Dear Parents,

Today we watched as the Year 6 happy campers boarded the bus on their 25th year of Pigeon House! What a WOW moment. Congratulations to Mr Kevin Richards who has been leading these walks for 25 years, we couldn’t have done it without you - Thanks Mr Richards!

New P & C Executive were voted in last Thursday evening at our annual AGM meeting. Congratulations to Alexis Wilson our new President, Vice Presidents; Donna Good and Carol Ferguson, Secretary Liz Lakey, Treasurer Lou Kennedy, Uniform Shop Coordinator Amy Viles, Fundraising Coordinator Sophia Lontis and the Publicity Officer Julia Brooks–Helms. We all look forward to working with the new Executive. A very big thank you to our outgoing Executives Rob and Mel Ingram for all their hard work and dedication, also to Kelli Heycox for her professional work as our Treasurer and to Traci Phegan for her years on fundraising. We have appreciated your hard work and commitment over the years.

BBPS played our first ever Tennis tournament and we won! Congratulations to Chloe Knight, Lachlan Rowing, Raine Dexter and Kai Canham. We had 2 children chosen as Regional representatives with Chloe and Lachlan, good luck in your events today. - Chloe also took out the ‘Player’s Player’ award winning all matches. WOW!!

National Day Against Bullying and Violence is this Friday. Students have been learning about antibullying strategies and I urge you to visit the website www.bullyingnoway.gov.au for further information.

Next Friday 22 March our school will participate in the National Ride to School day, more information to come on this healthy event.

Have a great week learning, caring, sharing and playing.

Mrs Sue Maxworthy
TERM 1—2013

Week 7  Mar
Wed 13–15 Year 6 Camp Pigeon House
Fri 15  National Day Against Bullying & Violence
        Relay For Life
        THIS SAT/SUN (16 & 17)

Week 8  Mar
Wed 20–22 Year 5 Camp Shallow Crossing
Fri 22  National Ride to School Day

Week 9  Mar
Tue 25–28 Year 4 Camp Narooma
Thu 28  Easter Hat Parade
Fri 29  GOOD FRIDAY
        (& EASTER MONDAY)

PELICAN PANTRY

Roster
March Term 1
March
Mon 18  Bianca Templeman
Tue 19  Judy Charman, Amy Viles & Sarah May
Wed 20  Amy Viles
Thu 21  Tracee McArdell & Lou Kennedy
Fri 22  Marcia Figg & Jenny Carrick

REMINDER:
Health Care & Medical Plan.
Forms were sent home last week for parents of children with medical conditions. Could you please fill them in and return them to the front office ASAP as this is vital for students going on camps. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Riley Henderson for being selected to attend the Regional Soccer selections. Well Done!

Is dried fruit OK for Crunch&Sip®?

Although fresh fruit is the best choice, a small amount of dried fruit (e.g. sultanas or apricots) is an acceptable Crunch&Sip® option.

Dried fruit tends to cling to the teeth, so is best eaten with a meal or when a toothbrush is handy.

NOTE fruit straps, bars or rolls are NOT permitted as they contain large amounts of sugar.

Thank you to all those families who have DONATED EASTER EGGS.

Keep them coming! You can drop them off to front office with YOUR CHILD’S NAME AND CLASS ON THE BAG as they will go into a drawer to win a prize on the day.

Raffle tickets went home with every child last week but if you need more there are extra tickets at the front office.

BBPS P&C Easter Raffle
A minimum of 10 hampers to be won! Tickets $1.00 each drawn Thursday 28 March at the Easter Hat Parade.

Thank you to our breakfast club sponsors. Please support these businesses who support us!!
On Thursday 07 March 2013 the P&C held their Annual General Meeting to reflect on 2012 and elect the new office bearers for 2013.

A very productive year was had with over $19,000 being contributed into various areas of the school. A job well done by all involved.

Our canteen went from strength to strength and new ideas are appearing all the time. Thank you to Wanda and Margaret for their ongoing commitment to the best canteen in the state (well that’s what we think). Also thank you to Judy and Melanie for stepping in and assisting as our backup. To our volunteers - Thank you for your time and effort to support this outstanding service provided to our children.

Uniform shop has grown and is currently in the process of being computerised to make it easier for the shop to handle the support that you all have shown this over the years. Melanie your time and dedication to this endeavour has seen it grow to where it is today.

Elections were held and positions are now held as follows for 2013:

President: Alexis Wilson
Vice Presidents: Donna Good
Carol Ferguson
Secretary: Liz Lackey
Treasurer: Lou Kennedy
Uniform Shop Coordinator: Amy Viles
Fundraising Coordinator: Sophia Lontis
Publicity Officer: Julia Brooks–Helms.

I would like to wish the new executive and coordinators all the best for 2013.

Also leaving positions after years of dedication are Kelli Heycox (Treasurer), Traci Phegan (Fundraising Coordinator) and Melanie Ingram (Uniform Shop Coordinator). I wish you all well in you endeavours and hope to still see you around the School as I will still be popping up in other areas.

To Tom, Teachers, Parents and kids, Thank you for your support in my role as President and I know I leave the P&C in capable hands.

Good luck
Rob Ingram
President 2011–2012

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**2013 ICAS INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS & ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS**

UNSW Global Assessment Australia

**ICAS SITTING DATES:**

**COMPUTER SKILLS**
Tuesday 21 May

**SCIENCE**
Wednesday 5 June

**WRITING**
Monday 17 June*

**SPELLING**
Wednesday 31 July

**MATHEMATICS**
Tuesday 13 August

*Students can sit ICAS Writing anytime in the week beginning Monday 17 June and will still be eligible for UNSW medals.

Enter online at www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/school-portal

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Should you wish your child to participate in these competitions, please see your child’s teacher or Mrs Canham for more information. Entry forms are available at the front office.

Completed forms and payment are due to Mrs Canham at the front office by THURSDAY 28 MARCH 2013.
Community News

Saturday & Sunday
16 & 17 March
Relay For Life

Come and join this wonderful cause and our Bay Primary team by going onto the website at: www.relay.cancercouncil.com.au (search for Eurobodalla Relay for Life 2013)

or join us on the walk around the oval at Hanging Rock.

All families are welcome to join in the fun

PARENT SURVEY

Our school is wanting to keep moving forward with current trends. One of these being the efficient use of technology. We are currently looking at a more efficient and effective way for our newsletter to be delivered. One of these ways is for our newsletter to be emailed each week. This is a far more cost effective and current method of delivery. We are seeking feedback about emailing out the school newsletter each week. We would still have paper copies available for children whose families elect not to have the newsletter emailed.

Would you please take a couple of minutes to return complete the survey below and return it school with your child.

PLEASE TICK and drop into the office:

I would like ............  Not like ............  our school newsletter emailed home each week.

I strongly agree ............  Disagree .................