The Big Rock Buzz

Bonnet Bay Public School Newsletter

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What’s Happening ?

Principal’s Message

Swimming Carnival
Congratulations to all our fantastic students who participated in the Small Schools Swimming Carnival yesterday at Caringbah Leisure Centre. All Students swam with pride and displayed great sportsmanship by having a go and supporting their peers. Some students achieved their personal best time! Hopefully we will have some talented students representing us in the Zone Carnival in a few weeks. A big thank you to all staff in organising the novelty events for the carnival and ensuring our students had a fun and safe day. It was so great to see many parents and grandparents supporting our students at the carnival. Go Bonnet Bay!

Meet & Greet  
Our Meet & Greet interviews have begun and are a positive way to building positive home and school partnerships. This is an opportunity for parents to let staff know of any concerns or questions they may have in relation to their child’s learning, and how staff can meet their needs.

P&C
A huge thank you to our P&C for their generosity supporting our school by agreeing to purchase a further 10 iPad and 10 Think pad computers for students use. They have also agreed to pay for some additional support in regard to the cost in maintaining our computer lab. As we all know technology is fantastic when it works efficiently but can be a huge time waster when it’s not. We value our learning time and ensuring our computers are working and accessible for students is paramount. The canteen has also assisted our students with the purchasing of additional class library books and resources for prompting explicit writing skills. These purchases support our most important resource in our school, our students. A huge thank you to Ross Blackall who is doing a sterling job in preparing our Vegie garden and rallying dads to assist, it’s looking great and soon all our eco warriors will be able to tend it with love. Thank you again for supporting the fundraising events and all the hard work continually done by our P&C committee and school community members, we are all very grateful.

Vegetable Garden Volunteers Needed
We are seeking parent volunteers to assist in preparing the vegie garden (near the Big Rock) ready for planting. Soil has been delivered to the school so we’re ready to fill the garden beds. A working bee organised by Ross Blackall will be held this Saturday 22nd February at 9am (weather permitting). Volunteers are asked to bring gardening gloves, a bucket and shovel.

Yoga & Dance
Due to the swimming carnival, students in Years 3-6 who missed lessons yesterday will have an extra lesson next Wed.

Student Welfare & Discipline Policy
Please note the changes to the School awards system from this week. Due to the introduction of the Values awards last year, our award system needed reviewing to allow for sequential acquisition of students attaining awards and the addition of a new Platinum award. Please view the pictures and explanation on the next pages for clarification. Any questions please see Mrs Layton.

Safety on the Roads
Please be very mindful when dropping off or picking up students in the morning and afternoon. It is highly recommended to keep our students safe that we set good examples for our children by crossing at the crossing. Please also be careful while turning or...
Canteen News

Canteen volunteers for next week are:

**Mon:** Sherrin Pulbrook

**Tue:** Kirstyn Lloyd, Linda Rabinau

**Wed:** Meredith Svoronos, Tasha Dixon

Thank you for your contribution.

The Canteen Committee

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PSSA Sport

Girls Touch Football is played at Waratah Oval, Sutherland. Kanga Cricket and Softball is played at venues as per the draw. Students need to arrive at school by **8.20**.

**Boys Softball & Cricket Draw**

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Sports Reports - Round 1

**Junior Girls Touch Football**

Both teams played really well even though Woronora won 8 - 5. We tried our best and had a lot of fun! The player of the match was Natasha.  

*By Mea*

**Senior Girls Touch Football**

Bonnet Bay played really well and Woronora were a great team. Our score was 8 - 4 and Woronora won. The player of the match was Jasmin Lang.  

*By Annabelle & Skye*

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P&C Update

It was great to see so many people at last week’s P&C AGM and thank you to all of those who volunteered for positions on the committee.

If you would like to receive the minutes please contact the Secretary, Shanan Green at **s_m_green@iinet.net.au** to be added to the distribution group.

Thanks to the fundraising efforts of families last year the P&C has been able to purchase iPads and home readers for the school as well as subscriptions for Reading Eggs, Mathletics and Ziptails. The veggie patch is also nearing completion.

We would also like to remind families that one of the benefits funded by the P&C is stu-
dent insurance. This student injury insurance covers students both at school, for activities and excursions, and outside of school hours. The following website http://pandc.org.au/index.php/insurance has all the insurance policy and claim documentation. Claims should be made directly to the P&C Federation using these forms, not through the school front office or BBPS P&C. The P&C looks forward to continuing to work with the school community and staff in 2015.

