



# Bateau Bay Public School

2A Waratah St Bateau Bay NSW 2261

Phone: 4332 8000

Email: [bateaubay-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:bateaubay-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

Website: <https://bateaubay-p.schools.nsw.gov.au>

**SAFE RESPECTFUL RESPONSIBLE**



## BATEAU BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL TURNS 40!

On 13 October 1980 Bateau Bay Public School was officially opened.

I wish to thank the wonderful Clark family in particular Tim from Best Signs who painted the number 40 for our commemorative photo which was taken by a drone (above).

Here 748 students combined to mark the occasion.

Details regarding a formal assembly and 80s themed dress day will be provided to the community later this term.

## 40 Years of Proud Public Education



# PRINCIPAL REPORT

## 2021 PLANNING

The school executive team are currently considering staffing and class models for 2021. We appreciate community support with this process and acknowledge that classes can only be formed based on the enrolment information provided to the school by parents and carers. This is critical as we move into holding pattern at the commencement of the school year as we await final advice from families. Forming classes in schools is a complex process based on Department of Education Policy. Decisions regarding class placement is taken seriously with a variety of factors considered when placing students.

Parents are able to outline aspects of their child's learning and development that may need special consideration when forming class compositions, which may impact upon their academic, social or emotional wellbeing. Please note requests for specific teachers will not be met. Any special request to be considered must be emailed to the school email and addressed to the principal no later than Friday 6 November (Week 4). Requests will **NOT** be considered after this date. Although any discussions regarding class compositions will be considered there is no expectation this request will be met. We ask parents to support your children in a supportive and resilient environment.

## STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS 2021

Staff Development Days provide schools the opportunity to focus on strategic professional learning and are a valuable opportunity to collaborate and plan to provide explicit, targeted learning opportunities for our students. The following amendments to School Development Days (SDDs) will take effect from the beginning of the 2021 school year. The amendments will impact the number of SDDs occurring in Terms 1 and 4, while SDDs occurring in Terms 2 and 3 will remain the same.

Commencing at the start of 2021, the changes include:

- an increase from one to two SDDs at the commencement of Term 1
- a decrease from two to one SDDs at the end of Term 4.

Full details are always published via the newsletter and on the school website for community awareness.

This means that Wednesday 27 and Thursday 28 January 2021 will be Staff Development Days (Pupil Free) with Friday 29 January the first day of school for 2021 for students in Year 1-6. Parents of students entering Kindergarten will receive additional information regarding their Best Start Assessment and first 'official' day of school.

There will be no changes to:

- the total number of SDDs – remaining at five days
- the length of the school year for staff or students (students will start and finish the school year one day later)
- SDDs occurring at the commencement of Terms 2 and 3.

## POLICE LIAISON VISIT

This week we were fortunate to welcome Senior Constable Kerie Wells from the Tuggerah Lakes Area Command who addressed all Stage 3 students regarding social media and cyber safety. It provided a great opportunity for our students to understand their digital footprint and how they're actions can also be considered illegal and criminal acts.

During lunch we were also visited by the Bicycle Police Unit who enjoyed coming onto the playground and chatting with our students. I thank the police for the opportunity to come to our school and meet with students to build strong relationship with police.

Our community thank you!



23 October 2020 – Term 4 Week 2



Page 2



Office Hours 8.30am to 3.00pm

## SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL IN 2021

Dear Parents of **Year 5** students

If you are interested in your child attending a selective high school in 2022 the following information is important.

- Applications for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2022 will be accepted from Tuesday 13 October 2020 to Monday 16 November 2020.
- Parents must apply online at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>
- All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 11 March 2021.

Applications for selective high school placement are mainly considered based on the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2022, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

**You must apply before the closing date.**

All Year 5 students have already received a note this term with additional information.

## NAIDOC DAY

This year marks the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Captain Cook's voyage to Australia and for this reason: Always Was, Always Will Be, was chosen to represent the theme of NAIDOC Week.

