



# Bateau Bay Public School

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## Enrol **Now** At **BATEAU BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL**

Parents & Carers

We are currently accepting enrolments for **KINDER 2021**.

Please collect an enrolment package from our front office

or call **4332 8000** for further information.

Our information evening will be held in the Hall on

**Thursday 3 September 6.30pm**

### *Newbees at Bateau Bay PS*

**Our transition to school program will held**

Tuesday 20 or Thursday 22 October

Tuesday 27 or Thursday 29 October

Tuesday 3 and Thursday 5 November

Our Teddy Bears Picnic will be held in the yarning circle on

**Thursday 12 November 9.30am**



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QUALITY WORKERS



Joshua M 4P - Citizenship Award



Max F 3M - Citizenship Award



Andie and Daniella KB - Writing



Riley, Jazzi, Ella & Chloe 4GF – Holiday snap shots



Felix, Max, Mason & Anna - Monster Descriptions

## PRINCIPAL REPORT

### EDUCATION WEEK 2020

Next week NSW Public Schools will celebrate Education Week. The wonderful work of teachers, the supportive community and the achievement of students is acknowledged and the outcomes we deliver in public schools is something of which we should feel proud.

The theme for Education Week 2020 is **Learning together**.

In this year of bushfires, floods and COVID-19, the key messages of Education Week 2020 are:

#### Schools are the cornerstone of communities

Parents and carers are our partners in learning. Schools and families benefit from strong, respectful relationships where responsibility for student learning is shared.

#### Change and resilience

Our teachers and students are lifelong learners, collaborating in a positive learning environment to achieve their best. Learning together makes us strong and creates resilient communities.

#### Connect better and learn together

Our school staff are dedicated professionals who know, value and care for all students. Technology enables learning together anywhere, any time.

Due to current restrictions we will be unable to hold regular activities but will acknowledge the week with a special video showcasing our great school. This video will be uploaded to our website next week.

We will also be presenting our Education Week Appreciation Awards at our Friday morning assembly.

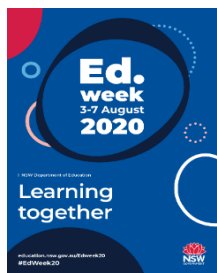
A number of nominations were received for staff members and I would like to congratulate Bateau Bay recipients for 2020:

Mark Waite (Deputy Principal) who has demonstrated years of dedicated service to students of Bateau Bay PS. Our school is a great place to learn because of his leadership.

Bateau Bay PS Office Staff who continually deliver professionalism and a diligent approach in supporting students, families and staff within the school community and promoting a welcoming environment.

### COVID UPDATE

Thank you to all parents and carers who are supporting our community by following guidelines. All visitor must attend the front office to sign in or collect your child during school hours. Parents are distancing themselves outside the school gates in the afternoon. It's great to see students being dropped at entry gates in the morning where they are able to walk into the school by themselves. Unfortunately parents and carers are unable to attend assemblies at this point along with volunteers in classrooms but as always we will continue to provide updated information from the Department of Education as advice changes.



## ANTICIPATED ENROLMENTS 2021

To ensure effective and timely staffing of all schools the Department of Education requires anticipated enrolments for 2021.



I therefore request any families who **will not** be at Bateau Bay Public School next year (this does not include Year 6 students who are moving to high school) to please contact the office by phone or emailing the school. This is critical to ensure we have a clear picture of enrolments and parents are kindly requested to make contact with the office if your circumstances change later in the year. As a school we can only plan based on the information we are provided by families.

## STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

Last Monday staff were involved in a full day of professional learning continuing our school focus on rigorous numeracy teaching and learning. Staff participated in small group sessions focusing on quality numeracy structures, evidence informed practice, number talks and assessment. I thank the executive for their continual focus on providing the best opportunities for our students.



## P & C MEETING

The next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 11 August at 7pm in the staffroom. All current and new families are welcome. I look forward to meeting as many parents and carers who are able to attend.

