

The Wave



Term 4 – Week 3

Relieving Principal's Message

I have had the pleasure of visiting many classes this week to observe learning, and I have enjoyed being out in the playground watching the many games children play. The students have displayed sportsmanship and consideration of others this week, which they should be proud of.

Hats, Jumpers and Water Bottles

The weather is very changeable right now, going from hot to cold quite unpredictably. Could you ensure that your child has a school jumper in their bag. It is also important that your child has a hat that is marked with their name. This is a requirement for playtime, as well as any lesson that is held outside. If you don't have one, they are available at the Front Office for \$8.50. Water bottles are also important during this very hot weather to encourage hydration.

New School Bus

We have some exciting news! Mr Coulter and Mrs Luppi have worked together to organise a brand-new bus for our school! It can carry 22 people and it means where we can, we can use it to discover more learning in our community. Staff will be gaining their licences to be able to drive the bus-standby for exciting times ahead!

Check In Assessments

Students in Year 3, 4 and 5 will participate in the Check In Assessments for literacy and numeracy during Week 4. Teachers use this data to inform teaching and learning cycles, and produce report data.

State PPA

Mrs Luppi is attending a Statewide gathering of principals in Sydney this week. We are looking forward to learning about all the exciting advances in education when she returns.

Bus Behaviour

We would like to remind our students that appropriate bus behaviour should be shown on the way to and the way home from school. It is expected that students sit in their seats with their seatbelts on (where provided) during their trip. This will help to reduce students moving around unnecessarily and allow the driver to concentrate on the bus route. Food should not be eaten on the bus, and water should be the only drink. Rubbish should stay in student bags. Students should use appropriate school talk with others. Students are reminded that unsatisfactory behaviour can result in the temporary loss of a bus pass- at the bus company's discretion.

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2024

Students who are eligible to begin school in 2024 are encouraged to complete enrolment forms so classes can be formed for 2024. Parents can contact the front office on 6686 2205.

Pick Up and Drop Off Zones

Parents are reminded that if they use the Martin Street gate to pick up or drop off a child, that this is a bus zone. There is a pedestrian crossing that should be used to avoid children walking out into traffic in front of buses. If you are collecting your child from Crane St, please be mindful not to park across driveways or double park in front of cars.

Kind Regards,
Kim Wheatland
Relieving Principal

Important Dates

Term 4 - 2023

Week 6

Friday 17th November
2024 Kindergarten
Orientation – Session 1

Week 7

Monday 20th November
Book Fair

Friday 24th November
2024 Kindergarten
Orientation – Session 2

Week 9

Wednesday 6th December
Year 6 Farewell

Thursday 7th December
Stage 3
Ballina Pool & Waterslides
Rewards Day

Friday 8th December
PBL Rewards Day

Week 10

Tuesday 12th December
End of Year Presentation
Day Assembly

Wednesday 13th December
Stage 3
Laser Tag Rewards Day

Thursday 14th December
Stage 3
Ballina Tenpin Bowling &
Pizza Rewards Day

Friday 15th December
Last Day of Term 4

Canteen

MEAL DEAL

\$6.50

Salad tub with choice of Ham, Chicken, Egg
or Cheese

Up & Go

Yoghurt & Strawberries

Prize

End of Year Monster Raffle

On behalf of everyone at Ballina Public School, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to all local businesses who have donated items to support our end-of-year raffle. The response has been amazing. Please get behind these supporting businesses whenever you can and shop local!

Forty Winks (Bedding Package)	Malibu Burgers	Community Project Playcentre	Enspire
The Bicycle Emporium (Drift Bike)	Sun's	Mezza	Ballina Pool & Waterslides
Ramada	Ballina Surf	Juice It Up Bar	Smokin Barrell
Che Bon	Opal Nails	Bondies	Indian Kitchen
Dinner Is Served	Thai on High	Tonic Hair Body Beauty	Café Boker
Mumbai Masala	Palace Cinemas	Babalinos	Cherry Street Sports
Coffee & Kitchen	Ballina Ten Pin Bowling	Hartley's Fresh Market	Aero Nails
Gallery Cafe	Analise's Hair Studio	Sportspower Super Warehouse	The Kitchen
Fisherman's Co-Op	Byroness	The Lounge	Cathy Walshe The Barber
Book Warehouse	Taco Bell	Brad's Butchery	Kelp
Stellarossa	Ballina Marineland	Ballina RSL	Body Beyond
Sushi Don	Ballina Bait & Tackle	Our Chemist	Northern Rivers Seafood
Blooms Chemist	I Nails	Subway	Terry White Chemist
Our Chemist	Martins Bakery	Dominos	Blushed
Kebab Zone	Chicken Mania	Belle Central/General	Baskin Robbins
Cherry Street Butchers	The Book Room	The Source	Cellar Bottleshop
Bi Rite	Price Attack	Zaraffas Coffee	Lennox Gelato & Coffee Co
Hello World Travel	Central Hair Design	Pet Stock	

