

The Wave



Term 1 – Week 10

Relieving Principal's Message

The end of Term 1 is fast approaching with our last day being next Friday 12th April, 2024.

Thank you, teachers and students, for a great first term. Week 11 is packed with Stage 1 excursion, PBL Award assembly, Cross Country, PJ day, and PBL rewards day.

School Photo Day

Reminder to our families if you wish to order School Photos, you have until 8th April before a late fee is charged. Thank you to all staff for assisting in making the day run smoothly.

Crazy Hat Parade

Last Thursday, the crazy hat parade was a great success, and well done to all who creatively prepared their hats. A special thank you to Jo Faulks for organising the day; it was a great success.

Anzac Day March

The Ballina RSL Sub-Branch, in partnership with the Ballina RSL Club, invites the Ballina public to the ANZAC Day March and Commemoration Services on Thursday, 25 April. We are eager to unite our community once again in honouring this significant day. Students will meet in front of the Ballina Courthouse on the corner of River and Martin Streets no later than 10 am, with the service estimated to start at 11 am. If your student is interested in this event, please notify your teacher. As ANZAC day falls on the second week of the holidays, further information will be provided closer to the date on School Bytes, Facebook and School Stream.

Parking around school areas

A friendly reminder not to park in the bus zone area and to be conscious of blocking driveways during child pick-up at the end of the day. Thank you for assisting us with this.

New PBL Signage

New PBL signage has been placed around the school. It's great to see the school expectations proudly displayed around both sites. Thank you to the PBL team for getting this done.

Kind Regards,
Alaric Coulter

Important Dates

Term 1 - 2024

Week 11

Monday 8th April
Special PBL Assembly
1:15pm
School Hall

Wednesday 10th April
Cross Country

Friday 12th April
Anzac Assembly

Last Day of Term 1

Term 2 - 2024

Week 1

Monday 29th April
Staff Development Day

Tuesday 30th April
Staff Development Day

Wednesday 1st May
Students Return

Week 2

Monday 6th May
Souths Care – Wellbeing
Program

Week 3

Monday 13th May
Assembly
School Hall
1:20pm – 2:00pm



\$6.50 Meal Deal

Curly Pasta

Water

Fruit Salad

Prize

Our Canteen is open from 8:45am – 12:00pm on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday's.

Up & Go Milk Poppers will no longer be available at the Canteen.

Canteen Easter Raffles

Congratulations to the lucky winners Eleyna, Penelope and Koa.

Free School Dental Service – 27th to 31st May 2024

Please use the link to complete the form for your child to have a free dental check at school.

<https://nswdentalcare.com.au/parental-consent-form-schools/>

SRC Pyjama Mufti Day

Get ready to be comfortable!!

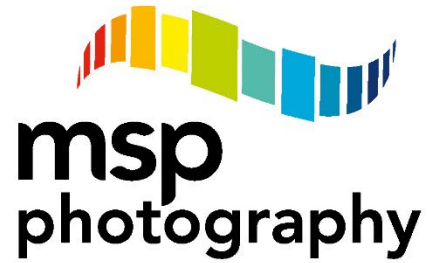
To celebrate the end of such a busy term we have decided to slow things down a little...

Next Thursday, April 11 the SRC will be holding a Pyjama Mufti Day!

Everyone is invited to come to school dressed in their comfiest pyjamas and bring a gold coin donation.

Normal school shoes must be worn.





Place your order on the MSP Online App by

MIDNIGHT
8 APRIL 2024

to avoid any late fees

Any questions, please contact our friendly staff

Ph: 07 5520 2999

Email: admin.gcnr@msp.com.au

SRC Crazy Hat Parade – Thursday 28th March

Thank you to the SRC for a really successful 'Crazy Hat Parade'. A big thank you to all who participated and to all the parents and carers that help make this happen every year, we couldn't have these events without your support. Morning tea was a big hit this year, with hot cross buns, muffins and chocolate cake. It was nice to see our community come together to share some refreshments. Our next SRC event will be a special 'Mufti Day' in week 11. Keep a look out for the posters, coming next week.






Important Information

School Bytes

If you have not signed up to School Bytes yet, we encourage you to do so to keep up to date with what is happening at school.

