Term 4

Term 4 has started with the vast majority of students maximising their last term in their current grade. Term 4 is an exciting time with lots of external experiences, and all reports have been complimentary of how Bilambil kids act when away from their school.

We look forward to hearing more reports like these of our students in and out of our school environment over the next eight weeks.

Selective High School

The NSW Department of Education supports academic selective high schools in various locations around the state. Whilst our nearest location is either Grafton or Armidale, if any parents of students currently in Year 5 want more information about NSW selective schools please contact Mr Mostert or go online at www.schools.nsw.edu/shsplacement

Canteen

Thank you and well done to all of our families for their understanding and compliance with the new canteen operation model. The feedback on the new menu has been excellent and the flexibility of families to not use the canteen on Tuesday or Thursday has been much appreciated.

School Spectacular Shines

Last Thursday 22 October and Friday 23 October, 46 dancers from Bilambil, Terranora and Brunswick Heads Public Schools came to Bilambil to work with one of the choreographers from the Schools Spectacular. They worked tirelessly for both days in an amazing high level atmosphere. Congratulations to our 16 girls who have been amazing fundraisers as well as dancers. They will perform in Sydney on the weekend of 27 and 28 November, 2015.
UP AND COMING EVENTS

TERM 4 WEEK 4

Wednesday 28 October  
Guitar Lessons

Thursday 29 October  
5/6J Assembly 1.30pm

Friday 30 October  
Sushi Friday
GATS @ TRHS Music/Band
Surf Groms
Happy Feet Tennis

Saturday 31 October  
Piggabeen Market Choir Performance 3.00pm
Festival Lantern Festival Murwillumbah 8.00pm

TERM 4 WEEK 5

Monday 2 November  
Band Lessons

Tuesday 3 November  
Student School Banking 2016 Kinder Orientation
Swimming Program commences

Wednesday 4 November  
Guitar Lessons
Swimming Program

Thursday 5 November  
Swimming Program

Friday 6 November  
Swimming Program
Surf Groms
Happy Feet Tennis

TERM 4 WEEK 6

Monday 9 November  
Band Lessons

Tuesday 10 November  
Student School Banking 2016 Kinder Orientation
Swimming Program Interrelate Year 5

Wednesday 11 November  
Swimming Program
P&C Meeting 7.00pm

Thursday 12 November  
Swimming Program
3/4H Assembly 1.30pm

Friday 13 November  
Swimming Program
Surf Groms
Happy Feet Tennis
Seagulls Choir performance
5.30 to 6.00pm

TERM 4 WEEK 7

Tuesday 17 November  
Interrelate Yr 5 & 6

Wednesday 18 November  
Interrelate Yr 5 & 6

Thursday 19 November  
Interrelate Yr 6

TERM 4 WEEK 8

Tuesday 24 November  
Newsletter
School Spec Sydney

Wednesday 25 November  
School Spec Sydney

Thursday 26 November  
School Spec Sydney

Friday 27 November  
School Spec Sydney
Canteen Sushi Friday

Lost Property

There is an amazing amount of clothing left over from winter in our lost property box. This can be found near the Computer Room at the stage end of the COLA.

All clothes which had student’s names on them have been returned but the massive amount left is currently unclaimed.

At the end of this term, we will be distributing these clothes to either the used clothing uniform shop or charity organisations so please come to collect your clothes before then.
Excursions

Hat Parades

Our Assembly

We have enjoyed a number of exciting events this year.

Let the good times roll......

with 1/2P

1/2P are very artistic and creative children.

“Dinosaur” - The boys like to roar like a dinosaur.

We have improved immensely with our reading skills.
Friendly Reminder
If you have simply overlooked payment of fees for guitar/band lessons and instrument hire fees or school fees, it would be greatly appreciated if you could finalise these fees before the school’s end of financial year which is the 30th November. Thank you!

Green Thumbs
The Green Thumbs have had a very busy time of late in our vegetable garden. This term we have harvested Silverbeet, Fennel bulbs, Beetroot, Golden Beetroot, Parsley, Kale and Spring Onions. We have been selling these at our produce stall whenever we have enough to sell. Keep a lookout for our table up in the shelter area at the Kiss and Drop gate in the mornings.

A very hard working group of students helped Ms Borgas and I to empty the compost we had made from all our classroom and canteen food scraps and we have used this to enrich the soil in our garden beds. Ms Kennedy the student teacher on 5/6J, was a great help spreading the compost in the garden bed. We are now ready to plant this bed again with some summer vegetables.

Alison Lloyd & Julie Borgas

Child Protection Education Lessons
As part of our P.D./Health program each year, it is a mandatory requirement for teachers to deliver child protection education. The aim of child protection education in primary schools is to assist students in developing skills in recognising and responding to unsafe situations and knowing who can help. It also aims to assist with establishing and maintaining relationships and strengthening attitudes and values related to equality, respect and responsibility.