NAIDOC Week is an opportunity for all Australians to come together to celebrate the rich history, diverse culture and celebrate the oldest continuing culture on the planet.

Our students will be participating in a range of activities to learn from and support our local community. They include dance, art, sport, singing and local culture. These aim to strengthen connection of student with Aboriginal culture in our school, all while having fun.



## WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

World Teachers' Day is a day for Bateau Bay to celebrate and be proud of our teaching staff.

This year, despite major challenges, teachers have made sure education continues across the country. It's reinforced the significant role they play in the lives of children and students, their families and communities. I want to thank our wonderful teachers who continually provide outstanding opportunities for our students each and every day.

On behalf of the entire Bateau Bay community we say thank you!



## P & C ANGELS

A big thank you to our wonderful volunteers who have helped keep the canteen going while Donna recovers from her injury. You are amazing!

*P. Graham*

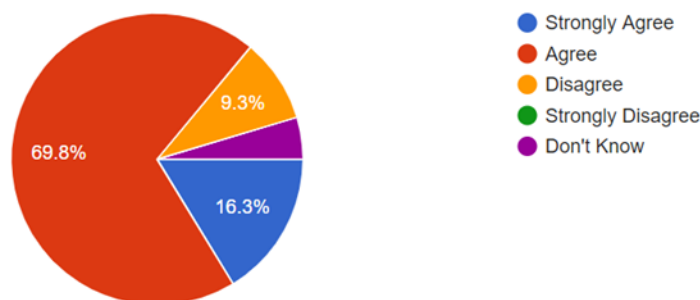
Peter Graham  
Principal



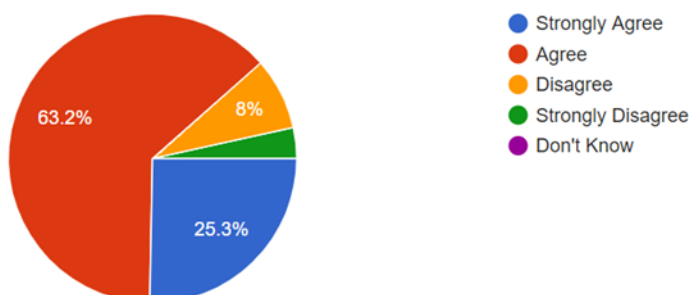
## PARENT SATISFACTION SURVEY

As part of school evaluation in preparation for the Strategic Improvement Plan parents and carers were given the opportunity to provide feedback through the Parent Satisfaction Survey. 88 respondents completed the survey with the results below. The results along with the responses to the two questions (What are our school's strengths? and What would you like to see as a priority over the next few years?) will be considered along with other sources including the *Tell Them From Me* survey. Thank you to all those families who participated in the survey.

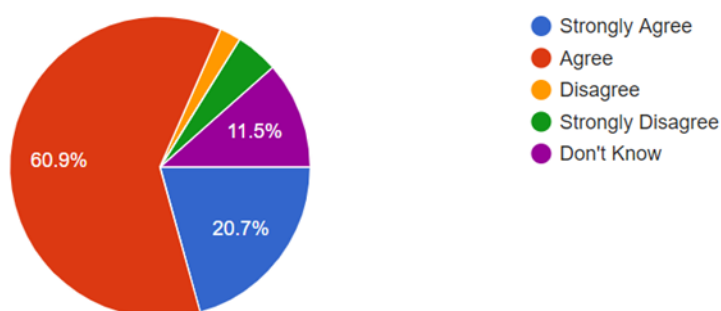
1. Bateau Bay PS has attractive, well-resourced classrooms.



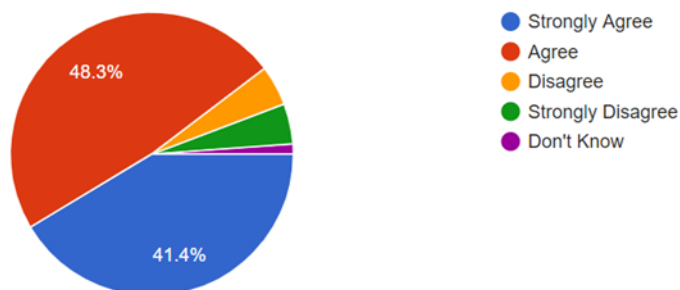
2. The school provides a safe and secure environment for my children.



