**Respect ~ Responsibility ~ Personal Best**

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**AWARDS**

Congratulations to the following students who receive awards this week:

**MERIT AWARDS**

- KD  Finnley H  Leya C
- KT  Vaughn M  Tom A
- K/1J  Sunny D  Remy B
- 1H  Lachlan F  Asia W
- 1S  Laura B  Harley C
- 1/2M  Ned O  Ned C
- 2V  Madison B  Nina Mc
- 2/3C  Hikaru K  Tahli L
- 3T  Chloe R  Tom B
- 3A  Tess B  Avriti R

The following students will be presenting their quality work at Assembly:

- KD  Koby R
- KT  Kale B
- K/1J  Jude E
- 1H  Sianna S-T
- 1S  Alexander P
- 1/2M  Liam J
- 2V  Aimee R
- 2/3C  Milo B
- 3T  Riley M
- 3A  Oscar Mc

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**DIARY DATES**

**Wednesdays**  
Uniform Shop 8:30 – 9:30am  
Student Banking

**Fridays**  
Canteen

**TONIGHT**  
P&C AGM 7pm  
BBHS parent information evening

15/03/13  
BV District Winter Sports trials

16/03/13  
P&C TRIVIA NIGHT!

18/03/13  
Game Training Roadshow (Yrs 4-6)  
Regional Tennis Trials

18-22/03/13  
K-3 Swimming Program

19/03/13  
Rugby 7s, Lismore

21/03/13  
FNC Zone AFL

22/03/13  
Harmony Day

27/03/13  
FNC Zone Winter Sports  
Young Leaders’ Day

29/03/13  
Good Friday PUBLIC HOLIDAY

01/04/13  
Easter Monday PUBLIC HOLIDAY

03/04/13  
SCHOOL PHOTOS

05/04/13  
School Cross Country Carnival

11/04/13  
P&C Meeting 7pm

12/04/13  
ANZAC Day Assembly  
Last day of Term 1

**Term 2**

29/04/13  
Staff Development Day – PUPIL FREE

30/04/13  
Staff Development Day – PUPIL FREE

01/05/13  
Term 2 commences for students

Please note, school resumes for students on the Wednesday in Week 1, Term 2.

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**Friday Assembly:**  
3T will be performing at our 2:30pm assembly this week. All families and friends are welcome to attend.
Dear Parents and Carers,

Remember our two main focus areas are:
RAISING THE BAR and CLOSING THE GAP

- What’s best for the kids and their learning?
- Working together as a strong, mutually supportive and empowered team to ensure our kids are offered the very best education possible. As a whole school community it is important we are involved in processes that promote success and lifelong learning for ALL our students.

This week I thought I would chat about the Implementation of the National Curriculum.

All Australian schools will implement the National Curriculum from 2013-2020. In NSW the Board of Studies will continue to develop NSW syllabuses. The NSW curriculum will now be referred to as the New NSW Curriculum rather than the National Curriculum, as it is a NSW interpretation of the National Curriculum.

The Timeline for NSW is as follows:

2013  Familiarisation and Planning – Professional Learning re New NSW Curriculum and New English Curriculum
2014  Implementation of the New English Curriculum; Familiarisation and planning re New NSW Mathematics and Science Curriculum
2015  Implementation of the New Mathematics and Science Curriculum; Familiarisation and planning re New NSW History Curriculum
2016  Implementation of the New History Curriculum
2016-2020  Other New Curriculum areas

In 2013, NSW schools are undertaking professional learning regarding the New Curriculum and the new English Curriculum.

Bangalow PS
Our school is working with the larger schools in the Lighthouse Valley Learning Community (Byron Shire Public Schools) to undertake our professional learning and to develop new programs and units ready for the New English curriculum implementation in 2014. Bangalow PS, Ocean Shores PS, Mullumbimby PS, Brunswick Heads PS and Byron Bay PS are all working together as a group to implement the New Curriculum.

Professional Learning

Term 1

- 28 Feb at Ocean Shores PS – Executive Support. Executive staff were taken through ‘The Learner and the New Curriculum’ to provide APs with skills and knowledge to support teachers.
- 13 March – Principal, APs and Literacy Leader Stage 3 completed ‘The Learner and the New Curriculum’ and planned for 27 March professional learning
- 27 March (after school) – Teachers completed the ‘The Learner and the New Curriculum’ online course

Term 2

- Monday 29 April – School Development Day
  All above schools work with the Literacy Implementation Leader re New English Curriculum
- Tuesday 30 April – School Development Day
  Teachers from each stage meet at one of the above schools (dependent on stage taught) for programming, planning and familiarisation of new English Syllabus.

