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PRINCIPAL REPORT

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YEAR 6 FAREWELL

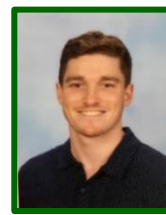
Thank you to Mrs Moulton and Mrs Taylor for their coordination of the Year 6 Farewell last night. Students were able to enjoy a great evening of celebration acknowledging their 7 years of primary schooling and the journey ahead to high school. It is a credit to the staff of this school that we were still able to offer an opportunity for our students considering the restrictions. A sincere thank you to all families who supported the school by following arrival and dismissal procedures.

STAFFING

Mr Ross McGowen will be on Long Service Leave from the Department of Education for 2021 pending retirement. Ross has worked tirelessly over many years to provide quality learning for students in public education and as an advocate for the teaching profession. On behalf of the entire Bateau Bay community we wish Ross all the best.



After conducting the extensive expression of interest process we will welcome a number of new staff to Bateau Bay filling temporary positions. Katie McGrory, Matt Burraston and John Rippon look forward to being part of our great school and collaborative staff. They will be attending our Staff Development Day along with participating in a student information handover session.



P&C

At last week's final P&C meeting for the year I passed on the gratitude from all the community for the hardworking team. I wish to thank all P&C Executive and members for their leadership and continual support of Bateau Bay Public School throughout this unique year. Your ongoing support of our students is greatly appreciated!

A sincere thank you to Tom, Casey, Erin, Nicole and Travis for your outstanding leadership and providing a strong, steady link between the school and our parent community. Our school is a better place because of your commitment and enthusiasm.



Student Representative Council - 2020



Student Leaders - 2020



Upcoming Events...

Wednesday 16 December	Last Day Term 4 2020
Wednesday 27 January	Staff Development Days— No Students
Thursday 28 January	
Friday 29 January	Students return to school
Wednesday 3 February	School banking resumes

**PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL DATES ARE
SUBJECT TO LATE CHANGE**

I would also like to thank Donna for her hard work in the canteen and Kylea and the OOSH team for the quality service you provide for our students.

2020 has been a significant year for Bateau Bay PS where the school has been generously supported financially for:

- Classroom readers
- Playground games
- Technology including laptops and iPads
- Cricket pitch resurfacing

I encourage all families (new and returning) to join the P&C as we work together for shared improvements for our students in 2021.

CARE PACKAGE

To support good hygiene practices in the holiday period the Department is providing a packet of wipes and a travel hand sanitiser to each student (please see handout below). These will be brought home by students on Wednesday and are great for backpacks when students are out enjoying our holiday weather.

SCHOOL SECURITY

As we approach the school holidays it's important to make the community aware of important safety processes involved in our school site. Community members are encouraged to make contact with school security on **1300 880 021** if they notice anything unusual or suspicious over the holiday period. Vacation Care will be held on weekdays and some teaching staff may be at school along with our General Assistant (Mr Steve Arrel) will be working as normal but outside regular work day hours including weekends. Parents are asked if they notice anything strange driving past to make contact with school security. As the school is inclosed land students should not be playing on the school grounds at any time. Your support is greatly appreciated by our entire school community.

HOLIDAYS

As this is the final newsletter for the 2020 school year I want to thank the Bateau Bay community for their warm welcome to the school. As I conclude my first year as principal I reflect on the significant contribution of the teaching and support staff in ensuring our students have been provided a consistent and caring learning environment. Thank you to all families for their continual support of our school particularly with the ever changing guidelines. I look forward to leading our 2021-2024 Strategic Improvement Plan with ongoing community consultation.

TRANSITION SUPPORT

Thank you to our wonderful Learning and Support Teacher Mrs Goodsell, Mrs Williams and Miss Coggins who have put together a great transition PowerPoint to support our students moving into Year 1,2 and 3. This is to ensure our students feel comfortable with knowing where they will need to be at the commencement of the school year as we return to holding pattern until enrolments are confirmed.

The PowerPoint is available under the "Notes home" tab on our website.

I wish all families a happy and safe festive season and holiday. Staff Development Days will occur on Wednesday 27 and Thursday 28 January 2021.



I look forward to seeing all Year 1-6 students return to school on Friday 29 January 2021.

Please be aware that students are to line up in the COLA area for their first day in their 2020 class line. Students will remain with their 2020 class until enrolments are confirmed. This is to support a settled start for the school year.

All 2021 Kindergarten students have been sent a letter and accompanying postcard which outlines their Best Start Assessment time with their first official day of school Wednesday 3 February 2021.

Merry Christmas and have a happy holiday.

P. Graham

Peter Graham
Principal



Harry's Special visit from the Police

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL REPORT

BEST START ASSESSMENT DATES

Please note the dates for Kindergarten Best Start Assessments. These dates and times are pre-generated for all students, please look out for your Best Start Assessment letter and postcard towards the end of 2020.

