Clean-Up Australia Day

This week teachers will be talking to students about how we can protect our beautiful local environment. The culmination will be a clean-up on Friday to remove litter and rubbish from the area around our school and to enlighten the students to the problem of littering. We need helpers to assist with supervision of the clean-up. If you are available between 12 and 1.30pm your help is valued by the school and the Byron community, please contact the office.

Barbara Petchenik Children’s Map Competition 2015

The competition’s theme is “My place in today’s world”. Entries can be nominated in four age groups: under 6 years, 6-8 years, 9-12 years and 13-15 years. The deadline for participation in the contest is Thursday, 2 April 2015.

For more detailed information about the competition, please visit the MSIA website http://mappingsciences.org.au.

Multiplication times tables


Golf Club raffles Friday night

The P&C will host the monthly raffle at the Byron Bay Golf Club this Friday night. The raffles provide the P&C with an event to raise funds to support the many programs in the school. The night is a great opportunity to meet other parents and there are plenty of prizes to be won. P&C funds make major projects possible like playground equipment, passive play equipment, band scholarships, classroom supplies and financial support for students participating in State events. Hope to see you at the Golf Club.

School gardens

The school gardens are receiving a makeover. Sue Spargo has taken up the challenge to improve the gardens in her retirement. Thanks to Sue Robinson who kindly donated a voucher to purchase plants and soil for the garden improvement. If you are interested in our school garden please contact Sue Spargo.

Geoff Spargo
Principal

NSW Schools Physical Activity & Nutrition Survey 2015

We would like to remind parents of children in 6H, 6W, 4P, 4W, 2CS, 2S, KM and KG who agreed to allow their child to participate in the NSW Schools Physical Activity and Nutrition survey (SPANS) 2015, that the testing will take place on Tuesday, 3 March. Your child needs to wear the PE/shorts uniform on this day. If you want your child to participate but have not signed the consent form, please complete this form and return it to school as soon as possible. If you or your child has any special concerns or requests, please do not hesitate to contact the Project Coordinator, Trudy Fernan on 8627 1836.

What’s Coming Up!

2015

Term 1 - Week 5

Thursday, 26 February
* BVPSSA Basketball trials
Friday, 27 February
* Clean Up Australia Day
* BVPSSA AFL Trials - Byron Bay
* 4P, 3P, 5M & 6H Excursion to Tip
* P&C Raffles @ Golf Club 5-7pm

Week 6
Monday, 2 March
* Stage 2 NRL Clinics
* Evacuation Drill
Tuesday, 3 March
* SPANS visit KM, KG, 2S, 2CS, 4W, 4P, 6H & 6W
* Author visit - Stage 2
* Arts Committee Meeting @ 3.30pm
* Band Committee Meeting @ 6.00pm
Wednesday, 4 March
* NCPSSA Swimming Carnival

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Book Packs - $50
School Contribution - $75
Stages 2 & 3 - Surf Survival - $11
Year 4 - Midginbil Deposit - $100

School Donations: Building A Better Foundation

The school has established two tax deductible funds to enable parents, relatives and friends the opportunity to make donations.

The Building Fund has provided financial support to complete our school hall renovations, install reverse cycle air-conditioning units in every classroom and construct classroom computer centres. During the next three years, the Building Fund will be used to improve playground facilities.

The Library Fund has provided reading materials for guided reading, home reading and the Reading Eggs technology program.

This fund will continue to expand reading resources and technology for literacy learning.

You can visit our website to download and complete a donor card. Your support is sincerely appreciated.
Seasons for Growth Grief Program - Learning to Live With Change and Loss

Change and loss are issues that affect all of us at some stage in our lives. At Byron Bay Public we recognise that when changes occur in families through death, separation, divorce or related circumstances, young people may benefit from learning how to manage these changes effectively. We are therefore offering a very successful education program called Seasons for Growth which will commence once we have around 8 participants in each stage. This is a small group program based on research which highlights the importance of social support and the need to practise new skills to cope effectively with change and loss. The program focuses on issues such as self-esteem, managing feelings, problem-solving, decision-making, effective communication and support networks.

If you think your son or daughter would benefit from Seasons for Growth we would encourage you to talk to them about participating in the program, and then let your child’s teacher know you would like your child included in the program.