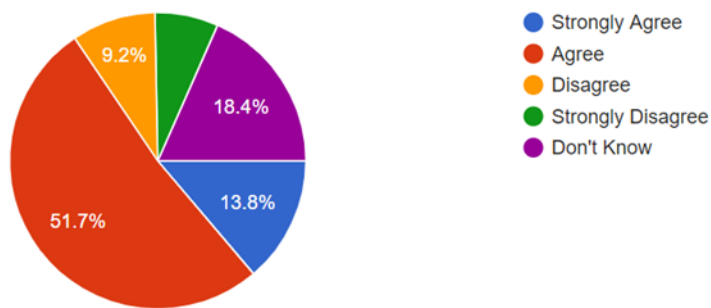
3. The school has supportive student wellbeing programs.



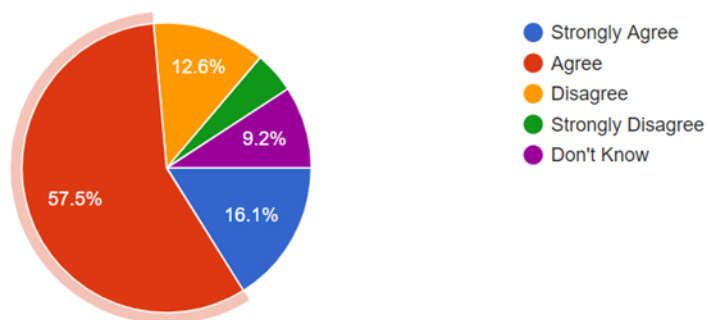
4. The school actively teaches and promotes its expectations of safe, respectful and responsible.



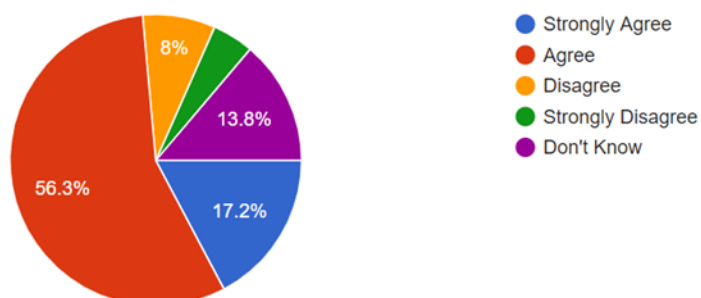
5. Fair discipline exists within the school.



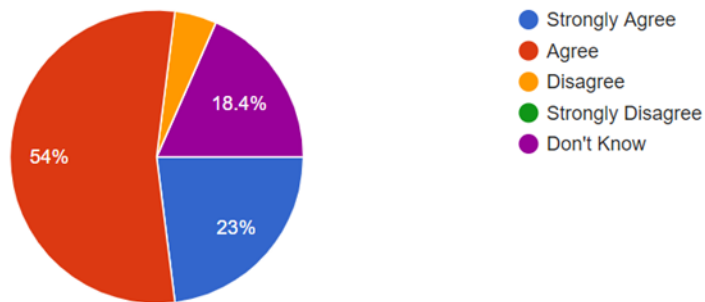
6. Student achievement is recognised throughout the school.



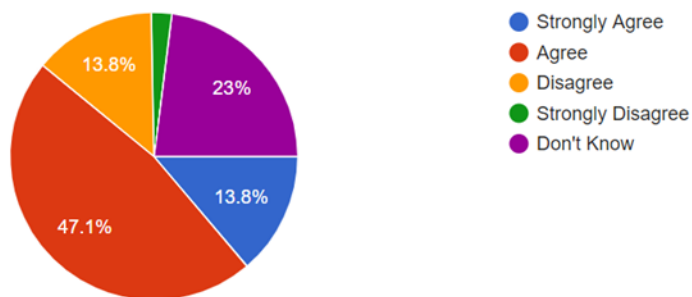
7. The school offers learning programs appropriate to student needs and abilities.