All classes at Bilambil Public School will be involved in these lessons during term 4. All concepts are taught sensitively and at an appropriate level for each class. Any questions regarding the program can be discussed with your child’s classroom teacher.

Bus Behaviour
With approximately 99% of our students catching a bus to or from school each day, it is not surprising that there can be some issues on the unsupervised buses.

Please chat to your children about appropriate bus behaviour and if there are any issues you would like to pass on to the school to investigate, please contact us through the office or by the bus box, which is found in the front foyer. Your child will be able to tell you all about it.

TRHS visit to Year 6
Last Tuesday 20 October, 2015 Year 6 students who will be attending Tweed River High School next year had a visit from two teaching members who spoke to them regarding High School in general, grades and events for Year 7.

Students were also given a writing task, this along with an earlier maths task and student grades this year will assist Tweed River in planning and organising for 2016.

Bilambil choirs performing
Come along and support our choirs this Saturday at Piggabeen Markets! Infants choir will start at 3.00pm, followed by the primary choir at 3.15pm. We then have a couple of soloists performing after that! Come along dressed in your scary Halloween gear....
A day out with the Big Friendly Giant (BFG)

On Friday, 16th October, 2015 some lucky Stage Two students went to see a performance of The BFG by the Murwillumbah Theatre Company. We had such a great time. Here are some highlights:

My favourite thing in The BFG was when the giants came out to the crowd and said “YUM, YUM, chidlers”. Chaya

The BFG was the tallest but he was really the shortest in the book. Sophie was a doll. The giants came into the audience to eat the chidlers. Jack

My favourite part of The BFG was when the bad guys came into the crowd.

Jaylen

I thought it was funny when I saw the Queen was a man. I loved when the giants were captured and they got lifted up and whizpopped! Tristan

I really liked The BFG. The giants were scary, but the BFG was very cool. I liked how Sophie was a doll. She was my favourite character. Grace
GOLD AWARD

Term 4 Weeks 3 & 4
KM Joel P
3/4W Grace B

SILVER AWARD

Term 4 Weeks 3 & 4
KB Connor P, Ruby S
KM Ava B, Tyler M, Sienna R
1/2H Mia A, Tanna C
1/2P Luka C, Isabella C, Sonny H, Isabella H, Sam W
3/4B Lucien A, Tahitia F, Brody L
3/4H Trixie M
3/4W Lauren F
5/6B Ty B, Natalie M
5/6J Corey T, Kayla T
5/6M Joseph B, Eliza H

BRONZE AWARD

Term 4 Weeks 3 & 4
KM Tayah K
3/4B Anakin S, Mischa L
5/6J Belle B
5/6M Nicholas C

Luncheon activities
Art Group
Board games
Kindy Orientation
Sip & Crunch

Students enjoying school activities

COUNTRY COAST ON THE WEEKEND

13, 14 & 15 NOVEMBER

FRIDAY 13 Nov
5:30pm - 6:00pm Bilambil School Choir
7:30pm - 10:30pm Deep Creek Band
Line Dancing Blitz

SATURDAY 14 Nov
2:00pm - 6:00pm Karl Brodie Duo
7:30pm - 11:30pm Round Mountain Girls

SUNDAY 15 Nov
3:30pm - 6:30pm Toucan Twango featuring Tanja Kernaghan acoustic performance

Gallion Drive, Tweed Heads West NSW 2485
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Note: The venue serves the responsible service of alcohol.
Whooping cough information for schools

There is an outbreak of whooping cough (pertussis) in NSW, mainly affecting school-aged children.

Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough can spread to anyone at home, including younger brothers and sisters. Whooping cough can be especially dangerous for babies.

Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. The infection can occur even in fully vaccinated children. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and may be worse at night.

- Children with these symptoms should see a doctor.
- If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough in your school-aged child, please let the school know and keep your child at home until they have taken 5 days of antibiotics. Keep coughing children away from babies.

Whooping cough vaccines give good protection against infection but immunity fades with time. Check that all your children are up to date with their vaccines, due at 6 weeks, 4 months, 6 months, 4 years and 12 years of age (offered to all Year 7 students through the NSW school-based vaccination program). A booster is also recommended at 18 months of age.

A booster dose of vaccine is also recommended for adults that are in contact with young children, such as school staff and parents. Pregnant women are recommended to have a booster dose during each pregnancy and this is funded by NSW Health. Those who are new parents or carers of babies should consult their general practitioner about appropriate immunisation.

Your local public health unit can provide advice about whooping cough on 1300 066 055 or visit the NSW Health website for information for childcare and schools about whooping cough.
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