

Byron Bay Public School

Newsletter

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Wednesday, 23 November 2016

Term 4 - Week 7

Year 6 Excursion to Sydney and Canberra

Seventy four very excited Year 6 students left on Monday morning for Sydney and Canberra. They were accompanied by Tony Hutchinson, Heather West, Amanda Webber and Zane Vockler. Highlights include: visits to the Sydney Opera House precinct and Circular Quay; and in Canberra the Old and New Parliament Houses, the Australian War Memorial, the CSIRO, Questacon and the National Museum of Australia. Students have the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs that focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. I'm sure there will be many great experiences for the students during the week and many stories to be shared on their return.



Band Recital Evening - Monday, 28 November

The students in the school's Band Program will present their final performance for 2016 at the Byron Community Centre next Monday, 28 November. We would like to thank Band Director and strings tutor Michael McCabe for his extra work with the two bands, supported by tutors Zoe Abbott, James Cox, Francis Atkins, Julius Hofstetter and Alicia Charleston. The highlights of the evening will include individual student performances, the Senior and Bunyip Band performances and the String Ensemble. The evening will start at 6.30pm, however band members are asked to be there at 5.30pm for photographs.

The community are invited to see the talented students of Byron Bay Public School perform in a spectacular evening of instrumental music. Tickets are \$10 children and \$15 adults online at http://byroncentre.com.au/event/byron-bay-public-school-band-string-recital-presented-by-byron-bay-public-school/?instance_id=23645 or at the Byron Theatre Box Office from 10.00 am to 3.30 pm daily.

Parents who are considering including their children in the Band Program are encouraged to contact the office for information about the 2017 program. Learning to play an instrument in a band is a valuable learning experience. Playing a musical instrument is a learning enrichment program.

Band Recital Rehearsal

All band members will have a rehearsal on MONDAY, 28 November between 9.30am and 1.40pm at the Community Centre in preparation for the Band Recital that night. Students, please remember your instruments on Monday.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Yasmine who placed in the top 5 in the NSW Multicultural Perspective Public Speaking Competition. We are very proud of your outstanding achievements.

Volunteers Afternoon Tea

We would like to thank all of our fantastic volunteers at a special afternoon tea on Thursday, 24 November at 1.40pm. We are very fortunate to have parents and friends who go out of their way to support our school in so many ways. I am looking forward to meeting you all.

What's Coming Up!

Term 4

Week 7

Thursday, 24 November

- * Band Practice - Bunyip Band Only
- * Playgroup in hall - 9.30am
- * Last day for Scripture
- * Catholic Mass K-6
- * Volunteers Thank You Afternoon Tea @ 1.40pm

Sunday, 27 November

- * Golf Day from 12 noon and P&C Raffle

Week 8

Monday, 28 November

- * Final Whole school assembly - 9.20am
- * Stage 2 NRL
- * Band Recital Rehearsal - Community Centre 9.30am - 1.40pm
- * Band Recital Performance - Community Centre @ 6.30pm. Photos @ 5.30pm

Wednesday, 30 November

- * 125yrs Planning Meeting @ 6.00pm in Staffroom

School Donations: Building A Better Foundation



The school has established two tax deductible funds to enable parents, relatives and friends the opportunity to make donations.

The Building Fund has provided financial support to complete our school hall renovations, install reverse cycle air-conditioning units in every classroom and construct classroom computer centres. During the next three years, the Building Fund will be used to improve playground facilities.


The Library Fund has provided reading materials for guided reading, home reading and the Reading Eggs technology program.

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125 Years Celebration Planning Meeting

We had a good response to our first Planning Meeting for our 125 years celebrations in 2017. I would like to thank Geoff Spargo for chairing the meeting. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, 30 November at 6.00 pm in the staffroom at school. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Year 5 Leadership Development Program

Our Year 5 students participated in a special Leadership Development Initiative on Monday. They will be heading off to Mt Tambourine on Thursday to further their team building skills and strategies. Thank you to Mr Spry for organising this initiative.

