Northern Rivers Conservatorium
Music in Schools Program
Band Leader & Woodwind Tutor: Ms Kate Gittins
Keyboard Tutor: Mr Dan Brown
Drum Tutor: Mr Rex Carter
Guitar Tutor: Mr Alex McLeod
Keyboard & Singing Tutor: Ms Kristen Monty
Strings 2015: Mr Michael McCabe

Students at Bangalow have the opportunity to learn a variety of instruments through the Lismore Conservatorium Music in Schools Program. On Tuesday this week, a number of those students performed in the annual end-of-year ‘Con Concert’.

We currently have teachers for drum, guitar, flute, clarinet, saxophone, vocal, keyboard (both group and individual) and the Band Program. Lessons are 30 minutes and are held during school hours. Continuing and new students are encouraged to apply now for lessons next year as spaces are limited for some of the instruments. There is also a school flute available for hire, so speak to Kate Gittins if your child is interested in learning the flute.

Parents can contact Zoe at the Con on 6621 2266 or go online to enrol.

The ‘Con Concert’ on Tuesday demonstrated to all students and parents not just the outstanding level of tutoring that is on offer but also the sheer enjoyment and high quality of performance the students are able to present.

Next Wednesday at 9.30am the Epping Boys High School Band are visiting our school to perform for all students and any interested parents. Please come along!
Dear Parents

ENGAGING ALL HEARTS, MINDS AND HANDS TO ENSURE OUR SCHOOL IS A PLACE WHERE YOUNG PEOPLE’S DREAMS COME TO LIFE

PLANNING TOGETHER
‘Creating an Inspiring Future’

We need to plan our School Vision for the next 5 years together – it is imperative for our students’ future that we make education real, engaging, innovative and inspirational for our students.

Please place this date into your calendar TODAY.

Wednesday 11th February 2015 5-8pm

PARENT FORUM
PARENT SURVEYS
FREE STUDENT DISCO
(if their parents attend)
P & C BBQ Sausage Sizzle Dinner

A GREAT NIGHT OUT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY - DISCO + Parent Forum + Surveys

+ MOST IMPORTANTLY

HAVE your SAY!
This is your opportunity for EVERYONE TO HAVE INPUT into the future direction of Bangalow PS for the next 5 years.

Students and Staff will have their own Forums and Surveys as well so all stakeholders have a say.

If you have read my column over the last few weeks you will realise how important it is for our students that we engage with 21st Century Education.

If we are going to unfold the intellectual and creative potential of each student we need to act now!

Passionately and Innovatively

We need to let our children cross the gap from our present to their future.

We are our students greatest hope!

Join with us to PLAN TOGETHER.
See you there - further information next year.

Kind Regards

Susie Boyle, Principal

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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.

PRINCIPAL NEWS

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★ CANTEEN ★

Term 4 Roster
Fridays 9.20 – 12.20pm

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| Week 10 | 12/12 | CANCELLED FOR END OF YEAR |

Thank you to all our volunteers.

★ UNIFORM ★

Our Uniform Shop will be open for some additional hours at the start of Term 1:

- Tuesday 27 January (pupil free) 9:00am - 11:00am
- Wednesday 28 January 8:30am - 10:30am
- Thursday 29 January 8:30am - 10:30am

Thank you to our Uniform Shop Coordinator, Sarah Hanna

Flexi Schools is coming!
We will be introducing the “Flexi Schools” online ordering system for canteen and uniform purchases in 2015. Stay tuned for how you can get started.

Parents & Volunteers
Thank You

Thank you to all of you who have assisted at Bangalow Public School throughout 2014. Your help is greatly appreciated!

To show our appreciation, the staff of Bangalow Public School would like to invite you to an

AFTERNOON TEA
Friday 12th December
1:15pm – 1:45pm

To assist with numbers for catering purposes, please RSVP by Monday 8 December.
It has been a wonderful experience being on the SRC (Student Representative Council). It has been a great opportunity that has taught us to be responsible, organised and a proper leader in the school.

We have been able to communicate better and meet other students and teachers. We have also gained greater public speaking skills and confidence up on stage.

We have had to be responsible and attend SRC meetings, and there we brainstormed ideas for the school, happily communicating with each other.

We got a good feeling of what is is like to be a great leader, that we have taken on board for the future.