All parents attending the meeting will be required to follow health protocols including social distancing. A new Department of Education visitors declaration currently in place will also need to be signed by all those in attendance.

## ATHLETICS AND CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVALS

The school Athletics Carnival will be held on Friday 28 August 2020 at Mingara Athletics Track. The school Cross Country Carnival will be held on Tuesday 15 September 2020 at the school. A Tuggerah Lakes carnival will follow both of these events in Term 4.

There are **No** Sydney and NSW State PSSA Athletics and Cross country carnivals this year. This decision was made by the NSW PSSA.

At this stage, parents will **not** be able to attend any of the sports carnivals but the school remains hopeful that this situation will change prior to the events.

## NEW DEMOUNTABLE

A new disabled demountable toilet has now been installed adjacent to the Kindergarten classrooms. The new facility is larger than the previous one meaning the gate on Marlowe Rd will continue to be locked.

## LIFE EDUCATION

Life Education is an invaluable opportunity for our students to learn about personal health, safety and wellbeing during a visit to the life education van. Healthy Harold will commence next Monday. Thank you to those parents/carers who have returned permission notes and money.

## REPORTS

As part of the guidelines for students returning to school the Department of Education has provided guidelines for schools regarding amended reporting to parents for Semester 1. The changes to the reports are for Semester 1 2020 only. Each school has been able to provide a simplified, written report about students' learning which includes learning undertaken at school and online from home. The grading of students using the five point A-E scale is not required, however, student comments will reflect the language of the scale. Reports will be sent home with students next week.

A sample of the Bateau Bay report is provided below for your reference.

**Bateau Bay Public School**  
2020 - Semester 1 - Year 2

Student: \_\_\_\_\_  
Class: \_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

**General Comment**

**Social Development**

Area	A	U	S	R
Makes safe and responsible choices	✓			
Takes responsibility for their actions	✓			
Is co-operative and helpful	✓			
Values and respects self and others	✓			

**Commitment to Learning**

Area	A	U	S	R
Displays a positive attitude to learning	✓			
Strives for personal improvement	✓			
Is an independent learner	✓			
Collaborates effectively with others	✓			

A = Always, U = Usually, S = Sometimes, R = Rarely

**Attendance**  
Days Absent: \_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

## SIGNAGE

New signage has been installed on the bottom gates near OOSH along with other signage to support visitors. The only parents and carers who are able to access the bottom carpark are those who:

- Are accessing OOSH before and after school
- Deliveries to the school (including canteen)
- Accessing disabled parking

Parents dropping their children off inside this carpark to access school is strongly discouraged. Community support is greatly appreciated.


Have a great week at our great public school.


*P. Graham*  
Peter Graham  
Principal

## DEPUTY PRINCIPAL REPORT

### TERM 3 WEEK 1 & 2

#### PROPERTY CENTRAL CITIZENSHIP AWARD

 **Property Central Citizenship Award for Term 3 Week 1** – The winner of the Property Central Citizenship Award for Term 3 Week 1 is Max F of class 3M. His citation read: “for being a great “Bucket Filler” by complimenting his teachers and classmates when they demonstrate effort to achieve goals”. Congratulations Max. Max received a certificate and a \$20.00 book voucher from the Principal, Mr Graham, during class on Friday.

 **Property Central Citizenship Award for Term 3 Week 2** – The winner of the Property Central Citizenship Award for Term 3 Week 2 is Ryder H of 2-3J for “always being kind to his peers and including others in his games and activities. Congratulations Ryder. Ryder received a certificate and \$20.00 book voucher from the Principal, Mr Graham during class on Friday.