No Golf Club Raffles on Friday, 25 November

These raffles will take place on Sunday at the P&Cs Golf Day. A BIG thank you to everyone who has entered a team. Also thank you to the Golf Club who have been very supportive by providing a venue for the P&C raffles and to the local businesses who have donated the great prizes. This year the funds raised have contributed towards the P&C's funds which have resulted in the resurfacing of the basketball court & purchasing of a bank of new laptops computers. This will be the final raffle for 2016.

Band Scholarships

Next year there will be three band scholarships offered to students. The P&C is providing two scholarships for clarinets, while the Kingsley Scholarship is for any instrument for a student in Year 3 in 2017 who is joining the band program. All scholarships are limited to twelve months with an expectation that the student will continue in the program. Information about the scholarships is available at the office.

Lots of Extracurricular Activities

This week has been another particularly busy week with extracurricular activities on each day. Our School Captain nominees for 2017 all gave amazing speeches and can be proud of the way they conducted themselves. Students K-6 successfully participated in our mandatory emergency lockdown and evacuation drill. Kindergarten went on their Lighthouse Excursion. Thank you to Mrs Miller and the Kindergarten teachers for organising the excursion. Year 6 students are away on their Canberra Excursion. Year 5 participated in a leadership & team building initiative. Years 1 and 2 continued with their Swimming Program. Students in Years 3 and 4 participated in a National Rugby League initiative. Thursday will be the last day for scripture classes.

Until next time,
Linda Trigg
Principal

125 Year Celebrations 2017

The first meeting to plan the 125 year celebrations in 2017 was held last Wednesday evening with fourteen keen parents, past-parents, past-students, teachers and past-teachers attending. The Committee has scheduled a second meeting on Wednesday, 30 November at 6.00pm at the school. The meeting agenda will include confirmation of an event date, publishing a book, a mural, the time capsule, events, partnerships with local service clubs/businesses, a Facebook page and communication in our community. Your attendance is welcome to make this event memorable in the history of Byron Bay Public School.

Geoff Spargo
Project Manager

Ethics

We've come to the end of another year's delivery of the Primary Ethics Program from K to 6 at Byron Public. It was our biggest intake so far of students, since its beginning in 2011. The discussion topics involving short scenarios of relevant ethical situations and dilemmas were well-received by the students across all levels, and the critical thinking skills that the children learnt will no doubt be useful across the academic curriculum. So I'm sure the school community joins me in thanking the dedicated volunteer teachers (mostly parents of BPPS students) who gave up their time every week to meet and talk with the children. They have said that they feel rewarded to be part of this cutting-edge program.

Some of this year's teachers have committed to another year and they will take their own children whom they have taught this year, into the next level; but if this year's parent response to enrolling their children in the program is any guide, we will need to augment the group with new volunteers to cater for next year's enrolment. So if this worthwhile cause appeals to parents, grandparents, relatives and friends in the school community, and if you want your children to continue in the program, then please come forward and investigate volunteering!

Please go to the Primary Ethics website www.primaryethics.com.au to find out all the details of the course and the means of volunteering, or email me at christinewillmot@gmail.com for a chat and an introduction.

Thanks
Christine Willmot
Coordinator, Primary Ethics

Weekly Achievement Awards Term 4 Week 7

These awards will be presented at Assembly,
Monday, 28 November.

Benjamin	KD	Ruby	3P
Byron	KG	Spencer	3PV
Japhi	KM	Eleni	3W
Jeanie	KR	Fjord	4E
Ollie	KS	Jack	4P
Finn	1CS	Daran	4W
Jay	1G	Arlo	5L
Jessica	1M	Matthew	5M
Eva	1SR	Bodhi	5R
Dominic	2S	Noah	5S
Matilda	2T	Luke	6H
Marlowe	2V	Scarlett	6P
Tyler	3M	Noah	6W

Technology	Fjord	4E
Music	Callem	KR



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COME AND JOIN US FOR THE BBPS ANNUAL GOLF DAY

Sunday, 27 November, (shotgun start 12 noon).

