



The Hive



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Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of 2015 planning for next year is already underway. A major part of this process is to gauge the success of programs and strategies that the school has put in place. To gain a parent perspective the school has developed an online survey for you to complete. To access the survey you can go to the website listed below.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZY6KY3S>

School Swimming Scheme

With our K-4 students completing the intensive swimming program this week I would like to gain your feedback regarding the program. With schools being such busy (and sometimes costly) places, we are looking at when the best time to run the program is, and whether you think it is value for money. Please include your comments through the survey above or drop me a line.

School Learning Support Officers

No doubt you are aware of the wonderful work our School Learning Support Officers do in support of our students. We are blessed to have such dedicated professionals working with us. In planning for 2016 and the educational programs that will be put in place, we will be looking for extra suitably qualified and experienced people to join the team. An *Expression of Interest* will be included in next week's newsletter as well as on our website.

"Forward to the Past"

We have received some feedback regarding our exciting whole-school performance and the commitment required of students and their parents. Your child will be required at both performances (1st and 2nd December) from 5.30pm and then be collected from classrooms at around 8.00pm. While this may be somewhat inconvenient at such a busy time of the year, there is no question the students will gain a great deal from the experience.

I have had several students visit my office this week to share their quality work. Well done Savannah and Justine on your work with 24 hour time, and congratulations Angel on your reading level progress.



Regards

Peter Flannery
PRINCIPAL



Ballina Public School respectfully standing on Bundjalung Land



Calendar

For week 8

Swimming Program for Years 5 ~ 6

Continues from Monday, November 23rd, and concludes on Wednesday, November 25th

Life Education

Concludes Monday, November 23rd

Deadly Circle

Wednesday, November 25th. Activities and a get together for Mums and pre-schoolers in our Aboriginal resource room

Weekly Assembly

Friday, November 27th in our school Hall. All Welcome! 1-2W will have an item to share with us. Hope to see you there

Coming up...

Whole School Production, 'Forward to the Past' coming in week 9

Congratulations to our Royal Bees



Shakyra, 1-20



Teisha, 1-20



Congratulations to our Silver Bees



Oliver, KM



Tysha, KM



Ben, KM



Kadyn, KM



Band and Choir News

Canberra Excursion

Choir and Band Students from our school will soon be undertaking an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$60 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion. This amount was deducted from the students' ticket price before they were charged.

No Band or Choir in week 8

As many of the senior members of the choir and band (and Mrs Drinkwater) will be in Canberra then Sydney for all of week 8, there will be no choir or band rehearsals either in school time or before/after school during week 8.

Amanda Drinkwater

Congratulations Michael

During term 3, the Commonwealth Bank ran a competition for students participating in the school banking program. All that was required was three or more separate deposits within the school term to be entered automatically. There were hundreds of prizes to be won, including book gift certificates, headphones and iPad mini's. One of our year 5 students was lucky enough to win one of 75 iPad Mini's. Congratulations Michael! Thanks to Commonwealth Bank representative Gary Smith for attending our assembly to present the iPad to Michael.



Young Carers Project

Are you a student with a significant caring role?

This project supports students 18 years and under who have a significant caring role to complete their secondary education.

What is a Young Carer?

A Young Carer is someone who provides significant support for a parent, partner, child, relative or friend who has chronic illness, disability, mental illness, alcohol or other substance dependence or who is frail aged.

What can we do?

Support is based upon the individual needs of the young person but may include some of the following examples:

- Respite ~ a short break from your caring responsibilities to spend time on school work or other school activities.
- Tuition support.
- Material resources such as school books or uniforms.
- Support to attend school activities
- Referral to appropriate services.

What will happen if you call our service?

Young Carers or their advocates will complete a Young Carer eligibility assessment that will inform us of the scope of your caring role and help us understand the challenges that may be present.

We will then discuss what supports would best assist your situation and who may be available to help. We can then provide assistance to bring these supports into place and help you stay at school. You can contact us whenever you need.

This is a free and confidential service. Contact us on 1800 052 222

P&C News

Coffee Club

All Parents and Carers are welcome to join us for a free afternoon tea, every second Thursday from 2.30~3pm. The next Coffee Club will be Thursday, November 26th. It's a great opportunity to catch up, and meet other families from our school, and to have an informal chat with our Principal, Peter Flannery. Hope to see you there!

The P&C Committee



Ballina Public would like to send a big Happy birthday wish to:

Tamati, 1-2M
Neesha, 3-4F
Maria, 3-4F
Kylesha, 5-6T
Georgia, 5-6T

We hope you've all had a wonderful day!



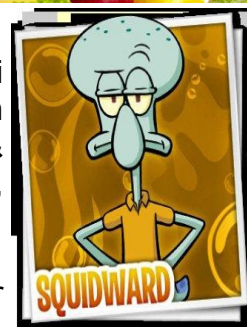
the **lunchbox** canteen news



MEAL DEAL

Squidward's Cranky Calamari Rings with Salad (comes with Tartare Sauce sachet & Lemon), Nudie Juice Popper, plus a surprise. Only \$5.00.

NEW ~ 250ml Mini Water Bottle 80c.




Limited Time ~ Mini Sausage Rolls can be ordered for lunch orders. \$1.50ea. Frozen Yoghurt, 80c ea.

Did you know ~ Reindeer like Bananas!

Colleen 0457 641431

Canteen Roster

	<u>Preparation</u> 9.15-11	<u>Lunch</u> 11.15-12	<u>Recess</u> 2-2.30
 Monday	Cindy	Cindy	
Tuesday	Deb P	Deb P	
Wednesday	Deb B	Deb B	
Thursday	Deb B	Deb B	
Friday	Alison	Alison	



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SRC Summer Fair 2015

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Competitions, Prizes to be won,
Reptile Shows, Face Painting, Sand Wizard
Bring your friends



Pre-paid "all you can ride" passes \$20. Avail 16/11 - 3/12 from Office

On the day ride passes \$25. Single rides \$5

Friday 4th December

1:40pm - 6:30pm