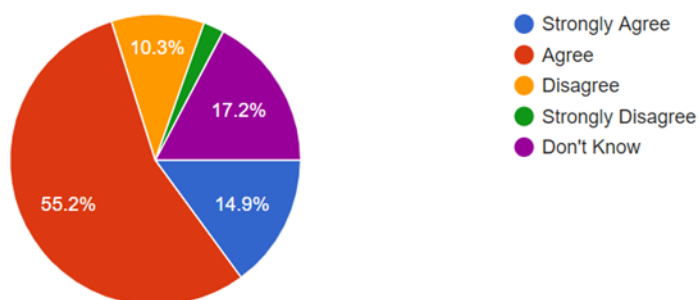
8. The school maintains a focus on literacy and numeracy.



9. A wide range of extracurricular programs are offered (e.g. student leadership, sport, performing arts, public speaking and debating).

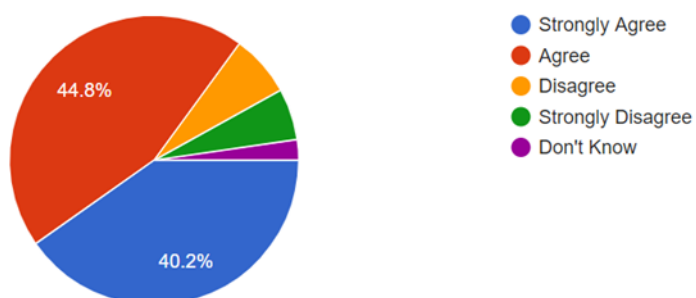


10. There is good student access to technology supported by strong programs and resources.

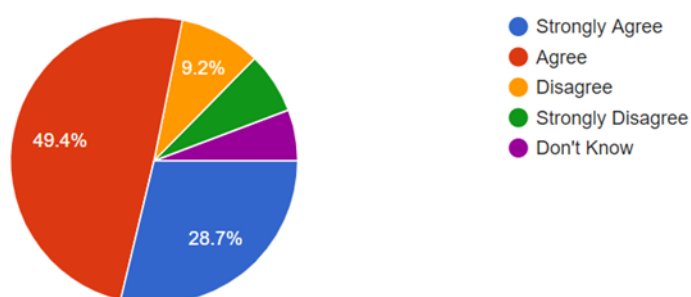




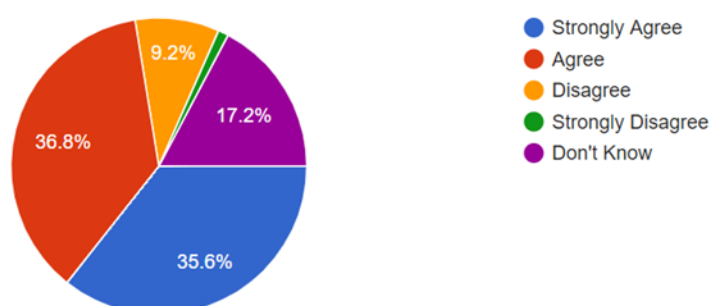
11. The teachers at Bateau Bay are approachable and helpful.



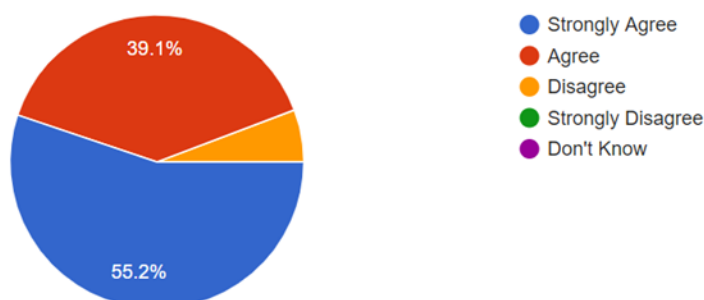
12. School office personnel respond to enquiries and requests in a friendly and prompt manner.



