Dear Parents and Carers

SAS Recognition Week
Every year the Public Service Association organises a Recognition Week to acknowledge the vital role that SAS staff play in schools across NSW. This year’s theme is: “School Administrative & Support Staff: Our jobs, Your children, Their future”.

So … ‘Thank you’s’ are in order for each and every one of our staff who play a support role here at Bomaderry Public. Whether it be doing admin in our office, supporting teachers in classrooms or looking after our grounds and facilities – our support and admin staff are simply the best you will find. We thank each of them for every thing they do for teachers and students every day here at BPS. Please take time to thank these wonderful staff during the special recognition week because as modern schools step up to the challenges of educating students in this century and the demands of an ever-changing world, SAS staff are the backbone of the great work being done.

BOOK CHARACTER PARADE and Book Fair
“Fantastic” – that is all I can say about the magnificent participation and engagement of our students, staff and families in last week’s Book Week celebrations. The costumes on display for our Book Character Parade were really appropriate and well done. So many famous characters visited the school and reminded us how much we love books!

Thank you also for the fabulous support of our annual Book Fair which was superbly organised by Mrs Manktelow and Mrs Anderson in the Library.

P&C NEWS
It is with much excitement, that I announce that we have a very healthy number of new members on the P&C committee for 2015-2016. Congratulations to the following office bearers: Tracy Bailey – President, Vanessa Wright – Vice President, Misty Brown – Secretary, Tanya Byrne – Uniform Shop coordinator, Leanne Lonsdale – Canteen Treasurer and the following sub-committee members who make up our fundraising and canteen committees – Carla Balsar, Kylie Elletson and Leanne Speer.

A big thank you also to Ms Jo DeFazio, Mrs Heidi Bridge and Mrs Lorrae King who are our representative staff on the P&C committee. We are thrilled to work with all of these wonderful women and once again thank all outgoing representatives for their time and work.

If you would like to contact the committee you can leave a message at the office or call Tracy, the President, on 0437 771 819.

One decision made at last week’s meeting was a change of times and venue for all upcoming meetings. It was decided that a 2pm meeting time will suit more parents. All P&C meetings will take place in the HUB (Breakfast Club room) from 2pm and then parents can collect children at 3pm or have them meet in the HUB. We hope this will enable YOU to join us for a coffee, chat and some ongoing support of BPS.

Canteen NEWS
There will be multiple changes in our BPS canteen during the remainder of the year. Firstly, thank you to Simone who returned briefly from her maternity leave. Simone is now going to spend more time with her family which creates an open position as our canteen manager. The advertisement is included in today’s bulletin and will also be advertised in the Nowra News and South Coast Register in the coming weeks.

Please mention this job to any of your qualified friends or family.

The other canteen news is very exciting – we are being offered $50,000 through the NSW Government and Department of Education to upgrade the canteen facilities. We were told this quite a few months ago but today had confirmation of the project and a rough timeline is being drafted.

P&C DATES:
Please add some information to your calendars –

Wednesday September 9th is the next meeting for organising the Spring Fair. It will be held at 3pm in the Staff Room.

Thursday September 17th is the next general P&C meeting – run by our new committee. It will take place at 2.00pm in the HUB.

The next two monthly meetings will be on Thursday October 8th and Thursday October 22nd – also at the new meeting time of 2.00pm in the HUB. These are a little closer together than the usual ‘month’ as there will be plenty to discuss and ‘do’ leading up to the Spring Fair (on Sunday Nov 1st).

Shoalhaven Colour Fun Run
All families are invited to join the Bomaderry Public School team for the Shoalhaven Colour Run. It will be held on Sunday October 25th as part of the Shoalhaven River Festival. The Colour Run team was
here at our PowerFM breakfast and presented some free tickets to participate. Please log on to the Shoalhaven site and join our team. Lots of teachers and their families have already registered.

Quality Work
There were two fabulous 1R students who presented high quality written work to me last week. Congratulations to Aurelia and Keeley who used a plan to get their ideas for writing organised. They also re-read their work in order to sequence it and ensure it made sense and then edited their work. Well done girls.

Achieving Goals
At our PLP meetings, and throughout the year, our students set learning goals. Striving to achieve these goals is something we reward at BPS, and we love showing off these achievements in the bulletin. Congratulations Harper, from 4C. Harper has worked hard, with Mrs Coleman’s support, to cease swinging on his chair in class – it is a tricky endeavour to change a habit. Well done, Harper.

Teaching Early Numeracy Strategies
All of our Infants classes mixed up their students for a morning learning session last week. Students attended the classroom matched to their Numeracy learning group – flying foxes, crocodiles etc. The teachers then worked on early numeracy strategies matched to the groups and taught new fun games using cards, dice, dominoes and more. I was lucky enough to visit some of the rooms and play some new games with some very engaged, clever mathematicians. Well done everyone.

