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the BONNELLS BAY Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S COMMENTS

Greetings all.

Well today is the final newsletter for 2011. This has been a great year and one that I will not forget. Bonnells Bay is a fabulous school and one that is working hard to get even better. I would like to thank everyone for their support and hard work this year. I can promise you much of the same for 2012 as we continue our work to improve our school. I would like to wish everyone a happy and safe Christmas and a successful and joyous New Year. I look forward to seeing everyone again when children return to school on Monday 30th January 2012.

Industrial Action

There has been industrial action called for this Thursday but the staff have decided the school will remain open and supervision will be as normal. All activities that were advertised will run on the day with full supervision.

School Year Books

A huge thank you to Annette Bercli for her wonderful work in compiling the amazing school Year Book for 2011. This professional, full colour treasure will be given free of charge to families who have paid school fees in 2011. If you would like to buy a copy of this fabulous piece of history then books will be on sale at the school administration office for \$10.



Education Tax Refund

As reported previously Greg Combet has provided the school community with envelopes to store receipts that can be claimed by parents or caregivers for educational expenses. You can claim for a range of expenses up to \$394 for each primary age student or \$794 for each secondary student. You can claim expenses including computer hardware, software, text books and stationery (bookbags) and now school approved uniforms purchased from July 2011 are also included. I hope this envelope and information helps, but remember to keep your receipts to claim at tax time. To check your eligibility or to see what may be claimed, visit www.australia.gov.au/educationtaxrefund.

Have a great week,
Mark Stiller, Principal,
Term 4, Week 10

DATES TO REMEMBER

December

- 15th Stage 2 End of Year Party
- 16th Last day for pupils Term 4

January 2012

- 30th First day back for Years 1 – 6
- 30th – 3rd Feb Best Start program for Kindy

February 2012

- 6th Kindergarten start in classroom



CANTEEN ROSTER

30/1	Michelle M
31/1	Allison Y, Kerry C
01/2	Natalie M, Dawn D
2/2	Tobi L, Rebecca K
3/2	Michelle M

A big thank you to all our canteen volunteers and all parents and students who supported the canteen in 2011.

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

We are not opening during this week.

We will resume trading **first week** back at school in 2012 and we will open Monday – Thursday before school and 3:00pm - 3:45pm on Friday afternoon.

From the **second week** of school we will be open at our normal trading times – Monday & Tuesday 9am-10am and Friday afternoon 3:00pm - 3:45pm

SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS APPEAL

On behalf of the school and the Salvation Army we thank you for your support.



END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES

STAGE 2 END OF YEAR PARTY

Stage 2 will be going to Morisset Pool tomorrow 15th December for their activities.

KINDERGARTEN 2012



If you know of anyone in our school community who has not yet enrolled their pre-school child into our 2012 Kindergarten cohort, please ask them to contact the school office as soon as possible.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS



Many children come into the office to phone for lunches left at home or have forgotten transport details etc. – not many children actually know their home phone number – knowing your home phone number in an emergency is a safety issue.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Newcastle PCYC KidzCare is an ever-growing, good, high quality accredited vacation care, offering children a safe, innovative and interactive environment including craft, cooking, sports and excursions. For just \$38 per day – CCB Approved (plus excursions), contact Newcastle PCYC on 49614 493 for more information.



GARRY LAWLER'S MUSIC PROGRAM FOR SCHOOLS Bonnells Bay Public School Guitar/Ukulele Ensemble

Enrolments and registrations of interest
new being accepted for 2012

Please register prior to end of 2011 school year so your child can be included in timetabling and planning.

Information packs available at school office.

Ph 0438 608 180 Email: musicpro@bigpond.net.au

CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL AND CAROLS CONCERT



Sunday 18th December 2011

6pm – Christmas Carnival

BBQ, Face Painting, Jumping Castle,
Stalls & Entertainment

7:30pm – Carols Concert

9pm – Spectacular Fireworks

The Salvation Army Bonnells Bay
Cnr Station St and Marconi road



Bring your picnic chair &/or blanket +
the "Aeroguard"

Please note this is a drug & alcohol-free, family event



KING'S KIDS 2012 Anglican Parish of Southlakes Newcastle Street Morisset PROMISES

A fun-filled programme of drama, music, craft, games
and painting based on the Noah's Ark Story and on
Gospel values.

9th-12th January, 2012

9:30am to 12:30pm for 6-12 year olds.

Cost for the program - \$5 per child per day

Registration forms available at the Parish Office

Phone 4973 1204 (Mon to Fri 9am – 1pm)

Or contact Rev'd Alison Wooden 0418 630 856