



the BONNELLS BAY Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S COMMENTS

Greetings all and welcome to Week 8

Last Friday the school went 'Blue for Diabetes'. I am really happy to report we raised \$255.35 for this great cause. Thank you to all the families who participated in the Blue Day. Let's hope our small contribution can help find a cure.

Great Term 4 Disco

Last Wednesday we hosted another fabulous disco at school. Over 250 children had a ball with DJ Andy on the night. I would like to thank our wonderful P&C for cooking the BBQ and organising drinks and treats for the children. Our discos are always a highlight and we now look forward to the last disco for Years 5 and 6 at the Year 6 Farewell on Monday 10th December.

Volunteers Morning Tea

Invitations will be coming home in the next few days regarding our volunteers' morning tea. This morning tea recognises all those unsung heroes that help make our school such a fabulous place. All the reading mums, barbeque cooks, canteen volunteers, working bee toilers, uniform shop workers or anyone who has helped out in any way in 2012, are invited to attend on Friday 14th December at 11am. More information will be forthcoming in the near future. If you can make it then we would love to see you to say thank you.

New Teacher for Bonnells Bay Public School

We are engaged in the process of selecting our new teacher for 2013. This merit selection process takes time and hopefully will be resolved next week. When the successful candidate is appointed I will let the community know the result. This is an exhaustive process but worthwhile for our school.

School Photos

I am really happy to announce that the school photos for 2012 will be sent home today and tomorrow. I believe the quality of the package in 2012 is of the highest standard and quite the best I have ever seen. Our Community Partnership with the photography company is strong and the quality of the product is outstanding.

Performance DVD

We have been informed that the DVDs of our wonderful school performance will be delivered today. As soon as we receive them we will send them home.

Late to School

It seems that I am constantly asking for parents' cooperation to help us out with lateness to school. We still have up to 20 children each morning who ask for late notes with the excuse "I slept in" this is not good enough. We start late compared to other schools at 9:30am, so there is no excuse for continued lateness. Once in a while there are circumstances beyond everyone's control and we understand this, but every day or two is unacceptable. I will be referring this to the Home School Liaison Officer in future.

Life Education

We have been really fortunate to have been allocated a visit from the Life Education Van in 2013. The van will be at school from Monday 26th August to Friday 30th August 2013. More information will be sent out in 2013.

Have a great week.
Mark Stiller, Principal
Term 4, Week 8

DATES TO REMEMBER

November

30th Last day for Early Stage 1, Stage 1 and Stage 3
End of Year Celebrations payments and Stage 2 if possible

December

5th **9:30am** Last day for Presentation Day payments
5th Yr 6 MHS Orientation
7th Last day for Stage 2 Celebrations Payment
10th Presentation Day Toronto Workers Club 10:30am
10th Yr 6 Farewell
12th Early Stage 1 End of Year Celebrations
12th Stage 1 End of Year Celebrations
12th Stage 2 End of Year Celebrations
12th Stage 3 End of Year Celebrations
19th Last Day Term 4

2013

January

29th Staff return
30th Students return for Term 1

February

4th 2013 Kindergarten students start school

CANTEEN ROSTER

3/12	Michelle M
4/12	Allison Y
5/12	Natalie M, Dawn D
6/12	Rebecca K, Tobi L
7/12	Michelle M, Shey C

VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTION

It isn't too late to pay the 2012 Voluntary School Contribution of \$30 per child or \$60 per family. Every family who pays the contribution will receive a complimentary 2012 Year Book. Thank you to those families who have already paid. Funds go directly to student's learning requirements.

YOU CAN DO IT AWARDS

Key Area: Organisation



KL	Brooklyn	KG	Ben
1S	Anneliese	1B	Cassandra
1/2C	Nicola	2E	Amber
2J	Angus	3T	Kaylee
3/4A	Solomon	4P	Michael
4/5R	Michael	5B	Chris
5/6W	Julie-Anne	6I	Emily

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to the following students who received a Merit Certificate at the Assembly....

KL	Rebecca, Brodie
KG	Nicholas, Jessica
1B	Cassandra, Liam
1S	Mackenzie, Blaze
1/2C	Chelsea, Brooklen
2E	Joshua, Amber
2J	Teliah, Keanu
3T	Jessy
3/4A	Savanna, Caitlin
4P	Jade, Paige
4/5R	Tiarn, Jessica
5B	Marcus, Jacob
5/6W	Jackson, Jack
6I	Ryan, Georgia

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

As we are winding down to the end of term the uniform shop will not be open this Friday 30th November. The last day of trade for the year is next Monday 3rd December. Thank you to everyone for buying uniforms and supporting the P&C. A big thank you to all the volunteers who help run the uniform shop. More volunteers are needed for next year. Please see Therese on Monday if you can help.

