Dear Parents / Caregivers,

What a busy term! Whether it be settling in to new classes, starting school or pre-school, representing the school at sport, trying out for teams, going camping or most importantly LEARNING, this term goes by in a flash. With the weather proving challenging at times the kids and staff should be proud of themselves.

Our Year 4 campers are having a great experience at Lake Tabourie and our Year 6 are excited about the Pigeon House experience next week. A huge thanks to the P&C for our new camping trailer and a triple WOW to Daniel Viles for building it. It is fantastic. The AGM for the P&C is on this Thursday starting at 6.30pm in the staffroom. All welcome.

Congratulations to Greg McDonald who has been appointed as Principal at Batemans Bay High School. Greg has been in the caretaker role for over a year and is already making a difference. Our school looks forward to a strong future partnership with the high school.

We are very fortunate to have a pre-school as part of our school and Miss Louise Stephen, who is now the teacher, has done a great job with transition and the settling in of our new students. Don't forget there is a playgroup on every Friday at Mundarra Pre School. All welcome.

Learning still remains the focus at our school. Each term your child’s teacher will have at least 2 professional learning days where they monitor and track each child’s progress in literacy and numeracy. This information is then used to put learning strategies in place to improve on what your child already knows. It is very powerful and our results have been more than positive. It will make a great discussion topic at the parent teacher interviews. This strategy also forms part of our ‘Kicking Goals’ initiative.

Have a great week LEARNING CARING SHARING PLAYING
Tom Purcell
Principal

It is that time of the year again for Chocolate lovers—EASTER! Here at Batemans Bay Public School, the P&C hold their huge Easter Raffle, with the chance to win many Easter Eggs hampers—CHOCOLATE HEAVEN!

We need your help though. PLEASE donate an Easter egg or fluffy bunny to the cause. Raffle tickets for each family will also come home next week to sell. Once sold please return tickets to school. Each Easter egg donation and raffle ticket book returned will go into the draw for another chance to win a chocolate hamper.

The enormous Easter Raffle will be drawn after the Easter Hat parade at the school on Thursday 24 March 2016 at 12:15pm.

Join in for your chance to win some awesome Easter Egg prizes.

EASTER HAT PARADE
Thursday 24 March
12:15pm on the BASKETBALL COURT
All welcome
Thank you to our breakfast club sponsors. Please support these businesses who support us!!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
TERM 1—2016

Week 6
Wed 2
Year 4 Return
Thu 3
P&C Meeting AGM—Staffroom 6:30pm
Fri 4
National Ride to School Day
Clean up Australia Day

Week 7
Mon 7
PSSA Soccer Trials
Wed 9
Year 6 Camp Pigeon House
Fri 11
Soccer Gala Day Years 1-5
Year 6 return from camp

Week 8
Wed 16
Year 5 Camp Shallow Crossing
Fri 18
Year 5 return from camp
National Day Against Bullying Day
Rugby Union Gala Day Stage 2

Week 9
Mon 21
Year 3 Camp Racecourse Beach
Tue 22
PSSA Soccer Trials
Wed 23
Year 3 return from camp
Thu 24
Easter Hat Parade - 12:15PM

K-2 ASSEMBLY NEWS

1W 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.

KS
Meyah Herekiuha,
Jesse Charlesworth

KL
Matilda Gilmour, Ethan O'Neill
Rubilee Weissel

KK
Dean Slockee, Shae Phegan
Mia Lake

KW
Jacob Brierley, Izak Eyles

K/1L
London Curtis

1TA
Ryder Freyer, Tyrelle Brierley

1LT
Mia Harrison, Walter McQuillan
Damian Whitby

1W
Jami Lakey, Evan Farrell

1/2C
Zac Abela, Koby Connick

2L
Oliver Brown, Grace Colebrook
Shayannah Neal

2H
Mason Fardell, Bonnie Knox

2T
Jai Bowerman, Gypsy Waterson
Leah Rigby

Pelican Pantry Volunteer Roster
WEEK 7

Mon 7
Narelle Welsh
Jodie Baldock

Tue 8
Kiri Wright

Wed 9
Jodie Pike

Thu 10
Jess O'Shea

Fri 11
Tina Thompson

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Save the Date!
National Ride2School Day
4 March 2016

Years 3-6 & competent infant riders are invited to ride their bicycles (no scooters) to school on Friday to participate in National Ride2School Day! Notes will be sent home tomorrow and also posted on School Enews with more details.

