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Term 3 Week 9

10th September, 2013

12 Sep	Science Discovery, K-6, \$2 per student
13 Sep	KiK 3-6K, \$3
16 Sep	P&C Meeting, 3.15pm
18 Sep	End of Term Assembly, 2pm
19 Sep	Kinder 2014 Parent Session, 1pm-2.30pm
20 Sep	End of Term 3
22 Sep	Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser
7 Oct	Labour Day Holiday
15 Oct	Kinder 2014 Transition, 2pm-2.45pm
8 Oct	Students and staff return, Term 4
23 Oct	Kinder 2014 Transition, 10.20 to 11.20am
31 Oct	Kinder 2014 Transition, 12.30 to 1.30pm
4 Nov	Kinder 2014 Transition, 1.30pm to 3pm
11-22 Nov	Intensive Swimming Scheme. K-6
2-4 Dec	Lake Ainsworth Camp, 3-6K, now \$244 ea

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Science Discovery

This Thursday 12th Paul and Jo will do a one hour Electricity and Magnetism demonstration and a recess activity. We are asking students to bring in **\$2 to participate**.

KiK 3-6K This Friday

Due to the above show Kids in the Kitchen will be held on Friday. Money needs to be returned by tomorrow so that quantities for the Spaghetti Bolognaise to be cooked by 3-6K can be purchased. Please feel welcome to place an order and join us for lunch from 11.20am or even help with the cooking. Meals are \$3 each. This will be the last KiK for the term. Students who have paid for the term will have their \$3 carried over to Term 4. Bon Appetite!

End Term Assembly

Weather permitting the Assembly will be held on the stage under the big tree. Please join us from 2pm on Wednesday, 18th September.

School Religious Education - SRE

There will be no Scripture this Friday.

School Photos

Kelly Flemming took our school photos today. They should look lovely under the big tree. Photos will be sent home with students when they are processed unless you request to collect them yourself. We are expecting this to be in the first week back, Term 4.

AASC

Active After School Communities has concluded for the term. We will be participating again next term but our involvement in the program next year is under threat. Upper management of the program have told our local coordinator Bruce Wallace that only half of the present schools utilising the program in the current format will be able to continue. K-2M have a catch-up session this Friday with Rhonda Smith.

Snakes Alive!

With the warmer weather we have had snakes on the move at Raleigh. Wires reptile handler Trevor Mulligan caught and released (away from the school) this beautiful Green Tree Snake.



Kinder 2014 Parent Session

This will be held in the Library on Thursday 19th September from 1pm until 2.30pm.

Election Day Fund Raiser

Thank you to Jo and Kim and the rest of the school community who supported the school P&C fund raising stall and raffle. See Jo's report.

North Coast Information Expo for School Administration Staff

SASS personnel attended professional learning in the numerous roles they carry out at schools. Workshops were delivered on the many changes in funding and management that the NSW Department of Education and Community Services is undergoing.

Coming Out in Style

Amanda our General Assistant extraordinaire gave the new Toro a workout. The grounds look beautiful. Thank you Amanda.



P&C Meeting

Next Monday, 16th September the P&C will meet at 3.15pm to finalise arrangements for the Bunnings BBQ. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time. A list of helpful information will be given to each volunteer.

Banking Student of the Week

Congratulations to **Blake** who was our winner last week. Blake chose the cylinder of coloured pencils.

Silver Student Banking Award

Congratulations to **Savanah** for gaining her Silver Student Bank Award. Savanah has made 20 deposits this year. Well done!

Home Readers

Thank you to families who have returned reading packs. It is much appreciated.

100 Nights Reading

Congratulations to **Thalia** who has read for 100 nights. Fantastic!

50 Nights Reading

Congratulations to **Indy** who has read for 50 nights. Well done!

25 Nights Reading

Congratulations to **Beau** and **Zoltan** who have read for 25 nights. Keep up the good work!