Father’s Day Stalls
The P&C are once again offering goodies for sale here at school. The stall will take place THIS Thursday September 3rd with a follow-up stall on Friday September 4th if any students miss out on Thursday. Gifts will range from 50c-$5.00 approximately. If you can send in a small, appropriate gift for sale, this would help make the stall a success. Thank you to all of the fabulously generous families who have already done this – we had a lovely pile of donations this morning at the office.

SWAMPRATS Grand-finalists
Congratulations to Brock, Jordan, Byron and Alden from our Years 5 and 6 grades at BPS. These boys were part of the Bomaderry JRLFC Swamprats team who played in their grand final on the weekend. The Swamprats club said, “The grand final game was played with great team spirit and sportsmanship. All players should be proud of the way they represented the Bomaderry club. Unfortunately they narrowly went down 14-12 to Albion Park”. Congratulations boys.

Spring Fair
Donations for our Spring Fair (Sunday November 1st) have started arriving at school which means we can organise the giant raffle and planning which side-show type events we can offer. Thank you to all families who have already sent along donations or prizes.

Some new things you might like to help with include: Sending along second-hand items for the white elephant stall – these can be sent to the office or to your child’s teacher (if you have large items, such as furniture, please call us to arrange a place and time for delivery). Crafty items would be greatly appreciated as we will once again have our Craft Stall. These can be delivered to school at any time.

Please also consider sending in terry towelling handtowels as we have a wonderful mum who has volunteered to crochet the hanging handles onto them for kitchen hanging – these will also be for sale at our craft stall.

One last request – if you have preserves of any kind: jam, lemon butter, sauces, honey, pickles, chutney….. or even empty jars we can fill – these will sell very well at our fair. Please send a jar or two into the office. Thank you!

Life Education
Harold arrives at BPS today! Please ensure that payment and permission notes are returned to school tomorrow.

Parent Survey
From August 17 until October 16, a parent survey link will be open which allows all BPS parents to provide us with feedback which we can use to refine our school processes. We would really appreciate it if as many families as possible could open the link (simply type it into the search on your computer or access it on our website or facebook page) and complete the very quick survey: https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/j_acgei_security_check? j_username=parent16861&j_password=Bom1287

Joke of the Week:
What do you put on a sick pig?
OINK-ment!

Aim High to Achieve High
Ms Dionne Hanbidge
Principal
‘Like’ our Facebook page
Bomaderry Public School has a facebook page where we post lots of reminders, good news stories and share snaps and snippets from our school days/events! Don’t miss out on the updates and photos on your devices. Like our page today!

School Swimming Scheme
Please note that the School Swimming Scheme commences next Monday 7th September. Please remember to bring your swimming costume, goggles, towel and warm clothing, all clearly labelled. A raincoat or umbrella is also recommended in case of rain.

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 3 - 50 BOOKS**
- Stage 1: Laura
- Stage 2: Lateisha

**LEVEL 4 - 75 BOOKS**
- Early Stage 1: Dekoda, Blake
- Stage 1: Oscar
- Stage 2: Luke
- Stage 3: Narteisha

**LEVEL 5 - 100 BOOKS**
- Early Stage 1: Megan
- Stage 1: Shakayla

**LEVEL 6 - 150 BOOKS**
- Stage 1: Natasha
- Stage 3: Lara

Second-Hand Uniforms Wanted
If you have any Bomaderry Public School uniforms that are no longer required, please consider donating them to the school. Items can be left at the school office.
Thank you, Uniform Shop Staff

Yellow Merit Awards
Congratulations to the following students who received Yellow Merits at Week 7 Assembly. The awards were for “Confidence”

- KS Kylinta, Trae
- KH Akaylah, Aiden
- 1R Riley, Jemima
- 1D Jordan, Caroline
- 2A Ted, Logan, Kobi
- 2G Seth, Malakai
- 3H Lateisha, Emily
- 3/4T Isaac, Scott
- 4C Tony, Jack
- 5/6F Rodney, Zoe
- 5/6H Deacon, Jade
- K-6J Dominic, Danyal
- K-6L Ivan
- K-6S Daniel, Leilani
- 3-6T Sarah, Aaron

Library News
Thank you for your support with a very successful Book Fair, despite the awful weather.

We were able to keep around $600 in books for the library and all the children to enjoy in the coming weeks.

As the end of term is quickly approaching let’s think about looking for our library books at home and returning them to school.

Once again, thank you for your support. The children will benefit 😊

P&C Uniform Shop
- Mondays 2.30pm - 3.30pm
- Wednesdays 8.30am - 9.30am
- Fridays 8.30am - 9.30am
Payments Due

Year 2 - 6 students participating in the Swim Scheme are reminded that final payment is due TODAY Monday 31st August.

Students participating in the Debating & Public Speaking Workshop at Vincentia High School are reminded that payment is due TOMORROW Tuesday 1st September.

Crazy Camel Fundraiser

ORDERS DUE THIS WEEK

Artwork is now available for viewing on the school website.

Phone covers, calendars etc, featuring your child’s artwork, are available for purchase.

Orders are due back to school this week Wednesday 2nd September.

