



Newsletter

QUALITY EDUCATION IN A UNIQUE AND CARING ENVIRONMENT

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IMPORTANT DATES:

Fri 28th Nov -- Goanna Patch & Pre-School
Tue 2nd Dec -- Bairnsdale College Visit
Thu 4th Dec -- Yr 6 to 7 Orientation Day
Tue 16th Dec -- Speech Day
Fri 19th Dec -- Picnic Day

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Bundeena's new school Principal, Michelle Shelton, paid us a visit on Friday, to meet staff, have a look around and have her photo taken!! She was very impressed with the facilities Bundeena School has and is greatly looking forward to taking Bundeena School into the future.

Big thank you to Mrs Smith, Mrs Shanahan and Mrs Young who took their classes to the RSL Day Care on Tuesday. They had a great time with many of the Day Care patrons saying it was the highlight of their year!! Our school has done this for many years now and reinforces the bonds we have with the community.

Tomorrow the Goanna Patch Kindergarten and Preschool will be visiting our kindergarten rooms and I am sure they will have lots of fun. This transition program does a lot to build confidence in the preschoolers starting in kindergarten in 2009.

Bairnsdale Secondary College orchestra is coming to stay at our school next Tuesday. They are performing for the children in the afternoon and the parents in the night. They will be sleeping over in the school hall on Tuesday night. Please come along to the night show, have a sausage sizzle, and enjoy their performance.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Congratulations! A Principal's award goes to Angelique Burton-Ho, Nathan Hardie, Brielle Hodges, Kyle Hodges, Nicholas Kopjar, Joanie McElroy, Tamika Pratt, William Nolan and Jesse Waite. We are very proud of you all.

SCHOOL AWARD

Big congratulations to Brielle Hodges and Nathan Hardie on achieving this significant award. We are very proud of your efforts. Well done!

RSL DAY CARE VISIT

On November 25th Years 1, 3/ 4 and 4/5 went down to the RSL Day Care to sing and dance for the old people. They sang the Glory of Love, Ging Gang Goolie and Adiamus. Then the Year 1s performed a dance to Rock Around the Clock. Then year everyone sang The Teddy Bears' Picnic and How much is that Doggy in the Window? Then the old people gave them finger puppets that they had made themselves. Everyone enjoyed themselves including the teachers and students.

By Ruby, Lori and Emily
(4/5S)

OFFICE FINANCES

Just a reminder **that the school office will be closed on Friday 28th November and Monday 1st December due to the Annual Financial balance.**

CHILDREN ARRIVING before 8.30am

We are noticing that children are arriving at school before 8.30 in the morning. Please be aware that children are not allowed at school before 8.30 as there is no teacher available to supervise them. It is not the responsibility of the KIDZONE teachers to supervise children other than those at before and after school care.

TICKS

Ticks are about. Please be vigilant and check your children regularly.

NITS

Head lice are making their presence felt also. Please check your children regularly. Please treat your child's hair and notify the school so we can advise other families to be on the lookout.

BUS PASSES

We have had a few enquiries about bus passes for next year. Below is the information that has been made available to us.

Student Transport Subsidy

Under the amended Student Transport Subsidy Scheme (SSTS), each student in NSW who uses public transport to get to school will pay a flat fee. However, any student whose parent or caregiver has an Australian Health Care Card will be exempt, and will continue to get free public transport to and from school.

Schedule of fees

Annual cost	
Secondary school student	\$90
Primary school student	\$45
Maximum cost per family	\$180

Some restrictions currently applying to school student travel will be lifted:

Families will now be able to nominate two addresses from which to travel to school – this is to cater for separated parents.

The hours the pass can be used will be extended until 7:00 pm on existing route services only – to help with children doing sport after school, travelling to music lessons etc.

The Ministry of Transport administers the scheme and provides further information at:

www.transport.nsw.gov.au

(The department is working with the Ministry of Transport to make the scheme as simple as possible for school administrative staff. It will also be discussed with professional associations and unions.)

There have been no decisions made as to how this will be administered to date.

PARKING

We have many instances of parents parking inappropriately near the school, including within the school grounds. Parking in the staff car park between the hours of 8.30am and 4pm (even for 5 minutes) is not allowed. Please also do not park across the staff car park driveway. Please park outside the school in designated parking areas.

It would be appreciated by our neighbours if you did not park on the footpath outside their homes.

Additionally parents have been seen doing U turns in Graham Street opposite the school. We have been advised by the Police that this is strictly forbidden and incurs a fine. A reminder that Police do random checks in the morning and at the end of the day.

P & C REPORT

The main issue discussed at last Monday's P & C meeting was the Art in the Park weekend. The various organizing committees provided feedback on how each event went, what worked, what needed improving and what the feedback was from those that attended. One of the main "concerns" was the lack of helpers on the day, thus putting a strain on those who did what they could. Overall the weekend was a success and achieved both its aims: as a P & C fundraiser and an enjoyable weekend for our students, their families and the broader community. Thanks again to all those who volunteered during this weekend, your efforts are definitely appreciated.

In addition to Art in the Park weekend, the other main matter arising was next year's P & C committee. Unfortunately a number of existing committee members are leaving us for bigger and better things, with the roles they have held needing to be filled! At the first meeting of the year (AGM) (Monday 16th Feb 2009) all positions become vacant so anyone with an interest in being involved will have plenty of opportunity. A list of current P & C positions, along with a description of what is involved, is being prepared and will appear in an upcoming Newsletter. Let me encourage you to read the list, think about how you can become involved, thereby assisting and contributing to your child's education. Some people may not want to hold an "official" P & C position, however I encourage you to attend meetings and contribute....there are so many ways you can help out.