## SEL / PBL FOCUS

Week 1 – Hard surfaces

Week 2 - Transitions

## 2020 BICYCLE LICENCES

Congratulations to the following students for gaining their BBPS Bicycle Licence:



Charlotte S – 5B, Scarlett K – 6TM, Ayvah F – 5W, Sarah S – 5W, Olivia F – 6TM, Eva R-C - 6L, Marlee G – 5B, Mackenzie M – 6M, Lachlan D – 6TM, Ajay B – 6TM, Matthew M – 6F and Jedd F – 6F

## MARLEY PLAYGROUND REWARD WINNERS

**The winners of the Marley Playground Rewards for Term 3 Week 1 and Week 2 are:**

Isla S – KCL, Sienna T – 1DS, Andie H – 2C, Leilani M – 3H and Isabella D – 4P.

There were no winners from Stage 3.

Congratulations to all winners.

## 2020 GULANGFEST

The 2020 Gulangfest is being held on November 17, 2020 (Term 4 Week 6). Due to the COVID 19 pandemic the festival will be a digital presentation.

Our K-6 Deadly Dancers, under the tutelage of Ms Fahey and Ms Pizzuto, will be videotaped as part of the festival as will members of the Koori Choir.

The GulangFest Art competition will also be held as part of the celebration.

Mrs Murace has kindly agreed to be the school co-ordinator of GulangFest this year.

We look forward to participating in GulangFest later in the year.



Mark Waite  
Deputy Principal

## ATTENDANCE

Dear Parents/Carers

Bateau Bay Public School notifies parents/carers every day their child is absent from school. This is done via SMS or email. You are able to respond via these applications and notify the school immediately alternately you can choose to phone the school or write a note and send that in with your child on the day that they return to school.

Please see the Government flyer that is located at the end of this Newsletter in regards to attendance.

Thank you  
Mark Jennings



Upcoming Events...	
Mon 3 August	Life Education Starts
Tues 11 August	P&C Meeting 7pm
Mon 24 August	Soccer Gala Day
Fri 28 August	Primary Athletics Carnival
Mon 31 August	Touch Football Gala Day
Wed 2 September	Netball Gala Day
Tues 8 September	P&C Meeting 7pm
Fri 18 September	PBL Rewards Day
Fri 25 September	Last Day of Term 3
<b>PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO LATE CHANGE</b>	

## TIME TO CHECK CLOTHING IS LABELLED

As the cooler weather is now upon us, we ask that you check that all jumpers, hats and jackets are clearly labelled with your child's name and class.



It is so much easier to ensure those misplaced items are returned to their owner if they are clearly marked. Please check our lost property located just inside the COLA door if your child is missing any items

## PARKING ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

Please remember that there is no parent parking on school grounds or in the bus zones. Children and their safety is our highest priority.



## CHILDRENS DAY



Since 1988, the 4th of August has been a national day dedicated to showing support and celebrating our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children across the nation. It is an opportunity to learn about the crucial impact that culture, family and community play in the life of every Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander child.

