Our New Playground’s Coming
We are hopeful that the majority of construction for our new playground will be completed this week. This is great news for all of our students and is a reflection of all of the hard work our P&C have put into our school over the last few years. We hope that the new playground will be used by our students before the holidays...

Bilambil Big Brekky
Thank you to the approximately 150 students, families and friends who joined us for breakfast on Friday, 21st August 2015. The community spirit was very evident and was a great way to embark on the second half of Term 3.

Big Vegie Crunch
On Thursday 27th August at 11:00am on the dot, 174 excited Bilambil Public School students crunched loudly on a vegetable, as part of a Northern NSW Coast initiative to join schools in a record attempt for the most children eating vegetables simultaneously. A special thank you to parents who supplied their children with vegies for this event.

Visible Learning
The school has continued on its path to refine our current practice in line with John Hattie’s Visible Learning. Things we have worked out so far include our student’s confidence when communicating learning concerns to teachers, our teacher’s openness to collegial feedback and the need for us to transfer the onus of learning from our teachers onto our students, to give more explicit, targeted feedback to our students and to develop a common, whole school language which challenges our students to challenge themselves. If you have any questions about Visible Learning, please see Mr Mostert or your child’s teacher.

CPR Training
All school teaching, support and administration staff updated their CPR accreditation after hours recently. This is one of the many professional requirements our staff do annually.

Canteen Review & Meeting
A reminder that the canteen surveys are due back to school by the end of this week. The review team will be meeting again on Monday September 7 at 3:30pm in the school staffroom. Everyone’s welcome!
UP AND COMING EVENTS

TERM 3 WEEK 8

Wednesday 2 September
Book Week & Grandparents Day Celebrations
Green Thumbs Market Day
Guitar Lessons resume

Thursday 3 September
Fathers Day Stall
AFL Stage 2
1/2P Assembly 1.40pm

Friday 4 September
SRC Footy Colours Day
Stage 1 Currumbin Excursion
Canteen Surveys due back

TERM 3 WEEK 9

Monday 7 September
Band Lessons
Regional Spelling Bee Final
Canteen Committee Meeting 3.30pm

Wednesday 9 September
SRC Sport Time Disco K-2
11.30am – 12.30pm
Maths Olympiad 5
P&C Meeting 7.00pm

Thursday 10 September
AFL Stage 2
5/6B Assembly 1.30pm

Friday 11 September
Stage 2 AFL Gala Day

TERM 3 WEEK 10

Monday 14 September
Band Lessons

Tuesday 15 September
Newsletter
Student Banking
Stage 3 AFL Girls Arkinstall Park

Wednesday 16 September
Guitar Lessons
Stage 2 Milo Cricket Day

Thursday 17 September
Stage 3 Showcase Day

Friday 18 September
SRC Sport Time Disco Yr 3-6
11.30am – 12.30pm
Canteen Sushi Friday
End of Fruit & Veggie Month
Last Day of Term 3

SILVER AWARD

Term 3 Weeks 7 & 8

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2016 Kindergarten Enrolments

We are currently taking Kindergarten enrolments for 2016. If you have a child that will be attending this school next year or you know any children of family, friends or neighbours that will be attending next year please contact our office to organise an enrolment package.
Aiden C - Every year since I was a baby, we go to Byron Bay for one week holiday. I went with my Mum and Dad. After the age of two, my sister came too.

Kyane C - One time, I thought the camera was a teleporter and I had a weird staring contest with it. I lost and I always will. I was one year old when I knew it was a camera.

Ethan S - When I was a baby, my brother got me to sleep in my hammock. I was very happy.

Chaya M - When I was little, I put ice cream on my face.

Zachary H - My memory is the television show I used to watch. It was called Little Einsteins. I really enjoyed it because I thought the characters were funny. Every time I heard that it was on, I ran as fast as I could to watch it.

Jacob C - When I was little, I liked watching Mr Maker.

Tristan T - I remember when I was rushing down the driveway and I couldn’t stop and CRASH! I hit my head on the truck. I’ve had a scar ever since.

Jaylen W - When I was five years old, my dad went skydiving and I watched him go in the plane. It took ten minutes. I saw him go down and then I saw the parachute come out. When my dad came down, I went and hugged him.

Jack R - The only way to get me to sleep was my favourite cuddly toy who was called Buster.

Zoe B - When I was a little kid and I was sick, I would always have mac and cheese to make me feel better.

Katie H - When I was little, I had a dog. She slept under my bed and she never growled or barked at me. Her name was Milly.

Storm S - My memory was when I got my dog when I was five.

Sunny A - When I was one, my Nan bought me WWE figures and you could move their arms and legs.

Markus G - One time, I ate a lot of huge STRAWBERRIES. They tasted DELICIOUS. I still love them. I was two years old.

