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School Newsletter

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Term 4 Week 10, 2013

★★ DIARY DATES ★★

Wednesdays
Uniform Shop 8.30-9.30

Fridays
Canteen

Monday 16 December
Y6 Interrelate

Friday 13 December
Presentation Assembly

Monday 16 December
Y6 Farewell

Tuesday 17 December
Class Parties:
Y2/3 - Cinema & Bowling
Y4/5/6 - “Wet ‘n’ Wild”

Wednesday 18 December
Last day of school for students

2014
Wednesday 29 January
Y1-Y6 students return

Wednesday 29-Friday 31 January
Kindergarten Best Start Interviews
Friday 31 January
Y3-6 Brainstorm Productions show
Monday 3 February
All Kindergarten students start school

Friday 7 February
School Swimming Carnival (Y2-6)

Tuesday 11 February
Parent Workshop ‘You Can Do It’

Saturday 22 March
P&C Trivia Night

Monday 26 - Friday 30 May
Y5-6 Camp Goodenough

Monday 1 - Wednesday 3 September
Y3-4 Tyalgum Ridge excursion

★★ STORM SALE! ★★

Due to the unfortunate truncation of our celebrations last night, the P&C has a number of food items that it would like to offer for sale to the community:

Vegie Patties (frozen)  6 pack $10
Small Pizzas (frozen)  $1 each
Quelch Fruit Tubes  24 pack $5
Poppers  6 pack $4
Flavoured Milk  6 pack $4.50
Mango Icecreams  20 pack $12
Chocolate Icecreams  15 pack $8
Splats  4 pack $8

These items will be on sale at the Canteen tomorrow afternoon from 3:15pm to 3:45pm. Products are to be bought and collected during this time. First in, best dressed!

Please note:
The Canteen will operate as normal tomorrow for students.

We are a NUT AWARE SCHOOL!

Due to a high number of our students who are at risk of anaphylaxis, please do not use any nut butters (eg peanut, macadamia, etc) or Nutella in your child’s lunch - these are sticky and easier to come into contact with. We also request that any other foodstuff containing nuts be eaten at home,

★★ Y6 ASSEMBLY ★★

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank You!

Great Teamwork
This has been such an amazing year! I would like to sincerely thank the whole Bangalow PS community; students, parents and staff for their partnership, input and support.

It has been a privilege to lead and work with such an impressive team. Parents, I commend you on your wonderful children, who are an absolute delight to teach. Thank you to Josh and the P & C Exec, Lara and all P & C members for the incredible contribution you make to the education of our students. Your input, expertise, support, organising of social events and fundraisers results in us (the staff) being able to provide educational opportunities for our students that would otherwise be out of reach. We have enjoyed three major fundraisers this year: Trivia Night, Mad Hatters Derby Tea Party and the school's cookbook, ‘Bangalow Banquet’. This year the P&C has contributed $47,875 to our students’ education.

Thanks to the P&C, but in particular Lara and her team, the Bangalow Banquet Cookbook is ready for sale. It is an extraordinary hard cover coffee table cookbook, perfect for Xmas presents. It arrives tomorrow, is absolutely beautiful and is on sale at school after 12pm. It will also be available for sale outside the hall at the conclusion of our Presentation Assembly. It is a bargain at $39.99. Please see the attached sales roster.

Bush Dance / Carols
Last night was a great case in point in terms of teamwork. What an incredible night! Not so in terms of Bush Dancing and the carols; which had to be postponed due to safety issues associated with the storm, but in terms of absolute teamwork and the ‘vibe’. There was so much positive energy around last night - kids, parents and staff ready to relax and celebrate the year and Xmas together.

Unfortunately north coast weather decided to join us on the evening; however the evening was still hugely enjoyable. Many thanks are extended to the P & C parents who organised the food - led by Jenny and her team, to Lisa, Sally and Dhugal - fantastic food and great organisation, such a shame the weather put an end to our evening together. Thank you so much to Margo and Kelly who put so much time into organising decorations for our bush dance and carols (we will happily use them for our Y6 Farewell) and to the staff who spent many hours practising the bush dances and preparing decorations for the night.

We have food left over which we need to sell before the end of term. Please refer to the information on the front of the newsletter.

Ongoing professional learning in terms of changes in education so we can ensure the best 21C education for our students is undertaken by all staff. You are very fortunate to have such a dedicated and exceptional team of staff in the school. Each and every member of staff gives their all to ensure the very best education for all students and I thank them for their ongoing support, friendship and invaluable teamwork and totally appreciate their commitment, professionalism and enthusiasm.

