Deputy Principal’s Message

It was great to see so many parents and caregivers at the Parent Teacher Interviews last week. The event provides a valuable opportunity to discuss your child’s progress with the class teacher. I encourage anyone who was unable to make it on the night to arrange a time to speak to your child’s class teacher. On the night we had a bank of computers so that everyone could take part in a survey on school communication. If you have not completed the survey, a link is available on our Facebook page. We would love to get as much input as we can.

It has been an extremely busy couple of weeks at school. Stage 2 had a wonderful time away at Great Aussie Bush Camp and I was very proud to see so many students challenging themselves and learning new skills. I would like to thanks Mr Hughes, Dr Marchant, Miss Graham, Miss Hallett and Miss Littler for taking the time away from their families to accompany the students to camp. It was an exhausting but very valuable time.

Families with students in Year 3 and 5 should have received their NAPLAN results this week. The NAPLAN assessments provide us with an important large scale data set to help guide future school planning, however it represents only a snapshot of each student’s achievement over the year. If you have any questions about your child’s NAPLAN results, please make an appointment to discuss them with your child’s class teacher.

Congratulations to our all students who were involved in our Spelling Bee finals this week and good luck to all our spelling finalists competing next week in their stage final. Our debating team has also been extremely busy with debates against Raymond Terrace and Soldiers Point this week. We are eagerly awaiting the final results to see if they progress to the next round of the competition.

Tim Harris

Tell Them From Me
Parent Survey

As a school community we value your ideas and opinions. We invite you to take part in the National School Survey that allows parents to express their views about their perceptions of their children’s experiences at home and school. The information you provide will be very valuable in assisting us in future local school planning initiatives. Your participation in the survey is anonymous and confidential. When you submit your survey, the responses are recorded on a secure site without personal identifying information. Your answers will be mixed with those of other parents and caregivers from the school.

The Survey is easy to complete and the link below will open directly to the ‘Begin Survey’ page. No login details should be required.

The Survey is currently open and will close on Friday, 16 October (Week 2, Term 4).


If you have any questions about completing the survey please feel free to contact me.

Lisa Dovey

Cranky Bear Excursion – Payments Close Tues 25th August

Payments for the ESI/S1 Excursion to the Civic Theatre on Tuesday 8th September must be paid by Tuesday 25th August. Places are limited so please pay as soon as possible. Remember – DO NOT PAY ONLINE FOR THIS EXCURSION!
Learning how to read a clock is a very important skill that all children must learn. Learning to tell time is a skill that is covered in the early years, however many children do not master this skill. It is important that parents get involved in the process of helping children learn how to tell time on both an analog and a digital clock.

**Time Monsters** is an online animated site for children to learn time. The main character, Professor Tempo leads children through the skills of learning to tell time broken down starting with learning the hour numbers on the clock and ending with reading the minute hands.

**Time** ([http://www.bgfl.org/bgfl/custom/resources_ftp/client_ftp/ks2/maths/time/](http://www.bgfl.org/bgfl/custom/resources_ftp/client_ftp/ks2/maths/time/)) is an excellent site to help children to practice telling time by comparing a digital clock to an analog clock. It also deals with 24 hour time. This is a good activity for older children who are struggling with telling time.

**Calendar of Events**

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**Spelling Bee**

Congratulations to all those students who represented their class in the School Spelling Bee finals. Special congratulations to Kaitlyn Eastley and Charlotte Jackson from Stage 3 and Taneisha Tetevano and Jocelyn Brady from Stage 2. These four students will now represent Tanilba Bay Public School in the Regional Finals. A separate note will be sent out containing the location, date and time. Good luck! We are very proud of your achievements!

