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School Newsletter

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Thursday 11 February
Term 1 Week 3, 2016

DIARY DATES

Tuesdays
Uniform Shop 8:45-9:30

Wednesdays
Student Banking

Wednesdays & Fridays
Canteen

Fridays
Assembly 2:30pm
(starting T1 W4)

TERM1

Friday 12 February
District Swimming Carnival
Mon 15 - Thurs 18 & Mon 22
February
Y3-6 Primary Swimming / Ocean Awareness / Surfing program

Sunday 21 February
Bangalow Waterfront opening

Wednesday 24 February
School Photos
School Debating Workshop

Friday 26 February
FNC Swimming Carnival

Thursday 25 February
School Photos
SRE/Ethics begins

Monday 7 March
Deadly Australians reptile show

Monday 9 March
P&C AGM 7pm

Tuesday 10 March
Y7 Information Evening at BBHS 5:30pm

Friday 25 March
Good Friday public holiday

Monday 28 March
Easter Monday public holiday

Friday 8 April
ANZAC Day ceremony

Last day of Term

COMING UP

Y3 - Y6 Swimming / Ocean Awareness / Surfing

Students in Years 3-6 will be participating in this program, commencing Monday.
Please ensure permission notes and payment are returned by TOMORROW.

Cost is: $40 for the Swimming Program
$76 for the Ocean Awareness and Surfing programs

Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions, or wish to discuss payment.

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Dear Parents

STUDENT WELLBEING W1-5

This year we have decided to start the year a little differently for Weeks 1-5. The morning sessions will remain as per usual with Literacy in the morning and Mathematics in the middle session. In the afternoons we are focusing on student well-being.

We will be embedding our ‘Program Achieve - You Can Do It’ education into our school. The main purpose of this program is to support families and schools to optimise the social, emotional and academic development of our students.

The teachers will be focusing on reintroducing the 5 Keys to Success (5 core social and emotional capabilities: CONFIDENCE, GETTING ALONG, ORGANISATION, PERSISTENCE, RESILIENCE) through the Ready, Set, Go Introduction lessons, K-2, 3-4, 5-6 to develop the following understandings in K-6:

• students’ understanding of “success”, that it includes doing their “personal best” in different areas, rather than having to be the best and not comparing themselves with others.

• students’ understanding of “happiness” and the things they can do for themselves and for others to help others to feel happy and the things that lead to students feeling unhappy.

• students’ understanding of the 5 Keys to Success (5 core social and emotional capabilities) through the Ready, Set, Go Introduction. Students will also use their 21st century learning skills, particularly critical and creative thinking to design and dream up what it will look like in our school.

• students’ understanding of the importance of “good character” in leading to success, well-being and positive relationships and of the 9 associated values: Care and Compassion, Doing Your Best, Fair Go, Freedom, Honesty and Trustworthiness, Integrity, Respect, Responsibility, Understanding, Tolerance and Inclusion.

• students’ understanding of five social-emotional difficulties referred to as the 5 Blockers that interfere with student positive outcomes: Feeling Very Down, Feeling Very Worried, Procrastination, Not Paying Attention - Disturbing Others, Feeling Very Angry - Misbehaving.

Kind Regards
Susie Boyle, Principal

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.

★ SWIMMING CHAMPS ★

2016 Bangalow Public School Swimming Champions are:

Senior Boys Champion  Fletcher M
Senior Boys Runners-Up  Vinnie L

Senior Girls Champion  Matilda P
Senior Girls Runner-Up  Lilli E & Stella H

11 Yrs Boys Champion  Tom S
11 Yrs Boys Runner-Up  Anthony Mc

11 Yrs Girls Champion  Lilian S
11 Yrs Girls Runner-Up  Chloe P

Junior Boys Champion  Etienne C
Junior Boys Runner-Up  Michael K

Junior Girls Champion  Tess K
Junior Girls Runner-Up  Sienna C

These students will receive their awards at our Week 4 Assembly

House Points Awarded:

Dolphins - 325          Devils - 309          Dingoes - 272

Well done to the following students, who have been selected to represent our school at the Brunswick Valley District Swimming Carnival tomorrow.