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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

All children will take part in **CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY** at school on Friday. The children will be supervised by their class teachers as they clean up their designated areas.

HEAD LICE

Once again there is an increase in the amount of children who currently have head lice in the school. We ask ALL parents to thoroughly check all their children’s hair and treat where necessary please. One of the simplest forms of treatment is conditioner and diligent combing with a fine ‘nit’ comb. This process must be repeated over the course of 6-10 days (as this is the breeding cycle of head lice). Also, if your child has long hair, we ask that this be put back into a hair band to help prevent the spread of head lice to others. This is a burdensome issue for all families, so if we all make an effort we can hopefully eradicate them. I know with consistent treatment and all families making it a priority, we can significantly reduce the spread and problem with head lice.
Lylah can write longer stories.

Daniel can use full stops in his stories.

James can write left to right in story writing.

Madison knows where to start writing her story.

WOW!! K/1L KICKING GOALS WOW!!
P&C AGM Thursday 3rd March 2016 6:30pm in the staffroom.

Consider volunteering some time to your P&C committee. Many parents find it is a valuable way to contribute to their children’s school environment. The P&C can benefit from the skills that you have to offer. You can be involved as much or as little as you like, all help is greatly appreciated. Parents, Teachers and Community members are welcomed to come along.

An hour a month is all it takes to become a valuable member of the team, sharing information, generating ideas and being part of a highly valuable part of our school.

If you find it hard to come to meetings but would like to help, please don’t hesitate to approach a committee member to ask how you can contribute. Donna Good our P&C President can be contacted at the school on 4472 4059.

The P&C asks for a token membership cost of $1 for the AGM.

P&C meets every first Thursday of the month at 7pm in the staffroom.

Batemans Bay High School caters for students from Year 7 to Year 12 living between the Tomaga (Tomakin) river in the south and Pebbly Beach in the north.

The school is committed to ensuring
- engaged, committed and successful students,
- high quality teachers and teaching practices, and
- enriched, supportive school environments.

Parents at our partner primary schools are encouraged to follow the school through Facebook and the School Enews app. Details of our transition program for students moving into Year 7 in 2017 will be published through the app later in the year. Please contact the school on 4478 3600 at any time if you would like to discuss the opportunities available for your child.

Greg McDonald
Principal
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.

A reminder that our school is a 40km zone and this continues almost to the roundabout. Parking areas need to be adhered to as there has been an increase in police presence to monitor this.

BEING SAFE & USING THE CROSSING IS EASY!

COMMUNITY NEWS

SEAHAWKS WAVES

NETBALL REGISTRATION
@ Hanging Rock AFL Ground Batemans Bay

Pre order Seahawks Hoodie $30 for Junior $35 Adult.

Thursday 3rd March 4.30-6.00pm
Saturday 5th March 9.30-10.30am
Saturday 12th March 9.30-10.30am

Players this year are required to register online through the MY NETBALL Portal. If you have not received your email from Netball NSW please Call Us or pop down to one of our registration days and we can log you onto Netball NSW together.

2016 Fees:
Net,Set,Go 8 – 10 years $80.00
Junior 11 – 17 years $115.00
Senior 18 years + $145.00
Non players $45.00 (Coaches/Managers/umpires)
Player with a disability $40.00

Pay online or EFTPOS facility available at rego days—Uniform supplied

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The simplest way
...to bake a healthy lunch box treat.

Homemade muffins are a great way to add a fruit or veg-filled treat to lunch boxes.

Apple and date muffins

Ingredients: 3 apples, chopped; 1 cup boiling water; 200g dates, chopped; 50g butter; 1/3 cup brown sugar; 2 tsp mixed spice; 1 egg; 1 tsp baking soda; 1 tsp baking powder; 2 cups wholemeal flour.

Method: Preheat oven (180°C). Chop apples and dates. Add boiling water, butter and sugar. Mix until butter melts and sugar dissolves. Add spice and allow to cool. When fruit mixture is warm, not hot, add spice and egg. Mix well. Add baking soda, baking powder and flour. Mix, but do not overbeat. If mixture is too dry, add a little milk. Spoon into the prepared muffin tin. Bake for about 15 minutes.

Nutrition Snippet

Cancer Council NSW
Eat It To Beat It

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit