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What's on this week 8 Term 1

# Roadworks and Parking

The council roadwork crew have asked for parents to park inside the school grounds for this week for pick up and drop offs.

# Communities Excursion

We can all be very proud of the behaviour and level of engagement of all our children during last Tuesday's excursion.

Below is an extract from an email I received from Melissa Bawden, Communications Officer, Great Lakes Council to our students:

Thank you so much for your visit today to Great Lakes Council. We thoroughly enjoyed your visit and hope that it will help you understand how local government works and how Council involves its community in decision making. We wish to congratulate all students on your excellent behaviour, you are wonderful ambassadors for your school and your teachers and parents should be very proud of you.

I am very grateful to Melissa, Belle and Dale from the

council, Kell from Pacific Palms Surf Club and Mike and his team at the Forster Tuncurry Marine Rescue who all put so much effort into making Tuesday such an enjoyable and informative day for our students.









A great place to be, a great place to learn

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 - Anti Bullying day Literacy & Maths Groups - Julie, Nikki GLLC mtg - Greg UD Library Canteen - Elisa P & C AGM mtg 6.30pm

Friday:20.03.15 SAKGP - Garden 9:15 Isabelle, Elisa 12.45 Mandy, Kathy

Week 9 Monday: 23.03.15 Newsletter Student Banking Literacy & Maths Groups - Talise, Lee

Tuesday:24.03.15 Literacy & Maths Groups - Talise, Lee

Wednesday: 25.03.15 Literacy & Maths Groups - Julie, Nikki LD Parent Teacher Interviews LD Library

Thursday:26.03.15 Literacy & Maths Groups - Julie, Nikki **UD** Parent Teacher Interviews MLC Sports Day - Bulahdelah Yr 6 **UD** Library Canteen - Mandy P & C mtg 6.30pm

Friday:27.03.15 SAKGP - Kitchen 9:15 Sal 12.45 Belinda / Elisa Cake Donations for Election Stall due in 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 tomorrow, 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.** 

### **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.

### National Anti-bullying Day

This year, for the first time, Bungwahl PS will be participating in National Anti-Bullying Day on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March. Mrs Carpenter has developed an outstanding program to start the day, emphasising positive messages and empowerment.

### **Upper Division Homework**

Thank you to all the parents who responded to the survey. Ten families responded and there were 10 different sets of priorities. I have decided to include, each week, a non mandatory, extension research activity which will be commenced on Friday.

## Myall Learning Community Sports Day

In last weeks Monday Messenger, I incorrectly stated that all stage 3 students are invited to the Sports Day. The invitation is only to Yr6. 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. Notes went home last Friday.

### Behaviour on the Bus

We will no longer have bus monitors. Peter will manage the reward system himself. While the, overall, behaviour appears to improve, there are still older children being overly noisy and moving from their seats whilst the bus is moving. If this should reach an intolerable level then both I, as principal, and bus company managers have the authority to confiscate bus passes.

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



## Personalised Learning Plans (PLPs)/ Parent Teacher Interviews

All children from stages 1-3 have completed their PLP's and both Ms Crozier and I look forward to sharing the PLP's with all parents and students in the three way interviews that will be conducted next week. Attached to this Monday Messenger is a sheet that requires you to indicate your preferred interview time.

Yr6 parents, whose children will be participating in the sports day at Bulahdelah CS will need to choose times after 3.30pm

## **Technology in the Classroom**

The students at Bungwahl Public School are working on developing their Information Communication and Technology Skills (ICT). Technology skills are becoming increasingly important in 'real life' situations and are an integral component in a 21<sup>st</sup> century classroom. Currently, the students are involved in an independent research project around a local community group. They are learning to present their research using "Prezi," a multimodal presentation tool. This form of using more than one mode of communication aligns well with the new English Syllabus.

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# Note Left Under Our Door

Mr Kelly arrived at work to find this lovely note left under our door. "What a wonderful schoolground. We came & found the "Brick" of our neighbors Lance Thomas. We'll report back how well maintained and nice everything is."

Mike & Barb Lippert 15.03.15.

Mike and Barb reside in Tasmania.

**ANZAC Day Launch** 

# 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

This Thursday 19th March is our annual AGM. All positions will be open and nomination sheets are attached to 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

# Statement of Account

Attached to this weeks newsletter is families outstanding Statement of Account. All excursions from last year should now be finalised. Upper Division parents will notice I have already added the UD Major excursion to your child's account so part payments can be made, even though this excursion is not until term 3. This year UD will be travelling to the Aussie Bush Camp for 3 days, cost is \$270.00 per child.

LD will have 2 excursions this year, students will be doing a Newcastle Transport excursion in term 2 and a visit to Taronga Zoo in term 4.

## **Community News**

Lovedale Long Lunch bus trip. 16th May. cost \$120.00 approx. (depending on numbers) If interested contact LeeAnne 0413087023

# **Tips for Parents**

### Facts about fractions

If you've forgotten 3/5 of primary school maths and 7/8 of high school maths, what's left? Ah ha! Kids need help learning how to add fractions too. The only thing left is to print these fact sheets. Find our more: <u>https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/eppcontent/glossary/app/resource/factsheet/4013.pdf</u>

### Amazing art

Autumn's the perfect season to take a trip to a gallery. The popular ArtExpress exhibition connects us to the inner lives and self-expression of high school students. Amazing works are on show throughout NSW. Check out the calendar.

Find out more: <u>http://artexpress.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/</u>

### Year 6 students moving into Year 7 in 2016

Completed *Expression of Interest* form should be returned to your primary school **no later than Friday 20 March 2015.** 

### Sounding out aloud

Making phonics fun. Help your child learn to read by sounding out their words. Here are some tips to help your child gain confidence reading.

Find out more: <u>http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/phonics-helping-your-child</u>-with-letters-and-sounds

#### 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:

#### P&C 2015 AGM Nomination Form For Office Bearers.

#### **Position of President:**

The President shall preside at all meetings except that in the absence of the President, the Senior Vice President shall. The President is an ex-officio member (by virtue of office) to School Council.

Nominate:	_Nominee's Signature:
Nominated by:	

#### **Position of Vice President:**

The Senior Vice President shall preside at all meetings in the absence of the President and in the absence of both the President and the Senior Vice President the committee shall elect a Chairperson.

Nominate:	 Nominee's Signature:	

Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Position of Secretary:**

The Secretary shall attend meetings and keep a record of all business conducted, shall receive and send correspond ence, shall keep an up-to-date record of all Financial Members, and shall hand over all records, minutes, account books, etc. to the incoming Secretary on relinquishing office.

Nominate:	_Nominee's Signature:
Nominated by:	

#### **Position of Treasurer:**

The Treasurer shall receive and deposit monies, maintain records, draw cheques and present accounts to each General meeting: present all records for auditing each year and shall hand over all records to the incoming Treasurer on relin quishing office. The requirements for handling money, Keeping records etc shall be in accordance with Federation guide lines. In the unavoidable absence of the Treasurer, another officer of the Association may receive money, issue receipts and either deposit the monies in an Association account or hand the monies to the Treasurer within two business days taking a receipt for the same.

Nominate:	Nominee's Signature:
Nominated by:	
Canteen Coordinator:	
The canteen coordinator will be in charge of all o	rdering and managing canteen volunteers.

Nominate: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Nominee's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_

# **Parent Teacher Interviews**

Childs Name:		 	
Parents Name	:	 	

I would like an interview with my child's teacher . Below is a list of preferred times. Please mark 3 preferred times

Lower Division	Upper Division
Wednesday 25th March	Thursday 26th March
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