Dear Parents and Caregivers

Next week, we will be able to publish milestones linked to our school management plan. Our milestones will be indicators of achievement of our strategic directions and will outline staff, parents, students and community roles and responsibilities. I will be meeting with our Director of Public Schools, Jenny Murray on Tuesday and our school plan and in particular our milestones, will be one topic of discussion.

Students in Years 3 and 5 completed NAPLAN this week. We anticipate receiving our results late in term 3. NAPLAN is one form of assessment and it will provide us with valuable data to analyse. We will identify any areas of strength and also areas that we need to focus on with individual students and on a whole school basis. We do have current assessment data available as all teachers assess on a regular basis. Please contact your child’s teacher if you would like to discuss how your child is progressing.

Some of our staff observed each other teach this week, as part of our commitment to quality teaching and leadership. This valuable professional learning tool will continue to be used as we all take responsibility for the learning of all children in our school.

I mentioned last week that we are monitoring attendance closely and identifying children who are at risk of Home School Liaison Office intervention. If you are contacted about your child’s attendance, it is important that appropriate measures are put in place to ensure regular attendance and prompt arrival at school. Please note that keeping your child home on their birthday is not a valid reason for being absent.

Classes do commence at 8:50am. We are seeing an increase of parents dropping children off after that time. We are aware that the drop off zone can be quite busy and if your child/ren is able to leave your vehicle in a safe and swift manner, it would assist the process. The teacher is on duty from 8:20am and you can drop your child/ren off from that time onwards.

Our afternoon pick up system has been working extremely well – thank you! Please make sure you remain in your vehicle if you are picking up from the top bay. We are also noticing more children being able to buckle their own seatbelts which assists with reducing time cars spend waiting – well done Boambee!

I was unable to attend our assembly today as I was out supporting our girls and boys soccer teams in the PSSA knockout versus Sawtell Public School. I will endeavour to attend as many events that our students are participating in. It makes me very proud to be part of a school that takes such pride in providing our students with opportunities to represent our school.

Have a great weekend and if you are going to the show, keep an eye out for our display, put together by Mrs Robinson and Ms Donoghoe.

Brad Lyne - Principal

Leadership Camp

Last Thursday our student leadership team attended the GRIP Student Leadership Conference at the Coffs Harbour Racing Club. It was a fantastic event where students learnt how to make the most of their leadership opportunities and were able to network with leaders from a range of other schools in the area. This week Mia, Will, Myah and Jarad were able to share their experiences with their peers as we held our own leadership conference for all Year 6 students. Students developed confidence in standing up for themselves and others learnt about the rewards of being generous. They completed leadership plans focusing on priority areas in the school. A big thank you to all of Year 6 for their enthusiasm and participation in this event.
District Cross Country
Last Friday, 110 Boambee Public School Students represented our school at the District Cross Country event held at Sawtell Caravan Park. All runners displayed their Boambee Best and a fantastic day was had by all. A big congratulations to all those who participated and the 20 students who have qualified for the Mid North Coast Zone Carnival being held at Sawtell Reserve on Friday, 22nd May. Ribbons from our school carnival will be handed out at next weeks assembly. Check out our back page, some of our students doing their Boambee Best.

Toormina District Touch Football Trials
The Toormina District Touch Football Trials were held on Thursday afternoon in absolutely perfect conditions. In total, 45 students from the Bongil Bongil Community of Schools attended and gave their best in hope to gain selection in the District Opens Touch teams. The standard of play was exceptional and both selectors were faced with some hard decisions.
13 Boambee students attended the trial and six were successful in gaining selection in the District team and will now attend Mid North Coast trials on the 25th May. The successful students are Will Joice, Bradley Clancy, Riley Drabsch, Izabella James, Phyllicia Stock and Bree-Anna Neal who are pictured below.
All Boambee students are to be congratulated for their fantastic sportsmanship and for representing our school with great pride. Ms Drummond and Mr Martin

KL and Shapes
KL have been learning about 2D shapes. We can name shapes and talk about how many sides and corners they have. We know all about triangles, squares, rectangles, diamonds, hexagons and circles.

Coffs Harbour Show Display
Once again Boambee Public School has a display in the school section at the Coffs Harbour Show which is held 16th to 17th May. The theme this year was 100 Years of ANZAC. If you get a chance pop in and have a look at some of the children’s art work. The cost is as follows:
Adults (16 and over) $15.00
Child (3-15 years) $10.00
Aged Pension $10.00
Family Day Ticket (2 adults and up to 4 kids) $40.00
Saturday 16th May at 7.30pm Family Fireworks Display.
Stage 2 Bongil Bongil Excursion

On Monday Stage 2 travelled to Bongil Bongil National Park by bus for a science excursion. When we got there we were sorted into groups. The first group I went to was with Geoff [Cascade] who taught us about leaves and how they change over time. Then he took us on a walk where we had to put a mirror under our nose so it looked like we were walking on the canopy. After that we went to Jo [Cascade]. We collected some dirt samples and had to have a look at what we caught in our sieve. Some of the people in my groups found bugs. Then we rated the native trees. The next group was with Jon [Cascade]. At Jon’s group we went bird watching and we had to identify their beaks. I found all of them. Then we sat down in a spot to relax and then wrote down some words and drew a picture to describe it. Then we went to Mrs Robinson’s and Ms Drummond’s to look at the different parts of a flower and a seed. Then they taught us to label them. I labelled various parts. After that we had lunch. Then we went to Mr Martin’s and Mrs Glover’s group where we walked down to the bridge over the river and counted how many bird sounds we could hear. Then we walked back to the track and sketched a picture of the area. After that we took the bus home from school. Overall it was a great day!

Recount by Kane Perrie – 3/4M

Chess

We are in the process of organising a social chess club during our play sessions. We would appreciate the donation of any unwanted draught, chess sets or chess timers. If you have any you would like to donate please bring them to the office. If your child would like to play or learn to play chess and join this group they will need to see Ms Donoghoe. Thank you to all who have already donated.

Bingo Roster

Tuesday evening at 7.00pm eyes down at the Coffs Ex Services Club. Come along and support your school.

Tuesday 19th May - Team 4
Vicki Totzl, Kristy Watson,
Nicole Bourne & Peta Robinson

Canteen News

New Icecream

Olaf the Snowman from streets $2.20.
For a short time we will be selling this cute delicious canteen approved icecream.

Meal Deal Special

Mini Wrap and a milk, water or juice - Cost is only $5.00.
A Mini Wrap is a small tortilla filled with lettuce, carrot, cheese and tomato and a warmed crumbed chicken tenderloin. You can design your own version of the “favorite” Mini Wrap by adding or subtracting salads, mayo or sauces.

Canteen Roster

Wed 20 May Leanne Krainik & Kathryn White (9-11)
Thurs 21 May Allison Main, Cathy Cooke &
Jodi Hudson (11-12)
Fri 22 May Susan Dean Hickey, Kristy Watson
& Karina Ryan

Important Dates - Term 2

18.05.15 NC PSSA Netball
19.05.15 ICAS Digital Technologies
22.05.15 Assembly at 1.00pm (Stage 2)
22.05.15 MNC PSSA X-Country
25.05.15 MNC PSSA Touch
01.06.15 P&C Meeting
08.06.15 Queen’s Birthday
09.06.15 Kinder 2016 Enrolments commence
24.06.15 Athletics Carnival

Lost Property

In winter we receive a massive amount of lost unlabelled jumpers in lost property. This week we have already received over a dozen jumpers in lost property and have returned the ones with names. We would love to return all of them to your child/ren. Please label all your child’s belongings.
“District Cross Country”