LIBRARY NEWS TERM 4 WEEK 8

With only 3 weeks left in the year, borrowing has finished for 2012. Can you please return all library books ASAP. It would be greatly appreciated.

Overdue notices were sent out early this week; if you believe your books have already been returned please see Mrs Vitnel or myself.

The holidays are a great time to begin reading for the 2013 Premier's Reading Challenge. See the website for detailed lists of what books to read.

<https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>

Happy Reading
Mrs Tate

NEWS FROM MORISSET HIGH

Hello everyone I hope that the heat is being kind to you all! Last week for Morisset High School has been a hot one, but mainly to do with how busy we are at this time of the year.

Our Showcase Evening is on this week and I need to acknowledge all of the work put into this project by students and staff alike.

This week was the beginning of an Aboriginal Culture Celebration in Year 10. This is a unit of work delivered in HSIE, focussing upon Aboriginal Education and art work, and is being supported by community members who are coming in to our school and delivering lessons and workshops. This is a fantastic initiative and I need to thank Mr Davies and Selina Archibald for their leadership in

developing this program as well as the amazing community support from Ms Chedzey.

Last week our incoming Year 7 students came up to the high school as part of the Middle Schooling Initiative and all of the students had a great day. Incidentally, they were also fortunate enough to see a dress rehearsal of the Showcase Evening.

At this point in the term we are into our report writing phase with printing deadlines looming over the next few weeks. It is always a busy time, meeting these deadlines and ensuring that our reporting schedules are being met.

Mark Snedden
Principal
Morisset High School



Christmas Raffle!

Tickets will be on sale in the mornings at the canteen from Monday 3rd December to Friday 7th December and also at the Presentation, tickets are \$1 each or 3 for \$5

Disco

A big thank you to all the volunteers who assisted with the BBQ last week, your help was greatly appreciated ☺

P & C AGM

Last night we held our annual AGM and we are happy to announce the following executive committee:-

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| • President | Kirsten Gomez |
| • Vice President | Kelly King |
| • Treasurer | Theresa Blair |
| • Secretary | Anna Mason |

We are looking forward to an exciting new year in 2013!

Thank you to everyone who has helped throughout 2012, whether it was cooking a BBQ, buying a raffle ticket, or purchasing a gift from our Mothers' day or Fathers' day stalls – every little bit helps.

CELEBRATING OUR 100TH YEAR

BUS PASS APPLICATIONS

A new bus pass application is needed for all children going into Year 3 in 2013, who travel by bus to school. A new pass will not be issued in 2013 until a form is completed. Free travel is only available to primary students (Years 3 – 6) who reside more than 1.6 kilometres (radial distance) from the school, measured on a radius from the centre of

the school site, or 2.3 kilometres or more by the most direct practicable walking route to the nearest point of physical entry to the school.

HELP YOUR KIDS ENJOY READING

How do you make reading a joy and not a chore for your child? One way is to find information and interesting facts about things that intrigue or interest your child in books, magazines or on the internet. Read and talk about what you find out. Here are some other tips:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/ten-ideas-to-help-your-child-with-reading>

COMMUNITY NEWS

GOURMET MARKET DAY @ BONNELLS BAY

Enjoy the finest produce the Peninsula has to offer on Sunday 9th December. Plenty to taste, see and do, bring the whole family. Children will be entertained by rides and a jumping castle. Wristbands for the rides are being sold at Bonnells Bay Public School at a cost of \$15 each or 3 for \$30. \$5 from every wristband goes to the school.

HUNTERSPOITS CENTRE VACATION CARE

Vacation Care at HunterSports Centre is an inexpensive way to keep the kids entertained these school holidays. Activities include: craft, science, cooking, sports programs and much more. Call 4953 6366 or visit www.hsc.org.au for more information.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS AND FIREWORKS SPECTACULAR



Come and celebrate with the Salvation Army at the Cnr Station St and Marconi Rd, Bonnells Bay on Sunday 9th December from 6pm. Entry is free. There will be fireworks, stalls, live music, face painting and much more. This event is a drug and alcohol free family friendly event.



COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION



Southlake Community Services will be holding a Community Christmas Celebration on Friday 7th December at 4pm – 8pm at Morisset Multipurpose Centre, 143 Dora Street, Morisset. This is a free event with fun and entertainment for the whole family. A BBQ will be provided and Santa will be attending.

SANITARIUM STORE COORANBONG

The Sanitarium Store at 582 Freemans Drive, Cooranbong is selling seconds and first grade quality breakfast cereals. The shop is open Monday to Thursday between 9:30am until 5:00pm. For more information phone 4980 2992 or visit the website www.sanitarium.com.au