Stationery Packs - Special Offer

We have limited stock of our Stationery Packs available at the following discounted price:

Kindergarten - was $14 now $9
Year 1 - was $14 now $9
Year 2 - was $16 now $10
Year 3 & 4 - was $18 now $12
Year 5 & 6 - was $27 now $18

These stationery packs are available from the office.

Limited stock - Don’t miss out!

Don’t forget to keep collecting your Woolworths Earn and Learn Stickers!

BIG BLUE AWARDS

KS Kylinta, Trae
KH Aiden, Akaylah, Evelyn, Russ, Lilly, Rebecca
1D Montana, Olivia, Finn, Mia, Tahmana
1R Riley
2G Lily, Tanesha
2A Madison
3H Wil, Abby, Lateisha
4C Harper, Tony
5/6H Tanzania, Jade, Fleur
K-6L Ivan
K-6J Dom

GOLD AWARDS

1D Tahmana
5/6H Deacon

Jump Rope for Heart 2015

Thursday 17th September

Did you know heart disease affects 2 out of every 3 families? Help us to have fun while raising funds and support the heart foundation.

We raised over $1,000 last year and are hoping to better that effort in 2015. Don’t forget that you can earn some awesome prizes as well. Keep up the great fundraising efforts, and have fun while skipping.

Emergency Contacts

Please remember to let the school know of any changes to your child’s emergency contacts and their phone numbers.

Please advise the office of any changes as it is important that the school is kept up to date with contact information.

Please remember that our newsletter is able to be viewed in colour on our school website: www.bomaderry-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Fathers Day Stall
Thurs 3rd & Fri 4th September
Gifts from 50c to $5.00
Volunteer helpers welcome!

Canteen News
This week’s $5.00 Lunch Special
- Mini Quiche Salad Box
- Choice of popper, plain milk or small water
- Popcorn

- Community News -

SPORT & RECREATION - SPRING HOLIDAY CAMPS
Sport and Recreation has some great holiday options for kids and families these spring holidays. Kids’ Camps provide 7 to 17 year olds with the chance to branch out and be their own person while trying lots of fun activities. There is also all-inclusive Family Camps, to give parents and guardians a well-earned rest with accommodation, meals and instructor-led activities included in the price. With over 40 outdoor activities to choose from, including fishing, mountain biking, kayaking, abseiling and rock climbing, there’s plenty to do to keep everyone entertained.
Ph: 131 302

SAVER PLUS
Would $500 assist you with education costs? The Smith Family delivers Saver Plus, a FREE matched savings and financial education program where you could receive up to $500 for educational costs.
To be eligible you must have:
- a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- a child at school or starting next year
- some form of household income, eg. you or your partner may have casual, part-time, full-time or seasonal employment.
Contact: Lindi, your local Saver Plus Coordinator, at The Smith Family on 1300 610 355

- COMING SCHOOL EVENTS -

| Mon 31st Aug | - Yr2-6 Swim Scheme payment due |
| Tue 1st Sep  | - Life Education program commences |
|             | - Bravehearts ‘Ditto Show’ K-3 |
|             | - Debating Workshop payment due |
| Wed 2nd Sep  | - Crazy Camel orders due at office |
|             | - NAIDOC Public Speaking Finals |
| Thu 3rd Sep  | - Fathers Day Stall |
|             | - Debating Day at Vincentia HS |
|             | - Stage 3 Out There Ballet |
| Fri 4th Sep  | - Fathers Day Stall follow-up day |
|             | - Stage 2 Boys Basketball Challenge |
| Mon 7th Sep  | - Swim Scheme commences all week |
| Tue 8th Sep  | - Assembly 12.30pm |
| Mon 14th Sep | - Swim Scheme continues all week |
| Thu 17th Sep | - Jump Rope 4 Heart ‘Jump Off’ |
| Fri 18th Sep | - Last day of Term 3 |

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

| Mon 5th Oct  | - Public Holiday |
| Tue 6th Oct  | - Term 4 commences |
| Sun 1st Nov  | - BPS Spring Fair |

POSITION VACANT
- CANTEEN MANAGER -

Bomaderry Public School requires an efficient and enthusiastic individual to oversee the operation of a Healthy Kids Primary School Canteen.
The successful applicant will be responsible for the overall operation of the canteen.
Wages will be in accordance with the Shop Employees (State) Award.
The applicant should demonstrate their capacity to meet the following criteria:
- Demonstrated ability to prepare, cook and promote healthy food.
- Demonstrated ability to work as a team member.
- Demonstrated understanding of healthy eating.
- Experience and or qualification in food preparation, food safety and handling.
- Demonstrated ability in ordering and maintaining stock.
Desirable:
- Demonstrated time management skills.
- Experience working in a canteen with volunteers.

Enquiries: Tracy Bailey 0437 771 819
Applications should include a resume with references and are to be submitted by Tuesday 15th September 2015.
Applications to be sent to:
Tracy Bailey
P&G President
Bomaderry Public School
PO Box 2147
Bomaderry NSW 2541
or emailed to: tracybro@hotmail.com