



# Bundeena Public School Newsletter

Quality education in a unique and caring environment

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## MORE ON OUR GREAT DANCE INITIATIVE

Following on from the dancing announcement in the newsletter last week, the following note has been issued to all schools in the Sydney Region from Regional Director, Dr Phil Lambert



Six primary schools from Sydney Region (Bundeena, Crown Street, Kingsgrove, Leichhardt, Lewisham and Menai public schools) will be participating in an exiting dance initiative based on the documentary *Mad Hot Ballroom* (involving Year 5 students in New York) and following the success of the television program, *Dancing with the Stars*. The students will be taught Quickstep, Waltz, Tango, Salsa, Cha Cha and Jive over 15 weeks, commencing later this month. The program will culminate in a finals series involving pairs selected from each of the six schools.

## FOOD AT SCHOOL...

As announced in the previous newsletter, last week was *Food Allergy Awareness Week*.

On Friday I received a very pertinent letter in relation to the foods our children eat, with particular reference and concern applicable to what is supplied by parents and carers for school socials and other school functions.

The letter points out that many parents and carers send in foods for such events that are certainly not in accord with healthy eating policies and recommendations. The letter stipulates and rightly so: ...."Thoughtfully prepared plates of fruit, cheese and home-made slices are largely ignored in favour of the high-fat, high-salt, high-sugar offerings." ..it goes on to say, "that a child that is accustomed to a healthy diet can be greatly affected by the high and subsequent low of a sugar and preservative 'hit'."

The points were very well made in the letter and I agree that we don't want to deprive children of opportunities to join in and celebrate important events but in doing so it is far better for all involved if the foods provided are as healthy as we can make them. In addition, we also need to be vigilant in terms of the nut free policy.

While it is impractical to check all foods sent in, or to even return those deemed unhealthy, I do request that parents and carers do their utmost, to send in foods that are healthy so that children can share and enjoy the benefits from these foods.

I thank the parent for bringing this very important point and reminder to our attention.



Infants Cross Country last Friday

## BUNDEENA PUBLIC SCHOOL STAFF

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### EXECUTIVE

Principal..... Mr. David Dansie  
 Assistant Principals..... Mr. Gary Hart  
 & Ms. Beryl Davenport

### TEACHING STAFF

Class	Teacher	Room
KD	Ms Beryl Davenport.....	2
K/1R	Mrs. Donna Morahan-relieving.....	4
2S	Mr. Alan Smith.....	1
3H	Mr. Gary Hart.....	3
4S	Mrs. Debra Smith.....	9
5S	Mrs. Sandra Shanahan.....	6

6B Ms Clare Brady..... 7  
Teacher/Librarian (Tues.&Wed.)Mrs. Kathleen Dansie  
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Relief/Support/Read. Recovery. Mrs. Christine Tindall  
School Counsellor (Tuesdays).....Mrs. Susan Martinov

### SCHOOL and SUPPORT STAFF

Administrative Manager.....Mrs. Teri Comans  
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General Assistant (Tuesdays)..... Mr. Martin  
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Teacher Integration Aide.....Mrs. Rose McLaggan  
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Fimmell  
**SCHOOL CLEANER**..... Mr. Eric Hughes

### P.S.S.A. SPORT NETBALL



“On May 12<sup>th</sup> at P.S.S.A. the junior netball girls played Miranda. We started with Ellie shooting a goal then Mariah got the ball and shot a goal. The person who got best on the day was Ellie. The final score was 4 all.”  
By Claudia

### SOCCER

Bundeena Vs Bonnet Bay...

“Rheid and Odin could not make it to the game so we had to get Trent and Sam from the juniors to play up in the seniors. Bonnet Bay kicked off and they came out firing. We defended well against their continual attack. They had a shot at goals but Sam saved it and gave the ball the boot. Bonnet Bay were on it again but we put it out for a corner. The winger crossed it in to their player and scored a goal. At 1-0 Bundeena kicked off, Lachie passed it to Etrhan, who passed it back to Gabe who smashed it to Elliot who scored a magnificent goal to equal the score at 1 all. Bonnet Bay kicked off and passed it to their winger who dribbled it down the sideline. The ball was kicked across into the centre and Bonnet Bay scored another goal to make it 2-1. We took the ball up the centre to kick off. We played the ball quickly, knowing that there was not much time left and Lachie nailed a fantastic goal . At half time it was 2-2. The Bundo boys were back on the field quickly, ready for some more action. This time we got to kick off. Our forwards were passing the ball like the Soccerroos. Midfielders were backing up the

forwards and were also great in defence. The forwards were attacking well.. A through ball put Lachie on the ball and he cracked another goal to make it 3-2. The opposition came out eager for more goals, but our backs took the ball with ease. Before we knew it, we were back in attack. A chip over their heads lead Lachie one on one with the keeper . IT'S A GOAL! 4-2. Bonnet Bay kicked off but not for the last time. The ball was passed to their winger who took the ball down the line and crossed it to their centre forward who scored .. 4-3. We had the ball and we knew we only had 5 minutes to score another goal. Another terrific through ball to Lachie gave us another chance at a goal... AND IT WAS IN THE BACK OF THE NET with the final score at 5-3 our way.

The man of the match was Lachie.”

### NEW PARENTING WEBSITE

A new parenting website was launched yesterday and is now available to provide valuable information to assist those raising children.

The link below should take you to the new website  
<http://raisingchildren.net.au/>



above..Yr 3H assembly item Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May



Rms 6 & 7 formed up ready for the roof extension  
Congratulations to Jack Donovan on receiving a

Participation Certificate for his involvement in the recent 2006 Computer Skills test.