Please note, ALL NSW PUBLIC SCHOOLS have an extra Staff Development Day in Term 2 to prepare for the Implementation of New Curriculums.

(Refer to the School Website for further information on the National Curriculum and its implementation.)

Kind Regards
Suse Boyle
Principal

WEBSITE OF THE WEEK

Study Ladder
Connected to NSW curriculum. Great activities on all subject areas: www.studyladder.com.au

This site is used in school in many of the classrooms. See your class teacher to see if you have a code.
What is Crunch & Sip®?

Crunch & Sip® is a break during class when students can refuel on veg and fruit and rehydrate on water. The break helps students with physical and mental performance, and concentration in the classroom.

Crunch & Sip® encourages vegetables and fruit as snack foods and reinforces that water is always the best drink. Healthy eating behaviours are modelled in the classroom and this reinforces the nutrition messages your children learn through the PDHPE curriculum. By making vegetable and fruit eating and water drinking normal in the classroom, healthy habits can be formed and continued into adolescence and adulthood. Students are more likely to eat their vegetables or fruit and drink their water if their friends and peers are all doing it too!

Classes at Bangalow Public School have a Crunch & Sip® break every day. Only vegetables or fruit are to be eaten at this time. Please make sure your child has some fresh vegetables or fruit and a small bottle of water each day.

K – 3 Swimming

Next week, students in Kinder, Years 1, 2 and 3 will be attending daily swimming lessons. Please ensure your child has returned their permission note and payment by tomorrow (any child not attending will be working in the Years 4-6 classrooms during swimming times).

Students will need to bring their swimming costume, a towel, goggles and a plastic bag each day, as well as thongs to wear on the bus. They may also bring a swimming cap and/or ear plugs, if required. Ballina Swim’n’Gym is indoors, so they will not need sunscreen or hats.

Children will be getting changed into their swimmers at school and placing their school uniforms in the plastic bag, which they will leave on their desk with their shoes. They will change back into their uniforms when they return to school and put their wet gear in the plastic bag.

Please make sure your child’s name is on every item of their clothing, thank you!

KD Parent Information Session

KD parents are invited to attend an Information Session in the classroom next Wednesday 20th March at 3:45pm. Apologies to any parents who turned up yesterday for this.

All families who have paid their Voluntary Contribution before the end of Term 1 and have no outstanding payments owed to the school (eg Book Pack) will go into the draw to win an iPad!

All you have to do is make sure you have paid by Thursday 11th April, and the winner will be drawn at the last Assembly for the term (on Friday 12th April).

Good Luck!

SCHOOL PHOTOS

The School Photographer will be at our school on Wednesday 3rd April. Photo ordering & payment envelopes will be sent home with all students today. There are a number of options available, with pricing and payment methods detailed on the envelopes. Please read the instructions on the envelope!

Families with more than one child enrolled at the school may choose to purchase a sibling photograph – please ask at the admin office for a Family Photo envelope.

A copy of the “My School Days Album” is available for viewing at the front office if you are interested.

You may send in your orders, with payment enclosed, before the photography date, however please be sure to keep all envelopes separate (do not place inside another envelope). Any cheques or money orders are to be made payable to The School Photographer.

Please ensure your child is looking neat and tidy, in a clean school uniform on photo day.

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**SPORT NEWS**

**Swimming**
Congratulations to Lily S and Tom B on an excellent effort representing the Far North Coast Zone at the North Coast Regional Swimming Carnival held at Coffs Harbour last week.

**Cricket**
Congratulations to Conor B for making it as far as the Regional Cricket trials, which were held at Sawtell on Monday – well done.

**Tennis**
Good luck to Kasey B, who has been selected to represent the Far North Coast Zone at the North Coast Regional Tennis Trials to be held at Sawtell next Monday.

**UNIFORM**
Thank you for sending your children to school in the correct uniform, which includes the yellow polo shirt with bottle green shorts, skirt or ‘skort’, or our school dress. All children should wear the Bangalow School broad-brimmed hat, which is available from the office for only $10 each.