Friday 29 January 2021

Monday 1 February 2021

Tuesday 2 February 2021

**Please note Kindergarten 2021 students
commence school Wednesday 3 February**

P. Hooper

Penny Hooper
Deputy Principal

AFL GALA DAY

On Wednesday 9 December, a team of girls and boys competed in an AFL round robin gala day with Wamberal, Terrigal and Erina Heights Public Schools. The sun was shining and all the students involved were excited to be playing AFL.

BOYS REPORT

The boys versed Erina Heights PS in their first game who were a largely inexperienced and young side and the final score reflected this. Bateau Bay won the game easily putting 60 plus points on the team in 20 minutes.

The second game had the boys concerned as they were versing an extremely strong Terrigal side that contained many players from the Terrigal weekend side. The Bateau Bay team were impressive and held their own but Terrigal just had the edge on them. Bateau Bay lost the game 27 points to 16.

The third game was against Wamberal Public School. The game was close but some skilful attacking runs and solid defence gave Bateau Bay the win and secured them a spot in the final. The score in this game was 15 points to 9.

The final was against Terrigal PS and despite an extremely valiant effort, the Bateau Bay team were unable to beat a talented Terrigal side. The boys finished the game with a very proud teacher who was impressed with how skilful, competitive and courageous they were throughout the day.

GIRLS REPORT

The girls, nay, the lionesses of Bateau Bay Public Schools prepped for their greatest competition of the year. A year that will go down in history as the toughest any of us have had to face. A year that has forged these girls into hardened warriors who took to the oval as if it were a battlefield. Their hearts aiming for victory.

Their first opponents, Erina Heights Public School, came out roaring. And they met them with equal determination. The game saw all players grow in skill and enthusiasm as each girl on both sides proved why they were chosen to represent their school. Bateau Bay took the win without a point against them. BBPS 21. EHPS 0.

The next game saw Bateau Bay come up against Terrigal. The girls put up an incredible defence, adapting their strategies to block the strength of their challenger. Bateau Bay only allowed a few goals past them. Although, Terrigal proved to be a challenging opponent, defeating Bateau Bay in the end. However, they did not expect the tenacity of our team who managed to score the first points against them all day. BBPS 6. TPS 31.

Wamberal was up next. This game saw both sides struggling to gain the upper hand. Bateau Bay was in the lead. Then

Wamberal tied up the game. At half-time the game was left even. The team took to the field, determination in their eyes. Minutes ticked by. The score remained constant. The girls were desperate to get that final point to take the lead. They just needed a split second to take advantage of. And it arrived. The ball soared through the air, barely making it through to score a single point. Bateau Bay had won. BBPS 7. WPS 6.

The Grand Final: The titans of Terrigal vs the beasts of Bateau Bay. The rematch of the millennium. The girls played hard. Their defence had never been better, keeping Terrigal on their toes. Terrigal tried over and over to score. And they met their challenge time and time again. Until one slipped past their defence. The girls had never felt such determination. The score was small but they were ahead of us. Again, Terrigal scored. Then, so did Bateau Bay. Terrigal looked afraid. Bateau Bay had gotten stronger since their last game. The girls played the hardest they had played all day. However, Terrigal came away with the win. Bateau Bay fought hard and proved to themselves and their opponents why they deserved to be in the grand final together. BBPS 6. TPS 25

Bateau Bay Public School congratulates Terrigal Public School on their win and sportsmanship on the day. Well done to all players from each school on a brilliant day of AFL.

Thank you to the parents for your support in transporting the students to and from the ground and for being understanding and respectful about not being able to spectate due to COVID restrictions. Thank you to Jaz for helping Mr Dodd with the girls team.

Adele Strange and Matt Dodd
AFL Coordinators

HOME READING SCHEME

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



• Riva - KWT	• Ilaria - KWT
• Morgan – KB	• Leo – KB
• Oliver – KB	• Evie – 1L
• Aida – 1DS	• Gemma – 2M
• Sam – 2V	

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION

With Covid restrictions easing, Term 4 saw many celebrations of Aboriginal culture in our school. Here is a snapshot of what has happened this Term. Thank you to all staff for continuing to support our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, your dedication is greatly appreciated. Enjoy your holidays and we look forward to an exciting 2021.

Kylie Murace
Aboriginal Education Contact for 2020
Dare to Lead Co-Ordinator

YEAR 6 BOOK PACKS

On Wednesday, Ms Linda Ashton from Tumby Umbi Campus attended our school to present our Year 6 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students with book packs to help ease the transition into High School. The book packs contained everything they need to begin Year 7 as a successful learner. Thank you, Ms Ashton and Tumby Umbi Campus for your generosity and ongoing support. We look forward to continuing our work together next year.