This year Jack was our only student in this event and his result was better than or equal to that of 57% of Year 6 participants in NSW and the ACT.

### **BUNDEENA PUBLIC SCHOOL BROCHURE**

A school brochure will soon be distributed to the families of prospective enrolments to our school. The brochure will provide information on school plans and the programs operating at our school.

### **P. & C. 2006 13<sup>th</sup> ART EXHIBITION.. Planning**

This year's exhibition, which will be our lucky THIRTEENTH, is scheduled for the weekend Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September, commencing with the traditional opening on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7.30pm.

To ensure another wonderfully successful weekend, the first of the planning meetings is scheduled for **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm in the school staffroom.**

We invite and welcome anyone from our community who would like to be a part of the planning committee for this year's exhibition. Please put this date and time on your calendar.

### **CORE RULES FOR STUDENTS IN NSW GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS**

Core rules for student behaviour have been developed to establish consistent expectations in all government schools.

These rules are based on our core values of integrity, excellence, respect, responsibility, cooperation, participation, care, fairness and democracy.

The critical role of parents and care-givers is recognised as the primary influence on each child's character and behaviour and as essential partners in supporting the core rules and the successful education of their children.

The Department is committed to supporting principals and school staff in the implementation of these rules through statewide policies and programs, together with regional support staff, professional learning and alternative provisions, in order to promote the highest standards of behaviour and learning in our schools.

### **THE CORE RULES**

All students in NSW government schools are expected to:

- Attend every school day, unless they are legally excused, and be in class on time and prepared to learn.
- Maintain a neat appearance, including adhering to the requirements of the school's uniform or dress code policy.
- Behave safely, considerately and responsibly, including when travelling to and from school.
- Show respect at all times for teachers, other school staff and helpers, including following class rules, speaking courteously and cooperating with instructions and learning activities.
- Treat one another with dignity and respect.
- Care for property belonging to themselves, the school and others.

Behaviour that infringes on the safety of others, such as harassment, bullying and illegal or anti-social behaviour of any kind, will not be tolerated.

### **Breaking The Ice...Community forum -**

brought to you by the Goodness and Kindness Project.

In the wake of the Cronulla race riots and the revenge attacks we are holding a special community forum. Speakers from various communities will share their insights and their perceptions of each other. The event is called BREAKING THE ICE: respecting difference.

Venue: Sutherland District Trade Union Club (Tradies) 57 Manchester Rd

Gynea (on the Kingsway)

Date: 7pm Tuesday 30th May 2006

Cost: Free

There will be a special in conversation with Taghred Chandab co-author of "The Glory Garage: Growing up Lebanese Muslim in Australia

Music by ARIA nominee: Joseph Tawadros

Free food and drinks and a Q & A session.  
Contact 0412 318 045 or email  
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### **BUNDEENA P.S. CHESS CLUB**

Last Friday our players Erin McIntyre, Trent Fitzpatrick, Jeanne Carter and Nicholas Vartanian. played against an Illawong Public School's team. We lost. However, we were playing with three of our four players never having played for the school before; our fourth has only had experience of the one day tournament. The other team had about seven years' experience between them. Some of the games lasted a considerable time which indicated a tight match, I'm very proud of all our players. They all were friendly and sportsmanlike with our opponents, making them welcome and chatting after the match.

Thank you to those who contributed to providing a lovely afternoon tea - it was appreciated by both the Bundeena players and the visiting school who were impressed with our hospitality.

This Friday we have an away game against St Joseph's E team. I will drive the team to and from the match, leaving school as soon as possible after 3 pm and dropping the players home on our return. Chess Club is on most Tuesday lunchtimes in the BASC room. Look for my scooter on the verandah! All students are welcome to come and learn, play or watch for part or all of lunch. Playing in tournament is optional but needs a signed permission note. Any adult observers or helpers are also welcome - expertise is optional.

Please direct any enquiries to Mrs. Helen Armstrong on 9527 1525 or mobile: 0408 209 609.

### **The Premier's Reading Challenge is on!**

Your child has an opportunity to be involved in the Challenge at school as well as at home.

Lunchtime readings to the K-2 children can be counted towards their Challenge total of 40 books.

Lunchtime Reading Adventures will happen on

Tuesdays and Thursdays then the children can go back to play.

### **Queries:**

Mary Cassar: 9527-3920 or [mcassar@ozemail.com.au](mailto:mcassar@ozemail.com.au)

### **New Challengers this week:**

#### **Congratulations!**

Jeanne Carter  
who has completed the K-2 Challenge  
and is reading on!  
William Nolan has joined the K-2  
Challenge .



### **BUNDEENA SCHOOL**

#### **BUSHCARE GROUP**

Now meets every *Tuesday 11.00-12.00 behind the oval in the bush area* Everyone welcome

- looking forward to seeing you there

Please bring a hat and gloves

This group helps maintain the natural bush setting that our children play in at school by:

- removing weeds that are invasive
- replanting with plants that are native to Bundeena

Enquiries to **Janice on 9523 7296**



### **STUDENT GARDEN CLUB**

On Wednesdays, the children

interested in learning more about market gardening, will now be able to learn skills from local Garden Club members. Pam Gregory, Rita Rasink and Inga Marchant. Pam, Rita and Inga are keen for the children to

learn about how to grow healthy fresh vegetables. If your child is keen and you would like them to join Inga, Rita and Pam, please send them along on Wednesdays with their own labeled pair of gloves, a hat and preferably a hand trowel.