We would like to thank Mr Dempster for organising the SRC meetings and helping us keep organised, and Mrs Boyle for supporting us and funding our ideas.

By Kate C & Paris H

FAREWELL to KRISTEN MONTY

It is with great sadness that we say farewell to a wonderful teacher. Kristen is an outstanding teacher who has been at Bangalow PS since 2006. At the same time we sincerely wish Kristen well as she takes up her new teaching appointment in 2015. Kristen has accepted a local transfer having enjoyed many happy years at Bangalow PS. Teachers on the North Coast can apply for a local transfer to a neighbouring school. These moves are designed to provide teachers with opportunities for further professional development. Many of our current students will have fond memories regarding their time in Kristen’s Kindergarten or Stage 1 class. In recent years Kristen has taught Reading Recovery and RFF Music. Kristen is a dedicated teacher who ensures all students enjoy happy and successful learning whilst in her care.

Best wishes and good luck for your future teaching years Kristen.

We will welcome Shannon Gisen who comes to our school with a wealth of experience. He is a highly regarded teacher at his current local school who will also be sorely missed by his school community. We very much look forward to welcoming Shannon to our school in 2015.

Please return all HOME READERS

Please send any home readers back to school TOMORROW for our annual library stock take, thank you.

GOING PAPERLESS IN 2015

Next year, in an endeavour to be kinder to our environment and direct costs back to student learning resources, paper copies of this newsletter will be by “opt in” only. We encourage all parents to access their newsletters via email, the school website, or School Stream. Please contact the office for more information.

PEDDLERS’ DAY thanks

Thank you to all the families who supported our students with their Peddlers’ Day last Friday. The children really enjoyed being enterprising and managing their “businesses” as well as sampling the goods and services from from the other classes. This activity raised $1300 for our Student Representative Council, for playground improvements.

P&C Fundraising Raffle:

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Tickets available from the front office

Drawn Wednesday 10 December

Epping Boys HS Band performance

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Please be sure to return permission notes and payment
END OF YEAR FAMILY NIGHT

CHRISTMAS DISCO & SING-ALONG CAROLS

WEDNESDAY 10TH DECEMBER 2014

5:00 – 6:00pm  BYO Blanket & Picnic
P&C Sausage Sizzle available

6:00 – 6:30pm  Carols & Christmas Songs in the Hall
=G=  Glow Candles for sale

6:30 – 7:45pm  Disco in the Hall

Christmas Giving Tree – leave a present (unwrapped) suitable for a 5-12 year old under our special Salvation Army “Christmas Giving Tree” to brighten the life of a child less fortunate this Christmas. The tree will be proudly displayed in the Hall for you to place your gifts, or you may drop them into the office before Wednesday evening.

All Bangalow PS students (including Kinder 2015) and their families are invited to come along for some Christmas cheer and to celebrate the end of a great school year!

Wear Your Christmas clothes & bring your picnic blanket!
We look forward to seeing you there.

Please note: This is an alcohol free event.
Hi Parents

Here is the Bangalow OSHC Vacation Care Program for the Christmas break. We will endeavour to stick to the program, however unforeseen circumstances may require changes, which we will try our best to let you know in advance. Please ensure your child brings plenty of snacks, lunch and a drink bottle each day, and a hat. If you require care for the last two days of the week prior to Christmas, please book ASAP so we can arrange staffing.

Please remember to sign permission notes for excursions and any required costs are to be paid prior to excursion departure.

For bookings, please call Janelle or Sian on 6687 1686 or message 0417 242523 or twister35@icloud.com. Thank You!

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### Monday 18/12/14

School

### Tuesday 19/12/14

School

### Wednesday 19/12/14

Last Day

Yah !!!!

### Thursday 19/12/14

Christmas Cooking

Game and Bake some fun in the kitchen today. We'll be making Gingerbread men and Christmas tree brownies and Christmas chocolates. Yum Yum Yummy !!

### Friday 19/12/14

Christmas Craft Day

Join us in making some last minute decorations for your home and Christmas tree.

We'll do some balloon painting and painting and make some amazing Christmas wrapping paper.

In the afternoon we will relax and watch some fun Christmas movies and munch on popcorn.

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### Monday 26/12/15

**Wheels Day**

Bring along your wheels today, don't forget your helmet.

We can decorate our wheels, make some personalized number plates and have some races on the oval.