Lost Property

We came back from the swimming carnival with a number of dispossessed items, including towels, goggles, etc. Please see the office staff if you are missing anything from the swimming carnival, thank you.
SWIMMING CARNIVAL
**Parent Information Afternoon - follow-up information**

Thank you to all who attended our information sessions yesterday. Further information is available to parents as follows:

**Early Stage 1 / Stage 1 (K-2)**

Printed information will be sent home to parents by the end of the week.

**Stage 2 (Y3 - Y4)**

All information for parents of Stage 2 students can be accessed online:  
http://bangalow.weebly.com

**Stage 3 (Y5 - Y6)**

Printed information will be sent home to parents by the end of the week.

**We are a Nut Aware School**

With several of our students at risk of an anaphylactic reaction if they come into contact with nuts, we ask parents to avoid sending any nut products, in particular nut butters (e.g. peanut butter, Nutella, etc), to school with their child.

**School Policies**

The following policy documents will available on our school website next week:

- Homework Policy
- Welfare and Discipline Policy
- Anti-Bullying Policy
- Parent Code of Cooperation
- Parent and Volunteer Code of Conduct

**Playgroup**

*See the ad further on in this newsletter.*

Bangalow School Playgroup commenced today and we had a successful first day. Mandy and Paddy were our first members and also donated toys and a beautiful rug. Simone and Raph were next to join. We had lots of fun playing rolling on the mats, making play dough creations, storytime, singing and dancing too. Come along and bring your friends to Bangalow Playgroup on Thursday mornings!

We are still seeking donations of the following items:

- Expandable gate barriers (our dimensions are 1700mm or 1800mm and 1080mm or 1190mm)
- Baby toys
- Push & pull toys
- Cars, trains, etc
- Dolls, doll house, etc
- Kitchen toys (picnic sets, chairs & tables)
- Dress up clothes
- Rugs

**HELP NEEDED!**

Please contact Jacqui Thompson on 0458 600428 if you can spare a few hours of your time to assist with our School Canteen.

Thank you to all our volunteers!
Volunteering at school

There are many ways in which you may choose to volunteer at our school - in the canteen, helping with reading, sports activities, P&C functions, working in our garden, transporting students to events, and so on.

If you have not previously lodged one with us, you will need to complete the Working With Children Check - Declaration for Volunteers form, available from the front office. You will also need to provide 100 points proof of identity. Schools are required to keep this documentation on file for five years from the date of submission.

The Working with Children Check (WWCC) commenced on 15 June 2013. In accordance with the Child Protection Act 2012 and the Working with Children Regulation 2013 there are guidelines to be followed before you can start working as a new volunteer. (Please note, existing volunteers who have completed a “Prohibited Employment Declaration” do not need to do anything until December 2017.)

Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you have any questions.

We ask all volunteers at school to sign in and out of the Visitors Book at the front counter - this is a WHS requirement, for your protection. We also encourage you to wear a Parent Helper badge while you are volunteering (available at the office).

We thank you for your help and for helping to make our school a happy, safe and positive place to be.

Spencer’s Summer of Cricket

In early January, Spencer A was selected to represent Far North Coast Junior Cricket after some good performances with the bat and ball for the Brunswick Valley rep team - a team that also featured Vinnie L and Anthony Mc.

The Far North Coast team competed in the 32nd annual Lismore Under 12 Cricket Carnival contested by 20 teams from all over NSW and Southern QLD. Some very fine cricketers have played in the carnival over the years including current stars Usman Khawaja, Josh Hazelwood and David Warner.

Spencer was picked as a bowler and took 6 wickets over the 4 days of cricket including an impressive 3 for 12 runs against Parramatta. The standard of cricket was extremely good, and Spencer learned lots. And only being 10 years old, with luck, he’s got a few more carnivals in him yet.

The carnival was won by Sydney Northern Districts who beat Manly Warringah in the final.

Band News

BANGALOW SCHOOL BAND NEEDS YOU.....

If you are learning an instrument with a Conservatorium or private teacher and would like to join the band, there are places available this year.

There will be opportunities to play at assembly and in the School Musical in Term 3. Also to take part in the Music Marathon at the Conservatorium in Lismore. Come along and have some fun and try out your favourite songs.

ALSO a great opportunity for a student to hire the school flute this year - ABSOLUTELY FREE if you have tuition with Kate Gittins. Contact Kate on 0421 574858.