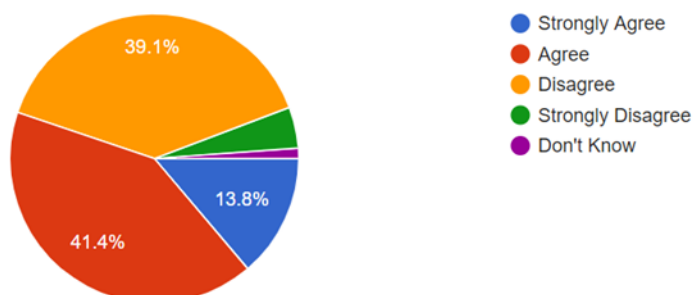
13. The Principal and Deputy Principals at Bateau Bay PS are approachable and helpful.



14. The fortnightly newsletter and Skoolbag App keeps the community informed about upcoming events and school achievements.



15. The school keeps me well informed about my children's progress at school.



<b>Upcoming Events...</b>	
Friday 30 October	Book Week Parade
Wednesday 4 November	Rugby League Gala Day – 9s
Friday 6 November	NAIDOC Day Celebration
Tuesday 10 November	P&C Meeting 7pm Teddy Bear Day (A-L)
Thursday 12 November	Teddy Bear Day (M-Z)
Monday 16 November	Teen Talk Day 1
Tuesday 17 November	Teen Talk Day 2
Monday 23 November	PBL Rewards Motivate
Monday 7 December	Swim School Begins
Monday 14 December	Year 6 Farewell
Wednesday 16 December	Last Day Term 4 2020
<b>PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO LATE CHANGE</b>	



## DEPUTY PRINCIPAL REPORT



### PROPERTY CENTRAL CITIZENSHIP AWARD FOR TERM 4 WEEKS 1 AND 2

The winner of the Property Central Citizenship Award for Term 4 Week 1 is Boadicea H 1M. Her citation read: "for being a responsible, respectful and kind student who is always generous with her time in support of others". Congratulations Boadicea!

The winner of the Property Central Citizenship Award for Term 4 Week 2 is Sonny McNamara 1R. His citation read: "for being a very helpful and polite student." Well done Sonny.

Boadicea and Sonny both received a certificate and a \$20.00 book voucher from Property Central at Friday morning assembly.

**SEL / PBL Focus:** Term 4 Week 1 and 2 Transitions and Canteen

**2020 BICYCLE LICENCES:** Congratulations on your bike license: Charlie C 4RB

**MARLEY PLAYGROUND REWARD WINNERS** The winners of the Marley Playground Rewards are:

**Term 4 Week 1:** Heidi V KCL, Olivia H 2M, Jhett M 2/3J, Lulu M 4P, Kailee P 6L

**Term 4 Week 2:** Leo H KB, Sienna T 1Ds, Isobel 2R, Dominic 2/3J, Maya M 4GF, Mikaela P 6M



### INTEGRATED FUNDING REVIEW MEETINGS

As a Departmental requirement all students accessing integrated funding support and out of home care are required to participate in school review meetings to discuss current needs, adjustments and recommendations leading into 2021.

Notes will be sent this week for parents and carers to indicate their availability.

These meetings will take place in Week 7 (Wednesday 25 and Friday 27 November).

### KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION 2021

The Teddy Bear Day for 2021 Kinder (**Tuesday 10 November and Thursday 12 November**) will allow children to socialise with each other in their coloured preschool groupings and connect with Kinder staff and executive, teachers aids and invited preschool teachers (if they can attend).

The morning activities will look similar to their pre-school day with construction, books and puzzles, and the librarian reading a story to set the scene for a Teddy Bear hunt (walking tour) around the school.

