

COVID-19 updates from this week 27 Apr 2022

In Term 2 2022, your child's school will operate with a number of COVID-smart measures that have been developed with NSW Health to minimise transmission and keep schools open.

These key measures include:

- rapid antigen testing (RAT) of students and staff who have COVID-19 symptoms or are identified as close contacts
- vaccinations
- maximising ventilation
- encouraging regular hand washing and continuing enhanced cleaning of schools
- assessing risk and applying appropriate safeguards across activities and events
- learning from home where face-to-face learning is not possible.

In certain circumstances NSW Health and the Department of Education may advise that certain COVID-smart measures be temporarily reintroduced at your school. Your principal will work with Health and the department and provide further details of any changes to COVID-smart measures at your school when required.

Changes to isolation for close contacts

- The announcement to [ease the isolation requirements for close contacts External link](#) will enable students and staff who are close contacts and have no symptoms to continue to attend school if they follow NSW Health guidelines, including daily rapid antigen testing and wearing a mask indoors (for all staff and secondary students).
- For more information about students and staff who return to school as a close contact, refer to [close contact guidelines](#).
- Additional supplies of RAT kits will be distributed to all schools to support staff and students identified as close contacts who are able to return.

Visitors on school grounds

Schools and early childhood education can invite visitors – including parents, carers and families – to their sites regardless of their vaccination status, in line with settings in the broader community.

Workers and volunteers must meet mandatory vaccination requirements including:

- volunteers or staff operating uniform shops and canteens
- visitors supporting school operations and curriculum delivery
- allied health partners for the wellbeing of students
- university and TAFE students attending school sites to complete their practicum or teacher training.

https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families?fbclid=IwAR1QHmvEhe_SKRjxl84IAOfKy2FbjcN-1m5P8MaPlp0633qno4H7miv4XRo

Tuesday Tabloid

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03.05.2022

ANZAC Day 2022



A great place to be,
a great place to learn

Principals Message

Welcome Back to Term 2

I hope you had a great holiday enjoying the beautiful weather and relaxed routines with your children. Students have returned with smiles on their faces and happy stories to share. We look forward to learning with your children this term.

Welcome Mrs George and Ms Boughton

After a lengthy merit selection process, I am delighted to announce that Mrs Karen George has been appointed permanently to Bungwahl PS in the position of Assistant Principal Curriculum and Instruction. Mrs George will be working with our staff and students every Wednesday. We are extremely fortunate to have her on our staff. Mrs George has lots of knowledge, experience and many talents to share.

We are also delighted to welcome Ms Julia Boughton to our staff. She will be teaching the Upper Division on Fridays and leading the singing and dancing rehearsals for our musical STAR WARTS. Ms Boughton specialises in music and we are excited that she will share her talents with us.

ANZAC DAY- Dawn Service

Bella Smith, our school captain, did a fantastic job representing Bungwahl PS at the Pacific Palms Dawn Service on Monday. Bella found out minutes before the service began that Yindi, our other school captain, was sick and unable to attend. Without a moments hesitation, Bella said she would be confident to do the speech on her own. With over 200 people watching, Bella stood up and did a fantastic job reading and laying our school wreath at the cenotaph. She was a true professional! I was extremely proud of her. She is a wonderful example of what students from Bungwahl can do!

ANZAC DAY- School Service

Yindi and Bella, accompanied by the Year 6 leaders- Amarlie, Quinn and Keanu, were excellent leaders of our school ANZAC Service. All the students demonstrated respect throughout the service and our special guests commented on how beautiful and moving it was to see the students participate in this solemn event. Thank you to all students for bringing in your posies to put at our memorial and showing respect to our visitors. Mr Ron Davey and Mrs Val Fox presented students with an Australian flag to commemorate the day. Mr Davey also spoke to the students about his role in the Army. Thank you to our special guests for joining us for our service.



Active travel to and from school

Active travel involves walking, bike riding, scooting or catching public transport when travelling between home and school. It can be all or part of the way!

Tips:

- Plan your route ahead of time – what way is safest?
- Practice the journey as a family on the weekend
- Join up with other families in your neighbourhood
- Park your car further from school and walk the rest of the way
- Children under 10 should always hold an adult's hand when crossing the road



If your child can't safely walk or ride to school incorporate physical activity into your day another way.

Source: Healthy Eating Active Living - Active travel to school (nsw.gov.au)



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Library News Term 2 Week 2

Welcome back for term 2. Here's hoping we have a clear run with few interruptions to our learning.

Students will continue working towards completion of the Premier's Reading Challenge 2022 in library time.

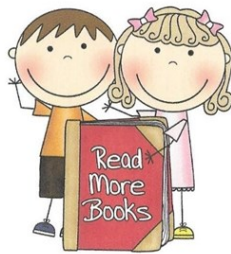
Upper Division are reminded that they need to take responsibility for their own borrowing and returning of library books as there is no set class time as in previous years. They are encouraged to borrow books to have under their desk and read during class time. The library is open for borrowing for them on Thursday at lunchtime.

Lower Division will continue to have designated borrowing and browsing time during class time.

Overdue notices were given out to students this week. If these books could be returned asap it would be appreciated.

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Dates to Remember

04.05.22	School non operational
06.05.22	Boat Safety Awareness lessons at school
10.05.22	Naplan Week
27.05.22	Cross country
03.06.22	Small School Soccer
16.06.22	Athletics Carnival



EASTER HAT PARADE and COLOUR RUN

What an exciting and happy day we had to end Term 1. Thank you to Bella and Yindi for being great compares, Quinn for doing a top job organising and playing the music and the SRC for leading our younger students in the Easter Hat Parade. The hats looked fantastic! My favourite part was hearing students talk about the inspiration behind their hats and the process they went through to build them. Children continue to impress me with their creativity and intelligence. The Egg and Spoon races were a lot of fun, even if a bit of a challenge in the limited space of the shed.

The day concluded with the eagerly awaited P&C Colour Run. I took refuge in the shed with some parents and staff while the braver parents joined the mayhem saturating the students with colour and water. It was obvious the children (and adults) were having a fantastic time by the amount of laughter that could be heard around the track. THANK YOU to Bec and Rachel for preparing the colour and organising the helpers for the event. Thanks to parents, ex-students Sam and Bailey and all parents for coming and supporting the day. We raised \$125.00 to support Northern NSW flood victims which is a great effort.

Easter Hat



Colour Run



I would like to thank Dan for his amazing photos.

You can view more photos on the schools Facebook page.

Just a reminder that our FB page is private and only parents will be approved to become a member.

I think that the parents were having too much fun!!