What’s Happening?

**Dates to Remember**

March
29 Good Friday Holiday

April
1 Easter Monday Holiday
3 Kindergarten 2014 Information night
4 SSSMF Junior Choir Rehearsal @ BBPS
5 PSSA Winter Comp Commences
11 School Photos
12 Last day of Term 1

**TERM 2**

May
1 First day of Term 2 for all students K-6

**School Assembly**
Fridays
Commencing Week 10 (5/4/13) assembly will be on at 11.45am.

**Notes Home**
PSSA Netball & Soccer (Yrs3-6)
SSSMF Junior Choir Rehearsals (Yr 2)
Winter Uniform Order

**Principal’s Message**

**EASTER HAT PARADE DAY** Thank you to all the parents and family members who attended yesterday. See the photo spread on Page 3. The 3 large Easter Egg Hampers were won by the Barnes, Lang and O’Brien families. Thank you everyone for your support on the day - especially for the lovely hats.

**PARENT SURVEYS:** Thank you to all the parents who completed the online surveys. Your assistance in this matter was greatly appreciated.

**ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT** Our 2012 Annual School Report will be posted on the school website on 31st March. If you are unable to access the internet please see Kyla for a paper copy. We prefer that you access it online. The Annual School Report is a very important document that outlines our achievements in 2012 and our directions in 2013. Combined with the school’s Management Plan, these two documents are the planning foundation for our school and are an important resource for parents to understand our school and our goals for the future.

**KINDERGARTEN INFO NIGHT**
Please tell friends or neighbours with pre-schoolers about our Kindergarten Information Evening on Wednesday 3rd April. Families with older siblings already attending BBPS are welcome too so we have some experienced hands there for our new families to meet.

**EASTER HOLIDAYS REPEAT**
Please note that school breaks for the Easter Holidays on Thursday 28th and we resume on Tuesday 2nd April. Term 1 ends on Friday 12th April and students return to school on Wednesday 1st May. Please note that Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th April are both pupil free days. The second day has been specifically set aside for staff training in the new Australian Curriculum.

**CONTACT DETAILS UPDATE** Our office will send out in the next two weeks the forms to update personal contact details especially mobile phone numbers and emergency contact details. It is most important for us to be able to contact you quickly in the event of a problem. Your assistance in this is appreciated.

**P&C MEETING last night** Our meeting last night discussed a number of significant issues including school policy and curriculum forums, an SMS messaging service and proposed changes to the parking outside of our school. If you would like to receive a soft copy of the P&C minutes and are not on the emailing list, please see Leanne Levi or leave a note with Kyla with the appropriate details.

**I–PROMISE** Over the next two weeks our students will be looking at ways to reduce their environmental footprint. Each student will be asked to promise to do one positive thing to reduce their impact on the environment. We will set up an I-Promise tree in the hallway for each student to put their leaf on. Parents who would like to see what the program is about can go to the following web address: http://www.tradies.com.au/ipromise-2/

Thank you to Tradies at Gymea for their support of public education.

**END OF TERM ONE REPORTS** At the end of this term, reports will go home to parents regarding your child’s social skills and attitudes to learning. If you would like to discuss this report next term, please arrange an interview with your child’s teacher.

Roger Caines
Principal

“Correction does much but encouragement does more”. Goethe
School Assembly Awards

School Awards - Term 1 - Week 8

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Canteen News

Canteen volunteers for next week are:

Mon: Easter Monday
Tue: Julianne Miles-Brown, Julie Haworth
Wed: Sherrin Pulbrook, Nina Woodcock.

New Items on Canteen Menu:

Twista Pasta with Bolognaise Sauce - $3.00
Macaroni & Cheese - $3.00
Vege Crackers - BBQ Cheese, Italian Supreme Flavours - $1.00

An updated Canteen Menu will be sent home to all families.

The Canteen Committee

PSSA Sport

Students in Years 3-6 will commence the PSSA Winter competition in Week 10 on Friday 5th March. Students will be competing in Soccer and Netball.

Uniform Shop Orders

The uniform shop has been open this week for try-ons.

