

The Wave



Term 4 – Week 3

Principal's Message

Positive Postcards

I hope that many of our families have seen some 'Positive Postcards' posted home. If not, I'm sure some will be coming your way soon!

Primary Principal's Association State Conference

Last week I had the pleasure of attending the NSW Primary Principal's Association conference in Sydney, an important opportunity to connect with colleagues and learn from each other. In addition, we heard from several speakers from a variety of backgrounds. These included 2021 Australian of the Year, Grace Tame, and adventurer James Castrission, who walked from the edge of Antarctica to the South Pole – and back! Inspirational stories of resilience and grit came from every speaker, providing all principals with new learning to take into their schools.

We also heard from Mark McCrindle, the founder of McCrindle Research, an Australian social researching company. McCrindle talked about the six 'Generations' - you might recognise yours in the picture. He also taught the principals in the room about "Generation Alpha", the name he has coined for people born between 2010-2024. These are the kids of today – highly relevant information for those of us in primary schools.

I would like to thank Mrs Wheatland for stepping into my seat for the week, and all the assistant principals for supporting her.

Check In Assessments

Our Years 3, 4 and 5 students have been busy completing Check-In Assessments this week to 'check' their understanding in various areas of Literacy and Numeracy. Check-in assessments are online assessments for students in Years 3 to 9. They are mapped to the NSW Syllabuses and National Literacy and Numeracy Learning Progressions and are highly informative for determining our next steps in teaching.

Mrs Whalan has done a wonderful job of organising this and has been well supported by all relevant class teachers.

Kindergarten 2024

Our next visit for our 2024 Kindergarten students is Friday 17th November. We have different people visiting to provide valuable information regarding catching buses (Ballina Buslines), our school's learning and support processes, Before and After School Care (Rainbow Region Kids), and our wonderful Aboriginal Dance Troupes will be performing for our parents and carers.

If you know someone who lives in Ballina who has a child starting school next year, let them know they can enrol now for 2024.

Kind Regards,
Stacie Luppi
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

Alpha

Born 2010-2024

Largest generation ever



Most materially endowed



Most globally connected



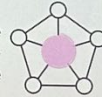
Most technologically supplied



Most formally educated



Longest life expectancy-redefined work life



The six generations



Builders

Born: 1925-1945
Age: 78+



Boomers

Born: 1946-1964
Age: 59-77



Generation X

Born: 1965-1979
Age: 44-58



Generation Y

Born: 1980-1994
Age: 29-43



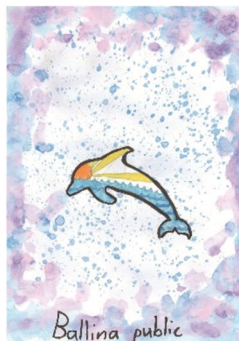
Generation Z

Born: 1995-2009
Age: 14-28



Gen Alpha

Born: 2010-2024
Age: under 13



**BPS
Positive
Postcards**



Payment Reminders

1. All tickets for our end of year Monster Raffle need to be returned by ***Friday 17th November, 2023.***
2. Year 6 Farewell invitations have been sent home. Payment is due by ***Wednesday 22nd November, 2023.***

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!

Tickets are to be returned by 17th November 2023.

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



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*

NRL Clinic





BALLINA SHIRE *Steps Up* **AGAINST** **DOMESTIC & FAMILY VIOLENCE**

FRIDAY 1 DECEMBER 2023

Walk with Rotary

Schools, sporting groups, service organisations and community members are welcome to join us

Assemble at the La Balsa Plaza carpark for a 12.30pm start
(next to the Ballina Swimming Pool)

Walk along River & Cherry Streets to the Ballina Indoor Sports Centre
(part of these streets will be closed for the walk)

Together we say

YES *to* **RESPECTFUL** ♥
RELATIONSHIPS

At the BISC there will be special guest speakers and music including

Meg Vallentine - Lived Experience

Superintendent Scott Tanner - District Commander, Richmond Police District

Dr Hannah Tonkin - Women's Safety Commissioner, Depart. of Communities and Justice

Music and Dance by Ballina Coast High School students

Please Note: By participating in this event, participants/walkers agree to do so at their own risk

STEP UP SPEAK UP BE A VOICE FOR CHANGE

Organised by Rotary Club of Ballina-on-Richmond Enquiries: Dave Harmon M: 0401 956 996