**Bring some fruit** we can put in the freezer to turn into fruit ice to help us cool down after our races.

### Tuesday 27/12/15

**Art and Craft: Merry Christmas**

Gnome and stocking craft, wear your elf clothes.

We'll do some canvas art, painting, water painting on the canvas, finger and feet painting and make some amazing xmas creations to paint.

### Wednesday 28/12/15

**Excursion to Ten Pin Bowling**

Join us on the bus to Ballina for a morning of Ten Pin Bowling. The bus will leave at 8.00 am and you will need $15.00.

We'll take our lunch to the Bangalow show ground where we get back and have a picnic under the trees.

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### Thursday 29/12/15

**Water Fun Day**

Wear your swimming and bring your towel and sunscreen. Today we will have sports fun in the sun and keep cool.

Water slide, water hoop, targets and squo bubbles.

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### Friday 30/12/15

**Sports Day**

Join us for a game of cricket, show some hops on the basketball court, have some games on the play equipment or have a short nature session.

Remember to bring your water bottles.
### Monday 12/01/15
**Science**

We're going to explore some of the wonders of the natural world through a hands-on activity involving the use of microscopes and magnifying glasses. We'll be looking at tiny creatures and learning about their habitats.

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### Tuesday 13/01/15
**Art and Craft Day**

Get creative today! We're going to work on making 3D models using clay. You can design and create anything you like! We'll have all the materials you need, from colored clays to sculpting tools.

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### Wednesday 14/01/15
**Wildlife Excursion in Labrador**

Join us on a trip to the beautiful Labrador park. We'll be looking for signs of wildlife such as birds, insects, and small animals. Don't forget your camera and binoculars!

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### Thursday 15/01/15
**Movie Day**

We're going to have a movie day today. We'll be watching a new animated film at the local cinema. Be sure to bring your own snacks and drinks.

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### Friday 16/01/15
**Hamburgers for Lunch**

Today we're having hamburgers for lunch. We'll also have a variety of side dishes and drinks to accompany your meal.

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### Monday 19/01/15
**Art and Craft Day**

Get creative today! We're going to work on making 3D models using clay. You can design and create anything you like! We'll have all the materials you need, from colored clays to sculpting tools.

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### Tuesday 20/01/15
**Hip Hop Dance**

Get your groove on today with some hip hop music and dance moves. We'll be learning some new moves and having a lot of fun. Don't forget your dancing shoes!

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### Wednesday 21/01/15
**Reggae OSHC Markets**

Children have been busy making various art and craft items, cooking and collecting a variety of treasures to sell at our market day. We'll be opening the shop at 10 am and joining between 10am and 12 noon today.

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### Thursday 22/01/15
**Movie Day**

We're going to have a movie day today. We'll be watching a new animated film at the local cinema. Be sure to bring your own snacks and drinks.

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### Friday 23/01/15
**Australia Day**

Let's celebrate Australia today! Dress up in red, white, and blue or green and gold whatever your fancy! We can make some flags and do some face painting, and we'll have a special lunch at lunch time!
CHRISTMAS DISCO / CAROLS
Wednesday 10th December

More helpers PLEASE …. for our sausage sizzle
We need lots of lovely people to help set up, cook, serve and clean up. Please email Jenny if you can help: jenny@buncoffee.com.au or Ph: 0400 420023

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SAVATION ARMY GIFT GIVING TREE
(last day Wednesday 10 December)

Please help brighten up another child’s Christmas
Leave your unwrapped new gift under the giving tree before Wednesday 10 December for a school aged child. Suggested items include books, board games, colouring pencils, stickers etc; no electronic games, make up or items unsuitable for kids aged 5 – 12 years.

Garage Sale Bonanza - Thank You

We had a fantastic day at the school garage sale bonanza. A huge thanks to Margo Simpson and Anouska Gammon for coordinating the day and also to Joelle Baker for coordinating the cake stall. Thanks also to those who donated cakes and helped to make it such a great day. We raised over $800 for the school.

RAFFLE MADNESS
“Falls Festival” – double pass to be won

We have been kindly donated two passes to the upcoming Byron Falls Festival. Raffle tickets are now available at the school office, $2 each or 3 for $5.
The winner will be drawn at the Christmas Carols/Disco night on Wednesday 10 December.
All profits will go directly to our school.