Jen Phelps, Tony Hutchinson, and Jane Anderson, Coordinators

School Recycling Program

Have you spotted the new recycling bins in the playground? Our school is working towards managing our waste better and students are being asked to sort their rubbish and recycle with care. To support the school and students in this initiative, North East Waste (representing 7 of the local Councils in the northern rivers region) visited the school to run recycle relays and waste information sessions to each class. Some of the things the students have learnt include:

- the average family makes enough rubbish to fill a 3 bedroom house each year!
- soft 'scrunchy' plastics do not belong in the recycling bin (but other recyclables scrunched up e.g. paper and aluminium foil are OK to go in the recycling bin);
- aluminium foil (as long as there's no leftover food inside it) is OK to go in the recycling bin;
- you can recycle a popper, but even better (and healthier) than having a popper is using a reusable drink bottle;
- A waste-free lunch has no plastic wrap, or disposable bags (which end up in landfill): a waste free lunchbox has reusable containers for sandwiches and snacks which can be used over and over again;
- A new green food and garden waste bin is coming to Byron Shire residents in August this year.

Go to www.newaste.org.au to pledge to recycle more or visit Council's website to be a good sorter and to recycle correctly.

Recycling Excursion

As part of our Environmental Program the children in Stage 2 and 3 will be visiting the tip over the next 3 Fridays. The purpose of this excursion is to increase the children's awareness and understanding of waste issues and the impact that waste has on the local environment and to promote ways of living more sustainably by being 'waste wise' both at school and home. The children will be travelling by bus. This excursion costs nothing as it is being sponsored by the Byron Shire Council and North East Waste.

Timetable

**Friday, 27 Feb**
- Session 1 (9:30 - 12:00): 4P/3P
- Session 2 (12:00 - 2:45): 5M/6H

**Friday 6 March**
- Session 1 (9:30 - 12:00): 4K/3S/half of 3W
- Session 2 (12:00 - 2:45): 5L/6P

**Friday 13 March**
- Session 1 (9:30 - 12:00): 4W/4E/half of 3W
- Session 2 (12:00 - 2:45): 5R/6W

Lighthouse Tickets

Lighthouse tickets are an important part of our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) program. They are used to reward students who are displaying behaviours that demonstrate our 3 core values of being “Respectful, Responsible and Fair”. The focus for the lighthouse tickets may also align with the current social skills being taught to students throughout the school. Green Lighthouse tickets are given to students who are carrying out the core values in the playground. At Monday’s assembly a raffle is drawn for each stage. The students then receive a canteen voucher to the value of $1. Yellow Lighthouse tickets are given to students who display core values in the classroom. There is also a raffle draw at stage assemblies and selected students also receive a canteen voucher. All Green and Yellow tickets are included in the end of the term major raffle where 10 students banes are drawn and a range of prizes are given out.

**SAVE THE DATE!**
Our next Car Boot Sale will be on **Saturday 28 March**
More information & bookings available

**Coming Soon to a school near you!**
“The Odd Sock Fun Run”
More details will be available shortly.
Community Notice
Byron Bay Lennox Head Junior Rugby League
A meet and greet afternoon will be held on Tuesday 3rd March, @ 4:30pm at Byron Bay Football Field (opp high school) for all registered players and those yet to register in The Byron Bay Lennox Head Junior Rugby League Club. A great opportunity to meet your teammates and coaches and be advised of training days/times. There will be food and drinks provided for kids and some prizes to be won. We are fielding teams from Under 7’s to Under 16’s. Any queries contact Nicky Sheridan 0412 244 325.

Weekly Achievement Awards - Term 1 Week 3

Weekly Achievement Awards - Term 1 Week 4
These awards will be presented at Assembly, Monday 2 March

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Technology
Taj O’Connor 1H

Term 1 - Week 6 Canteen Roster
Mon 2 Mar Helen McCaffery, Amanda Fox
Tue 3 Mar Tiffany Stickl, Belinda Whitelock
Wed 4 Mar Oliver McElligot, Cherrie Sheldrick
Thu 5 Mar Caitlin Reilly, Amy Dalgleish
Fri 6 Mar Suzie Farrell, Jodie Cope

If you are able to assist us please contact Mandy in the canteen or email bbpscanteen@gmail.com.

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Byron Bay High School YEAR 7
2016 INFORMATION NIGHT
Thurs 12th March
5:30pm – 7.00pm

IT’S BACK TO SCHOOL TIME! ENROL FOR SWIMMING LESSONS NOW AND RECEIVE AN EXTRA CLASS FOR FREE.
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