

Library News - T4, W10

The Upper Division storytelling was excellent. It was a little rushed in the end with all the other activities associated with the end of year and the nasty bug which effected many students. Lower Division really enjoyed the texts and have since selected those text to browse in the library. Mission accomplished!

Thank you to all the families who have returned books, however there are still quite a number outstanding. Notices were sent out yesterday, so if you could get them back to us tomorrow that would be terrific.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all the Bungwahl school community a very happy and safe Christmas break. Have lots of fun and recharge from what has been a very challenging year.

Have a great holiday!

I wish you all a very safe, happy and enjoyable summer holiday. Enjoy these precious moments with your children and create treasured memories together.

I look forward to seeing you all back at school for the start of an exciting year on **FRIDAY 29th January 2021.**

Mrs Farley



Tuesday Tabloid

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*A great place to be,
a great place to learn*

Thank You

On behalf of all Bungwahl staff I would like to thank all parents, carers and community members who have given us support throughout the year. Your commitment to the students, and all of us in our various roles, is greatly appreciated.

As I mentioned during my presentation day report, despite the many hurdles we have had during 2020 all the staff have continually gone above and beyond to ensure your children's wellbeing and learning needs have been met. I am constantly impressed and grateful for the amazing job they do. Thank you to each of my talented staff for sharing your gifts with us each day.

Thank you to all students for bringing us joy and making our job not only rewarding but interesting. You are a wonderful group of young learners.

FAREWELL TO MRS EKINS

Mrs Ekins has decided to take leave for 2021 and will not be returning to Bungwahl to teach the Upper Division class next year. Mrs Ekins has been an incredibly dedicated and hard-working teacher. She has undertaken many hours of professional learning to develop great Science and Technology lessons that the students have loved. She has introduced the 3D glasses, 360degree cameras, lego and Minecraft education to name a few. Mrs Ekins also was the brainchild of our winning FILM BY PEBBLY entrant that toured the state last year and helped put Bungwahl School firmly on the map! She has introduced many great ideas to our classroom. Her classroom is always a calm and engaging learning space where children are cared for and valued.

Sharon's gentle caring nature, kindness, intelligence and willingness to experiment and try new things has made her an exemplary teacher and role model to students and staff alike. We have been so fortunate to have enjoyed several years of her magic in our school. We will miss her immensely but wish her well for 2021 and beyond.

Staffing 2021

I will let you know early next year who will be sharing the UD class with me. At this stage I will be on class Monday-Wednesday.

Miss Breese will continue teaching the LD class for 2021. Miss Crozier is continuing her job in Newcastle.

Mrs Hobbs will continue in the role of Librarian and RFF teacher for LD and Mrs Tuft will continue supporting students in her role as Learning and Support teacher.

Felice, Nikki and Rebecca will continue in their roles.

Student Reports

Student reports will go home today. If you would like to discuss your child's report with their teacher please phone the office to arrange a time on Wednesday or Thursday for a 10 minute phone interview.

GOODBYE and GOODLUCK Year 6

It is with mixed emotions that I say goodbye to Year 6 this week. These students were in Year 3 when I arrived at Bungwahl. I have had the privilege of teaching them, watching them grow both intellectually and emotionally and enjoying their humour, talents and creativity for four years. I am proud knowing they are ready for their next learning adventure but will miss their unique personalities next year.

To the families who have been members of this special school community for many years and who are leaving us this week- Thank you. We have valued your contributions and hope you will have many fond memories of your times at Bungwahl PS.

Presentation awards and scholarships.

Congratulations to all students who received an award at Presentation Day. All students who are nominated for an award have to meet the criteria for the award at the highest level. All staff participate in the decision making for awards relevant to them. Some awards are easy- attendance is based on the data from the roll. Other awards, like citizenship, can be more difficult and several months of evidence are considered.

The two scholarships this year were presented to Ella and Rani. Ella received The Stan Trudgett Memorial Scholarship of \$250 and Rani received The Great Lakes Year 7 Scholarship of \$500. The money is held by the school to go towards their school expenses next year. The scholarships are to recognise and reward students who demonstrate the following criteria-

- ***Is generally an excellent student who obeys classroom rules***
- ***Has correct equipment and appropriate uniform***
- ***Is usually a self-motivated learner and works hard to improve their learning and achievement***
- ***Volunteers answers in the classroom discussions and is on task***
- ***Addresses teachers and students politely***
- ***Is punctual, organised and up to date with bookwork-demonstrating care***
- ***Is honest, displays good citizenship and gets on well with most students***

These are the qualities that set students up for success in learning and I hope we will have more successful students receiving these generous scholarships in the years to come.

THANK YOU TO ALL THE GENEROUS SPONSORS who have donated money to provide the trophies, certificates and book vouchers. Our students are very fortunate to have these rewards to recognise their success.