BANGALOW COOKBOOK
– a great Christmas gift!
Thanks to Mary Nelson, Cathie Mitchell and Camilla Butler for giving up their time to sell our school cookbook at the Byron Markets this morning.
Don’t forget that all profits from the sales of this cooking storybook go directly to our school. A fantastic gift giving idea for Christmas.

Canteen Supervisor for 2015
– calling for expressions of interest
Our school canteen in 2015 will be coordinated by an employed Canteen Supervisor.
Key position requirements:
• efficient, friendly and enthusiastic person
• available 2 days per week (4.5 hours per day)
• to provide healthy lunches and snacks to students according to NSW healthy schools canteen strategy
• to coordinate food ordering and menu planning
• to coordinate volunteers in the canteen
• to work as a team member with all volunteers
• to demonstrate computer literacy using Office applications and internet
• to work with online ordering system
• to manage banking
• to report to the P and C committee on a monthly basis
Any person that would like further information about this role should contact Jenny - Ph: 0400 420023 or email jenny@buncoffee.com.au
Applications close at 8:30am on Monday 8 December

School Playground Update
A huge thanks to Michael Spiteri who has drawn up some fantastic suggested playground decking solutions for under the large camphor trees. We are currently obtaining quotes and will be looking for working bee assistance in the new year. If you are able to assist with building materials/quotes, please call Jenny 0400 420023

Trivia Madness will soon be here for 2015
So brush up on all things trivial in the holidays as we will be back to quiz you and make you laugh at yourselves in 2015. The Trivia team is busy getting organised to bring you yet another fun night (and yes, we are booking a larger and louder PA system)!

WHEN: Saturday 7 March 2015
Save the date & book your babysitter in advance!
THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL

COMMUNITY NEWS

Thank you to

for proudly supporting the school’s Munch & Crunch Program with fresh fruit and vegetables.
Bangalow Public School thanks these sponsors of our newsletter who assist with the cost of publication.

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**COMMUNITY ADVERTISING**

Dancing in the Dark
*(No Lights No Lycra)*

A one hour Retro Style Disco in a darkened hall

**********so you can dance like nobody’s watching.

(It doesn’t matter what you wear or how you dance)

Boogie away your calories & stress to classic dance tracks!

**Great fun and fitness for all the family.**

Tuesday nights 6.30pm at Bangalow Bowlo

$5 entry (Kids $2.50)

Ph 0428 252511
All Girls Cricket Clinic (71344) – Beginners only
(8-12 yrs) Come along to our half day all girls junior cricket program and learn the basics of cricket from former Australian Women’s Cricket Captain Lyn Larsen. With 15 years experience in the game Lyn has plenty of knowledge to share with junior girls interested in playing cricket.
Woodlawn College
Thursday 15 January 2015
9.30am – 12.30pm
Free

Surf Clinic (Level 1) (71259)
(8-15 yrs) If you want to learn to surf or simply brush up on your existing skills, this is the perfect program for you. Learn about safe surfing, skill development, rips, currents and surfing etiquette.
Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre
Monday 19 and Tuesday 20 January 2015
9am – 4pm daily
Cost $130

Surf Clinic (Level 2) (71261)
(8-15 yrs) If you have previously completed the Level 1 Surfing program and are looking to improve on your surfing skills, then come and join us as we take you through wave selection, turning and dismounting correctly, paddling and catching unbroken waves.
Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre
Monday 19 and Tuesday 20 January 2015
9am – 4pm daily
Cost $130

Sailing for Beginners (71340)
(10-14 yrs) A fun introductory opportunity for children to learn sailing with qualified instructors. Children will learn rigging and sailing techniques, as well as safety and teamwork on a Hobie Bravo. Participants will have plenty of opportunity to practise their new skills on the day.
Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre
Tuesday 20 January 2015
9am – 4pm
Cost $55

Sailing Regatta Day (71341)
(10-14yrs) This program is for those who have previously completed the Sailing for Beginners program. Children will learn more advanced sailing skills such as how to use a tiller extension, how to skipper a small boat, various angles of the wind, basic race rules and tactics followed by a short race around an “Olympic” course.
Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre
Thursday 22 January 2015
9am – 4pm
Cost $55

How to enrol
Web: www.dsr.nsw.gov.au
By phone: Call 13 13 02 and have your credit card details ready (Visa, MasterCard).
By fax: Complete the enrolment form, include your Credit card details and fax to (02) 9006 3888.