All Ballina Public School excursion information, permission notes and payment options will now be accessible through this app. **If you do not have the School Bytes App, please check your email as the excursion information and permission notes will be sent to your email address that you have provided to us.**

If you require any assistance with joining School Bytes, please contact our administration office.



The graphic is a dark blue rectangular poster for the 'School Bytes Parent App'. At the top left is the 'School Bytes' logo, which consists of a stylized 'S' and 'B' icon next to the text 'School Bytes'. Below the logo, the words 'Parent App' are written in a large, white, sans-serif font. Underneath that, the phrase 'Available now!' is written in a light blue, sans-serif font. A line of smaller white text reads: 'Download on the App Store or Google Play by clicking the image below.' The central focus is a smartphone displaying the app's dashboard. The dashboard has a 'Welcome John' header and several colorful tiles for 'Finance', 'Payment History', 'Activities', 'Fees', 'Documents', and 'Attendance'. Below these is a 'Students' section with two entries: 'Dereckia Auer' (DA) and 'Oscar Salvinger' (OS), each with a small profile picture and school name. Surrounding the phone are several circular icons connected by white lines, representing features like a calendar, a credit card, a checklist, a group of people, and a notification bell. In the bottom left corner, a white box with a blue border is titled 'Key Features' and contains a bulleted list of five points. In the bottom right corner, there are two buttons: one for the 'App Store' and one for 'Google Play'.

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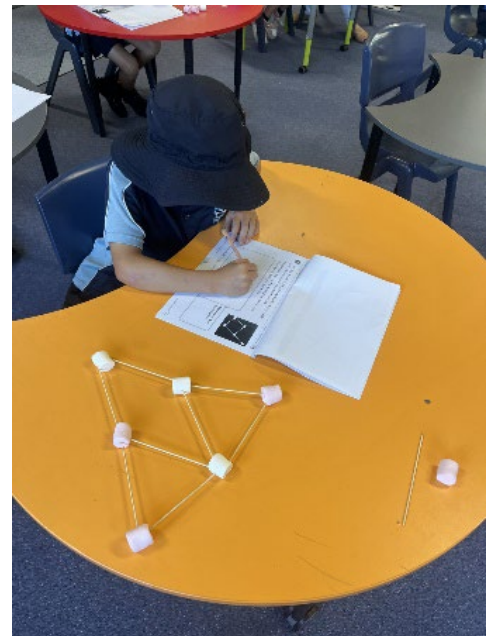
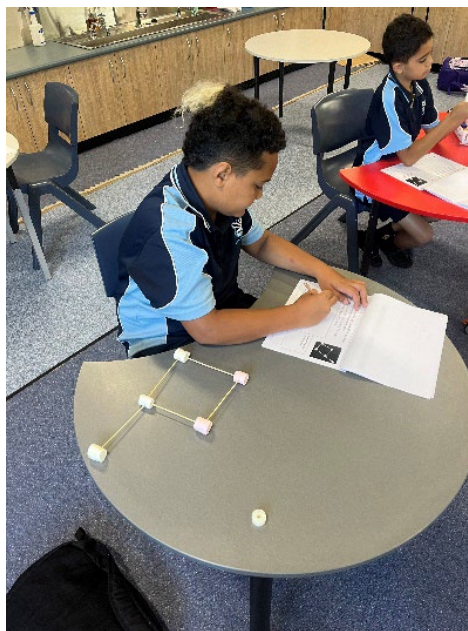
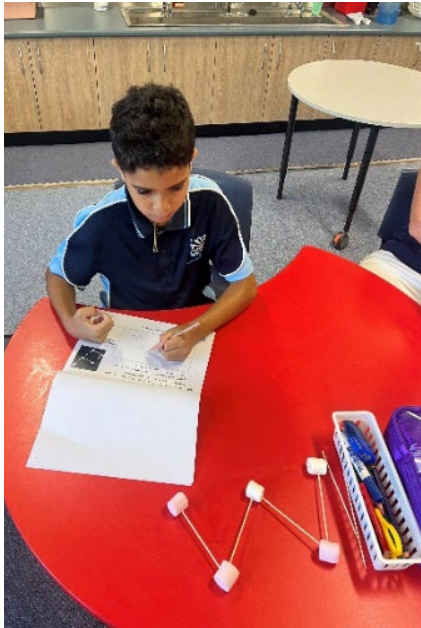
Key Features