YEAR 6
I would like to wish our Year 6 students the very best as they continue their education in the secondary system. They are a genuinely wonderful group of students who we will all miss very much. They have constantly impressed with their maturity, leadership, thoughtfulness, talents, skills and application over this year. They are certainly ready to excel in high school, where being an independent learner and thinker is so important. One of the advantages of being part of the Lighthouse Valley Learning Community is that we do have so much to do with Byron Bay High School so we look forward to hearing about their successes over the next six years. Good luck and best wishes Year 6.

Thank you all for such a wonderful year. Enjoy a relaxing holiday with family and friends and I very much look forward to seeing you all again in 2014.

Kind regards,

Susie Boyle
Principal

The “Bangalow Banquet” cookbook will be available outside the Hall after our Assembly.

Pre-purchased copies may be collected, or you can buy your copy for $39.99.

These will make stunning Christmas presents!
2014 Book Packs
The school has once again purchased educational supplies for all students, which will be sold as “Book Packs”. This ensures every student has the tools and materials required for their class work. Packs contain all necessary stationery items, work books, text books, art and craft consumables, etc. The cost of these packs in 2014 will be:
- Kinder $55
- Stage 1 (Yrs 1-2) $50
- Stage 2 & 3 (Yrs 3-6) $35
Students in Stages 2 and 3 (Years 3-6) will receive most of their items in a “pack”, for which they will be responsible, while the remaining supplies will stay in the classroom and be managed by the class teacher. As in previous years, all the Kinder and Stage 1 (K-2) supplies will be managed in the classroom, without the children being issued with individual “packs”.
Families will be invoiced for this amount in the new year.
Any new students in Years 1-6 will also be required to pay an additional $4 for a drink bottle cooler with our school logo on it and a space to write their name.

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Music in Schools News
Congratulations to Music in Schools students who have worked hard with their teachers to develop their skills on their chosen instruments this year – many have enjoyed fabulous performances, and being appreciated by an audience sure does make all the hard work worthwhile.
Big thanks to families for supporting their children to access music education, and to practise at home – the clear theme in this semester’s progress reports is the direct connection between regular practice and increased proficiency. See how you can find ways to make it fun over the holidays! Progress reports have been sent out to schools this week and will be sent home with students by the end of term.
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To stay in touch with Conservatorium activities including new ensembles and holiday workshops, please like us on facebook – look for Northern Rivers Conservatorium.
Good luck to all our graduating year 6 students, and to everyone have a great holiday, and enjoy the music in your life!
Zoë Abbott, Head of Community Music
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THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

The school has established two tax deductible funds to enable families, community members and local businesses to make donations. The building fund will be used to provide technology centres in all classrooms, Wi-Fi, permanent shelving and storage cubicles. Our long term goal is the construction and development of an all-weather, multi-purpose sports area. The Library Fund seeks to provide all students with updated printed and digital literacy resources. Our long term goal includes classrooms being outfitted with class sets of laptops and tablets.

You can visit our website to download and complete a donor card. Your support is sincerely appreciated.

Parent Action Symbol!
If you see this symbol next to an item, then it is something that you may either have to action or note in your diary.

Errata
Last week, we announced that our new Assistant Principal, Bill Dempster, comes to us from Bondi Beach Public School. He is actually coming from Coogee Beach Public School.

End of Year wind-down
Please do not send any money to school on Wednesday 18 December. For security reasons, we do not keep cash on the premises over the holidays.

READ, READ, READ!
Don’t let your child slip backwards over the holidays. Please ask your child to read aloud to you over the holiday break. This can be an enjoyable family activity and will help your child to maintain their reading level. Reading is a practiced skill – like all skills, it needs to be a daily habit.

COMING UP

Year 6 Farewell
When: Monday 16 December
Where: School & Historical Society Tea Room
Who: Year 5 & 6 students
Cost: $25

“CLASS PARTIES”
When: Tuesday 17 December

“Wet ‘n’ Wild” Excursion
Where: Gold Coast
Who: Year 4, 5 & 6 students
Cost: $50

Cinema & Bowling Excursion
Where: Ballina
Who: Year 2 & 3 students
Cost: $25

Picnic and Movie
Where: at school
Who: Kinder and Year 1 students
Bring: Their own fun lunch

COMMUNITY NEWS

Ballina Tenpin Bowl
SCHOOL HOLIDAY SPECIAL
2 games for ONLY $14
includes shoe hire
Present this voucher and receive a
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Girls & boys aged 8-12 years
Wednesday 15 & Thursday 16 January 2014
9:30am - 1:30pm
$99pp (incl. lunch, t-shirt, hat plus more!)
Register before Wednesday 1 January!
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Bangalow Banquet Cookbook
The gorgeous Bangalow Banquet Cookbook will be here TOMORROW! Bring some cash along to purchase your copy after the Presentation Assembly. Cookbooks are $39.99 each. People who have pre-ordered will be able to pick theirs up after the Assembly, or from the school office next Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday.

