Dear Parents and Caregivers,

A message from NSW Minister for Education

Education Week is a time to celebrate the achievements and successes of our students, teachers and support staff across all NSW public schools.

Public education is undergoing significant transformation with a clear agenda of reform to provide the best possible education for our children.

Over the past four years the NSW Government has been delivering bold reform across the public school sector.

Our evidence-based reforms are aimed at improving student results by providing more resources for schools through a fairer needs-based funding model and a focus on quality teaching.

These reforms are underpinned by a record 2015-16 State Budget allocation of $11.2 billion for public school education and capital works.

Our Great Teaching, Inspired Learning policy is raising the standard of teaching at every career stage. We have introduced higher university entry standards for future teachers, provided more support for beginning teachers and additional funding for teacher professional development.

This year the Government announced a further $224 million investment in quality teaching, providing additional release time for our best and most experienced primary school teachers to mentor and coach other teachers.

We are also committed to addressing the concerns of teachers, parents and the community about student welfare. Our Supported Students initiative invests $167 million to improve the wellbeing of students. Public schools will benefit from additional counsellors and funding to meet the needs of our students.

Education Week 2015 is an opportunity to celebrate our successes and show how our schools are improving to benefit every student in NSW. Adrian Piccoli

Principal Message

What a fantastic morning we had today! Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our Education Week breakfast this morning. It is always a pleasure seeing our families here and I hope you also got a chance to see the artwork that was on display in the hall. Thank you also to our staff who were here bright and early to make sure everything was set up and ready to go! Education Week is a time to celebrate public education and the wonderful opportunities that it presents to our students.

We are extremely lucky to be part of such a wonderful school and the Bongil Bongil Learning Community. I have included a message from the NSW Minister for Education, Adrian Piccoli. The NSW Government has committed to the last two years of the Gonski funding model and we hope the Federal Government will also follow suit.

Enjoy your weekend. Brad Lyne - Principal

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 be available 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)
Netball
Despite a valiant effort, our netball team was defeated by Crescent Head in Round 4 of the knockout competition. All of the Boambee players displayed great sportsmanship and determination. They kept trying their best even though they were up against a team of experienced representative players. Thankyou girls for a wonderful time this year, you have been a pleasure to work with. Thanks also to all of our parents for their terrific support.
Mrs Glover

Touch Football
Congratulations to all students who represented Boambee at the MNC Touch Gala Day on Friday last week. Both teams had success in the first two rounds of the knockout format competition, with the boys posting big wins against Bonville and Repton whilst the girls were victorious over Bonville and a very competitive Bellingen side. The third round saw us against two of the form sides on the day, with the boys up against Frank Partridge and the girls faced off with Macksville. The boys team fought hard to stay within striking distance of the very creative Frank Partridge boys. Riley Drabsch had an absolute blinder, taking three intercepts and scoring length of the field try off two of them. All the boys are to be congratulated on their teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the day. The girls had their backs up against the wall early against the very impressive Macksville team. To their credit, the girls played hard until the final siren and should be extremely proud of their efforts throughout the day. A huge thanks to all the parents that were able to come down and support the students on the day.

Book Fair
Thank you to everyone who supported our book fair. It was lovely to see everyone and we hope everyone enjoys reading their books We raised over $3000.00. The school will receive about $800.00 worth of books as commission.

ASSEMBLY Week 2 CLASS AWARDS
Congratulations to the following students for their fantastic week at school.

KL Lacey Elliott & Mia White
KD Kayleigh Wall & Matilda Day
KTD Emma White & Matilda Patten
K/1F Ruby Robertson & Noah Light
1A Mason Cocks & Wyatt Wood-Scurr
1G Cooper Moore & Elijah Carmady
1/2S Theo Horton & Ronan Lindsay
2H Kailey Clydesdale & Archie Pearson
3/4B Akshith Punia & Abigail Evans
3/4G Abi Black & Max Gosschalk
3/4M Kane Perrie & Oli Caesar
3/4R Hayley Duck & Samuel Whelan
5/6G Cooper Latimer & Kyle Potter
5/6SG Cody Barlow & Lilyarna Sharkey
5/6TH Jeremy Willis and Amelia Carter

3/4B won the Gus Award last week.

Jump Rope for Heart
Jump Rope for Heart is going well with $1425.00 raised already. If you run out of space on your form, your child can obtain another from the school office. The preferred method of payment for Jump Rope for Heart is online but we will accept cash payments at the school office.

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 and 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 next Friday 7th August. You can make payments online by going to our school website or at the school by cash, cheque or eftpos.
**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. We have already raised over $2150.00. Please return all raffle tickets and money by 31st August 2015. The Raffle will be drawn during assembly on Friday 4th September 2015.

**Conservatorium of Music FREE Visit**
The Conservatorium of Music students are going to give a one hour demonstrations to introduce children to instruments, musical performance and music education on Tuesday 4th August. This year's ensemble is made up of a violinist, a cellist, a flautist, a guitarist and a singer (tenor) and an accompanying pianist. They will present an entertaining and educational hour for our students.

**Woolworths Earn and Learn**
If you would like to help our school receive some great new equipment including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts and Crafts, Sport and Books just collect Woolworths Earn and Learn Stickers. You receive one sticker for every $10.00 spent. Sticker sheets can be collected at the school office or just bring in your loose stickers and we will pop them on a sheet for you. Thank you to everyone who has already helped.

**3/4B Gardening**
3/4B would like to show you how well our snow peas are growing. Over the last two terms we have been looking after our plants carefully. When we first planted them they were just small seeds. They sprouted small light green leaves and started to send out vine shoots. Mick helped us put in lattice to encourage our snow peas to grow taller. They latched on and started to tangle themselves around the frame. White snow pea flowers soon started to appear. Now we have snow peas going everywhere. Soon they will be ready to pick, we are really looking forward to eating them. Written by Taihlar-Lee and Akshith

**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.

**Canteen News**
Next Thursday - Half Day Cup Day the canteen will be closed. All the canteen volunteers are invited to meet at Sawtell Surf Club at 8.45am for a quick beach walk following coffee at Zest Restaurant Sawtell at 9.30am.

**Canteen Roster**
Wed 6 Aug        Leanne Krainik & Kathryn White  
Thurs 7 Aug      Closed - Cup Day  
Fri 8 Aug        Susan Dean-Hickey, Donna Nash & Kristy Watson

**Bingo Roster**
Tuesday evening at 7.00pm eyes down at the Coffs Ex Services Club. Come along and support your school.  
Tuesday 4th August - Team 3  
Kate Kelly, Leanne Krainik & Sarah Floyd

**Medication**
If your child requires any medication at school you must see the office. All medication must be for a medical reason and prescribed by a doctor (**it must be labelled from the chemist with the child's name and dosage on it**). We have a medication form that must be filled out by the parent/caregiver prior to us administering any prescribed medication.

**Important Dates**
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100 days at school in Kindergarten.

Teddy Bears Picnic!