School Calendar

**April**
- 2 Last Day for Term 1

**Term 2 - April**
- 20 Staff Dev. Day
- 21 Students return
- 24 PSSA commences
- 27 Cross Country
- 30 Stewart House donation collection

**May**
- 6 School Photos
- 6 Kindergarten Information Night
- 12-14 NAPLAN
- 18-20 Healthy Harold
- 19 Zone Cross Country
- 26 Athletics Carnival

Weekly Schedule

**Monday**
- Band 8.30-11.30
- Library K/1, 2/3, 5/6, K

**Tuesday**
- Japanese
- Student Banking

**Wednesday**
- Senior Dance - 8.20
- Junior Dance - 8.50

**Thursday**
- Choir - 8.50
- Scripture/Ethics

**Friday**
- Sport
- Library 1/2, 3/4, 5/6, K
- School Assembly 9.30
  (Term 2 & 3)

**Notes Home**
- PSSA Sport
- ICAS
- NAPLAN (Yrs3&5)

Notes are accessible from our website.

www.bonnetbay-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

**Election Day Fundraiser**
A huge thank you to all the fabulous parents and Grandparent helpers who gave up their time to assist on the fundraising day here last Saturday. It was a fantastic day although long for some but so rewarding to see people stream into our school and purchase coffee, cakes, yummy sausage sandwiches, grab a bargain from the White elephant stall or have their face painted. Around $2,000 was raised to top up the P&C funds. Many thanks for all the items donated and treats baked! A huge thank you to Ross Blackall and Shanan Green for coordinating the day and to the following fabulous volunteers who spent many hours fulfilling their roles as supporting the day. Thanks to Leanne Levi, Michele De Gruiter, Belinda Lucia, Nicole Shanks, Sam Whiteman and Sara Balanza you all contributed tirelessly in ensuring the day was a great success. We are so lucky to have such a wonderful supporting community which just makes this a GREAT place to be! Our students will benefit in so many ways. THANK YOU

**Program Success**
Our Japanese Language Program and explicit teaching from Mrs Martin has contributed to the success of a past student Melanie Calder receiving an Achievement award in Japanese at Kirrawee High this week. This is fabulous news on the success of our program that we have now embedded into our practice at Bonnet Bay PS. Well done Melanie.

**Student Attendance**
Regular attendance at school for every student is essential if students are to achieve their potential, and increase their career and life options. Parents are responsible for ensuring their child attends school each day the school is open for instruction. Parents are required to provide an explanation for absences to the school within 7 days from the first day of any period of absence through means such as a telephone call, written note or email. The 7 day timeframe for explaining absences is a requirement of the Education Act (1990). Thank you in anticipation.

**NAPLAN**
Information in regard to NAPLAN for Years 3 and 5 has been distributed this week. Any students needing adjustments for completing the assessments need to be discussed with their classroom teacher and an application signed by the Principal and sent for approval from BOTES. If you have any concerns re this please call and I am only too happy to discuss it with you.

**Holidays**
Staff will be returning on Monday 20th April for a Learning Day with the company COACH in A Box. We will be looking at Mindtraps and Mindsets and how we can develop positive professional and personal relationships in partnerships in education. We are all looking forward to an inspiring day!

**Students will return for Term 2 on Tuesday 21st April**
To all our wonderful Community, travel safe and enjoy special family time over the Easter and holiday period. Rest, relax and rejuvenate ready for a fun filled Term 2.

Karen Deacon
Principal

**HAPPY EASTER!**
From Bonnet Bay Students & Staff

Term 2 here we come!
Uniform Shop

Uniform Shop will be open for general sales on the following dates in Term 2 from 9.30-10.00am.

Friday 24th April
Tuesday 12th May
Friday 22nd May
Tuesday 9th June
Monday 22nd June

Thankyou,
The Uniform Committee

Kindergarten students enjoyed Easter Craft with their Year 6 Buddies.

HAZELHURST ART FUN DAY

On Monday we went to Hazelhurst Art Gallery and I was in group 3 and my leader was Mrs Smith. We went to an art exhibition called The Triumph of Modernism and we saw lots of Artworks. I really loved the one with squiggly lines.

By Makayla
Hazelhurst School Holiday Program
Check out the fantastic holiday programs at Hazelhurst for kids these holidays at www.hazelhurst.com.au

Bonnet Bay Breeding Champions!
Zane’s fabulous efforts at Little Nippers! Congratulations Zane!

Making a Difference....
Two weeks ago Jessica Levi made a big decision to cut her 20 cm ponytail and donate it to Pantene - Beautiful Lengths to be made into wigs for women undergoing cancer treatment. Beautiful lengths is a campaign By Pantene in partnership with the charity Look Good...Feel Better which encourages women to grow, cut and donate their hair to be turned into real-hair wigs. Many women who spoke about cancer treatment and the loss of hair had this to say “Having a wig that looks and feels like your old hair when you have lost it can have a huge boost to your self-esteem and confidence”. 2012 was the first year in Australia for Beautiful Lengths and is continuing to grow. It takes at least 6 20 cm ponytails to make a Pantene- Beautiful Lengths wig.

WOW What a great initiative to be part of which makes a difference in the life of another person 😊. I spoke to Jessica about her experience and here’s what she had to say....”My ponytail will be used to make wigs for people that have cancer. I like helping other people and I think it would be uncomfortable if you had lost your hair so I’m happy I can help”.

Good on you Jess....And to Cathy Smith also for your contribution to making a difference in someone else’s life through this initiative 😊. If you would like more information on the Beautiful Lengths hair donation guidelines head to www.beautifullengths.com.au

Wishing our Bonnet Bay school community a wonderful Easter and school holiday break and look forward to an engaging and dynamic Term 2.
Sheree Host
School Chaplain

Messages from the DEC...

Easter reading
Have your kids signed on for the Premiers Reading Challenge? Get a head start with Easter reading time. Booklists are here: What’s your child reading right now? Find out more: https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/home.html

April school holidays
Have you got April school holidays organised yet? It’s not too late to book for a Sport and Recreation Kids’ Camp. Watch the video to see how much fun these kids are having. Find out more: http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps/

Parent-teacher interviews
Have you got a parent teacher interview coming up? Here are some tips for getting the most out of these important meetings. Prepare a few questions to ask, and walk away with a plan. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/en/homework-and-study/planning-for-the-future/parent-teacher-interviews

School calendar
What’s on when? Stay on top of school holiday, term and state examination dates across NSW. Find out more: http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/calendar/?do=setViewPeriod&categoryid=2&viewType=yearView

Assignment starters A-Z
What projects or essays does your child have that are due by the end of term? One of them could be among the School A-Z website’s assignment starters – resources designed to point you in the right direction. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-assignments