28/8/23 & 10/09/23

Term 4 – Mondays

9/10/23 & 23/10/23

6/11/23 &

20/11/23

4/12/23



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JULY

Monday 31st – Great Aussie Bush Camp years 3–6

AUGUST

Tuesday 1 – Netball

Tuesday 8 – Netball

Wednesday 9 – Inclusive school sport bowls day

Wednesday 9 – Highland fling

Friday 11 – Paws up, Band and Open classrooms from 2 to 3

Tuesday 15 – Netball

Week 5 – Parent Teacher meetings

Friday 18 – Band

Tuesday 22 – Netball

Friday 25 – Paws up & Band

Tuesday 29 – Netball

REMINDER

Monday 31 July

Bowling notes due back

**Great Aussie Bush camp
years 3-6 away on camp from
31 July- 4 August**

Friday 4 August

Highland Fling note due back

**Please check around your
house for Library books and
return to school.**

Thank you

