



What's on this week 7 Term 1

**Week 7**

**Monday:** 09.03.15  
Newsletter  
Student Banking  
Literacy & Maths Groups - Talise, Lee

**Tuesday:** 10.03.15  
Community Excursion

**Wednesday:** 11.03.15  
Literacy & Maths Groups - Julie, Nikki  
Amy - RFF  
LD Library

**Thursday:** 12.03.15  
Literacy & Maths Groups - Julie, Nikki  
Greg - RFF  
UD Library  
Canteen - Bev

**Friday:** 13.03.15  
SAKGP - Kitchen 9:15 Sal  
11.00 Belinda, Elisa

**Week 8**

**Monday:** 16.03.15  
Newsletter  
Student Banking  
Literacy & Maths Groups - Talise, Lee

**Tuesday:** 17.03.15  
Rugby workshop stage 3 only  
Literacy & Maths Groups - Talise, Lee

**Wednesday:** 18.03.15  
Literacy & Maths Groups - Julie, Nikki  
Amy - RFF  
LD Library

**Thursday:** 19.03.15  
Literacy & Maths Groups - Julie, Nikki  
Greg - RFF  
UD Library  
Canteen - Elisa  
P & C mtg 6.30pm

**Friday:** 20.03.15  
SAKGP - Kitchen 9:15 Belinda, Elisa  
12.45 Mandy, Kathy

**Roadworks and Parking**

The council roadwork crew have asked for parents to park inside the school grounds over the next two weeks for all pick up and drop offs.

**Manning Zone PSSA Swimming Carnival**

Congratulations to Jy, Nick, Saxon and Silver who competed at the Hunter Regional Swimming Carnival in the P5 relay. They came a creditable 5<sup>th</sup> in the race and beat their local rivals Mitchell's Island. All agree, it was a great experience!

**A Generous Gift!**

Matt Monin, the proprietor of Monin Seafood came to the school with a very generous gift of \$400 and an ipad to be used at the school as we see fit. The ipad was given to Matt by Tassal who supply Monin with their fresh and smoked salmon. We appreciate these generous donations and thank Matt and his team for their community spirit!



**Behaviour on the Bus**

The winner of this week canteen voucher for consistent good behaviour on the bus is Hayley Kropp.



### Communities Excursion

Tomorrow, Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March both classes will be participating in an excursion supporting their respective HSIE units. Please double check depart and return times.

#### Morning Departure time

#### Afternoon Departure Time

7.45 Hubbards Road - <i>Abigail, Peter, Torri, Lily, Carda</i> Wattley Hill Rd - <i>Jhet, Ginger, Xannah, Bodhie, Rani, Frankie</i> Racecourse Rd - <i>Tyler</i>	2.30 Forster - <i>Michael, Abigail &amp; Peter @ marine rescue</i> - <i>Lilly, Carda, Matt &amp; Angelina @ Forster Bowling Club</i>
8.00 Opposite Bungwahl Store - <i>Nick, Ava, Saxon, Bowen, Michael, Ella</i> Sugar Creek Rd - <i>Cassie, Will, Matt</i> Tarbuck Bay - <i>Nathaniel, Jy, Silver</i>	3.00 Coomba Park Rd - <i>Emma</i>
8.10 Cnr Lakesway / Macwood Rd - <i>Sienna, Beau</i>  Cnr Lakesway/ Coomba Park Rd - <i>Emma, Amber, Marley</i>	3.05 Cnr Macwood Rd - <i>Sienna, Beau</i>
	3.10 Tarbuck Bay - <i>Silver, Nathaniel, Jy</i> Sugar Creek Rd - <i>Cassie, Will</i> Bungwahl Shop- <i>Saxon</i>
	3.15 Final Drop-Off Bungwahl PS - <i>Bodhie, Rani, Torri, Tyler, Jhet, Bowen, Nick, Ava, Ginger, Xannah, Frankie</i>

Reminder: Children will require sufficient food and drink for the day.

### National Anti-bullying Day

This year, for the first time, Bungwahl PS will be participating in National Anti-Bullying Day on Fri 20<sup>th</sup> March.

This event provides schools with a focus to say **Bullying, No Way!** And to strengthen our existing messages that bullying and violence are not acceptable at school at any time.

### Cross Country Training

The level of participation in the cross country training has been outstanding. Congratulations to all those involved.

### ANZAC Day Launch

As you are aware Australia will be commemorating its 100<sup>th</sup> ANZAC day on the 25<sup>th</sup> April 2015. All school's are expected to engage more deeply with the ANZAC tradition in 2015. Consequently, we will be launching our ANZAC study with a talk by Betty Bramble. Betty will personalize the ANZAC tradition by sharing the stories of many of those on the Honour Board. This will occur on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March, as part of our fortnightly assembly at 12.30. **All parents and community members are most welcome to attend.**

### Upper Division Homework

Thank you to all the parents who responded to the Upper Division Homework Survey-. As you can imagine there was a diverse range of responses and in the next week or so I will prepare a response that could satisfy all.

### Myall Learning Community Sports Day

The stage three children are invited to a sports day at Bulahdelah Central School on Thursday 26th March. This is a great day that Bungwahl students always enjoy. It is, particularly, worthwhile for students who intend to attend Bulahdelah CS in high school. Students are able to catch the high school bus over and back on the day. Notes will go home next week.