PLEASE ENSURE ALL ORDERS ARE IN BY WEDNESDAY 3RD APRIL. This will be the last chance to order until later in the year when we do the summer order so make sure you get your order in on time!

School Photo Day

Don’t forget our School Photo Day will be on Thursday 11th April. All students should wear full summer school uniform and a big smile on the day.

Young Leaders Day 2013

What a wonderful and motivating day the Prefects and I enjoyed on Monday at Young Leaders Day at the Entertainment Centre. We listened to five speakers who shared their personal leadership journeys and gave our prefects knowledge on how to be the best student leader at our school.

Each speaker had our prefects wondering “where do I fit in the vision for our school” and “what can I do to support my peers and gain their respect?”.

We meet actress Joy Smithers who supports disadvantaged children in Cambodia, Creel Price who showed initiative and self-belief and set up the company ‘kidpreneur”, Nathan Hindmarsh and the most inspiring was Jess Fox who juggled school and training to win a silver medal at the London Olympic Games.

The day gave us an opportunity to meet other students and enjoy some fun and interacting together. The day ensured that the students came away with the understanding that leadership is a combination of commitment, initiative, resilience, vision, integrity and leading by example. What an inspiring opportunity for our great student leaders to reflect and learn from. They presented themselves proudly as representatives of our school.
**Cadbury Easter Egg Fundraiser**

Thank you so much for all your support of this fundraising event. So far we have raised $1830 for our school.

We do have 10 payments outstanding. Once we receive these our total profit will be $2630!

For those who still have to pay please pay over the Easter break using direct debit option below or organise to drop cheque/money back in to the office on Tuesday 2nd April.

Hope you all have a happy and safe Easter break.

Payment options are listed below –

**Option 1 – Direct Debit**
Money can be payed directly into the P&C Bank account through your home internet banking.
Account Name: Bonnet Bay P&C Association
BSB: 032155 A/C Number: 180882
Return payment slip via safe deposit box at school.

**Option 2 – Cheque**
Cheque to be made payable to Bonnet Bay P&C Association and placed in an envelope with below slip and put in the safe deposit box at school.

**Option 3 – Money**
Money can be returned to office with below slip and put in safe deposit box at school.

**Easter Hat Parade Success**

A big thank you to everyone in our learning community who came and joined in our Easter celebration of the Easter Hat Parade.

The students made a fantastic effort with their hats and looked great! It was fabulous to see so many family and friends at school and also our little Pre-School students joining us as well.

A big thank you to the terrific canteen team selling the yummy morning tea. Have a safe and enjoyable break with all your families.

Happy Easter!!
MESSAGES FROM THE DEC

School Zone Safety
A reminder to parents about the operation of school speed zones around the Easter holidays. School zones exist for the safety of children and families; they will operate on Thursday 28 March, then resume on Tuesday 2 April. Forty-kilometres-an-hour school speed zones operate across New South Wales at all school sites on gazetted school days, which are all days the school is open, even pupil-free days. Find out more: http://www.rta.nsw.gov.au/roadsafety/children/schoolroadsafety/schoolzoneprogram.html

Practise to be a Journalist
This website could definitely make practising writing and spelling more interesting for all of us. Make a newspaper clipping with your own headline and story. Your child may even start imagining themselves as a publisher or journalist. http://www.fodey.com/generators/newspaper/snippet.asp

Safety Locks

Back By Popular Demand
Mention head lice and most of us instantly develop an itch. While head lice and nits, (the eggs of head lice) are certainly annoying and persistent, they're not dangerous. Here's everything you need to know to rid your kids of head lice and nits. http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/headlice/Pages/nitbusters.aspx

Bullying Knows No Bounds
When cyberbullying hits home - what one mum wishes she’d done differently. Because most cyberbullying happens in the home, parents need to be aware of the technology that young people are using. http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/cyberbullying/when-cyberbullying-hits-home

Easter /ANZAC double demerit period
Double demerit points apply to all speeding and seatbelt offences from Thursday 28 March to Monday 1 April inclusive. Demerits also apply in the ANZAC period 24-28 April inclusive.