Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I was lucky enough to be part of the NSW PSSA Boys Touch Football Carnival this week (held in Coffs Harbour). I am always impressed by the dedication of students, parents and teachers, providing opportunities and pathways for players, coaches and referees. I am looking forward to working with the NSW team that was selected at the Championships to compete in Adelaide at the Pacific School Games in November of this year. Let’s hope NSW can come home with the title!

We have already had several of our students represent our school this term in numerous events including State Cross Country, Chess, Basketball and Touch Football – I am very proud of our students every time they step outside our school gate to represent our school. Great work, Boambee!

It’s great to see so many people have downloaded our new APP. It’s another way we can relay information to you about our school. If you need more information, please contact the office. Instructions on how to download the APP were sent out last week.

Parent/Teacher interviews will commence next week. If you haven’t already booked, you will need to contact your child’s teacher to arrange a mutually convenient time to meet to continue the positive conversation about your child/ren. Education is a partnership and we can’t do it without you!

I’m hoping to see you at our Education Week Breakfast and Art Exhibition next Friday morning. Breakfast will be served from 8am.

Enjoy your weekend.

Brad Lyne
Principal

Education Week Breakfast and Art Exhibition

To celebrate education week we are inviting our school community to join us for a breakfast and to view some amazing art work produced by our talented students. The breakfast will commence at 8.00am near the school canteen and the exhibition may be viewed until 9.00am in the school hall. The breakfast and exhibition are free of charge. Please come and join us taking care not to park in the bus bay.

(Please fill in the breakfast form on the back page of this newsletter and send it back by Wednesday 29th July 2015 to help us with catering)

Book Fair

The Book Fair will be open on Monday 27th to 31st July in the Library from 8.00am to 3.30pm each day. Children and parents are welcome to browse or take the opportunity to buy from the large selection of books.

Visible Learning

At Boambee Public School we pride ourselves in making learning visible. Learning progressions are displayed in ‘learner friendly’ language to help our learners know: How am I going?, Where am I going? and Where to next? By making learning and progress visible we empower both our learners and their parents.

WALT and WILF is a tool we use in our classrooms to make the learning visible for all students and encourage students to be more actively involved in their learning. It is used to explicitly highlight to the students what they are being asked to do (WALT = the learning intention) and what we hope they will learn (WILF = the success criteria) in order to help them to make better decisions about how to tackle the set task.

P&C Meeting

You are invited to the next P&C Meeting. It will be held Monday 27th July at 7.00pm in the Meeting Room at the school. Everyone in the school community is welcome to attend.
State Cross Country
Last Friday Elke Bowles and Zoe Wilson participated in the PSSA State Cross Country Championships. The conditions on the day were very wet, cold, muddy and windy. Elke placed 7th in her race and is the 2nd reserve for the National titles. Zoe placed 19th. Well done girls.

Basketball
On Tuesday, our senior boys and girls basketball teams attended the MNC Knockout Gala Day held at Sportz Central. Both teams played extremely well however came up against strong opposition in Round 3, with the girls being defeated by Kororo and the boys being defeated by Toormina. Congratulations to all students for representing our school with great pride and sportsmanship. A massive thank you to those wonderful parents who helped out throughout the day.

Chess
12 students represented Boambee Public School in the Coffs Harbour Zone Chess Championships at Sawtell Public School last week. Their enthusiasm and sportsmanship displayed on the day was commendable. This was a great experience and learning opportunity for our students as they joined 140 other students representing nine local schools. The ‘Rookies’ played 13 games and the ‘Intermediate’ and ‘Championship’ teams played seven games on the day – a huge effort! Our thanks to all the parents who assisted with transport on the day.

The Rookies Team
Cohen, Rhys, Lara and Polly.

The Intermediates Team
Lance, Hayden, Jeremy and Hamish.

Championship Team

ICAS Results for the University of NSW Science Test
Congratulations to all of our students in Years 2-6 who completed the Science Test. A tricky paper but we had some wonderful results.

Year 3:
- Aaron Howton - Distinction
- Sam Watson - Distinction

Year 4:
- Kane Perrie - Credit

Year 5:
- Yasmin Chong - Credit

Well done to these students! They will be presented with their certificates at next week’s assembly.

School Captain 2015
Congratulations to Liana Cook for being inducted as our Girl Vice Captain this week. Following Mia Benson moving with her family to Japan, Myah Harrison agreed to step into the role of Captain for the remainder of 2015 leaving the position of Vice Captain vacant. Liana received the next highest number of votes at our student elections last year.
Jump Rope for Heart
Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart is an exciting and non-competitive program which encourages children to become more active through skipping, learning new skills and raising vital funds for heart research and community programs. Skipping is an excellent way to keep fit and healthy. At the end of the program on Friday 18th September we will be holding a Jump Off. Notes and sponsorship forms went home earlier this week and we have already raised over $300. Remember that online fundraising is the easiest way to fundraise and there are some great bonus prizes for those who raise plenty of money online. Any questions please feel free to contact Mr Shipman.