Ms Graham

**KOFM’s Buddy Bench**

We need your support for the KOFM’s Buddy Bench Initiative:

Our wonderful Welfare Parliamentarians, Malika and Keenan, discussed the possibility of getting a Buddy Bench for our school. The 'Buddy Bench' is an idea that Tanya & Steve from KOFM want to implement in Newcastle & Hunter Schools. The idea has come from Charlie, a nine-year-old boy from Cairns who implemented The Buddy Bench into his school. The Buddy Bench is a permanent bench at school where children are encouraged to sit when they are feeling left out. If a classmate sees someone sitting on the bench they are urged to invite them to play, walk, or talk with them. Due to the success that Charlie’s school and other schools in Queensland have had, KOFM will be teaming up with Bunnings Warehouse to implement the Buddy Bench into as many schools as possible. We have registered Tanilba Bay Public School on the KOFM website as this amazing initiative supports our PBL values. Please register your support for our school by clicking on [http://www.kofm.com.au/win/](http://www.kofm.com.au/win/) (Buddy Bench.) There are a limited number of Buddy Benches and KOFM will be compiling a short list of schools soon! Thank you for your support!

Ms Graham

**AIA Vitality MiniRoos Kick-Off For Girls**

AIA Vitality MiniRoos Kick-Off For Girls is an introductory football program for girls aged 5-11 starting October 2015. Visit the website to find a location nearest you.
Uniform Shop
Our uniform shop, located in the AV room is open Mondays 9am – 10am and on Wednesdays 2.30pm – 3pm. Don’t forget if you can’t make it on these days, you can also leave an order at the office and we will put it together for you next time the uniform shop is open and these can be sent home with your child. If you have any unwanted uniforms at home, we would be grateful to receive them for the Second Hand Uniform Pool.

Price Increases
Due to the rising costs of our current uniform and canteen products there will be a small price increase to some items on the canteen menu and all uniform products. This price increase will be effective as of Term 4.

SAVE THE DATE!! Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th September for our fantastic Fathers’ Day stall!!

Next Meeting
Our meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at 3:15pm. Our next meeting will be on Thursday 27th August in the library. All are welcome to attend.
Come for a day, every day or anything in between

NSW Tariilba Bay Public School
1A King Albert Tariilba Bay NSW 2319
0450 276 314 (07.00-18.00)

Monday 21 September 2015 $53.88
City Scape Designer
cub based
Ever wondered what it would be like to design your own town? Well now is your chance to create your own metropolis.

Tuesday 22 September 2015 $59.88
Safari Adventure
cub based
Incursion
Keep your binoculars handy - a safari adventure awaits!

Wednesday 23 September 2015 $53.88
Dave’s Aussie rules (rules)!
cub based
Incursion
Footy fever is here and it’s time to celebrate, supporting our teams and putting our footy skills to the test!

Thursday 24 September 2015 $59.88
Passport - around the globe
cub based
Incursion
How many natural wonders of the world can you name? Join us to celebrate some of the natural wonders that make up our extraordinary planet.

Friday 25 September 2015 $53.88
Gem’s Animals Adventure
cub based
Incursion
Gem is going on an Animal Adventure today and we’re all invited!

Monday 28 September 2015 $53.88
Pacific Adventure
cub based
Incursion
A journey on the high seas awaits - keep on the lookout for secret maps, shells, beads and more! Drink

Tuesday 29 September 2015 $68.88
Jetset - let’s go!
cub based
Incursion
Have your map and GPS at the ready, because today we are globe trotting around the world - stopping off at some iconic landmarks along the way.

Wednesday 30 September 2015 $78.88
Oddball Adventure
cub based
Incursion
Today we learn all about a special fun-loving and cheeky bird who plays an important role in protecting an endangered colony of penguins.
Please arrive by 8.45am, Bus Departs 9.15am

Thursday 1 October 2015 $53.88
The Smith Family - Back 2 School Day
cub based
Incursion
Today we are raising awareness for The Smith Family Back 2 School initiative. Dress up as your favourite sports star and get ready for team building and group activities.

Friday 2 October 2015 $68.88
World Art
cub based
Incursion
Discover the colours of the world as we uncover arts and crafts from some amazing countries


Daily Requirements: Children must bring their own lunch and refreshments (no nut products please), wet weather gear, art smock, and suitable clothing for active and sunsmart day.
An afternoon snack will be provided.