4P, 4/5R, 5/6Mk and 5/6 B have been involved in the WAVE climate campaign this week. Students have written environmental pledges that will be displayed as the world’s largest mosaic greeting card. The climate commitments from schools from all over the world will be displayed on 17 June 2016 at the United Nations in Geneva. An electric BMW i3 charged by solar power picked up the postcards from the 6 local schools participating in the event this week and dropped them to the Mayor of Byron Bay.

WAVE means symbolically, that with every drop we generate waves. With every event we generate an impact and we can make things move. Here are some of our Climate Change Commitments that everyone can do.

- I pledge to save water by reusing bath water and turning off dripping taps so it does not waste water. Jude
- I will help mum in the garden to care for the veggie garden. Fianna
- Please use less fuel than usual maybe even none at all. Consider riding your bike, walk or catch public transport. Ted
- I will turn off electrical appliances when not in use. Olivia
- I will use environmentally friendly cleaning products. Ruby J
- I pledge to use less plastic and no aluminium cans. I will reuse bags for shopping to stop landfill and help the earth. Chloe
- I say no to buying products containing palm oil and soy because too many forests are cut down. Xavier

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Dear Parents

This week we continue to look at ideas for helping our students settle into their new year at school.

MAKING FRIENDS

Children who are able to form friendships are happier at school and also learn better. More significantly, positive friendships have long-term implications for social and indirectly academic success.

Friendship skills are generally developmental, but they don’t develop in isolation. Kids acquire these skills when they play with their siblings and interact with children and adults outside their family.

Parents can help kids develop important social competencies by teaching them sociable behaviours at home and providing opportunities for kids to play with each other in a variety of situations.

Here are 3 important social skills to help children to develop:

1. Ask for what you want

Help children ask for what they want. We need to ignore shrugs and grunts and expect them to articulate their wishes. This is the basis of civil behaviour, as well as a basic human skill.

2. Sharing

As children get older the notion of sharing becomes a pre-requisite for playing with and forming relationships with others. Other children like to play and be with those who share their time, possessions and space with them. Sharing is the start of empathy as it shows sensitivity to other people’s feelings.

3. Holding a conversation

Holding conversations with others is a lifetime friendship skill. Good conversationalists give of themselves, but also take an interest in the person they are talking to. Many children forget that good conversations are two-way events, and tend to focus solely on themselves. Children within conversations need to learn to ask good or interesting questions; to take turns when speaking and to show you are listening by making eye contact and not interrupting.

As parents we often focus on the development of children’s academic skills and quite easily neglect the development of important social skills, which contribute so much to children’s happiness and wellbeing.

Kind Regards

Susie Boyle, Principal

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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.

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★ AWARDS ★

Congratulations to the following students who will receive an award at Friday’s assembly tomorrow at 2:30pm.

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★ COMING UP ★

Our 2016 School Musical

‘Alice in Wonderland’ Cast Auditions

The audition process commenced this week with many enthusiastic students from Years 2-6 attending meetings at recess time to learn more about the characters, the audition process and to collect a script.

Students can still pick up a script from Mrs Polak this week.

Students should read over their lines and check the timetable displayed near the hall next week for set audition times.

Miss Hunting and Miss Daly will work with students in Kindergarten and Year 1 in CAPA time over the next two weeks as part of the cast audition process.
**CANTEEN**

Please place your canteen orders at
www.flexischools.com.au

**TERM 1 ROSTER**

**Wednesdays 9.00-11.30am**
**Fridays 9.00 – 12.30pm**

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**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!**

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**SCHOOL NEWS**

**BANGALOW PLACE CREATION WORKSHOP - March 15/16**

Susie Boyle Principal and P & C representatives will be attending this 2 day workshop. We need to garner as much feedback as possible from parents prior to this meeting.

The community survey titled “Bangalow Have Your Say!” which was attached to our newsletter in December 2015 was a joint effort by a committee formed of representatives from the Bangalow Chamber of Commerce, the Bangalow Progress Association and the Bangalow Building Owners and Stakeholders Alliance.

Please click on this link to the school website -
www.bangalow-p.schools.nsw.edu.au to find the **Summary Analysis of the findings of this survey**, as analysed by the community committee.

These findings will be considered as a part of the workshop.

Parents are encouraged to read these summary findings and email bangalow-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au to the school any further comments on the likes, dislikes, changes and ‘big ideas’ our organisation would like to see for Bangalow.

**BOOK CLUB 2016**

Brochures for Bookclub were sent home to all students yesterday. Please return all orders and payments (or just the order if paid online) to the office NO LATER than **Wednesday 16 March**.