Trixie M - I remember when my dog Scooby jumped into my pool at Banora Point. I was about two years old.

Grace M - When I was 4 years old, I went on a cruise at Hervey Bay. We were on a whale watching tour. I nearly fell in the water when we saw the orca.

Ciaira M - When I was two, I used to throw food at my face and throw food on the floor.

Bridie B - I used to eat dirt.

To celebrate Book Week, 3/4H have been studying the award winning book, “Go to Sleep Jessie”. We thought of memories from when we were younger.
Learning, laughing & sharing with 3/4H

We have been learning about Built Environments for Science. We are making Cityscape Silhouette artworks.

AFL is so much fun!

We are a crazy bunch! Learning is fun and we are amazing!
Welcome to ‘Fruit & Veg’ Month 2015!

Fruit & Veg Month will happen in NSW Primary Schools between Monday 24th August and Friday 18th September, 2015. The program is delivered by the Healthy Kids Association and is supported by the NSW Ministry of Health.

Bilambil Public School will be participating in this exciting program again this year. All children K-6 will be involved in classroom activities that promote the benefits of eating regularly from these food groups.

At different stages during ‘Fruit and Veg’ month your child/children will be offered the opportunity to taste/sample a variety of different fruits and vegetables. If you don’t want your child to participate because of dietary concerns or allergies, please contact your child’s teacher.

Further information may be obtained by visiting: www.fruitandvegmonth.com.au or by contacting Mrs Brazel

The Jollybops Science Show

On Wednesday 26th August, 2015 students from K-6 were given the opportunity to attend a special science show. The show entitled “Flight, Sound and Fire with an Aboriginal perspective” looked at the scientific principles behind some of the great inventions and environmental understandings of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Peoples.

Aysha from KB “It was good. There were lots of cool things. My favourite was when the man popped the balloon.”

Lacey from K/1L “It was so cool and I liked the funny robot.”

Chloe from 1/2B “It was fun!”

Jackson from 1/2B “It was funny and very, very cool. I loved it!”

Jesse from 3/4W “The show was funny and cool. I liked the Milo tin experiment and Rusty the robot.”

Thomas from 3/4W “I liked how Rusty was saying funny jokes and the bin experiment.”

Madison from 5/6M “I loved the explosions and learning about Aboriginal scientists and their culture.”

Premier’s Spelling Bee

Congratulations to all Stage 2 and 3 students who participated in the Premier’s Spelling Bee last week. It is not easy having to stand up in front of an audience and spell words aloud and it was great to see so many students willing to have a go.

We have four students who were our winners and will now go on to the regional finals at Fingal Heads Public School next week. We applaud their efforts and wish James F, Kegan D, Beau J and Stella R all the very best for the final. Good luck!

Thanks Rick!

The school would like to thank Rick Holdom who gave up his time to screen targeted students in the primary for their visual aptitude.

Reports have been sent home to each family and if there are any questions arising from these, please contact Mr Mostert.

Green Thumbs Market Day

We will have fresh greens for sale at the Grandparents Day celebrations on Wednesday 2nd September, 2015. Currently harvesting kale, tatsoi and mixed lettuce.

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Stella takes home medal

Earlier this year Stella R was chosen to represent North Coast at the PSSA State Cross Country Championships in Sydney. This week her medallion arrived and it was presented to her at our Monday morning assembly. She earned the medal by doing well with her peers in the 11 years age group, Regional Teams Event. Well done, Stella!

PSSA FNC Athletics Representatives

Last Friday 28th August, 2015 three of our students Jayden A, Jascha R and Stella R travelled to Lismore to represent Far North Coast at the PSSA North Coast Athletics Championships.

Stella and Jascha competed in the 200m and 800m track events whilst Jayden run in the 200m. Top effort!

Bilyana visits Bilambil

On Monday 24 August, 2015 Stage 3 students were lucky enough to receive a visit from Noel Blomeley (Bilyana) who is the Aboriginal Education and Engagement Officer for our area. During the visit he spoke to our students about the importance of being connected to our school, family and friends. He demonstrated a very effective “Complex Web Of Life” activity that reinforced these beneficial social connections. This was also reinforced back in the classroom with a discussion that followed the activity.
5/6B Celebrates Science Week with the Preschool

Amy  I loved going to the Preschool on 20/8/15 for Science week. I was part of the Spinning Blimp group along with Luke and Stella. I enjoyed watching the kids colour them in and drop them in different ways. The best thing was seeing their reaction. It bought a smile to my face.

Zahli  5/6B had a great time at the Preschool on Thursday. Nathan and I had to do the exploding lunch bag experiment, which was fantastic fun.

Ty  I loved all the different things at the science show at the Preschool. There was a girl named Phoebe who was excellent at coin rubbing.

