TAP WATER MAKES THE BEST DRINK!
Not only is it thirst quenching, but also contains fluoride which helps make teeth stronger. Here’s what water has to offer:
- It is cheap and readily available
- It doesn’t contain any kilojoules or sugar
- It encourages optimal function of the body

We should all aim to drink between five to eight cups of water a day. In the warmer months it is important to keep well hydrated. Always have water available when children are active. Encourage them to drink water regularly, even in cooler months. Amanda Swain

TERM 3 2014 CALENDAR

Best wishes
to the Hockey Girls who are playing in the Finals in Narellan today
to the cricketers who are off to play in Moree tomorrow.

The NAPLAN results were sent home with students last Friday. Please note that an additional copy was included in the envelope (a duplicate of the student results) for shared parenting arrangements and non-residential parents. The school only receives one copy, so cooperation in regard to distributing the extra copy is requested.

Year 6 Performance
The Year 6 Performance of ‘Charlie’ will be held in Week 3 Term 4. There will be performances on Wednesday October 22 and Thursday October 23.

Funding
The Parent Club are holding two Sausage Sizzles next week - one on Tuesday (Yrs 3-6) September 16 and one on the K-2 Athletics Day on Thursday September 18.

Daylight Festival
The major Fundraiser each year is the Daylight Festival (fete). There will be a meeting 7.00pm until 8.30pm on Wednesday October 8 prior to the P&C – we’d love to see you there with your thoughts and ideas to make this Daylight Festival a wonderful event.

Judy Graham
From the Deputy’s Desk ……
THANK YOU BVPS PARENT CLUB

Yesterday we hosted the Regional Final of the Premier’s Spelling Bee in the school hall. Students, teachers and parents from across the North West Region attended this final and we provided morning and afternoon tea for the visitors.

I would like to extend a huge thank you to Michelle Peak and her band of Parent Club helpers who donated the food for the morning and afternoon tea. They put together an amazing spread of goodies and it was reported to me that a student went back to their school in the afternoon and told their teacher they would return to Ben Venue for the great morning tea they have!

Thank you for supporting and helping to promote our school.

SINGERS, SUPERSTARS AND CELEBRITIES SOCIAL

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Students must be collected from the hall at the end of their session. They will not be allowed to walk to cars to meet parents.

Students in Years 3 and 4 are not able to stay for the Years 5 and 6 Social.

AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

2G have been excited to welcome Tianna McLenann into our classroom this term. Miss McLenann is a student from UNE and this week will be the last of a 20 day Prac. We would like to thank her for all her fabulous help over the last 4 weeks and hope she has enjoyed her time at Ben Venue.

Students continue to work busily on many tasks within the classroom. In Maths we have been working on addition and subtraction, then using this knowledge to solve problems. Maths groups on Fridays have been especially fun!! In COGs, 2G have been thinking scientifically and having fun completing a range of science experiments. I’m sure we have some budding ‘Einstein’s’ within our midst!

Please check with students about school supplies as some glue sticks have run out or are running very low. Thank you. Jeanenne Gale.

3H What a busy term 3H have had! The students in 3H have been learning some Line dances with 3J and 3/4B. There are now four dances in their repertoire and the students have learned lots of new skills and had some fun along the way. They may even be able to give a demonstration at the upcoming school social if ‘Cotton Eye Joe’ is played.

3H have spent some time working on Father’s Day Craft this week to give to their Dads on Sunday. They have learned from an expert how to sketch a portrait so that all features are in proportion and they have attempted a sketch of their Dad. They look pretty spectacular!

Rhiannon Trott

5P students have been busy running an election—a chocolate election. They have created and marketed some amazing and delicious new chocolate bars. They have also developed some outstanding recipes, 3D models, advertisements and power point presentations. The chocolatiers are now presenting their speeches and voting for the best bar. As voters, they are learning about preferential voting and how important it is to fill in the voting slips carefully. With name like—Scrumdidillyumptious, Super Chocolate Sticky Bar, Orange Eyeballs, The Sour Mellow Bar and Swagalicious, who will be the winner? Stay tuned.

Anne-Marie Pattison

UNE THEATRE AND PERFORMANCE STUDIES – A MIDSUMMER NIGHT’S DREAM

Students from Theatre and Performance Studies in the school of Arts at the University of New England are presenting William Shakespeare’s A Midsummer Night’s Dream.

Set under the stars and lit by lanterns and fire wranglers, A Midsummer Night’s Dream is sure to be a whirlwind of excitement, live music, spectacle and fun!

Performing on the lawns of the historic Booloominbah, UNE, Armidale

Wednesday 1 to Saturday 4 October 2014 A 7:30 each evening with an additional matinee on Saturday at 11:00am.

$10 concession $20 adults $40 family

Discounts available if you’re coming twice!

Tickets available from Carr’s Express Newagency, Armidale, online at une.edu.au/midsommer or at the door on the night.

If you need any further information on the performances or making a booking you can please email artsadmin@une.edu.au or call 02 6773 2071.

NSW BIKE WEEK

September 14 to 20, 2014—Commute challenge, ride. Log your trips. Win Prizes! www.SLArmidale.org/BikeWeek

SCHOOL TENNIS CAMPS—SHERIFF’S TENNIS

Tues Sept 23 to 2Thur 5, 2014—9am—12noon held at the TAS tennis courts ($75 per player).

Advanced Tournament Players Camp—Tues Sept 23 to Thurs 25, 2014. 1pm—4pm ($75 per player) Contact Justin Sheriff on 0423 915 850 to put your name down.

SOFTBALL ARMSDALE INC

Sunday September 14 at 10am—Phil Wheaton Oval, Erskine St, RSVP by Tuesday Sept 9.

We aim to provide games for all age groups—for further information or for anyone willing help coach, umpire or play please contact. Naomi Bassett on 0408 022 779 or Amy Kliendiesnt on 0403 716 312 or vis email to: armidalessoftball@hotmail.com

A MORNING IN NATURE - SCHOOL HOLIDAY NATURE PROGRAM

When: Tuesday 23 and 30 September (school holidays)
Time: 9:00am - 12pm Cost: By donation
Where: The woolshed at Kyabra Station, 6935 New England Highway, Kentucky (map available from the Front Office)

Bring: Water, sturdy shoes or gumboots, old clothes and a change of clothes

For further information: Eloisa 6778 7458 Catherine 6775 2212 www.kyabra.com

Sausage Sizzle

3-6 Tuesday September 16
K-2 Thursday September 18

All orders returned to school by Friday September 12

Helpers are needed for both of these days. If you are able to help, please contact Michelle Peak 0422 587 787

Take a look at our new school sign as you go past the Erskine Street entrance!