

Byron Bay Public School

Newsletter

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Term 3 - Week 4

Great School

The Honourable Ben Franklin, MLC and Parliamentary Secretary for Renewable Energy, visited us last Thursday and he was really impressed with our school. He learnt about the great things that are happening here and also made a considerable donation to the Grandparents as Carers initiative which provides support to grandparents who are caring for school children. A very worthy cause. Mrs Whitney and 4/5W also had the pleasure of meeting with Mr Franklin. Ben also visited our school last year when he brought Rob Stokes, the Minister for Education to visit. I spent considerable time at this meeting showing them the plans for our 10 new classrooms and talking about the need to have air conditioning included at the departments expense. Shortly after this visit, the Minister announced that air conditioning would be included in all new builds in schools. It is refreshing to know that they listened to our concerns and acted upon them, making decisions in our favour.



Ben Franklin with BBPS students.

NAIDOC Celebrations

On Friday at 9.20 am, we will be having our K-6 NAIDOC Week Assembly in the school hall. Parents, Carers and community members are invited to attend.

2019 Kindergarten Information Night - Thursday, 23 August at 6.00pm

Parents of children planning to enrol in Kindergarten 2019 are invited to attend our information evening tonight. Teachers and administrative staff will be attending to provide important information. Families intending enrolment of their children in 2019 are requested to contact the school's office to place their child's name on the 2019 list.

Lots of Extracurricular Activities on Offering

This week Year 6 are away on their Canberra excursion. They are visiting Parliament House, the War Memorial, the Governor's residence, plus other places of significance, as well as a trip to the snow fields and the opportunity to ski. Mr Hutchinson has let us know that they are learning a lot whilst having a great time on the excursion. Last week Year 6 visited Byron Bay High School to present their projects which were of an exceptionally high standard, the best so far. Congratulations Year 6, on a job well done.

On Friday, 72 students attended the District Athletics Carnival, the biggest team ever. Our students performed well, with many personal bests. Our 2 debating teams represented us well in the Premier's Debating Challenge. We also hosted a series of drama workshops, as part of the Bangalow Music Festival. (pictured right)

Kindergarten, Year 1 and 2 were entertained with the 'Dinosaur Who Lost His Roar' show where they learnt about belonging, identity and responsibility. This week is National Science Week and Kindergarten are having their Science Fun Day on Friday, Years 1 and 2 did their science rotations on Monday and Tuesday, while Years 3, 4 and 5 are completing activities throughout the week.

What's Coming Up! Term 3 - 2018

Week 4

Thursday 16 August

- Year 6 Canberra Excursion
- Creative Arts Camp - Lennox Head
- Playgroup 9.30am

Friday 17 August

- Year 6 Canberra Excursion
- Creative Arts Camp - Lennox Head
- Kinder Fun Science Day

Week 5

**NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS
BOOK WEEK**

Monday 20 August

- Whole School Assembly - 1.50pm
- The Great Book Swap 12.10-1.30pm

Wednesday 22 August

- Year 6 Project Display in the hall 9.20-11.20am

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School Contribution - \$80

Book Pack - \$55

Kinder Lighthouse Excursion - \$4



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.

This fund will continue to expand reading resources and technology for literacy learning.

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Students have participated in the ICAS Mathematics Competition. Three students are attending the Creative Arts Camp at Lake Ainsworth. A BIG thank you to our amazing teachers who go out of their way to make all of this possible.

Staff Parking Dilemma

As a follow up to last weeks article on our staff parking dilemma that Council has presented us with, Simon Richardson, the Mayor has intervened on our behalf and the Council is now working on sorting it out for us. Thank you Simon, we appreciate your support in this matter.

Buy a Bale of Hay Fundraising Initiative

The SRC spent last week fundraising for the 'Buy a Bale' organisation to raise funds for our drought-stricken farmers. Thanks to our generous school community, we were able to raise over \$1,000. The SRC has pledged to match that contribution. Our P&C have been very supportive of this fundraiser and have kindly donated a further \$2,000. In total we have raised more than \$4,000. This money will be used to purchase hay bales, diesel to transport the bales to Western NSW and water. We thank everyone for their generous contributions and hope for rain! Mr. H cracked his whip he brought in to help us get in the farmer spirit! (pictured right) Thank you to Miss Stanton Gillan for her organisation.

Until next time,
Mrs Linda Trigg
Principal

How to make a donation to our Library Fund or Building Fund

To make your donation to the Byron Bay Public School Library Fund or Building Fund you can pay at the school office with cash, cheque, debit card or credit card. You can also make a donation by clicking on the \$ "make a payment" on the school website and pay by credit card, clearly make the reference - Donation Library Fund or Building Fund. Please note a direct deposit option into the previous bank account is no longer available.