Please be sure to write your child’s name on all items of uniform, and check to see that they have not picked up another child’s uniform by mistake.

The UNIFORM SHOP is open every Wednesday morning from 8:30-9:30am for all your uniform needs.

**NAPLAN**

**National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2013**

The NAPLAN assessments will be completed by all students in Yr3, Yr5, Yr7 and Yr9 in all Australian schools.

The dates are as follows:

- **Tuesday May 14**  
  Language Conventions: spelling, grammar and punctuation

- **Tuesday May 14**  
  Writing

- **Wednesday May 15**  
  Reading

- **Thursday May 16**  
  Numeracy

For all parents of students in Yr3 and Yr5 please refer to the attached letter for further information. Please do not hesitate to contact your child’s class teacher or Mrs Boyle if you require any further explanations.

All children will be supported in the Yr3 and Yr5 classrooms before and during the assessments.

We ask that parents do not take students out of school for family holidays, etc. in the weeks preceding or the week of the NAPLAN assessment.

**SCHOOL HOURS**

8:50am – 3:15pm

N.B. If your child needs to arrive at school before 8:50am then please enrol them into OSHC which operates on the school grounds from 7:30am - 8:50am in the mornings and from 3:15pm – 6:00pm in the evenings.

- **8:50am**  
  School open for students (It is good if your children can be at school by 9am so they have time to play and socialise before class – this time is an important social aspect of schooling.

- **9:17am**  
  Morning lessons commence

- **11:20am**  
  Lunch

- **12:00noon**  
  Middle session lessons commence

- **1:30pm**  
  Recess

- **2:00pm**  
  Afternoon lessons commence

- **3:15pm**  
  School finishes

**OFFICE HOURS**

Our admin office is open from 8:45am to 3:30pm. Please direct your enquiries to the school between these hours, thank you.

Proudly supporting the school’s Munch & Crunch Program with fresh fruit and vegetables.
**Canteen News**

**Term 1 Roster**

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This roster will be displayed and updated as needed. Please phone Sharon Rudgley 0427 668716 or email nrudgley@bigpond.net.au to be added to the canteen roster or for any enquiries for the canteen.

**P & C News**

**P & C AGM Tonight**

Thursday 14 March
7pm

Please note, our P & C Meetings have changed days and will now be held on the second Thursday of each month this year.

Place these dates in your diary – 7pm in the School Staffroom – all parents are very welcome – come along and be part of the decision making in your child’s school. This is a monthly forum for parents.

2013 P & C dates are:

- AGM 14 March
- 11 April
- 9 May
- 13 June
- 18 July
- 8 August
- 12 September
- 14 November
- 12 December

P & C Meetings are for adults only.
We trialled a babysitting service last year but it was not being utilised.

**P & C Trivia Night**

**Extremely Limited Tickets Left for the Bangalow PS Trivia Night!**

Ok folks, just two days left until our inaugural trivia night and ticket sales have gone gang-busters.

If you haven’t bought your tickets please do so at the office ASAP as we are looking at a sell out!

The Bangalow Public School trivia night kicks off at 7:30pm sharp on Saturday night at the Bowlo and an affordable dinner is on offer from 5:45pm for those who can get there early.

Tickets for the trivia night are just $15 per person (includes a lovely cheese platter per table) with all profits going directly back to our school.

***Bring small $$ notes with you and start thinking up your team names!***

See you there!

Last week’s trivia answers:

**Advertising Space**

Opportunities exist to advertise in our newsletter (certain criteria must be met and conditions apply). Newsletters are distributed in full colour hard copy, via email, and on our website. Please contact the school office on 6687 1434 or email us at bangalow-p-school@det.nsw.edu.au. While we exercise due care, Bangalow Public School does not endorse or guarantee any goods or services advertised.
Holy Spirit Catholic Parish – St Kevin’s Bangalow
Sacramental Programme 2013/2014, Yr2 and above
If your child is Baptised and in Year 2 or above, they will be eligible to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in May this year and Reconciliation and First Eucharist next year in 2014. This programme will begin with an enrolment evening at St Finbarr’s Church, Byron Bay. Attendance at the meeting is crucial and your non-attendance will indicate that you are choosing to wait until next year.
- Parent Information & Enrolment Evening
  Wednesday 7 May at 7pm, St Finbarr’s School
- Children’s meeting with Bishop Jarrett
  Wednesday 22 May at 10am, St Finbarr’s School
- Sacrament of Confirmation
  Thursday 23 May