#EldersOfTomorrow #StrongInCulture

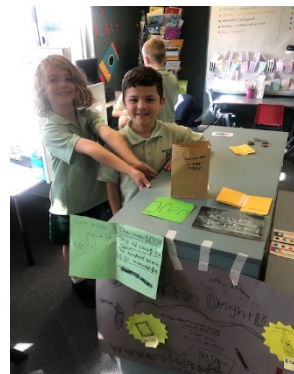
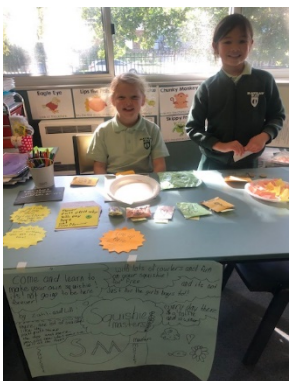
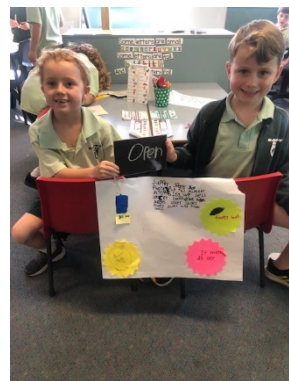
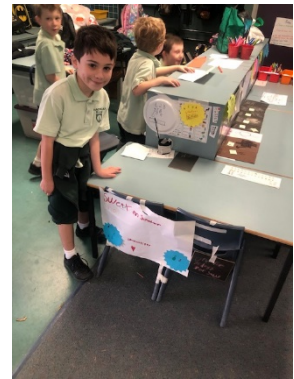
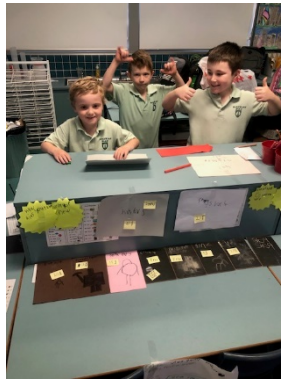
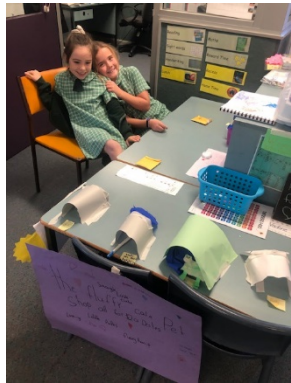
The impact of COVID-19 means some people may be unable to celebrate Children's Day on or around August 4 in person. We encourage you to embrace the day and find innovative ways to mark this special day. It could with your family at home.

## SCHOOL BANKING DAY IS WEDNESDAY



## 2V AND 2C

2V and 2C had an amazing time learning all about money!  
They designed their own shops with a menu and a variety of things to sell.  
Check out their creative work.



# Compulsory School Attendance

Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

## What are my legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age. The *Education Act 1990* requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards for homeschooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

## The importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

## What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

## Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An *Application for Extended Leave* may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.





### **My child won't go to school. What should I do?**

You should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support networks. The principal may seek further support from the Home School Liaison Program to develop an Attendance Improvement Plan.

### **What might happen if my child continues to have unacceptable absences?**

It is important to understand that the Department of Education and Communities may be required to take further action where children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unexplained or unjustified absences from school.

Some of the following actions may be undertaken:

- Compulsory Schooling Conferences

You may be asked, along with your child, to attend a Compulsory Schooling Conference. The conference will help to identify the supports your child may need to have in place so they attend school regularly. The school, parents and agencies will work together to develop an agreed plan (known as Undertakings) to support your child's attendance at school.

- Application to the Children's Court – Compulsory Schooling Order

If your child's attendance at school remains unsatisfactory the Department

may apply to the Children's Court for a *Compulsory Schooling Order*. The Children's Court magistrate may order a Compulsory Schooling Conference to be convened.

- Prosecution in the Local Court

School and Department staff remain committed to working in partnership with you to address the issues which are preventing your child's full participation at school. In circumstances where a breach of compulsory schooling orders occurs further action may be taken against a parent in the Local Court. The result of court action can be the imposition of a community service order or a fine.

### **What age can my child leave school?**

All New South Wales students must complete Year 10 or its equivalent. After Year 10, and up until they reach 17 years of age, there are a range of flexible options for students to complete their schooling.

### **Working in Partnership**

The Department of Education and Communities recognises that working collaboratively with students and their families is the best way to support the regular attendance of students at school.

We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child to fulfil their life opportunities.

**If a student misses as little as 8 days in a school term, by the end of primary school they'll have missed over a year of school.**

Further information regarding school attendance can be obtained from the following websites:

#### **Policy, information and brochures:**

Please visit the Department of Education's *Policy library*

#### **The school leaving age:**

Please visit the Department of Education's *Wellbeing and Learning* website

#### **Do you need an interpreter?**

Interpreting services are available on request, including for the hearing impaired. The Telephone Interpreter Service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week on 131 450. You will not be charged for this service.

For further advice and questions contact your educational services team

T 131 536

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**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  
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P&G Association  
Before & After School Care



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

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