Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Hope to see you at the 'Meet the Teachers BBQ, this afternoon. It starts at 5.15pm.

A big thanks to the P&C for organising the event.

Our school leadership team is running an anti-bullying competition over the next few weeks. It is in the lead up to the National Day against Bullying on Friday, 15 March. Our school has registered to be part of this event. The competition will be in the form of a poster for Years 2 to 6 with Kinder and Year 1 completing a Learning, Caring, Sharing, Playing poster. I encourage parents to visit the 'Bullying No Way' website at www.bullyingnoway.gov.au.

Good luck to all our swimming team who will be competing in the PSSA district carnival in Narooma on Friday. Congratulations to Riley Henderson, Brittany Heron, Madelyn Ward, Abbey Rashleigh and D’Zhane Lole-Ngarima who were selected to represent our district in basketball later in the term. Go teams.

There will be notes going home to parents who have indicated that their child has a condition that needs support from the school. These records need to be updated by us every year. An example is Asthma. An asthma plan is needed for each child and this has to be done with and signed off by a doctor. If you have any questions or concerns after getting the letter please contact the school.

Have a great week

Tom Purcell
**TERM 4—2012**

**Week 4**
- **Wed 20**  Meet the Teachers Barbecue  
  5.15pm
- **Fri 22**  PSSA District Swimming

**Week 5**
- **Tue 26**  Boy & Girl cricket Selection  
  Surfside
- **Thu 28**  AFL Trial Hanging Rock
- **Fri 1**  Clean Up Australia Day  
  Boys Soccer Selections  
  9.30—1.00pm Hanging Rock

**Week 6**
- **Mar**
  - **Thu 7**  P & C AGM  7.00pm

**SAVE THE DATE:**
**Senior Camps**
- **Yr 6**  13—15 March Pigeon House
- **Yr 5**  20—22 March Shallow Crossing
- **Yr 4**  26—28 March Narooma
- **Yr 3**  3—5 April Racecourse Beach

**P & C AGM MEETING—DIARY DATE**

The P&C AGM Meeting will be held on Thursday 7th March 2013 in the School Staffroom at 7.00pm. All positions will be declared vacant.

Everyone is welcome so please come along!

See you there!

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**PELICAN PANTRY**

**Roster**

**January Term 1**

**WK 5**
- **March**
  - **Mon 4**  Peter Smith & Bianca Templeman
  - **Tue 5**  Judy Charman & Worzil
  - **Wed 6**  Fiona Shorrock
  - **Thu 7**  Tracee McArdle & Lou Kennedy
  - **Fri 8**  Marcia Figg & Carissa Ella

**LIBRARY BORROWING**

Library borrowing has now started for this year. You can check the list below to see which day your child’s class visits the library. Please encourage them to pack their library bags and books on that day.

Monday  SNicholas Year 4/5, JScorer Year 2, SSharp Year 3
Tuesday  SHaynes Year 6
Wednesday SWright Year 6, SAttwood Year 3, SGwynne Year 3/4
Thursday  SHAtton Year 4
Friday  SSmith Year 5/6, JBlunden Year 2, JThompson Year 2, all the YEAR 1 classes

Children in the Support classes will visit with their ‘Integration Classes’

Children in K-Year 2 need a library bag to be able to borrow any books. Children in years 3 – 4 may borrow 1 book without a bag, but 4 with a bag.

Library bags can be bought from the library or the canteen for $4 each, you may make your own or even an old pillowcase is fine. Please, no plastic bags or “Woolies’ green environment” bags (the books just fall out of them).

The best bags are the ones that can be closed at the top either with cord or Velcro.

If your child still has a book from last year, they will have to return it before they can borrow again this year. If the book is lost or damaged, please see me about the replacement price as this also has to be paid before they can borrow.

Please try and find some time each week to read with your child and take an interest in the books that they borrow. These habits will continue with them into their adult life.

Thank you.

Joan Carroll
Teacher/Librarian

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Thank you to our breakfast club sponsors. Please support these businesses who support us!!.
Batemans Bay Football (soccer) Club will be holding registration evenings on Thursday nights the 14th, 21st, 28th of February between 4pm and 7pm at the Village Centre near the play equipment at the North Street end of the mall. And on Saturday 23rd of February 10:00am to 1:00pm new members have joined the committee but the Club is still looking for people to help run the canteen.

Please call Kim if you are interested 0412720228

Child’s Name ________________________________   Class: ________
Address: __________________________________________________
Home Ph: ________  Work Ph: __________   Mobile: ______________

Emergency Contacts
1. Name _______________ Relationship _________ Ph: __________
2. Name _______________ Relationship _________ Ph: __________
Drivers ignoring parking restrictions within the school zone Mundarra Way, Surfside

Eurobodalla Rangers patrolling the school zone during operational times at Batemans Bay Public School have observed in the past two weeks an alarming disregard for the safety of students by ignoring the road rules within the sign posted Bus Zone and No Stopping Zones of Mundarra Way.
In response, Rangers have issued several penalties carrying 2 demerit points to several vehicles in breach of parking zone restrictions.

To improve the safety of our children, penalties for parking offences in school zones are heavy and demerit points apply.
School zone penalties apply to offences committed in school zones during posted school hours. Some of the most common offences include:

- Disobey No Stopping Sign – School Zone $298 2 Demerits
- Stop in Bus Zone – School Zone $298 2 Demerits
- Double Park – School Zone $298 2 Demerits
- Stop on/across driveway – School Zone $165 2 Demerits
- Disobey No Parking Sign – School Zone $165 2 Demerits

Please note: the fines and demerit points outlined above are correct as of 1 July 2012 and are subject to change without notice.

School zones are often chaotic at peak pick-up and set-down times and children are sometimes put at risk. With the start of each school year, many new parents are introduced to parking and speed limit restrictions in school zones, which may be unfamiliar.

Council, in partnership with local schools and Police is working to improve parking, traffic flow and road user behaviour in school zones. Part of Council’s road safety program aims to inform parents and carers of the risks to children from speeding and illegal parking around schools. Council Rangers and local Police officers enforce the Road Rules.
As a community we are all aware that children are vulnerable road users and at a higher risk in traffic because of their size and inability to judge speed and distance.

When in school zones, please observe the following guidelines to reduce risk to children:
- Do not park in the School Bus Zone, on the zebra crossing or on footpaths or in No Stopping zones.
- Never double park. This reduces driver visibility, causes congestion and puts children at risk.
- Never call your child across the road – always meet them at the gate.
- Inform your child that crossing the road between buses is very dangerous practice. The safest area to cross the road outside the school is directly adjacent to the main gate, just before the bus zone.
- Always encourage your child to enter and exit the car from the kerb
- Be patient observe the directions of the School Crossing Supervisor if present
- Remember children are full of surprises! Expect the unexpected. Watch out for kids and think for them because they make mistakes.

By following the rules around school zones we can work together to ensure the safety of our children.
Eurobodalla Shire Council Rangers