Dear Parents and Carers

We have reached the final week of another term of school and we are surrounded by some tired little cherubs … Swimming Scheme always wears our students out, and this was certainly the case last Friday after a full week of lessons. I look forward to hearing how much everyone has improved by the assessment day this Thursday.

**BPS Achieving Our Strategic Direction Goals**

Our BPS School Plan has three Strategic Directions. These are in the general areas of Maths, Community Engagement and Quality Teaching.

We are pleased with the progress being made towards these strategic directions and just as the students are – we are certainly kicking goals! Thank you to our parents and carers for your support in achieving success for our students.

**Strategic Direction 1 – Why do we have a Maths goal?:** Being numerate is a critical life skill. We aim for all students to acquire the key ideas and skills of numeracy. Internal and external school numeracy performance data shows that our overall school numeracy levels require improvement.

**What is the Maths goal?:** Bomaderry Public School aims to ensure embedded explicit systems for collaboration (teachers planning together), classroom observation (staff watching each other’s teaching), the modelling of effective practice and feedback to drive and sustain ongoing, school-wide improvement in numeracy teaching practice and student outcomes.

**Progress on this goal:** All students at BPS have a specific Maths learning goal as part of their PLP. Staff are regularly planning and assessing Mathematics learning across the school. Infants teachers have been trained in TEN (Teaching Early Numeracy) and Primary teachers in TOWN (Taking Off With Numeracy) in order to improve their Maths teaching strategies. Executive staff visit classrooms to observe lessons and provide feedback for further improvement.

Teaching resources have been purchased. All lessons and provide feedback for further improvement.

We are proud of the work being done in Mathematics at BPS. Please continue to support the ‘home maths game program’ and learn those times tables!

**Quality Work**

Kylnita from KS produced very high quality handwriting for Ms Wallace. Kylnita used the ‘red’ handwriting lines, formed her writing neatly and stayed on one page. Keep trying hard, Kylnita.

Three groups of hard working Stage 2 boys came to share their Science learning with me last week. **Jesse, Jacob, Lachlan, Kane, Byron, Scott Daniel, Lincoln, Charlie and Jacob** from 3/4T created play-dough models of the digestive system. They then used their models to create multimodal texts using movie applications combined with verbal explanations of digestion. Their presentations were very informative. Well done, boys.

**Students Kicking 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 to Maddy from 4C for achieving her times tables goals. Well done Maddy.

**Parent Survey:** We have only had 5-10% of parents complete our online survey. Please help us by providing feedback.

Until October 16, a parent survey link will be open which allows all BPS parents to provide feedback which we can use to refine our school processes.

We would really appreciate it if as many families as possible could complete 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:


**SRC Crazy Hair Day**

Can’t wait to see all of the crazy hair ideas this Friday. Please wear school uniform. Our SRC have organized the day which will include a disco. Please send along a gold coin donation to wear crazy hair and a gold coin entry for the disco. Please note – if you go along to the Swimming Scheme, you can not use hair colour on Friday – crazy hair shapes and accessories will have to suffice – we don’t want to create a rainbow in the Bomaderry Pool! Proceeds will go towards the purchase and installation of ‘buddy benches’ in the playground!

**Attendance Matters**

Some days of the school week I make announcements over the PA system to congratulate all of the classes with 100% attendance. Last Tuesday I decided to hold off on those congratulations until the bulletin because there were simply SOOO many classes to be mentioned! Well done **KS, 1D, 2A, 3H, 3/4T, 4C, 5/6H and K-6S**. Let’s work towards a day at BPS with ALL classes with 100%!

**Spring Fair News**

So many great things are falling into place for the Spring Fair. We have booked some fairground rides to enjoy on the day – more information about the cost and presales for these is coming soon. We have enough secondhand books to start our bookstall, prizes for the chocolate wheel, volunteers from the staff, parents and P&C committee to run activities and stalls, community stalls and food outlets booked and so, so much more.
Could you please consider sending in any good quality, secondhand goods from your homes, garages, backs of wardrobes, toyboxes, or other places .... these will help us stock our White Elephant Stall. Everyone will be able to grab a fabulous bargain on the day. Remember some one’s trash is some else’s treasure! Here are some pics to remind you how much fun we had at the Spring Fair in 2013:

Spring Fair – GIANT RAFFLE information
The time has come for the big raffle lead-up to the Fair. Fifteen fantastic prizes are on offer and all students have taken home a small book of tickets to sell. All of the instructions were included.

The main thing to note is the need to RETURN ALL MONEY and ALL TICKETS (sold or unsold). Remember – there are plenty of spare booklets at the office. If you have sold your booklet, there are more to collect and sell over the school holidays. Thank you in advance.

Spring Fair Car and Bike Show
We will have local cars and bikes on show on our school oval during the Spring Fair. AND ...... GUESS WHAT? We have a very special visit organized from a replica of the Chitty Chitty Bang Bang car. Yes, that’s right - A tribute to Chitty Chitty Bang Bang's magical motor vehicle is soaring onto our oval!

Mr Mike Ellard, a retired limousine builder, painstakingly built the replica of the car from the 1968 musical after buying a 1988 Holden Rodeo ute for $100 off a friend and using the engine from a Holden V6 Commodore.

If you have a vehicle of interest which could also be displayed on the day (or you know someone who might): vintage, bikes, muscle, drift, race, modified, quirky or other – please contact Michael on 0413 538 649. He can give you more information and organize a spot to ‘show off’ from 9.30-2pm.

P&C dates and reminders
Please remember that THIS THURSDAY is the first P&C meeting with our 2015-2016 committee at the new time – 2pm. There will be another Spring Fair meeting with the P&C fundraising team on October 8th and then the October meeting date is October 22nd – again at 2pm.