- Get real time push notifications from your school
- Stay signed in and save your card for secure payments for fees and excursions
- Give consent, sign forms and respond to attendance alerts
- View the school calendar and news

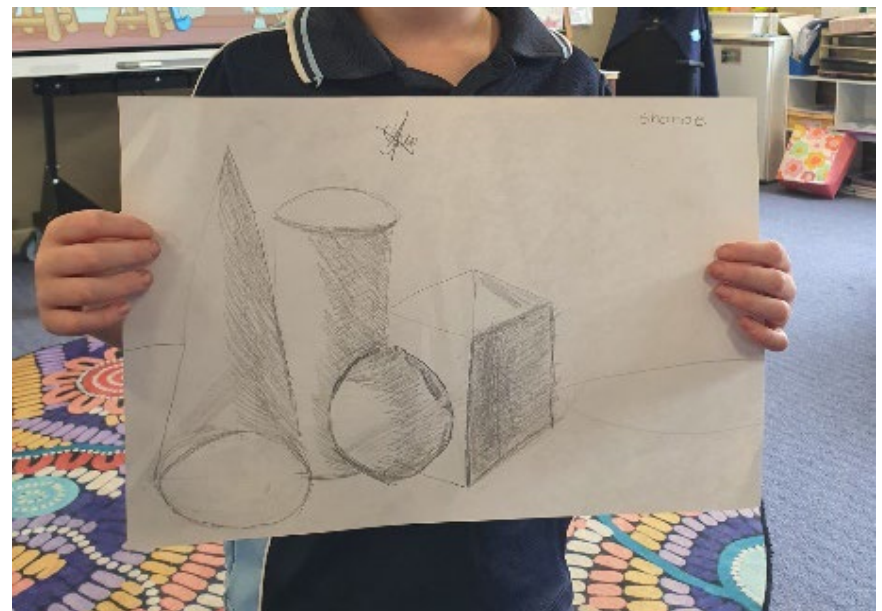
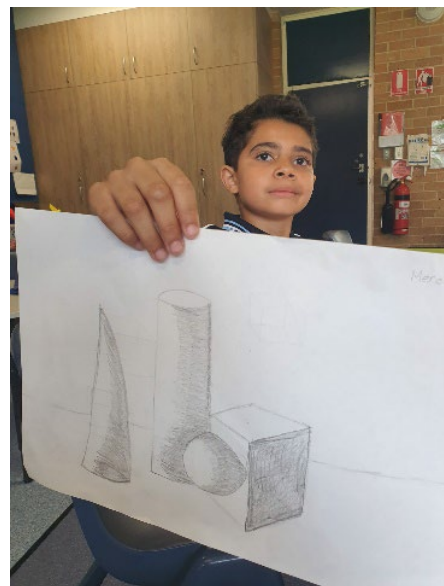
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K-6F

K-6F has had a great start to the year. We have been learning about constellations in Science and made up some of our own, using marshmallows. This week we made a rain gauge with Ms Smith. In History, we looked at some artefacts and learnt how to use old fashioned phones. We keep one on the teachers' desk and use it to 'ring up' people.



In Math we have been learning how to group, estimate and measure using sand and Lego. We are also practicing our drawing skills, to create 3D shapes. In sport, Brody has been teaching us how to play hockey and do scooter tricks. Kath helped us create sock puppets and we even had a visit from the 'Tissue Fairy'. We are looking forward to doing lots more fun learning next term.



Attendance

EVERY DAY COUNTS


Establishing good routines around school can assist with regular school attendance.

These include:




- have a set time to go to bed
- have a set time to get out of bed
- have uniform and school bag ready the night before
- have a set time for starting and finishing breakfast
- set a time for daily homework activities
- speak about school positively
- send your child to school every school day including their birthday and the last day of term from Kindergarten

NSW Department of Education

Why attendance matters





When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to:

-  Learn
-  Make friends
-  Build skills through fun

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	they miss weeks per year	and years over their school life
1 day per fortnight 	4 weeks	Over 1 year missed
1 day per week 	8 weeks	Over 2.5 years missed

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