You don't have to play golf to join in. Come and meet at the Golf Club for a few drinks and for the Raffle and Auction, we have some fantastic prizes (a night at Byron @ Byron, a night at the Beach Suites, just a couple of prizes. Peppe Pizza will be there if you don't feel like cooking. (Golfers will finish about 4.30pm). Come and enjoy the day with us.

WINNER ANNOUNCED

We are very pleased to announce that **SARAH ALDRIDGE** is the winner of the Free Entry to the Heli Ball Drop competition. Thanks to Sarah for 'liking' and 'sharing' our Facebook page, along with many other members of the school community. Please contact the School Office to collect your prize, Sarah!

www.facebook.com/bbpspandc

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Fairy Floss and Popcorn Stall - PLEASE

Sunday, 4 December from 11.30 am– 4.00pm. Byron Bay Public School P&C is having a stall at the Helicopter Ball Drop at Red Devil Park. This is our last fundraiser for the year and we need volunteers to help run the stall. This is a community event and we are hoping the stall will be a winner with the crowd. If you can spare an hour or more during the day can you please let us know so we can put you on the roster. All profits from the stall and a third of the profit from the Heli Ball Drop will be coming back to our school to benefit your children. Please text or phone Martine on 0431 055 421 or Amanda on 0412 739 365, with your details and available time.

- **Make a difference to your child's school - join the P&C -**
You can email us anytime at byronbaypandc@gmail.com.

Addams Family Recount - 5S

Last Tuesday, Stage 3 students walked to the Byron Bay Community Centre to watch a performance by the Bright Lights Productions. It was performed by high school students. They performed an excellent act called "The Addams Family". There was lots of dancing, singing and dramatic scenes and it was great! All the actors had fantastic costumes on and amazing makeup. I rate it 4 out of 5 stars. By Maya

Last Tuesday, Stage 3 students walked to the Byron Bay Community Centre. We were going to watch the amazing Bright Lights Production group performing "The Addams Family". These high school students worked very hard to make this production come to life and it worked. I didn't see them mess up once. Now that is amazing. It was funny, weird and crazy and I loved that. I think Stage 3 students at our school were very lucky to see this production. By Sinead

Last Tuesday, Stage 3 students walked to the Byron Bay Community Centre. The reason was to watch a performance by the Bright Lights Production group. "The Addams Family" performance was a brilliant production. It had all the characters such as Pugsly, Lucas, Wednesday and Gomez. The high school teenagers were in character. Their singing and dancing was amazing. By Iliana

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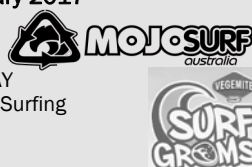
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Term 4 - Week 7 Canteen Roster

Mon 28 Nov	Dianne Brien, Suzie Farrell
Tue 29 Nov	Kellie Hughes, Sue Davies
Wed 30 Nov	Sarah Link, Tiffany Stickl
Thu 1 Dec	Jenna Agius, Louise Beaumont
Fri 2 Dec	Kellie Marshall, Helen Safranek



As we approach the end of the year, please note some changes that will commence in Term 1 2017:

- ◆ The Canteen will be closed on the first day of school (Monday, 30 January). Please remember to pack your child a lunch
- ◆ There will be a limited Canteen menu available from Tuesday, 31 January to Friday, 3 February
- ◆ Wednesday, Thursday and Friday will be Flexischool only lunch order days
- ◆ Due to supplier prices increases, there will be some small price rises on some items in 2017

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Weekly Achievement Awards - Term 4 Week 6



Year 5 Team Building Week



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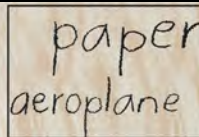
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