Please come along to any or all of these meetings and get to know the team, join in the fundraising fun, help us plan upcoming events and just get involved with BPS. There is always coffee!

Book Week Colouring Competition
Congratulations to the winners of the Book Week colouring competition. Here they are pictured, all looking very happy with their book prizes.

Well done Bella from 2A, Russ from KH, Aurelia from 1R, Dakoda from KS, Finn from 1D, Eline from 4C, Lyarna from 2A, Lateisha from 3H, Larna from 3H, Daniel from K-6S.

Joke of the week:
What has four wheels and flies?
A garbage truck!

Have a wonderful holiday. School finishes for the term this Friday. Students return on TUESDAY OCTOBER 6th. Keep up the holiday home reading and do something fabulously fun with your family.

Ms Dionne Hanbidge - Principal

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**Tell Them From Me: Partners in Learning Survey**

You’re invited to participate in the *Tell Them From Me (TTFM)* Partners in Learning survey designed for parents and carers. This survey complements the TTFM student and teacher surveys, which focus on student engagement, wellbeing and effective teaching practices. All Department of Education schools have the opportunity to participate if they choose.

**Why should I participate?**
Parents and carers are an important and valued part of the school community. Schools can use survey feedback to make practical improvements and inform school planning.

**What does it involve?**
This online survey takes about 15 minutes to complete. It is anonymous and voluntary.

If you have more than one child at this school, and feel that your children’s experiences differ, you can complete the survey more than once.

**How can I participate?**
You can access the survey in your own time until 16 October 2015.

Follow the link below on your computer or tablet:


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: Eva, Ivy
- Stage 2: Meakala

**LEVEL 2 - 25 BOOKS**
- Early Stage 1: Eva, Ivy
- Stage 2: Ivan

**LEVEL 3 - 50 BOOKS**
- Early Stage 1: Dom
- Stage 1: Phoebe
- Stage 2: Aylah

**LEVEL 4 - 75 BOOKS**
- Stage 1: Caroline
- Stage 2: Kaitlyn

**LEVEL 5 - 100 BOOKS**
- Stage 1: Samira, Mathew, Aurelia
- Stage 2: Jordan, Cameron, Ben
- Stage 3: Ajay

**LEVEL 6 - 150 BOOKS**
- Stage 1: Blake
- Stage 2: Violet

**BIG BLUE AWARDS**

- KS: Alivia
- 1D: James, Montana, Jolie, Elictia
- 1R: Aisha, Isabella
- 2A: Natasha, Paige, Aleisha
- 2G: Mia
- 3H: Klaudia, Connor
- 3/4T: Ethan, Byron
- 4C: Jordan
- 5/6F: Shalyiegh
- K-6J: Maverick, Ryan, Dom, Nathan, Ngurowin
- K-6S: Mathew, Riley, Ben, Daniel, Ryan, Braydon

**GOLD AWARDS**

- 2A: Laura
- K-6J: Ryan, Rocco, Maverick

**LAST CHANCE!**

Please return all Woolworths Earn and Learn stickers and sheets (even if they are not complete) by tomorrow!

**Payment Reminder**

A reminder to all students that Jump Rope 4 Heart sponsorship money is due back to school by this Thursday 17th September.

Don’t forget to return all Spring Fair raffle tickets and money back to school once they have been sold. More raffle ticket books are available from the office.

**Jump Rope for Heart**

**Thursday 17th September**

Our “Jump off Day” has arrived. Thursday at 9.10am Bomaderry Public School will participate in Jump Rope for Heart. To celebrate all our wonderful fundraising efforts we are asking everyone to wear red, pink or white for our “Jump off".

Fundraising money can be sent in this week with Thursday being the last day for money collection. Thank you for the wonderful efforts by everyone and support in raising awareness for one of Australia’s most popular fundraising events. We are helping to look after hearts all over Australia. A job well done Bomaderry Public School, congratulations.
Canteen News

This week’s $5.00 Lunch Special
- Hawaiian Pizza Pocket
- Choice of popper, plain milk or small water
- Orchy

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&C President
Bomaderry Public School
PO Box 2147
Bomaderry NSW 2541

or emailed to: tracybro@hotmail.com

Second-Hand Uniforms Wanted URGENTLY

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.

SHIRT sizes that are NEEDED URGENTLY are 6, 8, 10 & 12.

LONG PANTS sizes that are NEEDED URGENTLY are 6, 8, 12

Thank you, Uniform Shop Staff

- Community News -

Nowra-Culburra Surf Lifesaving Club Nippers

The Nippers season at Nowra-Culburra Surf Lifesaving Club begins on Sun 18th October. Nippers provides children (5-14 years), with essential life beach skills in a fun environment.

Registration and Swim Proficiency dates are:
- 19th Sept from 10:00am-12pm at Bomaderry Pool
- 26th Sept from 10:30am-12:30pm at Bay & Basin Leisure Centre, Vincentia.

Cost for entire season Oct - March $75

Enquiries to Monica Willis 0468 936 511

Shoalhaven Hockey Twilight Competition

Shoalhaven Hockey is conducting a Twilight Hockey Competition for Juniors and Seniors.

Thursday night Junior age groups – Under 11yrs and under 14yrs (U’14s with one adult player per team) “hockey 5 format”.

Tues/Wed night senior mixed competition full field.

Please email melandtrent71@bigpond.com for registration details or more information.

Crazy Camel Fundraiser

Due to popular demand, we will be placing another Crazy Camel order this week.

Artwork is available for viewing on the school website.

Orders close: Wednesday 16th September.

Please return all orders to the office by this date.

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