Next P & C meeting is on 15th Dec. As always an open invitation exists to one and all
Deryk Engel (President)

CHESS CLUB

Marc Llewellyn and Graham Irving have kindly volunteered to restart Chess lessons in 2009. They will be held in room 9 at lunch on Tuesdays. Children should bring their lunch with them to the room. A permission note will go home early in term 1.

SCHOOL ARCHIVE

Missing photos.

ALL photos except year 2 for 1980. We only have a photo of 2/3H for 1981. In 1982 we only have a photo of 1/2G. 1984 are ALL missing. In 1986 we only have KR, 1/2s and yr4. In 1988 we only have yr5 and in 1989 yr 1. For 1990 we only have KW, 3/4D and 5/6B. In 1991 we only have Yr 6. If you are past pupils of the school, please have a look through your photos and see if you can fill in some blanks for us. Thank you.

UNIFORM SHOP

Wednesday afternoons, 2.45pm until finished, in the cabin.

NEW library bags available NOW for \$12.

NEW school hats are on order. We do not have any caps at the moment and only 4 large brimmed hats.

ON SHOW in the foyer, New Schoolbag and pencil case with LOGO. What do YOU think? Would you pay \$35.00 for the school bag and \$6.00 for the pencil case? Please have a look and comment.

SALE Sports shorts \$10 a pair, BUY NOW!!

Wanted, girl's dresses and tunics ALL SIZES and lots of clothing for small people.

Also available, cloth and metal badges, \$5.00 each.

The school is encouraging the use of cloth badges to be sewn onto children's jumpers, jackets and tunics.

Metal badges are to be worn on shirt/jacket lapels and girls ties or lapels. From the office if uniform shop is closed.

SCHOOL JACKETS AND JUMPERS:

Please check names inside all school jackets and jumpers as we have had many enquiries for lost jackets with names in. Please return to the office if you have the wrong jacket at home. Thank you

P & C FUNDRAISER

Please recycle your old mobile phones in the box in the foyer.

Landcare News

18th October

We did not manage to get much weeding done as all the time was taken up with Barry

(the Bush-care Officer's) fascinating Bush-tucker tour .

Our last meeting for the year will be on

Tuesday 2nd December

And we shall be removing "mother of millions"

(an extremely invasive succulent)

Library News

School Library has closed for STOCKTAKE
Please ensure children return all overdue books now.

Something of interest for children in the holidays is that The Australian Youth Olympic Festival is on. Children can find out more about this festival by

[emailing aoc@olympics.com.au](mailto:aoc@olympics.com.au)

More children have been using the computers in the library during lunch time on Tuesdays and Wednesdays which is encouraging. Also some Year 6 students have been researching their work on the stock market and their excursion to Canberra

The class which returns all their books first will be rewarded this year by each child receiving an iceblock in that class from the canteen .

SLINKY'S CAFÉ NEWS

Canteen Roster:

Mon 1st Dec Kim Kearney & Chrissie

Wed 3rd Dec Anita Nolan & Chrissie

Fri 5th Dec Sandy Pratt & Angela

Slinky's will be running down the stock in the freezers and fridges as we move towards the end of the year. Please note that some items may not be available in the coming weeks. We will keep you informed here in the newsletters.

Please note, no nuggets available on Fridays.

WATCH THIS SPACE for further items!

Thank you Ang. & Chrissy

LOST AT SCHOOL:

Anyone with any information regarding a Green & Yellow Soccer Ball kicked into bushes and now MISSING please either ring school office 9527 2133 or bring into school office if FOUND.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

DOCTORS SURGERY UPDATE.

Commencing next Monday 1st December Dr. Jilian Nichols will be located at Shop 5, 22-30 Brighton Street, Bundeena. Hours will be as follows:

Mon. & Tues. 9a.m. to 5p.m.

Wednesday 1p.m. to 5p.m.

Thursday 9a.m. to 5p.m.

Friday 1p.m. to 5p.m.

Phone No. 9523 5880.

PLEASE NOTE .

Monday 1st December only surgery will open at 11a.m. due to moving.

KIDZONE BUNDEENA BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

KIDZONE is open 7-9am & 2.45pm-6.30pm Mon-Fri. Permanent and casual vacancies still available this term. Why not book a casual afternoon and get the Xmas shopping done? Fun activities every day.

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES - TERM 4

MONDAY – MARTIAL ARTS with Deryk.

TUESDAY – BEACH SPORTS at Horderns Beach.

WEDNESDAY – BEACH SPORTS at Horderns Beach.

THURSDAY - YOGA with Maria.

FRIDAYS - ART, CRAFT & GAMES Painting, clay, drawing, collage, chalk – all those messy things you're glad they do at school!

For bookings or information, phone 9527 6440 (leave a message if outside BASC hours and we'll call you back) or at the BASC room during operating hours. Please note that all casual bookings **must** be confirmed by a staff member prior to the session you wish your child to attend.



Trays of mangoes ordered through KIDZONE will arrive on Monday 8th December. If possible, please collect from the BASC Room that day. If you are unable to collect them, please call Sui on 0404 092 405 and we'll arrange delivery. If you haven't yet paid for your tray/s, please drop in payment to Jenny at the BASC Room.

TALLBOYS FOR SALE

We have 2 Black Gloss Tallboys for sale.

They are identical 6 drawer Tallboys.

2 small drawers at the top and 4 larger drawers.

Both in very good condition.

\$40.00 each ONO Ph: 0429 462 956

FOR SALE

1 x 5.5kg NEC Washing machine – front loader

1 x 4kg Simpson dryer

Both new, only used a few times.

\$600 for both. Call Jayne 0425 338 581