Assembly Awards
Each week in assembly, deserving students are awarded Assembly and Values Awards for academic achievement, displaying school values and excellent behaviour. These awards are special and can be accumulated to attain higher awards. It is important that you keep your child's awards in a safe place as we do not re-issue awards.

With the introduction of the Values awards, it has been necessary to review our awards structure for Assembly Awards. This new structure has been documented and published in our revised Student Welfare Policy on our school website, http://www.bonnetbay-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/our-school/rules-policies. Please take the time to familiarise yourself with the new awards structure, as it will be followed from Week 4. Any questions or concerns in regards to Assembly, Values or cumulative awards, please see Donna Layton.

Award Structure for Assembly Awards
5 Assembly/Values Awards = Principal Patch
3 Principal Patches = Bronze Medallion
3 more Principal Patches = Silver Medallion
3 more Principal Patches = Gold Medallion
3 more Principal Patches = Platinum Award
1 more Principal Patch = iTunes Voucher

BASC News
Thank you to all the parents who have taken the time to settle their child at our Before and After School Care Service. We are delighted to have our new students and kindergarten children.

Please remember your child must have a hat and a drink bottle when playing outside. We will provide sunscreen 30+ block-out lotion. Any lost hats may possibly be found in our 'Lost Property Box' located near the door.

If you have any age-appropriate (G) or (PG) books suitable for Years 3-6 and would like to donate them, we would be very grateful to receive them.

Kinds Regards
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Socceroos Asian Cup Supporters
When you look back on the victory of the Socceroos in the recent 2015 Asian Cup you may ask yourself how much extra help they got from supporters. Two of our Bonnet Bay students, Justin and Damian were part of the secret to the success of the Socceroos. The boys played in an exhibition match before the cup at the famous Bondi Beach and from what we hear passed on some advice to some of the senior players.

Justin and Damian pictured with the Asian Cup
Emergency Services Mega Bash

On Sunday 22 February 2015, Sutherland LAC will be hosting the 4th annual 'Emergency Services Mega Bash' at Gwawley Oval, Taren Point Rd, Taren Point. The day is a charity 10/10 round robin cricket tournament between Emergency Services within the Sutherland Shire raising funds for our beneficiary, Bowel Cancer Australia.

From 9.30am patrons will be entertained with our first band consisting of three Sutherland Shire brothers who will rock the venue!

Between 10am and 12pm, the NRL (Cronulla Sharks), AFL (Southern Power), Cricket (Sutherland Shire Junior cricket Association) and Football Associations (Sydney FC & Sydney Wanderers Youth teams) will each host coaching clinics for children aged between 5 and 14.

At 12pm midday, we are hosting a fun and exciting celebrity cricket match. This match will comprise of 20 local and high profile people of various backgrounds and professional careers. Attendees for the celebrity match will include former NRL and Sydney Swans players, World Champions, Olympians, Ironmen & Women and Sutherland Shire celebrities. They will be joined by the team Captains, radio personality, Anthony 'Maroon' Maroon, and comedian and TV personality, Jono Coleman OAM, who will provide light entertainment, commentary and live interviews during the celebrity match.

From 1.15pm, our celebrities will stay to meet and greet patrons during an autograph signing session.

Also from 1.15pm, Sutherland Shire musicians Joel Leffler and Alan Harper will combine together to rock the house! Joel has recently supported artists such as Diesel and Ian Moss and is a fabulous young talent heralding from 'The Shire'!

For further information go to: https://www.facebook.com/events/903139649705306

The Emergency + Smartphone App

Commonwealth and NSW emergency services portfolios have launched the Emergency + smartphone application. The application is free and available to download on all apple and android smartphones.

When activated, the Emergency+ application provides users with their GPS reference which can then be reported to an emergency call taker to pinpoint the physical location where the services are required.

For further information please access the following Australian Government website: http://www.triplezero.gov.au/Pages/EmergencySmartphoneApp.aspx

Messages from the DEC...

Friendships to boost your child’s learning

If children are happy socially they tend to be more engaged in their learning. So teaching your child about the importance of making friends is as vital as learning their ABCs. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/how-friendships-boost-your-childs-learning

Assignment starters for the arts

Videos are great resources for getting kids enthused about their assignments. These pages on cubism, percussion and critical studies provide key points to help them get started and links to useful sites to assist with further research. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-projects/the-arts/assignment-starters-for-the-arts

Helping your Kindy kid succeed at school

A great way to kick off your child’s formal education is to understand the school culture and what your child is doing in the classroom. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/helping-kindy-kids-succeed-at-school

Speech problems

All kids learn how to talk and listen at different rates but did you know there’s a general pattern to your child’s language development? Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/speech-problems

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