**GARDEN CLUB**

If anyone has missed signing in last week for Garden Club, come tomorrow at lunch, bring a hat. It looks like the Seniors will be selling produce after assembly so come with some change. If you are wondering what is the new vine on the way to the hall, it’s yam:)

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**TERM 1 ASSEMBLIES**

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All families and friends are welcome to come along to our Friday Assemblies at 2:30pm.
NOTES SENT HOME THIS WEEK

P&C NEWS

Next Meeting - AGM
Wednesday 9 March, 7pm
Agenda Items -
- Bangalow Place Creation Workshop. Come along to find out more information and have input into the future direction of Bangalow
- Mad Hatters’ 2016
Meetings are held in the school staff room and new members are always welcome. For more information, email Damion at damion.cavanagh@gmail.com

SCHOOL NEWS

School Drop-off & Pick-up Zone
We still need some volunteers for our “Kiss and Drop Zone” roster. Please let us know if you can assist, even if only for 15 minutes a week. We cannot commence this drop-off and pick-up procedure until we have enough names to fill the roster.

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*** Only 3 places to fill and we can START!!!!***

Voluntary Contributions
We are asking everyone to pay the VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION THIS YEAR if at all possible.
It is only $45 per student per year which equates to $11.25 per term. This may not seem like a lot but last year less than 50% of our families paid which meant that we lost many thousands of dollars for classroom resources.
If we receive $45 per student that is $13 095 which is just spent on equipping our students with the best resources possible for their learning.
We only receive $64.45 per student per semester from the government but this must also cover all administration costs, paper, telephone rental, photocopier costs, computer and internet costs, school maintenance, some teacher professional learning and some casual teaching costs.
Please pay your $45 if possible. You are welcome to pay in instalments but if you pay your $45 before the end of Term 1 your name is placed in the draw for a mini-ipad.
All students will now be invoiced for the Voluntary Contributions. Statements will be sent home with students next week, unless already paid.

WIN a Mini iPad!!!
All children who have paid their Voluntary Contribution before the end of term and have no outstanding payments owing to the school (eg Resource Pack) will go into the draw!
The winner will be drawn at the Week 2 Assembly in Term 2 - Friday 6 May.

Trivia Night
Saturday 12th March at The Bowlo
Get your tickets now!
See attached flyer for details.

Calling all trivia buffs!
The annual Bangalow Public School Trivia Night is just three weeks away. From 7:00pm on Saturday 12 March, Bangalow’s finest minds will take over the Bowlo in quest of determining who has the smarts.
Tickets are just $20 per person with money raised from the night to go back into our beloved BPS.
Go to Flexischools to buy your tickets or pay in cash, in person on Friday 4 March (directly after assembly outside hall) and Tues 8 March at 8:45am near the canteen.
Please refer to the flyer in this newsletter for more details. The theme is ‘futuristic’ so be sure to dress the part and join us for this most excellent social event.
P.S. Book your babysitters now as this is a strictly ‘adults only’ soiree! Please contact Sharon Fraser with any ticketing questions: sharonfraserarch@bigpond.com

NOTES SENT HOME THIS WEEK

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WHEN:     7PM SHARP  SATURDAY NIGHT MARCH 12TH
WHERE:    Bangalow Bowling Club
COST:    $20 per person
WHY:    To meet other parents+ to raise funds for our school
DRESS:    DRESS FUTURISTIC!!! Prize for the best dressed up table.
FOOD:    Details to come but food will be available at bowlo

HOW TO GET TICKETS:
- Go to FLEXISCHOOLS (where you put your canteen orders); hit “place an order”, go down to Trivia tickets. You can purchase a table of 8 or individual tickets. Please note that for individual ticket purchases, we will place you on a table. Flexischools is the preferred method of ticket purchase and so easy!
- You can also buy tickets on 2 occasions at school, for cash: Friday 4th march after assembly (just outside hall) and Tuesday march 8th at 8.45am near the canteen

Any problems / queries; contact Sharon Fraser email: sharonfraserarch@bigpond.com

GENERAL INFO:
- You can buy any number of tickets. If less than 8, we can put you on a mixed table – a great way to meet other parents…..OR form a team of 8 people.
- Sorry we cant do tables of 9 or ten, strictly 8 max
- You can buy drinks over the bar at the Bowlo (they will also provide table service to buy drinks). Strictly no BYO
- The night will go to about 10.30 (that’s a rough estimate!)
- ADULTS ONLY. So you will need to book the babysitter
- BOWLO FOOD: normal bowlo menu before 7pm and antipasti plates available for tables after 7pm - $10 for 2 people or $20 for 4 people
EXTENSION TO SCHOOL BUS ROUTE
Do you live in or are you building in Parrot Tree Place or Ivory Curl Place in Bangalow?? Are interested in getting the school bus to do a circuit around Parrot Tree Place? We are planning to put in a joint submission to the Department of Transport for their consideration. For further information please contact Jan Casey at caseyjan0@gmail.com or by phone on 0417 469 972.

BUILDING A LEARNING FOUNDATION TOGETHER
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.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL
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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 details.

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