Election Day Cake Stall

We had a really great day at school on Saturday. The cake stall and BBQ raised \$356 with 226 raffle tickets being sold.

I would like to thank the following people for their participation on the day. Linda Botchway, Leeanne Cutler, Shelly McBaron, Rom Murphy, Mr & Mrs Baldwinson (Aaron and Blake's grandparents), Charmaine Grace, Teresa and India Cowley, Mr King for cooking the sausages and Rebecca Hodgson for helping to serve. A big thank you also to Lucas Videan and Rebecca Beaton for the donation of the Bird Bath, Allan and Merle Baldwinson for the donation of the cow planter box and plants. These two Raffle prizes certainly had Kim Baker busily writing down over 200 names and phone numbers on the raffle tickets between chats. Well done. Raffle tickets are attached to the newsletter so that each family can help raise a little bit more for the school. **All tickets**, sold/unsold must be returned by next Wednesday **18th September**. The raffle will be drawn at the Bunnings BBQ on Sunday 22nd September.

Jo Hodgson, Fundraiser Co-ordinator.



Importance of Family Mealtimes

Eating meals together provides children with structure and routine, which can improve behaviour.

Children often copy parents' behaviour, so by setting a positive example for your children at the dinner table, it may increase their intake of fruit and vegetables and decrease fussy eating.

Meal times are a good time to communicate with your children. Use this opportunity to have family conversations and as a time for open communication with your children.

Family Mealtimes

Encourage good manners and behaviours. This is a good time to teach your children to use cutlery and to say "please" and "thank you" at appropriate times.

Turn off the television during meal times to help facilitate conversation.

Make mealtimes fun! Don't confront children about their eating patterns at this time; ignore their fussy eating and have light conversation.

Involve children in the preparation of meals; this will teach them vital cooking skills and should be fun as well.



Bellingen Drama School



Now taking enrolments for Term 4
9 – 13 year olds – Tuesday 3.50 – 5.00
6 – 9 year olds – Thursday 3.50 – 5.00
Working towards an end of year performance
Contact John: 0448 813 056 johnsdrake@yahoo.com.au

Bunnings Ladies Night Postponed

I am leaving Bunnings on the 13th September and would like to thank you all for your support through the years. Kandy Harper

School Holiday Fun for All

Bellingen Eel Fishing Championships is on again from Monday 30th September till Sunday 6th October.

Please be aware that due to changing circumstances a special meeting of ALL EEL FISHERS and their families will be held at George Edmund Park at the Northern end of Bellingen bridge on Saturday 28th September at 4pm and it is important that you attend this meeting if you intend to take part in this year's competition.

Instructions on how to care for the Eels when caught, special types of hooks, aerators and pliers will be provided to eel fishers as we further our success in this Catch & Release competition.

In its 27th year this event has proven very popular in the past and is terrific family fun - an excellent way to keep the kids amused during the holidays. Young and "not so young" competitors are welcome to enter. Eel Fishing is heaps of fun and very challenging as Eels can be very lively – in fact there is a special prize given away each day for Liveliest Eel. There is also a Trophy for the Biggest Eel each day.

Weigh-in will be at 5pm sharp each day at George Edmund Park on the northern end of the Bellingen Bridge.

For those competitors under 16 - the "Waterhole Wal" Perpetual Trophy is on offer and will be presented to the person who catches the Biggest Eel during the week of competition – the Australian Record is held by Bellingen boy Jai Tennant who caught a real beauty in 2009 weighing in at a massive 11.65kg – see if you can beat that? The previous record of 10.40kg was held since 1990.

Come along and join in the fun - Registration is only \$2 for under 16s and \$5 for seniors and this covers your BBQ dinner & Presentation of Awards on Sunday 6th October. Registration is payable when you weigh in your first eel.

If you have any queries please phone organiser Wal Tyson on 66551072.

Mosman Mothers' Club

The Mosman Mothers' Club website provides parents with a library of FREE resources to understand their child's educational needs.

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