As per the guidelines attached, parents can only be on site for 10 mins which will allow time to walk their child to the designated room, settle them in and leave the site.

The day will run from 9.00am - 10.30am and further details are provided to parents via [2021kinderbbps@gmail.com](mailto:2021kinderbbps@gmail.com) or via our 2021 Newsletters.

Penny Hooper  
Deputy Principal



### BATEAU BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL

*I'm going to big school*



### Teddy Bear Day

*Tuesday 10 November* - Students with surnames A-L

*Thursday 12 November* - Students with surnames M-Z

9.00am TO 10.30am

- You are only required to **attend one day** with **one parent**
- Due to COVID restrictions we cannot swap days
- No cost
- Please meet teachers at colour coded gates on Waratah Street (near front office)

**Bring your Teddy along**

## HOME READING SCHEME

Congratulations to the following students who have received book prizes for their enthusiasm and dedication to home reading:



• Rosie KB	• Edie KB	• Sophie KWT	• Ben 1R
• Lachlan KB	• Savannah KH	• Austyn KWT	• Jonathan 2M
• Charlotte KB	• Cohen KH	• Iggy 1DS	• Taj 2M
• Andie KB	• Nixon KH	• Catherine 1DS	

## LIBRARY NEWS

**2020 Book Week Parade – Term 4 Week 3 Friday 30 October Curious Creatures, Wild Minds!**

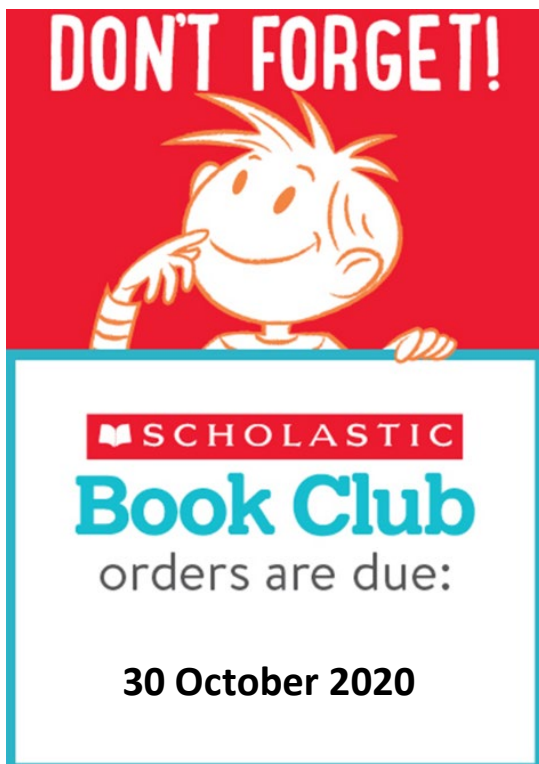
We will celebrate Book Week with a dress-up day on **Friday, 30th October**.

Students are encouraged to come to school on that day dressed-up as their favourite book character or in keeping with this year's theme of ***“Curious Creatures, Wild Minds!”***

Closed-in shoes must be worn and school hats will be needed for the day. Students who are not dressing-up must wear school uniform.

COVID19 restrictions will have a significant impact on our usual Book Week parade. Unfortunately, family and friends **cannot** attend, however, we will take lots of photos and share them with you.

Regards,  
Helen Buscombe  
Teacher Librarian



**Don't forget to return your overdue library books to Mrs Buscombe.**





## STAGE 2 TREE PROJECT

During Term 3, Stage Two were learning about sustainability and the importance of trees to our environment. As part of this unit, we also studied *The Lorax* by Dr Suess which shares a message about the impact of cutting down trees. Inspired by this message, Stage Two decided to undertake a special project.

Each student was asked to consider donating \$1 towards a class tree. As a result, we now have 7 more trees that we have proudly planted in our playground!

We are so excited to care for our trees and watch them grow over the years to come.

Well done to all of the students in Stage Two for being so generous with their donations!