Scripture / Ethics Classes (Special Religious Education)

Please ensure you have returned the note nominating which SRE group you would like your child/ren to attend in 2016, thank you.
Madhatter’s Tea Party – make it happen!

We need a Madhatter’s team ASAP to make this event happen. This is the P&C’s major fundraiser. There will be a huge number of parents involved throughout the process, but at this stage we need a small group to get the ball rolling. We are still looking for volunteers to manage the key roles:
- Raffle co-ordinator
- Event co-ordinator

Two people can share these roles, so get together with a friend if you like.

The event has been running for several years, and the bones of the event are now firmly in place. It is an ideal opportunity for the P&C to raise crucial funds for the school. The amazing team who have previously run this event have generously offered to provide a supported handover of the event. You won’t be alone, and there are systems already in place. We just need some key people to kick start the process.

With the P&C AGM scheduled for March, and the Billycart Derby in May, ideally we need a Madhatter’s leadership group to start the planning process ASAP.

Please contact Susie Boyle if you can help.

Raffle Prizes

If you can donate a prize valued at $250, or help purchase a prize, please contact the school office.

Trivia Night

A reminder that the Trivia Night will be on Saturday 12th March at The Bowlo. Book your babysitters and check the newsletters for more information.

Next Meeting - AGM

The next P&C meeting will be our AGM:

Wednesday 9 March, 7pm

Meetings are held in the school staff room and new members are always welcome.

For more information, email Damion at damion.cavanagh@gmail.com

P and C Membership Form

I _______________________________ (name)
would like to become a member of the P and C for 2016.

My child/ren is/are in class/es _____________________

My email address is: ____________________________________________

My contact number is: ________________________________

I have enclosed $2 for 2016 membership
COMMUNITY NEWS

Have a go at Nippers!
An Inclusion Day for children from 5 to 13 years old with additional needs and different abilities to try out Nippers activities.

When: Saturday 27th February, 2016
Where: Lennox Head Surf Life Saving Club
Time: 10am - 12:30pm
Cost: Free (with sausage sizzle lunch provided)
RSVP: Please call Aspect Northern NSW on 02 6628 3660 or register online at autismspectrum.org.au

BYRON BAY JUNIOR BASKETBALL
SUMMER 2016 - TERM 1
MINIBALL (8-12yr olds) Tuesdays 4-5pm
@ Cavanbah Sports Centre starts Tuesday 9/2/16
AUSSIE HOOPS (5-8yr olds) Thursdays 3.30 - 4.15pm
@ Byron Bay Public School (Term 1) starts 11/2/16
For more information www.byronbasketball.com or ph; 66872246 a/hrs
e-mail, info@byronbasketball.com

You are invited to join the Bangalow Parklands team
at the Grand Opening of
THE WATERFRONT bandstand building, Ashton & Deacon Streets, Bangalow
Promptly at 11.30am Sunday 21 February 2016

BYO Picnic
Event runs 11.30—12.30pm
With MP Tamara Smith, Byron Mayor Simon Richardson,
MC Mick O’Regan + others
RSVP Lynn: email ljs19@bigpond.com
Bangalow Public School thanks these sponsors of our newsletter who assist with the cost of publication.

Advertising in our Newsletter

Local Bangalow businesses are invited to have a REGULAR ad placement in our newsletter each week. Payment will be by the term ($143 incl. GST) and the ad specs are:

- Business Card size (90 x 50mm)
- OR Banner size (185 x 28mm)

All submissions must be in jpeg or pdf format. Please contact the school office on 6687 1434 or email us at bangalow-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au for details.

While we exercise due care, Bangalow Public School does not endorse or guarantee any goods or services advertised.

Community Advertising

**COMMUNITY ADVERTISING**

Join Bangalow Rebels

RUGBY IN 2016!!

Players wanted for all junior teams from under 7s to under 18s.