Early Childhood Music classes held at the Anglican Church Hall every Wednesday morning at 9.30am and 10.30am
Classes are run by Rochelle Wright
(BA Cont. Music & member of ‘The Curly Cousins' and ‘Jambu Tree Kids’)
Please call the Conservatorium for more details on 6621 2266

BRUNSWICK HEADS
KITES & BIKES FESTIVAL
Come fly a kite on Sunday 24th March 2013!
You’re invited to the Kites and Bikes Festival in Brunswick Heads on Sunday 24th March from 9am to 4pm, the weekend before Easter. This is a magical, relaxing day of eco-friendly kite flying, bike riding and community participation for the whole family, featuring a packed program of kids activities, entertainment and good old-fashioned fun by the seaside.

There's loads of parking, BBQs for lunch, community stalls and giveaways. There's a bike decorating workshop and parade, kite-making workshops, giant kites and the amazing spectacle of the community fly-in on the foreshore at 2pm.

Plus there’s performances from Circus Arts, the Samba Blistas, Buckley Family Band, Ukulele sing along, a jumping castle, face painting and much, much more. www.kitesandbikes.com.au.

Lanie Loughlin
Event Coordinator
Brunswick Heads Kites and Bikes Festival 2013
0401 470 188 or 66851003
kitesandbikesfestival@gmail.com
www.brunswickheads.org.au
Hi Everyone,
Well there’s a stack of P&C things going on in the school this week.

**Madhatters**
Do you like:
1. Being in charge
2. Managing teams
3. Producing out of the box results

**WELL, WE NEED YOU!** WE DESPERATELY STILL NEED TO FILL TWO LEADERSHIP ROLES FOR MADHATTERS ASAP. ONE TO MANAGE THE EVENT AND ANOTHER TO MANAGE PUBLICITY AND MARKETING. IF THIS IS YOU, PLEASE LET US KNOW ASAP!

**Bang On About Wine**
Quite Possibly The World’s Best Wine Course is on Again!
The response we’ve had to date has been so strong that we’re scheduling 2 courses. If you’re interested please register ASAP as the courses fill up quickly. 100% of the proceeds go to the P&C. We’ll send a flyer out next week but given the first course starts next Thursday evening, don’t wait for that! Contact me on 0419801802 or josh@bangonaboutwine.com and register yourself!
Cost: $150 for school parents, $180 if you’re not
Dates:
March Course: Thursday Evenings, March 21, 28 & 4 April
May Course: Thursday Evenings, May 16, 23, 30
Time:
7.00pm - 9.30pm.

**P&C Annual General Meeting**
The Bangalow PS P&C’s AGM is on this Thursday at 7.00pm. This is your chance to overthrow the dictator who is currently President and really do something, or undermine him slowly by electing yourself to the Executive, still really do something, make a profound difference to the school and then boot him out in the next year or so!
Absolutely everyone is welcome! Please come, find out about what’s going on in the school and get involved in creating a new educational future for our kids. Wine & cheese are compulsory elements of these meetings so even if the President is a bore, the wine & cheese is delicious! If you want to come and need a baby sitter please let me know and the P&C will organise a certified carer to be there to look after your children.

**Volunteering Schedule**
Thank you to everyone who has gotten their Volunteering Schedule back to the school. We’ve had a great response from last week’s newsletter. If you’re still trying to choose between your top 7 volunteering choices and are just not sure which one would be your favourite, just stick “1” in all of them and we’ll pick them for you 😊
It appears some people have dogs who ate the newsletter last week so I have included last week’s Volunteer Schedule for you again so you can choose how you’d like to participate! Put the numbers 1, 2 and 3 against the events you would like to volunteer for in order of preference. If there’s more than 1 event you would love to volunteer for, put the number 1 against these with 2 and 3 against lesser preferred events. Then send the form back to school with your child ASAP (this is definitely preferred) or scan and email it to me at josh@joshrogers.me

Thanks as always!
**Josh Rogers**
P&C President
josh@joshrogers.me or 0419 801 802
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If my preferred volunteering event is not available, I understand that I may be scheduled to volunteer on my other lesser preferred events, after being contacted and confirmed that this works for me.

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Signature