Dear Parents /Caregivers,
  
Welcome back to the new school year. As I have said many times I love the first days with all the kids looking fantastic and excited to see their friends. Then we have the arrival of all our new Kinder students and their families. It is a special day. A big welcome to all our new parents. Our numbers have now settled, we will be finalising classes this afternoon and starting the new structure on Thursday. We do not have enough numbers to maintain our 23 classes so we have restructured to 22 classes. This will mean there will be some movement of children and teachers. All this will be positive and from Thursday it will be great to get into learning.

I will again be working 3 days a week and Nichole Williams will be acting Principal on the other 2 days and Deputy Principal for the other 3. While Mrs Williams is acting in the role of Principal Miss Julie Thompson will be in the Deputy’s role.

Next Monday we will have our 'School Leaders Induction Assembly' where our school captains, house captains and leadership team will be presented with their badges. We will also recognise our swimming champions. Parents and family are invited to a morning tea after the assembly.

Another important date on the calendar is our 'Meet the Teachers BBQ'. It is on Wednesday 17 February at 5.30 pm. All welcome.

We are still awaiting 2 demountable buildings to be set up at the school. They arrived last week but unfortunately the oval was too wet for the crane to enter.

We are excited to continue our 'Kicking Goals' initiative in 2016. This term all children from Kinder to Year 6 will kick a goal in their writing. These achievements will be celebrated with a photo in the newsletter and then it will be on display in the hall at the end of term.

Last year our 'Early Action for Success' initiative which has a focus on improving the outcomes in K-2 in literacy and numeracy resulted in our best academic year in the history of the school and we will continue the momentum in 2016 and extend it into the senior grades. Exciting!!

Have a great week LEARNING CARING SHARING PLAYING

Tom Purcell
Principal
Thank you to our breakfast club sponsors. Please support these businesses who support us!!.

| CALENDER OF EVENTS |
| TERM 1—2016 |

| Week 2 |
| Thu 4 | P&C Meeting 7pm Staff room |

| Week 3 |
| Mon 8 | Leadership Team Induction at assembly |
| Fri 12 | Basketball PSSA Trials |

| Week 4 |
| Mon 15 | 2016 LEADERSHIP TEAM INDUCTION |
| Wed 17 | Meet the teachers BBQ (More details to come) |

UNIFORM SHOP—is open Thursday mornings 8:30–10am for any uniform requirements. The uniform shop is located in the canteen.

If you are able to volunteer your time (even is its just a few hours a week) to help out in the canteen this year, please contact the school on 4472 4059 and we will pass your details onto our canteen supervisor.

SCHOOL SUCCESS GOES HAND IN HAND WITH GOOD ATTENDANCE. Children should attend school every day, except in cases of illness or emergency. It is impossible to replace the learning that happens on a school day with make-up work. So let’s all make it a priority to get our Batemans Bay Public School kids to school ON TIME EVERY DAY!

K–2 ASSEMBLY NEWS

2C will be hosting this week’s K–2 assembly. Assembly is on Friday and begins at 9am in the school hall. Below are the award winners from last week’s assembly.

K/1L Archie Barby, Shakira Tanner  
1TA Peter White, Kyiesha Towers  
1W Olivia Emerson, Oscar Lake  
1LT Johnathan Nguyen, Bimi Freeman  
1/2E Jarrah Guerin, Savannah Butler  
2C Millie Duncombe, Kimberly Mitchell  
2H Mason Fardell, Autumn Curtis  
2T Desmond Rankmore, Evie Taylor

Congratulations way to go!
BBPS would like to thank all of you that contributed to the Woolworths “Earn and Learn” program in 2015. We had over 15,000 stickers submitted. We would especially like to thank the INGRAM family for collecting and counting all the those stickers. We are fortunate enough to get some new literacy and numeracy resources for our classrooms as well as some new robotics gear for Ms Sorenson’s Robotics group.

You Can Do It—Getting Along

For the next 3 weeks all students will be learning about Getting Along as part of our social and emotional wellbeing program.

**Getting Along** means being friendly and nice with classmates and adults, including those who have different backgrounds and cultures, working well in groups, solving problems without fighting, following important school rules and helping to make my school a better place to live and learn.

Examples of Getting Along Behaviour

- Working well with my classmates on projects
- Listening and not interrupting when someone else is speaking
- Talking rather than fighting when someone treats me unfairly
- Not breaking important classroom rules
- Helping someone who has a problem
A reminder to parents to notify the school about your child’s health

We welcome information from parents about your child’s health, even if you are not requesting specific support from our school. Our school asks for medical information when you enroll your child. It is also important that you let us know if your child’s health care needs change or if a new health condition develops. Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma and diabetes and other health care related issues (including prior conditions such as medical procedures in the last 12 months) should be provided to the school by parents. Please provide this information in writing to the principal. This will greatly assist our school in planning to support your child’s health and wellbeing. Please also remember to notify staff in the school office of any changes to your contact details or to the contact details of other people nominated as emergency contacts. We appreciate your assistance in this regard and assure you that any information you provide the school will be stored securely and will only be used or disclosed in order to support your son or daughter’s health needs or as otherwise required by law.

Community News

Eurobodalla Shire Council Chess Club

Where: Community Centre, Batemans Bay
When: Tuesdays 2 Feb—22 March
Time: 4pm—6pm
Cost: FREE
Bookings essential phone 4474 7442

Eurobodalla Reconciliation Touch Football Gala Day

Sat 13th February 2016
MacKaye Park, Batemans Bay

Proudly Hosted by M’Ruya

REGISTRATION
$250 (UNREGISTERED - NON-COMMITTED)
$320 (UNREGISTERED - COMMITTED)
Nominations close COB 31st January

MENS & MIXED DIVISIONS
Max 16 Teams in Each Division
For all information & registrations phone Kelly Stewart 0431 631 234 or Ray Smith 0419 399 560
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