Stacie Luppi
Principal

Ballina Public School Bus



World Teacher's Day – Friday 27th October 2023



Today is World Teachers' Day and we celebrated in style at Ballina PS!

We held A Lovely Legs competition where the teachers had to disguise their legs, and put a large box over their top half to make it hard for students to guess who the teacher was under the box! There was a lot of creativity- as suggested in the attached photos!

Everyone had a great time! The teachers were then treated to lunch which was provided by the SASS staff.

It was an awesome feast followed up by ice-cream sundaes at recess for the teachers. It is lovely to be appreciated by the whole school community- and thank you to the teachers who make BPS the great school it really is.

Mrs Wheatland



Reading is the most important skill you can teach a child. Of all the skills children learn, reading is the one you can influence the most.

**We invite you to visit our Ballina Public School Book Fair on
Monday 20th November.**

The Book Fair will open at 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm in the library.

Students will have access to the Book Fair from the week prior to view the selection and make a short wish list.

By purchasing books for your child, you are directly contributing to our Ballina Public School library collection.

Effpos will be available on the day.

Reminder, you are still able to use your child's Education Hardship Flood Funding. If you are unsure of your child's remaining balance, please contact our administration office.

We look forward to seeing you all at our Book Fair.

*Julie Streader
Teacher-Librarian*

Check In Assessments – Years 3, 4 & 5

Next week, students in Years 3, 4 and 5 will be participating in the Reading and Numeracy Check-in assessments.

This is a NSW Department of Education online literacy and numeracy assessment available to support schools to assess and monitor student learning. The assessment supplements existing school practices to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs. Students with a disability may receive the same level of support during the assessment they would normally receive in the classroom.

All year 3, 4 and 5 students will undertake a reading assessment in the morning and a numeracy assessment after lunch.

Thank you for allowing us to support your child's ongoing learning.

Mrs Whalan
Assistant Principal
Curriculum & Instruction

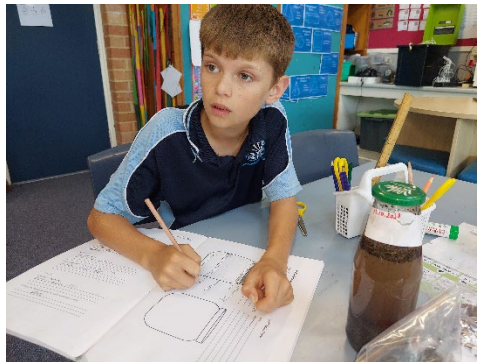
Class 3-4S

Students in year 3 are engaging in their Science and Technology unit 'Exploring the Earth's Surface' and as a result will be learning:

- Why the Earth's surface changes over time as a result of natural processes and human activity, for example:
 - Characteristics of soils
 - Evidence of natural changes in landforms, rocks or fossils
- That scientific knowledge helps people understand the effect of their actions, for example:
 - How erosion is caused by human activity
 - How erosion can be minimised

The Investigation pictured is the students creating soil solutions which allow the components of the soil to separate in to visible layers and makes them easier to identify and quantify.

Mr Scott
Class Teacher



Science

Goori Gumaguy Blaggang Mirr



Jarjum Gamgaang Bulaang

Learning Together

Homework Support Centre

YEARS: 1-6

Wednesday 4:00pm-5:30pm

Community Room

10 Hayman Street, West Ballina

Bring your homework and get support !

**Dates: Wednesday 18th Oct, 1st Nov ,
15th Nov & 29th Nov 2023**

For more Information contact : Letisha Roberts 0435770326

Afternoon tea provided.

Follow covid 19 safe practises.

Children must be accompanied by parent/career over 18
years to this supported H.W.C