Dear Parents, Carers and Community

ANZAC DAY

This special, annual day was commemorated last SATURDAY and it was with immense pride that I had the opportunity to accompany a strong contingency of Bomaderry Public students and staff on the march from Bomaderry RSL to Walsh Park and take part in the ANZAC service.

Our school leaders demonstrated pride and composure carrying our banner and laying a wreath on behalf of us all. Well done Tara, Lara, Nas and Rodney.

Thank you to each and every student, staff member and family who came along to represent our school in the community. We were shiny and perfect in our school uniforms, our behaviour was exemplary and our students led the way - Bomaderry Public School had the honour of leading the entire march through our suburb. I certainly had a tear in my eye, bursting with pride as our students, so beautifully, led the parade.

With 2015 being the 100th Anniversary of the landing at Gallipoli, there was much community focus leading up to the day as well as school learning on the topic, as always. ANZAC Day provides a unique learning opportunity for students to develop an understanding of the importance of this historical event to our nation and enduring respect and appreciation for the sacrifices of others.

Bomaderry Public will commemorate the event as a whole school TOMORROW: Tuesday 28th – All families and community are invited to our school assembly in the hall at 12.30pm.

Our school assembly will be led by students and we extend a special invitation to all Defence families for this special school event. Please join us as we host visitors from the Bomaderry RSL and HMAS Albatross.

Parents & Citizens – MOTHER’S DAY

Our Bomaderry PS P&C group are planning a Mother’s Day Stall here at school on May 7th and 8th. There will be loads of affordable goodies to purchase for mums. If you can donate any special items for sale, make some goodies or help out on the day to sell the items, please contact the office on 4421 6577.

Quality Work

Congratulations to three very hard working boys from K-6L; Ivan, Brock and Ajay. Mrs King was extremely proud of the hard work these boys had achieved whilst researching ANZAC Day symbols and history. They were able to explain to me the meaning of the ANZAC acronym, the date of the commemoration and some history about Simpson and his donkey. Fantastic efforts, boys.

NAPLAN – National Assessment of Literacy and Numeracy for Years 3 and 5

The annual NAPLAN assessments will take place in Week 4 this Term. If you have a child in Year 3 or 5 please be sure to mark these dates down. It is important that all students are at school on those days and ON TIME – Tuesday 12th May (Language Conventions and Writing), Wednesday 13th May (Reading) and Thursday 14th May (Numeracy). Friday the 15th May is the final day to complete catch-up assessments.

Uniform – Winter Weather

Please chase school jackets as soon as possible for the looming, Winter weather in Term 2. We have had some cold, wet weather already and have a number of students in out-of-uniform items. Please remember also that it is a great idea to have some white, pale blue or navy blue long-sleeved under-shirts to wear under our school shirts on cooler days. Skivvies are great and are affordable and easy to purchase from Best and Less or K-Mart. The uniform shop is open on Mondays from 2.30-3.30pm as well as Wednesdays and Fridays from 8.30-9.30am. Thank you.

Welcome back, once again. I look forward to catching up with many families during the term. We are hoping to see many of you TOMORROW at our ANZAC assembly.

‘We Will Remember Them’
Ms Dionne Hanbidge
Principal

Library News

Welcome to Term 2. There are still lots of books outstanding from last term. They need to be returned to the library as soon as possible please. Children can only borrow once last terms books are returned.

Last term classes talked about having a ‘safe place’ to keep books at home. This ensures the library books are always in the same place, which makes it easier to find and remember to bring back to school. Talk about the ‘safe place’ at your home with your child.

Scholastic Bookclub orders need to be returned to the office by Wednesday 6th May.
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We have been learning about living things. After determining what living things are, we explored them further by looking at where they are found and how they differ. We followed on from this by identifying and describing the external features of living things.

One of the outcomes from the literacy work we have been doing is understanding the process of planning, drafting and publishing texts.

One of the activities we did recently was to use our knowledge of recounts from Term 1 to write a recount of our holidays.

Our teacher, Mrs Dumbrell, has expected us to complete quality work such as using different strategies to add two numbers or find the missing number in an addition equation.

Some of the superstars of our class who have produced quality work are Kate, Amber, Keleeta, Wil, Charlie and Kobi because they could solve the addition problem, as well as explain and demonstrate the strategy they used.

This term we are also going to be completing a unit called ‘Bigger Than A Bully’ where we will learn to develop positive relationships with peers and other people.