***“Plant a new Truffula. Treat it with care.  
Give it clean water. And feed it fresh air.  
Grow a forest. Protect it from axes that hack.  
Then The Lorax and his friends  
may come back.” – Dr Suess***

Mrs Sophie Best  
Stage Two Class Teacher







# Casual Work

Casual positions - Multiple locations across Hunter Region (6556)

## Help protect our vibrant school communities

### Become a Casual School Crossing Supervisor!

- Keep our kids, parents and teachers safe on the road
- Be a second pair of eyes for our local motorists
- Earn an income and still have time to live your life to the fullest

Shifts fall between the school zones hours 8.00am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4.00pm,  
with a minimum of one, one hour shift as and when required  
Monday to Friday during the school term.

### Does this sound like you?

- ✓ Reliable in good or bad weather
  - ✓ Good communication skills
  - ✓ Community spirit
  - ✓ Positive energy
- ✓ If it does, visit [jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au](https://jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au) to apply today!
- ✓ Applications close Wednesday, 28 October 2020





## WHY CHOOSE CHRISTIAN SRE? ?

Christian SRE helps students to 'become successful learners, confident and creative individuals, and active and informed citizens'. It aids them to 'have a sense of selfworth and personal identity that enables them to manage their emotional, mental, spiritual and physical wellbeing'.

“

SRE is a strength of our public education system, it benefits student mental health and well-being, provides safe places for students to explore faith and belief and strengthens multiculturalism.

”

The Honourable Sarah Mitchell, MLC,  
New South Wales Minister for Education  
and Early Childhood Learning.

The NSW Government published the independent SRE review findings and recommendations in 2017. These highlighted how SRE positively contributes to students' understanding of their cultural heritage, is an avenue for their spiritual care, builds tolerance in schools, promotes multiculturalism, contributes to a wellrounded education, and connects schools with their local community.



Better Balanced Futures provides the foundation for life values in our children, to assist them to navigate in an ever-changing world. It aims to continually improve the implementation and delivery of SRE.

**Better  
Balanced  
Futures**

### CONTACT US



[www.christiansre.com.au](http://www.christiansre.com.au)



[info@christiansre.com.au](mailto:info@christiansre.com.au)



For regular updates about SRE,  
[facebook.com/christiansrenew](https://facebook.com/christiansrenew)

**CHRISTIAN SRE**   
QUESTION. EXPLORE. DISCOVER.

**CHRISTIAN SRE**   
QUESTION. EXPLORE. DISCOVER.

## INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES



[christiansre.com.au](http://christiansre.com.au)



## WHAT IS CHRISTIAN SRE? ?

Special Religious Education (SRE) also known as Scripture, is the time set aside in Public Schools where parents/carers can choose to have their children educated in the faith of their family and cultural background. The NSW Education Act (1990) allows for the local community to make this contribution to public education, via annually approved providers, responsible for authorising age appropriate lessons, training and authorisation of teachers.

Christian SRE begins with the understanding that we were created by a loving God, who calls us to fullness of life. Children are encouraged to see themselves as God sees them, full of gifts and potential to be a force for immense goodness in our world. As such, Christian SRE, contributes to positive self-image, identity and resilience, forming young people in their understanding of the morals and values from the teaching of Jesus.

The Christian SRE program takes various forms in different schools and regions. In some schools individual denominations provide specific class options (E.g. Anglican, Catholic, Orthodox). In other schools Churches unite their efforts to deliver a common curriculum in combined Christian SRE classes.

## WHO teaches SRE?

SRE teachers are people from local Christian churches, some are paid, most are volunteers. All SRE teachers have mandatory working with children checks, as well as ongoing training in child protection and classroom management, lesson preparation and the appropriate use of authorised curriculum materials.

## WHAT is taught?

Christian SRE teachers follow an authorised curriculum enabling students to question, explore and discover more about their Christian faith by examining the Word of God, church teaching and the faith experience of others. It helps students to grasp what it means to live well, to be in relationship with God and to embrace a life of service of others.