## **Rugby Union Gala Day**

All children (boys and girls) 11yr or older have been invited to participate in a Rugby Union gala day to be held on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March at St Joseph's Catholic School Taree.

To this end, Graham Souter, the Rugby Development officer will be coming to the school on Tues 17<sup>th</sup> March for a skills workshop. Following this workshop students may choose to participate in the Gala Day.

## **SRC EASTER EGG RAFFLE**

The SRC is holding an Easter Egg Raffle to raise funds for the Year 6 Farewell.

Could students and their families please drop Easter eggs into the front office to be sorted into baskets or packages for prizes.

The raffle will be drawn at our open day/Easter Hat parade on Thursday 2nd April.

## **P & C NEWS**

Welcome to 2015. The P&C is an important part of any school community and I look forward to seeing new and old parents at our meetings to ensure all of our voices are heard.

Next Thursday 19th March is our annual AGM. All positions will be open and nomination sheets will go out next week with newsletter.

Positions open : President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Canteen Coordinator.

You must be a current financial member to be nominated.

## **SEAFOOD RAFFLES**

We have decided to hold the Good Friday Seafood Raffle at Seal Rocks and Treachery Campgrounds again this year. This fundraiser ,which usually takes a couple of hours, yields around \$700 to our fundraising. The more parents and students we have the quicker it goes. We would love to see as many families as possible contribute to this. We will be meeting at 8am at Seal Rocks car park on Good Friday. Please contact the school if you will be helping.

IF WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH NAMES IT WILL NOT BE HELD.

## **CAKE STALL**

There is a state election being held on Saturday March 28th. We will be holding a cake stall at school. I will coordinate this event. We start early and close once we have run out of produce.

All donations can be sent to school on Friday the 27th March for wrapping and preparation or sent in Saturday morning. This is a great fundraiser for us.

Thank you, Lee-Anne Bramble 0413087023

## **Tips for Parents**

### **Succeeding in science**

Encouraging your teen to ask questions and helping them find the answers is top of the list in helping them to succeed in science.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-projects/science/helping-your-teenager-succeed-in-science>

### **Facts about tutors**

Private tutoring to give kids a helping hand in their schooling is a growing business. However, it's also an area where parents can be vulnerable to bogus offers and misleading advertising.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/facts-about-tutors>

### **Public speaking**

Does your child suffer glossophobia? Fear of public speaking is common. Try creating opportunities for your child to present speeches to the family, without putting pressure on them to perform. Here are some tried and true tips to make your child's next speech a success.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/public-speaking-in-primary-school>

### **Science starters**

Did humans live with dinosaurs? Does the moon disappear in the day? Kids love to know the answers to life's mysteries but there are a few facts they often get wrong in the name of science.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-projects/science/10-scientific-facts-your-child-needs-to-know>

P & C Seal Rocks Raffle.

Yes I can volunteer to sell raffle tickets on Good Friday.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Election Day Cake Stall

On Saturday 28th March the SRC will be running a cake stall. We need cakes and students donating there time to sell the cakes.

Yes I can donate cakes

Yes My child will be volunteering time

Name: \_\_\_\_\_



**2014-2015  
Family  
Energy  
Rebate**

Apply before Midnight  
16 June 2015

**\$150\***  
TOWARDS  
ENERGY  
BILLS

**2 MINUTES TO FILL IN A FORM**  
<https://applications.fer.trade.nsw.gov.au/>  
\* eligibility criteria apply

**WHAT IS THE FAMILY ENERGY REBATE?**

The Family Energy Rebate helps to cover the cost of energy bills for NSW households with dependent children. In 2014-2015 the rebate gives:

- Up to \$150 credit on electricity bills for eligible applicants who hold an account with an electricity retailer
- Up to \$165 direct payment to nominated bank accounts for eligible applicants who live in a residential community (caravan or mobile home park) and receive electricity from the park operator.

**AM I ELIGIBLE FOR THE REBATE?**

To be eligible you MUST:

- Be a NSW resident; and
- Have been assessed by the Federal Department of Human Services (DHS) as being eligible for the Family Tax Benefit (FTB) A or B at any time during the 2013-2014 financial year, and have received an FTB payment in respect of that eligibility; and
- Be an account holder of an electricity retailer, or a long-term resident of a residential community (caravan or mobile home park), whose name appears on the electricity account for supply to her or his principal place of residence.

**WHAT DO I NEED TO DO BEFORE I APPLY?**

Before you apply, here's a quick checklist. Have you:

- Lodged your tax return for 2013-2014 with the Australian Taxation Office or informed the Department of Human Services (DHS) if you are not required to lodge a tax return?
- Received confirmation from DHS as to your eligibility for Family Tax Benefit A or B for 2013-2014?

**HOW TO APPLY**

- **ONLINE** – it takes just two minutes to submit an application. Processing starts immediately.
- **PAPER** – download a form from the website, complete and submit by email, fax or post. Use this form if you receive your electricity from the operator of the residential community where you live.

**APPLY  
ONLINE  
NOW!**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE**

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