The Wave



Term 3 - Week 4

Principal's Message

Evacuation Drill

On Thursday we had a drill to practice evacuation from our classrooms. This is important just in case an emergency situation arises in the school, such as a fire.

Our staff and students followed all of the instructions perfectly.

Practicing this also gives us the opportunity to see if there are any areas we need to fix up in case of a real evacuation.

On this occasion, we had warned students and staff that we were going to practice, but we don't always get notice of emergency events. As such, we will be doing another practice next week sometime without any prior warning for the staff and students.

Story Dogs

We are lucky to have Story Dogs come to our school. Story Dogs is a fun and unique reading support program that improves children's reading and communication skills by children reading to a trained companion dog and its handler. We are fortunate to have Mauro and Attila a Bernese Mountain Dog come to Ballina PS. Students in Years 2 or 3 are selected for the program and thoroughly enjoy reading.



Lighting for the Hall

In planning for this year's school production we purchased and had installed, some new lighting for the stage in the Hall. We can't wait for the next opportunity to use them!

Thanks to Joe Messiter and John Southon for organising this great addition to our school.

Kind Regards, Stacie Luppi

Important Dates

Term 3

Week 5

Tuesday 10th August Kinder 2022 School Tour 4pm

FNC Athletics

Book Club closes

Week 6

Monday 16th August - Fri 20th August Dentist & Optical Visit

Week 7

Thursday 26th August Book Character Parade

Week 8

Friday 3rd September Years 5 & 6 Cricket Blast School Cup

Week 9

Wednesday 8th September
North Coast Athletics

Thursday 9th September
School Production (Matinee)

Friday 10th September
Recycle Relay

Week 10

Monday 13th September
Recycle Relay

Tuesday 14th September
Recycle Relay

Friday 17th September
Last Day of Term 3

Canteen News



It's great to be back in the Canteen!

Thank you for your understanding during my much needed time off.

I missed you all.

The Canteen is always in need of volunteers. It's a great way to get involved and know your child's school.

Please contact Alison if you are interested on 0400 651 440.

Due to new guidelines regarding single use plastic – we are unable to give out plastic spoons and forks.

Alison Mann Canteen Manager

THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL

\$6.00

Mi-Goreng Noodles
Vegesticks or Fruit Salad
Choice of Drink

Book Club

Book Club closes on 13th August, 2021. No orders will be accepted after this date.

This will be the only Book Club for this Term.

COVID-19 Update

A reminder for all families

Students must not attend work or school if unwell, even with mild symptoms of COVID-19.

Any person with any COVID-19 symptoms must be sent home and not return to school unless:

- they have isolated for 10 days, when no medical certificate is available
- they have a negative COVID-19 test result and are symptom free.

In circumstances where children have other medical reasons for recurrent symptoms, a letter from their GP is sufficient to negate the requirement for a negative test.

Anyone who is unwell with COVID-19 symptoms is strongly encouraged to get tested and self-isolate until a negative result is received. Find your local <u>testing clinics</u>.

New School Hall Lighting





2022 Kindergarten Enrolments

We are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten Students of 2022.

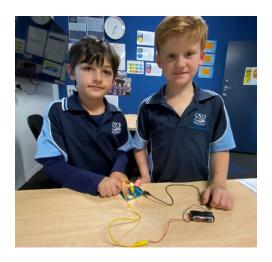
If you wish to enrol your child, please contact our administration office.



Student Learning in Class 1-2T

It's always wonderful to have students come to my office to show me the great learning they have been doing. Hudson and Tristan came to show me their electric circuit and how they can make the electricity flow to turn the light bulb on! Budding scientists being grown in 1/2T!

Mrs Luppi



PIZZA DAY





Thank you to everyone that ordered pizza for our Pizza Day on Monday. We ordered 75 pizzas in total and all the children looked like they enjoyed them!

Get to know our Staff

Interview with Mrs Honny Henderson – School Counsellor

1. What is your role at Ballina Public School?

I am the School Counsellor and Registered Child Psychologist.

2. How many years have you been at Ballina Public School?

I have been working within wonderful Ballina PS two days a week for three years now.

3. What is your favourite colour?

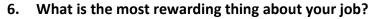
My favourite colour is Pink.

4. What is your favourite food?

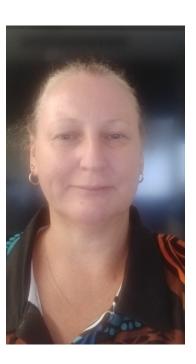
I love to eat a fabulous spicy flat noodle pork Laksa.

5. What is your favourite thing to do outside of work?

I love to spend time with my children at the beach, watching them play sport or simply spend time playing with them and our crazy little dogs. I also love to laugh and dance whenever possible.



Seeing our students smile, laugh, grow, blossom and achieve their individual goals.



Supporting our Local Community

We Need You

Out of School Hours Care Central Ballina Operates

Before School Care 7:00am to 9:00am After School Care 3.20pm to 6.20pm Vacation Care 7.00am to 6.20pm

Applications are available at www.rainbow.nsw.edu.au

Also Rainbow 4 John Sharpe St East Ballina

Government Child Care benefits and rebate available.

All enquiries phone Jan or Jodie at the Rainbow Children's Centre for Information (02) 6686 6621.