NSW AECG ART COMPETITION

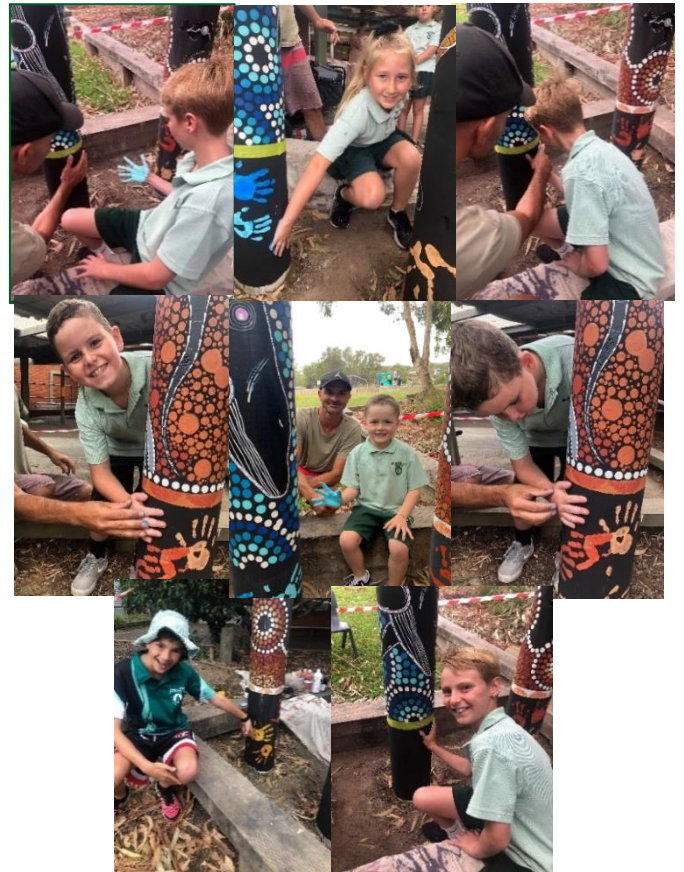
This year the NSW AECG called out to deadly artists to submit artworks that represented the NAIDOC theme: *ALWAYS WAS, ALWAYS WILL BE*. Cordelle, Charly, London and Octavia were lucky recipients of recognition certificates. Their artworks can be found on display in the Library. Congratulations!



[#alwayswasalwayswillbe](https://www.facebook.com/alwayswasalwayswillbe) [#NAIDOCWeek2020](https://www.facebook.com/NAIDOCWeek2020)

FRIENDSHIP POLES

Last week we welcomed Russ Molony into our school to begin the improvements of our cultural landscape. The first inclusion has been the construction of 'Friendship Poles' located at the top of the COLA. Russ has painted images representing land and water, with each student placing their handprint at the base of pole connecting them to our school and each other. Thank you Russ for your incredible work, we look forward to next addition to our school.



STAN RALPH SCHOLARSHIP AND STATE AWARDS

Each year, Kirsten Booker and our local Kuriwa AECG, present one lucky Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student from the area with the Stan Ralph Scholarship. Congratulations to Cordelle G who was the successful 2020 recipient. She has been acknowledged for her hard work and dedication with a new laptop to assist her ongoing studies as she begins High School at the Tumby Umbi Campus. Congratulations also go to London, Charly and Lydia who were recognised with state awards in academics, culture and performing arts. Thank you to Kirsten, Rob, Cherie, and the Kuriwa AECG for supporting our students to achieve great things.



Merry Christmas

UNIFORM SHOP

There will be a special online ordering day where uniforms can be ordered prior to 4.30pm Wednesday 20th January 2021 that can be collected between 9.30am - 11.30am on Friday 22nd January.

Please see the flyer below.



UNIFORM SPECIAL ONLINE ORDERING DAY

****FRIDAY 22ND JANUARY 2021****

ORDERS MUST BE PLACED BY 4.30PM WEDNESDAY 20TH JANUARY 2021 VIA FLEXISCHOOLS WEBSITE

ORDERS CAN BE COLLECTED FROM THE UNIFORM SHOP ON FRIDAY 22ND JANUARY 2021 BETWEEN 9.30am - 11.30am (NO OVER THE COUNTER SALES AVAILABLE)

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO COLLECT YOUR ORDER DURING THIS TIME, PLEASE EMAIL bbpspc@outlook.com PRIOR TO ORDERING TO MAKE ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS.

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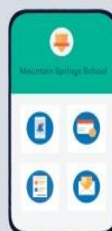
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LEAVING BATEAU BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL

Is your child leaving Bateau Bay Public School at the end of 2020? (Not including Year 6 Students)

Name:..... Class:

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Name of school that your child/ren will attend in 2021:

COVID-safe summer pack

**Congratulations for
another successful
year of learning
and growing**

As we come to the end of the school year,
we'd like to remind you to stay COVID-safe
during the summer holidays.

Here are some tips for you:



Use the contents of this
pack to help you stay
COVID-safe.



Meet outdoors whenever
possible and wear sunscreen.



Meet in small groups.



Practice good hand hygiene
and remember to cough and
sneeze into your elbow.

Enjoy your well-earned break.
Rest, relax and recharge and
we'll see you in 2021!



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Limited places available

To receive an information Pack for 2020

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OPENING HOURS

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

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