# Bilambil PUBLIC SCHOOL

# Newsletter

Term 4 - Week 4, 27 October 2015

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#### It's gone!

Our school has many beautiful trees which make our rural setting even more attractive. School staff do regular site assessments of our grounds to look for any abnormalities to minimise any risks from our trees. You may notice that the extremely large eucalypt which sat beside our top block of classrooms has been removed over the weekend as part of these reviews.

#### Moving?

It's quite common for there to be a small turnover of our families each year as work and personal situations change. If you or anyone you know is potentially either leaving or joining our school for 2016, please contact the school office.

#### 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 <u>www.schools.nsw.edu/shsplacement</u>

#### 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.



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#### **STUDENT OF THE WEEK**

	Term 4 Week 3	Term 4 Week 4			
КВ	Thomas M	Ava M			
КМ	Sabrielle L	Sooke P			
K/1L	Jago A	Serenity R Jasco W			
1/2B	Malia W				
1/ <b>2H</b>	Juan J	Ethan E			
1/2P	Sam W				
3/4B	Ruby I	Kyne D Tristan T			
3/4H	Aiden C				
3/4W	Zoe D	Tiani B Nathan H			
5/6B	Ту В				
5/6J Mia D   5/6M Sharn S					
		Cody T			
Principal	Eliza H	Kyne D			
RFF Grace B		Amy R			



#### **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.

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#### UP AND COMING EVENTS

TERM 4 WEEK 4	MING EVENTS
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



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Hat Parades



1/2P are very artistic and creative children.



"Dinosaur" - The boys like to roar like a dinosaur.



Our Assembly



we have improved immensely with our reading skills.



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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



#### 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!

#### **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....





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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! 7ristan

Happy Feet Tennis

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

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

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

My favourite thing in The BFG was when the giants came out to

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

the crowd and said "YUM, YUM, chidlers". Chaya









highlights:

the crowd. Jaylen

eat the chidlers. Jack



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#### Students enjoying school activities

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#### **GOLD AWARD**

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

### SILVER AWARD

Term 4	КВ	Connor P, Ruby S
Weeks 3 & 4	KM	Ava B, Tyler M, Sienna R
	1/2H	Mia A, Tanna C
	1/2P	Luka C, Isabella C, Sonny H, Isabell 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

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## **BRONZE AWARD**

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









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#### **Canteen Reminder**

Please be remindered that the School Canteen is open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays only. The new prices have started, if you required a menu they are available from the School Admin Office.

#### We are currently selling :

Blasta pasta —Lasagne, Spaghetti bolognaise, large meat pies for \$2.00 each to make way for our new exciting recipes.



The P&C end of year Disco will be held on Tuesday 8th December, 2015. More details soon.

The next P&C Meeting is on Wednesday 11 November, 2015 starting at 7.00pm in the School's Staff Room.

PIGGABEEN VALLEY MARKET PIGGABEEN HALL, PIGGABEEN ROAD, PIGGABEEN LIVE MUSIC \* ART & CRAFTS \* BRIC A BRAC HOME BAKED TREATS \* LOCAL PRODUCE



Prizes for best dressed!!

Bilambil Choir will be performing at 3.00pm

SI OCTOBER.......12pm - 5pm Halloween followed by Bonfire at 6pm 6 DECEMBER......9am - 2pm Special Christmas Market For more info email Liz aquaworkout@mail.com Find us on Facebook!

# Whooping cough information for schools

There is an outbreak of whooping cough (pertussis) in NSW, mainly affecting schoolaged 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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