Luke  I loved going to the Preschool and getting all the shy kids like Preston to smile!

Drew  Today my class went up to the Preschool and met lots of people. I enjoyed using an inflatable, giant bee that comes apart. I also enjoyed helping kids make bee puppets. I met heaps of children, but I enjoyed Marley and Vedder. We had a fantastic time.

Lily  I loved the science day at the Preschool, especially seeing the cute, happy faces.

Jett  The Preschool science day was tonnes of fun. I really enjoyed the pressure of turning the cups upside down and hoping the water would stay in the cup.

Mason  I loved the little kids. They were cute and we all had fun.

Hunter  I loved the little guys and loved the dinosaur table.

Jasmin  On Thursday 20/8/15, 5/6B went to the Preschool and did science experiments. A little boy called Cooper loved our experiment.

Natalie  5/6B went to the Preschool and Jett and I were in the magnet group and the little kids were so cheerful and cute. I was glad I went.
Hurry Last Chance
Remember to redeem your Scholar Dollars by presenting your receipt for purchases at Tweed City Service desk to help support Bilambil Public School. Competition closes Thursday 3rd September 2015 at 9.00pm.

One week to go
This is the last week you can collect your Earn & Learn stickers from Woolworths. The more stickers the more great rewards for Bilambil Public School. Competition closes Tuesday 8th September 2015.

If you are shopping at Amart Sports at South Tweed, please remember to mention our school for the Community Kickbacks Scheme.

Book Week & Grandparents Day
Please join me at school for Book Week and Grandparents Day celebrations on Wednesday 2nd September 2015:
- 10.00—11.00am Open classrooms
- 11.00—11.30am School community morning tea on the bottom playground

SRC Sport Time
This Term the SRC will be hosting a School Disco during normal sport time with fun games and dances. All profits raised will help purchase new team sports uniforms.

Where: School Hall
Cost: $3.00—Which includes a popper and a piece of pizza from the canteen.
Theme: Free Dress (comfortable as students will be in their dress up all day)
Glow sticks are 50c each or 5 for $2.00

Year K-2
Date: Wednesday, 9th September, 2015
Time: 11:30am-12:30pm

Year 3-6
Date: Friday, 18th September 2015 (last day of Term 3).
Time: 11:30am-12:30pm

Students or parents who do not wish for their child to participate in this fundraiser disco will do sport activities as normal.
Children must wear covered shoes.
Fathers Day Stall
The Fathers Day Stall will be held this Thursday 3rd of September, 2015. There will be lots to choose from for the children to buy that special man a gift and prices will range from 50c to $6.00.

Donations are not needed, however if you have anything you’d like to donate, it is all appreciated. Volunteers are needed to help on the day, so if you are available please email us on bilambilschool.pc@gmail.com

Commonwealth Bank School Banking Update – Please Read
Concerns have been raised regarding the ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ reward item due to the inclusion of four button batteries that can be accessed by unscrewing the back of the torch.

Whilst this reward has been independently tested and deemed to meet relevant product standards the Commonwealth Bank has made the decision to proactively withdraw this item from the School Banking Rewards Program.

Parents/Carers are requested to dispose of any ‘Cosmic Light Beam. Students who have previously received a ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ are welcome to redeem an alternative reward item. Please put a note in your school bank book for our co-ordinators next time your child does some banking.

Belinda Parkes
School Banking Team

Canteen Committee meeting
Our first Canteen Committee meeting was held on Monday 24th August, 2015 it was wonderful to see the number of people from our school community. Thank you to everyone for attending and for sharing your valuable ideas and suggestions!

The next committee meeting will be held on Monday, 7th September 2015 everyone is most welcome to attend these meetings, your thoughts will be appreciated. We are hoping to implement some new improved strategies and revise the menu to include a wider range of healthy options to the canteen.

There was a parent survey sent home last Wednesday, 26 August 2015, thank you to all those who have already returned this survey, all ideas are important big or small. Please return the survey by Friday 4th September.

Volunteers are always required in the Canteen, so if you are available to assist on any day, please contact the P&C via email: bilambilschool.pc@gmail.com

New Playground!
Keep your eyes peeled for the new playground, coming soon to Bilambil Public School!!

How exciting!!!!

New Uniform prices
Due to a manufactures price increase, there has been a small rise in the price of school hats and school jackets.

School hats are now $16.00
School winter jackets are now $32.00

These are available for purchase online or from the uniform shop during opening hours.

Bunnings Barbeque!
Bilambil P&C will be holding a sausage sizzle at Bunnings South Tweed on Sunday, 11th October 2015!

We will need loads of volunteers and plenty of customers on that day! If you are able to assist please contact us at bilambilschool.pc@gmail.com
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