- Family Friendly junior club with rugby played in the right spirit
- Juniors play on Friday night
- Under 7s play touch

Junior sign on days. Saturday 13th and Saturday 20th February, 2-4pm at the Bangalow Bowlo

Contact Paul De Fina 0400572 028

Or to register online, simply jump on our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/bangalowrugby for all the information to join our great club.
Dear Parent/Carer

A new school ‘Drop-off, Pick-up’ student marshalling initiative will be commencing at Bangalow Public School soon. Under this system, a driver pulls in to a designated No Parking zone and a supervising adult volunteer then assists the student/s to exit or enter the vehicle from the kerbside doors only.

The ‘Drop-off Pick-up’ student marshalling initiative will be located in the showground on the road behind the hall. This will be well signposted. Students will wait beside the back of the school hall with parent volunteers until their car comes into sight. They will move to the gate and wait for a parent to send them to the School Principal. The School Principal will then escort the student/s to their car.

For this initiative to commence our school needs to organise the following:
- A roster for parent volunteers to assist myself the School Principal with this zone. If you are interested in participating in this initiative, could you please contact the school prior to **Wednesday February 17** if you are interested in volunteering in either:
  - the morning 8:50-9:20am or
  - afternoon 3:10-3:25pm.
  I shall provide you with further information via a phone call, meeting or an information session.

Thank you so much to the following parents who have offered to assist for Term 1.

We need to fill this roster for our ‘Kiss and Drop Zone” as Roads & Maritime and Byron Shire Council will not sign off on the final step unless we have a timetable for am and pm in place. Please consider volunteering for 15 minutes per week.

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Advantages of the Drop Off & Pick Up student marshalling initiative

The ‘Drop Off and Pick Up’ student marshalling initiative has a number of safety advantages for school students which include:

- Relieving traffic congestion around the school by ensuring cars don’t park for long periods of time in the No Parking zone.
- Providing adult supervision for students being dropped off and picked up from the school.
- Managing the various transport options available in the school environment.

Last year the P & C, myself and the Showground Committee met with Byron Shire Council to put forward our joint proposal around making students entry and exit into our school safer.

Byron Bay Council and the Road and Maritime Services have agreed to our joint proposal as long as the following conditions are met.

RECOMMENDATION from Byron Shire Council:

1. That Council endorse No Parking on the west side of Market Street, Bangalow between Byron Street and its northern end, and that it be effective all days between 8am and 6pm.

2. That in support of the Bangalow Public School and Showground Trust proposal Council endorse and sign the parking and traffic arrangements upon the Bangalow Showground which are as follows:

   N.B. Refer to the map on next page:
   a) as per pink and blue lines, install “One Way – School Days Only” signage in the showground around the small oval;
   b) as per orange box, sign area as “School Staff Parking - School Days Only”; and
   c) also along the blue line, sign as “No Parking – School Days Only” and that it be supplemented with “Kiss and Ride” signage.

3. That the use of the Kiss and Ride be subject to the:
   a) confirmation of the school support for the initiative, including:
      * distribution of Roads & Maritime educational material available from the Centre for Road Safety Website
      * Parent/carer letter (this and last week’s letter) in School Newsletter
   b) identification of volunteers and/or teachers approved by the school community, including demonstrated understanding of liability in respect to of volunteers and students. Please note that the school must also develop policies and procedures to administer the initiative.
   c) details of proposed operation times and roster of volunteers and/or teachers.

Watching out for our children

Kind regards

Susie Boyle
Principal
These classes are held each Tuesday from 10:50 to 11:20am. Please indicate which SRE group you would like your child to attend in 2016.

I, ____________________________________________

(parent / carer's name)

consent to my child: _______________________________

(child's name)

in class ____________

attending the following SRE group:

☐ Catholic

☐ Anglican

☐ Presbyterian / Uniting / Assemblies of God

☐ Buddhist

☐ Baha’i

☐ Non Scripture

Signed: ___________________________________________

Date: __________________________

PRIMARY ETHICS CLASS

PLEASE NOTE, students who have elected to attend “non-scripture” have the option of attending a Primary Ethics Class instead.

If you would like your child to attend the Ethics class, please indicate below:

I would like my child to attend the Primary Ethics class

Signed: __________________________________________

Please return this note to school as soon as possible so that our records can be updated. ALL students need to return this slip, regardless of which SRE class they were in last year.

Students who elect to do “non-scripture” may do quiet reading or complete classwork during this session. Under NSW Government regulations, teachers are not permitted to teach during this time, although full supervision is provided.