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data

All government and non-government schools in Australia are required to participate in the annual Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The national data collection counts students who have been identified by a school team as receiving an adjustment to address a disability as defined under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (the DDA). The national data collection is based on the professional judgement of teachers about their students with disability and the level of reasonable adjustment they receive to access and participate in education on the same basis as other students. This is consistent with the obligations of all schools under the Disability Standards for Education 2005 (the Standards). More information is available at the website <https://www.education.gov.au/what-nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>.

The information is provided to the Commonwealth as a series of number sets that cannot be used to identify any individual student or school. If your child receives a separate letter about NCCD this week, please understand that they may not have a doctor's diagnosis of disability but the teachers here have made a professional judgement that your child needs, and has had an adjustment to access the curriculum for a sustained period of ten weeks or more.

The Great Book Swap

BBPS students, together with students from across all of Australia, will be participating in the 'Great Book Swap' being held on Tuesday 21 August. The aim of the 'Great Book Swap' is to help raise \$300,000 to buy 30,000 new culturally relevant books for remote indigenous communities.

If students or families from BBPS have books to donate, they would be very welcome. Please send any donated books to the school library from now. Please only donate books that are in a good condition. On the day, 21 August, students can swap a gold coin for a book. If families or the community would like to know more about the Indigenous Literacy Foundation or would like to make a personal donation email info@ilf.org.au or go to www.ilf.org.au

Book Week

Book Week will be celebrated in Week 5 of this term. We are having a 'Great Book Swap' on Tuesday 21 August, an author visit, Jessie Blackadder on Thursday 23 August for Year 5 and a Book Tasting for Friday 24 August for all classes. More details to come next week.



Weekly Achievement Awards Term 3 Week 3			
These awards will be presented at Assembly in Week 5.			
Quinn	KC	Cassius	3D
Leila	KD	Banjo	3M
Rocco	KM	Nalu	3/4S
Arohanui	KP	Ameya	3W
Milla	KS	Sunny	4P
Ayla	1C	Zahra	4PV
Harper	1E	Zahra	4/5W
Rocco	1G	Eli	5I
Rio	1S	Sam	5R
Benjamin	2C	Luca	5W
Kai	2T	Canberra	6H
Yani	2V	Canberra	6S
Oliver	2W	Canberra	6W
Technology	Elvis S		6H
Choir	Leo L		5W
Music	Benjamin W		1C

Weekly Achievement Awards Week 2



Lost Property

Is your child missing a jumper? Lost property is overflowing. Jumpers that have a child's name on them, are returned to class. Please ensure your child's clothing is named to assist the office. Thank you.



Term 3 - Week 5 Canteen Roster

Mon 20 Aug Michelle Roesler, Nicole Greenfield
Tue 21 Aug Tiffany Stickl, Natalia Klein
Wed 22 Aug Rebecca Cleary-McLeod, Roberta Zaiantchick
Thu 23 Aug Kate Williams, Jess Best
Fri 24 Aug Rebekah Tom, Danny Almagor

If you are able to assist or can't make it in, please contact Mandy in the canteen or email bbpscanteen@gmail.com.



National Science Week

This week is National Science Week and students from Byron Bay Public School participated in a range of cool Science activities. The theme for 2018 is Game Changers and Change Makers. For information about festivals and events across Australia, you can visit www.scienceweek.net.au.

Ex-student visits

"Don't cry over spilt milk". Tossing this and other sayings around is how a young and up coming band from Sydney decided on the name "Spilt Milk". You may have heard them played on Triple J's Unearthed last year. While in Byron Bay to attend the Writers Festival last week, ex Byron Bay Public School student and lead singer/song writer of the band, Charlie Sics very kindly agreed to visit his old school to talk to Year 5 students. In addition to performing a song, he shared with the students how he came to form the band, how they work and how he comes up with inspiration for his songs. The students (and teachers) had lots of questions for Charlie but the most memorable was "If you were asked to use one of your songs for a movie, which one would it be?" Charlie is pictured right playing at one of his gigs.



Tali, Feather, Angus and Bailey enjoyed Science Week activities.

Year 6 Excursion



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Byron Bay Nippers Information Day
 Sunday 26 August 9-11am

Nippers is open to all children that are 6yrs by 1 October. If you are thing about nippers and would like to know more, come down and find out what nippers is all about and how you can get involved. Be confident and safe in the water and have a lot of fun along the way!!

Info: Mike McCabe - Jnr Activities Co-ordinator - 0433 856 504 or email nippers@byronbaysurfclub.org or go to www.byronbaysurfclub.org



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