What’s Happening?

Term 4 - Week 8
27th Nov 2014

Dates to Remember
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27 P&C Meeting
December
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17 Last day of school for students.

Principal’s Message
Student Leaders–Prefects for 2015
At Bonnet Bay Public School we endeavour to build leadership capacity within our community and have made the decision to revisit the way we select our Student Leaders. This new process gives all students a voice in different ways apart from just the popular student vote. We have invited students to complete an application form to self-nominate for selection. After nomination, students will have an opportunity to read their answers (not a speech) to the school body at a short Assembly on Tuesday 2nd December, following this the Years 1 to Year 5 will vote as well as staff. After voting, selected students will be invited to an informal interview discussing their application and their desire to develop their leadership skills and lead their peers at Bonnet Bay. Mrs Deacon and the Executive Team will facilitate the interviews in regard to the students’ applications for the four final Student Leaders to be selected. There will be further opportunities for student leadership in roles such as Library Monitors, House Captains and Eco Warriors for 2015. We as staff feel this new process will give students a voice apart from the popularity vote that at times doesn’t always give those students who have the best leadership qualities or want an opportunity to be selected. As a strong community who supports our school values we know you will support us in the decision to select the best candidates for the opportunity to develop their leadership skills and the important role of our Student Leaders for 2015.

HELPERS” Thank You Morning Tea
As a staff we would like to extend a very warm invitation to all our “helpers” volunteers to a “Thank you Morning Tea” next Thursday at 11am in our School Library. Your contribution is valued and so greatly appreciated in supporting our staff and students here at Bonnet Bay. All the small things that you do from home reading, canteen, covering books, banking, uniform shop, scripture, driving students to venues, assisting on excursions, fund raising etc all contributes to a fantastic working partnership for our students to benefit from. A HUGE thank you from them and the staff. Please come join us for a cuppa, a chat and some festive cheer.

Safety of Students
Parents please ensure your child uses the pedestrian crossing when you drop them off on the opposite side of the road from our school. It is imperative that we reinforce road safety as it only takes a split second for accidents to occur.

Assembly Week 9
Due to setting up for the Christmas Markets we will be having our final assembly on Thursday afternoon at 2.45pm. Our Annual Presentation day will follow on Thursday 11th December at 9.30 am. A formal invitation will be sent out next week. Please come and join us celebrate the love of learning at our school.

Karen Deacon
Principal

Thought of the Week
For your patience and caring,
Kind words and sharing,
I just want to say,
“Thank You!”

School Response Unit
1300 880 021
Sutherland Police
9542 0899

Notes Home
School Spec Arrangements

Notes are accessible from our website.
www.bonnetbay-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
**PSSA Sport**

Students attending the Schools Spectacular will not be participating in PSSA sport this week & will remain at school.

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**Sports Reports—Week 7**

**Junior Boys T-Ball**
The Bonnet Bay boys T-Ball team had a great game against Sutherland. The score was 25-14 our way. The Bonnet Bay boys t-ball team had excellent fielding and batting. Hope we win the last game. By Josiah

**Junior Girls T-Ball**
Today the girls t-ball team versed Sutherland. The score was 27-27, it was a draw. We improved in our fielding and everyone had fun. By Nellie

**Christmas Markets**
Our Christmas Markets are on **Friday 5th December from 5.00pm-9.00pm**. Come and do your Xmas shopping at some of the great stalls. There will also be kids activities, craft and a gourmet BBQ.

**We require volunteers to assist on the night. If you are able to help for an hour or so on the night, please return your volunteer notes ASAP so we can complete the roster. Alternatively you can email me on eleishalegg@icloud.com.**

Also, can those people who are able to help on the baking day on Thurs 4th Dec please email me or text me on 0417 067 245 so that I can be sure we have enough helpers.... it is a fun morning in the canteen and we make LOTS of Rocky Road and White Christmas! The more helpers we have, the quicker it will get done!. We are also asking for the ingredients to be donated. Please bring donations of the following to the school office:
- Milk Chocolate
- Rice Bubbles/Coconut
- Marshmallows
- Icing Sugar
- Copha
- Snakes/Jelly Baby Lollies
- Arrowroot Biscuits
- Red & Green Jelly Crystals

**School Banking**
As we are near the end of the school term, next Tuesday will be the last day to hand in rewards, so they can be returned before the end of the year. School Banking will continue until 9th December.
Cathy Smith and Shanan Green

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**School Assembly Awards Term 4- Week 7**

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**Canteen News**

Canteen volunteers for next week are:
- **Monday**: Sherrin Pulbrook
- **Tuesday**: Julianne Miles-Brown, Jodi Urey
- **Wed**: Donna Brown, Belinda Lucia