Swimming
This program starts on the first day of Term 4. It is essential that all permission notes and payments are completed by the end of Term 3. Thankyou to all who have paid already.
Cost:
Kinder to Year 4 - $30.00
Year 5 & 6 - $40.00

Lake Ainsworth Payment
This excursion will be held Term 4, Week 7 and is for Year 5 and 6 students. Total cost is $380.00. The third instalment of $100.00 is due on Friday 7th August. You can make payments online by going to our school website or at the school by cash, cheque or eftpos.

Half Day Public Holiday
Coffs Harbour Cup Race Day is on Thursday 6th August. This is a gazetted half day public holiday for the Coffs Harbour local government area. On this day please collect your child from 11.30am, the school will be closed at 11.45am. School buses will not be running early on this day. Both Oosh services will pick students up at around 11.45am on this day. Please contact Oosh if you want them to pick your child/children up. (Fun Factory Oosh will be open at the PCYC. For bookings call 6658 9757)

Mini Fete
This year our school Mini Fete is being held Thursday 17th September. We are calling on second hand items and plants to sell. If you are cleaning out cupboards please bring any re-saleable items in for the fete. If you have any plants please pot them for the fete. All donations would be greatly appreciated.

Monster Fathers Day Raffle
Tickets are only $2.00 each. The prizes are vouchers kindly supplied by AMART SPORT. Every book sold will receive an entry into a special draw with some great prizes. Please return all raffle tickets and money by 31st August 2015. The Raffle will be drawn during assembly on Friday 4th September 2015.

Canteen News
Meal Deal for 2 weeks only - Nacho’s and ice cup $4.00.
Nacho’s are cornchips smothered in cheese and salsa (special mild Mexican sauce) and served warm. You can add sour cream if you wish. Bring your lunch order bag at lunch time to collect your ice cup. We have a selection of milk or juice ice cups.

This term there will be no fried rice. You may purchase home made lentil curry with popadum, very mild and delicious for $4.00.

Canteen Roster
Wed 29 July  Leanne Larnach & Kathryn White
Thurs 30 July  Cathy Cooke & Lisa Page
Fri 31 July  Julie Bellamy, Kristy Watson, Mel McInally & Nicole Bourne

Bingo Roster
Tuesday evening at 7.00pm eyes down at the Coffs Ex Services Club. Come along and support your school.
Tuesday 28th July - Team 2
Tania Myers, Lorie Watson & Deborah Crowfoot

Important Dates
27.07.15 to 31.07.15  Education Week
Book Fair
27.07.15 to 14.08.15  Parent Interviews
27.07.15  P&C Meeting 7.00pm - Meeting Room
28.07.15  PSSA Netball
28.07.15  ICAS English
31.07.15  Breakfast and Art Exhibition
31.07.15  Assembly 1.00pm Choir
05.08.15  Toormina District Athletics
06.08.15  Coffs Cup Half Day Holiday
Bayliss Tennis Academy FREE Trials
Kids who sign up for the term receive a free racquet and Shirt.

*Friday Night Comp*
Put your practice in to play and trial our Friday night Comp FREE. Adults and children welcome to compete in the round robin format. Contact Eli on 0407 296 685 or elibaylis@hotmail.com

Absolute Panel and Paint Child Restraint Safety Initiative - Free child restraint safety inspections (hardware and fittings are charged at a small cost)
We have seen in the last few weeks some very worrying fitting of child restraints where they haven’t been fitted correctly in vehicles. We are on a mission to change things a little.

**Child Restraints** - This is something that we are so very passionate about and we would like to extend our services to Boambee Public School and families throughout our community to feel welcome to contact our office on 6652 1880 to arrange a booking for a FREE child restraint fitting and safety inspection (any hardware will be at a cost - such as gated buckles, anchor bolts, extension straps etc).

A massive thank you to All-Ways Party Hire for donating the display boards for our Art Exhibition. All-Ways Party Hire supply marquees, tables and chairs, tableware, food warmers and roaster, bar accessories, dancefloors, stages and PA systems, jukebox, party lights, mirror balls and special effects. Phone: 6652 3933

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**Education Week Breakfast**
To help us cater for the Education Week Breakfast could you please fill this in and leave it at the school office by Wednesday 29th July 2015.

Name of family attending: ____________________________________________

Number of family members attending: ___________

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**Soft Drinks (and diet soft drinks)**
Most of us know that children should be drinking water every day as well as reduced-fat milk. However there are a huge number of other sweetened and ‘soft’ drinks on the market that are also regularly consumed.

Our body does require some sugar but excess intake can increase risk of Type 2 diabetes and weight gain. It is also a concern if these nutrient-poor drinks replace intake of foods from the five food groups.

While there are less kilojoules and added sugar in diet ‘soft’ drink varieties, they can still be detrimental to bone and dental health as they are quite acidic.

*Carbonated beverages should be kept for special occasions.*