SRE teachers are encouraged to use a variety of teaching activities including writing, craft, small groups, class discussion, songs, drama, storytelling, games and new learning technologies. Every SRE provider must have on their website a link to the outline of the authorised curriculum they use.

## HOW do we choose SRE?

Schools regularly inform parents/carers of available SRE options and a participation letter is included in the enrolment pack. The participation letter informs parents/carers of the SRE options available and gives parents/carers the choice of which SRE class the student may attend e.g. Anglican, Catholic or Christian SRE. If a parent/carer is unsure or wants an update, they can contact the school directly. A parent/carer can also alter their choice at any time by sending a note to the school Principal. SRE is all about choice and SRE providers fully support the right of parents/carers to choose any of the SRE options, or non-SRE options, including private supervised study or Special Education in Ethics classes where available.

## COMMUNICATION

On occasion and with pre-approval from the Principal, teachers may send information home about local church services, annual seasonal celebrations, access to sacramental or church programs, as part of ongoing communication with parents/carers. There are clear processes available at a school level and via SRE providers to enable parents/carers to have dialogue, to ask questions or to make a complaint if they have concerns about SRE.







# GOSFORD HIGH SCHOOL

Consider public education at the No.1 High School on the Central Coast.

## Applications open NOW for 2022



### Key Dates

Application website opens  
13th October 2020

Application website closes  
16th November 2020

**You must apply before this date.**

Test centre and test authority advice  
released 25th February 2021.

Selective High School Placement Test  
11th March 2021

Placement outcome information  
released 2nd July

For any enquiries, call GHS on  
(02) 4325 2048

Virtual tours will be available on the  
GHS website soon.

**Application website:**

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>





**MINGARA  
AQUATICS**

- Swimming lessons
- Squads
- Aqua Fun
- Aqua Fitness



mingara.com.au | 4349 7821 | facebook.com/mingaraaquatics

**Kip McGrath** EDUCATION CENTRES

# ENGLISH AND MATHS TUTORING

✓ Primary - Secondary ✓ Qualified Teachers ✓ Personalised Learning Programmes

Book a free assessment today • 02 4333 5760

Bateau Bay • 5/3 Farrar Way • kipmcgrath.com.au/bateau-bay



*Healthy & Delicious*

Ready Made Meals  
Gluten Free | Dairy Free | Paleo | Vegan | Vegetarian

**FREE DELIVERY**  
on first order!

Use code:  
**BATEAUBAY**

activatefoods.com.au  
222 The Entrance Rd Erina



**McGrath**

Carl & Sabina Baker 0405 361 517  
"Bateau Bay Area Specialist"



**CREATIVE KIDS**

*Fun Languages* **BATEAU BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL**

**ENROLLING FOR TERM 1 2020**

French Club on Tuesday 1.30pm - 2.10pm  
Only for students from Year 1 up to Year 6

Cost is \$12.50 per child per class  
Limited places available

To receive an information Pack for 2020

Please Call 0430 286 590  
nathalie.roy@lcfclubs.com.au  
www.lcfclubs.com.au




Bateau Bay Public School  
P&C Association  
Before & After School Care



Phone: 4333 5168 Mobile: 0478 762 464

**OPENING HOURS**

Before School	6.30am-8.30am
After School	2.50pm-6.30pm
Vacation Care	7.00am-6.00pm

Breakfast and Afternoon Tea is provided daily

Kindergarten students are escorted to and from their classrooms

Call (02) 4389 1991 / 0435 568 195 <http://www.bestsigns.com.au/>



Best Signs is a full service signage business with facilities in QLD and NSW.  
Products included are Shopfront Signage, Vehicle Signage, Safety Signs, Sign Writing, Digital Printing, Grass Signage, Sports Signage, Lightbox Signs, Banners, Billboards, A-Frames.

**This space is available for your yearly commitment to Bateau Bay Public School.**

**Please contact the office on 4332 8000**

**Space Available  
For  
Advertisement**