Thank you for your contribution.
The Canteen Committee
‘Tis the Season to be Giving

At Bonnet Bay PS we try to teach the value of Care. As part of teaching this value we aim to get the students to think of others and value the gesture of giving instead of receiving. Last year we asked that instead of buying candy canes, chocolate or gifts for each other, that students each donate a small amount to those who are less fortunate than themselves. This Christmas, as a school we will once again be supporting the World Vision charity. The money raised by our students will go towards providing education and educational supplies for Australian Indigenous children. We will be holding a special day on Monday 15th December, in support of this charity. We ask that all students dress in their favourite Christmas attire and bring in a gold coin donation. To make this day extra special, if students wish to give friends a card this will be our Christmas card giving day. If your child would like to give Christmas cards to friends, please refrain from sending them to school for distribution until card giving day. Thank You

Bonnet Bay BASC News

We are excited to announce a new website for our child care centres

www.shirechildcarecentres.com.au

The site contains information about each centre, our program, extra curricula activities, professional educators, meals and nutrition, parent resources and helpful information.

We’d love your feedback, so feel free to tell us what you think in the feedback area at the bottom of the website’s page.

Kinds regards,
Nancy Bassiuoni

From The Library.....

A huge thankyou to Mrs Dalla-Camina and her parents who recently, whilst holidaying in Sydney, helped us out by covering well over a hundred new books for our students. They cut back the large back-log of new books that were waiting to be covered.

On a similar note, we still have the new "donated" books from the Grandfriends’ Day that need covering before the students can borrow them. If there's a parent, grandparent or caregiver who has a little time to spare to lend a hand we would be most appreciative.

No experience necessary! Training provided! Monday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday.

Thankyou
Ms Connor

Bag of Hope 2014

Give the gift of generosity this season. Many families are feeling the pinch as we approach Christmas and we have the opportunity to support local families in need.

To participate, just bring an item of non-perishable food to place in the boxes provided in each classroom. Last year, BBPS families gave generously and your contribution is appreciated.

Donations will be accepted until Friday 12th December 2014.

Happy Thanksgiving

While Thanksgiving is an American celebration I really value the opportunity Thanksgiving creates to pause and appreciate the people in our lives and all that each of us has to be thankful for.

Martin Seligman attributes gratitude as a significant factor in an individual’s well-being. Take time today to appreciate those close to you, write down three things that went well today.

It's amazing to discover all the great people and things in our lives when we are looking.

Sheree Host
School Chaplain
Messages from the DEC...

Different types of writing
You child may be asked to present an assignment in a particular text type. Text types mean writing according to a purpose or an audience. For example, factual texts inform and literary texts entertain. This fact sheet gives several examples and the purpose of different types of writing. Find out more: https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/eppcontent/glossary/app/resource/factsheet/4108.pdf

Choosing a book for your child

Does cartoon violence make kids more aggressive?
Lots of parents question the violence in many of today’s cartoons and video games, but many of us grew up watching cartoons where violence was also a key ingredient. What does the research indicate about exposure of our kids to violence? Find out more: www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/using-technology/does-cartoon-violence-make-kids-more-aggressive

Guide to technology tools
The holidays are traditionally the time for the big gifts that kids have been begging for all year. Here’s what to watch out for when choosing technology toys for your kids. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/hu/technology/using-technology/a-guide-to-technology-toys

New website gives easy access to vocational courses
Students can explore the range of subsidised courses available to them in 2015 by visiting https://smartandskilled.nsw.gov.au/
The website features an Eligibility Checker and a Course Finder, which enable students to find approved training provider that meets their needs, as well as calculate their estimated fee. It also contains comprehensive information on apprenticeships and traineeships.
For enquiries, students can contact enquiries@smartandskilled.nsw.gov.au.

Saxophone & Clarinet Reeds are available from the school office.
Saxophone Reeds - $3.50
Clarinet Reeds - $2.50
Audition details (Weeks 7, 8, 9) for the annual BBPS talent quest, are as follows:

**When:** Friday 12th December, during the school day  
**Where:** School hall  
**Why:** To have fun informally showcasing student’s talents  
**Auditions:** Weeks 7, 8 & 9, during class time  

**Brief Rules:**
- Maximum of 2 items per student  
- All students must audition their act  
- No rude words or actions  
- Appropriate costuming and material for all students K-6  
- A well-rehearsed act

**Bring with you:**
- Costumes you will wear on the day.  
- Music tracks you may be performing to, please leave a copy of disc with your teacher.  
- Any props or gear you may need, musical instruments etc.