Mrs Dumbrell - Class Teacher

Home Reading Levels

Bomaderry Public School rewards efforts with Home Reading. Our level system promotes reading at home, motivates readers with special reading “gifts” and helps students aim for improvement. Congratulations to the following students who have reached these levels in Home Reading:

**LEVEL 1 - 10 BOOKS**
- Early Stage 1: Evelyn, Aidan, Alivia, Bailey
- Stage 2: Ivan, Anthony, Klaudia, Violet, Max
- Stage 3: Tanayah

**LEVEL 2 - 25 BOOKS**
- Stage 1: Dustin
- Stage 2: Kaitlyn, Will, Lateisha, Rhiley, Violet, Talea, Larna, Max
- Stage 3: Ryan, Stirling, Caleb, Carter

**LEVEL 3 - 50 BOOKS**
- Stage 1: Shakayla, Anna, Amelia, Caleb, Seth
- Stage 2: Tony, Eline, Cheyanne, Phoebe, Amy, Madeline, Quinten, Bailey
- Stage 3: Chantelle, Thomas, Stirling, Shaleigh, Estelle, Madilyne

**LEVEL 4 - 75 BOOKS**
- Stage 2: Peggy
- Stage 3: Shayleigh, Estelle, Tara, Jordyn, Nas, Madilyne

District Cross Country

Students who came in 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th place for each age group at the School Cross Country Carnival have received a permission note for the District Cross Country.

The District Carnival is being held at Willandra (Browns Mountain Road, Cambewarra) on Wednesday 6th May 2015. Notes and money must be handed to the office by this Wednesday 29th April.

Travel will be by private vehicle. If you are coming on the day and can assist with the transport of other students, please contact Miss Wallace.

Miss Wallace

Payment Due

Students who have qualified for District Cross Country are reminded that payment and permission notes are due by this Wednesday 29th April.

Spellcheck

Is your child learning to spell? Struggling with the weekly spelling lists? Here are a few strategies that will help:

Book Club

Please return your Book Club orders to the office by Wednesday 6th May with payment. Please make cheques out to “Scholastic”. Thank you, Book Club Co-ordinator

Please remember that our newsletter is able to be viewed in colour on our school website:
www.bomaderry-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
**BIG BLUE AWARDS**

KH  Akaylah, Kayde, Emily
KS  Aidan
1R  Blake
1D  James
3H  Cheyanne, Leela
3T  Joel
4C  Peggy, Madyline, Violet, Jordan, Quinten, Akala
K-6L  Brock, Indra, Robert
K-6S  Grace, Ben, Ryan, Joshua, Braydon

**GOLD AWARDS**

1D  Olivia
4C  Madyline

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**P&C Mothers Day Stall**

**Thursday 7th May**

**and**

**Friday 8th May**

Gifts will be available from 50c to $5.00. Donations can be left at the office. Volunteers are required to help at the stall. If you are able to help, please contact the office on 4421 6577.

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**Community News**

**Bomaderry Football (Soccer) Club**

Bomaderry Football Club requires more players in the Under 6 age group. Contact Stacey on 0422 866 063

**Opportunity ‘C’ Class for 2016**

Parents of gifted and talented children in the Shoalhaven district currently in Year 4 are invited to attend an INFORMATION EVENING at 6.00pm on Tuesday 28 April 2015 at Illaroo Road Public School. A Year 5 Opportunity ‘C’ class will be formed in 2016 for gifted and talented students in Year 4 in 2015. Details: Bob Lowe, Deputy Principal, on 4421 0422.

**Bomaderry Junior Rugby League Football Club**

Looking for more players for Under 7 & 12 years. Registrations are still being taken Tuesday’s - Friday’s at the Bomaderry Sporting Complex 3.30pm - 5.00pm or register online at [http://swampies.leaguenet.com.au](http://swampies.leaguenet.com.au). Shorts, socks and training shirt/singlet are included in fees. Details: contact the President, Steve on 0403 591 014

**Shoalhaven Football - Term 2 Academy**

Commences Shoalhaven Heads on Tue 28th April and South Nowra on Thurs 30th April from 4.30-5.30 pm. Academy is for ages 5–13 years. 7 week program Cost $80. For more information mjonno1@bigpond.com.au

**Soup Kitchen**

A group of ladies from the St Michael’s Parish in Nowra have started a soup kitchen for homeless people in the Shoalhaven. Meals will be served every Friday from around 12pm at the Nowra Showground meeting rooms. Food has kindly been donated by various businesses around Nowra and a retired chef has offered his skills in making up the meals.

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**P&C Uniform Shop**

**Mondays**  2.30pm - 3.30pm

**Wednesdays**  8.30am - 9.30am

**Fridays**  8.30am - 9.30am

**Canteen News**

**This week’s $5.00 Lunch Special**

- Beef Ravioli
- Choice of popper, plain milk or small water
- Super Dooper

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