Cookbook Sellers
- Volunteers needed for an hour
  Parents and friends - come and have some fun for an hour or so to help sell the fabulous cookbook at markets stalls. Please add your name to the attached roster and return it to school asap.

Barefoot Bowls Cup
The Barefoot Bowls "CUP" is now on at the Bangalow Bowling Club, each Friday of December between 5:30 and 7:30pm on the "Greens". The Cup will break over Christmas from 20 December and back on 10 January.
This is a chance to win $500 for our school!!!
Four to a team - please call Kat at the Bowlo to register on 6687 2741.

THE RETURN OF THE BANGALOW SCHOOL TRIVIA NIGHT
(Save the Date Folks)
Yes, it's on like Donkey Kong! The team that brought you the inaugural BANGALOW PUBLIC SCHOOL TRIVIA NIGHT is set to make a triumphant return in March 2014 to test you on all things trivial.
The brains trust, led by Quiz Mistress Sharon Fraser is currently preparing to put you through your paces. Please join us for a hugely social night of fun, prizes and healthy, adult (only) competition all in the quest of trivia victory!
Book your babysitters and save the date – SATURDAY MARCH 22ND - and watch this space for more details on the return of the BANGALOW PUBLIC SCHOOL TRIVIA NIGHT.

Thank you to
for proudly supporting the school’s Munch & Crunch Program with fresh fruit and vegetables.
** Please record your contact details above and shifts below then return to the office ASAP **

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**Bangalow Christmas Carnival**
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☑ I can help in **January** (dates to be confirmed)
☑ I would like to sell copies at work etc.

Thanks!

Please contact us for more details: bangalow.banquet@gmail.com or phone Vicki on 0434 940 575.
Parents, Please note for your child to attend vacation care I will need an updated copy of their Immunisation Statement from Medicare. Thank you kindly Janelle.

### Bangalow OSHC Christmas Vacation Care Program

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<td>Techno Games Day. Bring your own games and we’ll go techno crazy.</td>
<td>Show and tell Christmas pressies/ holiday!! After lunch design and decorate your own calender for 2014, laminate them and take them home.</td>
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<td>Tuesday 07/01/2013</td>
<td>Clean Up Bangalow Day. Join us in cleaning up our local community.</td>
<td>Be rewarded for your good community work with free pizza for lunch !!! Design your own miniature wooden surfboard after lunch!!</td>
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<td>Wednesday 08/01/2013</td>
<td>Wheels Day. Bring your bike, scooter or skateboard and enjoy a day on your wheels.</td>
<td>Don’t forget your helmet!!</td>
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<td>Thursday 09/01/2013</td>
<td>Skateboard Excursion. Join us on an excursion to the new Bangalow Skate park.</td>
<td>Bring your skateboards, scooters and helmets. OSHC have some scooterboards if needed. Our Instructor will join us at the park. $5.00 per child.</td>
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<td>Friday 10/01/2013</td>
<td>Water Day. Slip ‘n’slide, water balloons, stained glass fish craft, make your own iceblocks. Don’t forget your swimmers and a towel !!!</td>
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<td>Dress up as your favourite book or movie character.</td>
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<td>Ball Sport Day. Come join us in a game of soccer, basketball, cricket, any game that involves a ball!!</td>
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<td>Puppet craft and Show Day. Come along and make your own puppet then join in our afternoon puppet show.</td>
<td>Parents welcome</td>
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<td>D &amp; T Day. Design and Technology day, join us in making your own birdhouse for your garden at home with Instructor, Anne. $5.00</td>
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<td>Friday 24/01/2013</td>
<td>Australia Day !! Dress up in Australian colours and join us for face painting, craft activities, redesign the flag and cricket games, on the oval and on the WI !! Sausage sizzle BBQ for lunch. !!!!</td>
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<td>Public Holiday Join us for some creative Lego construction, and lego colouring in during the morning, then get your groove on for an afternoon of crazy disco dancing.</td>
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