

## Inspiring 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learners

### “Every Student is Known, Valued and Cared for in our schools’ project “

Last term, we were thrilled to have been included in a small group of schools that were visited by the “Every Student is Known, Valued and Cared for in our schools project “ team. A group of three principals led the program, as part of the School Operations and Performance division of the Department of Education. They were very interested to learn about our school and community and how we address wellbeing.

The project team will again be visiting our school tomorrow Thursday 8 November, to interview and film staff and students during school time. This will involve talking with staff and students in selected classes and in the playground, about the impact of our school programs and initiatives for wellbeing and learning. Please be sure to sign and return the note that was sent home earlier this week, so that your child/ren may be included in the filming. We look forward to sharing more news of this exciting project in the future.

### Kindergarten 2019

The first Kindergarten orientation session was held on Tuesday 30 October. It was wonderful to see so many excited new 'students' ready to start school next year.

All students were involved in classroom reading and writing activities and also spent some time in the hall doing Gross Motor skills. Orientation will run until Week 7.

If you are unsure of your orientation dates or haven't as yet enrolled your child for 2019, please contact the office as soon as possible.

### Class Requests

It's that time of year again that whilst teachers are fully focused on finishing this year off for each of their students, they are also beginning to think about class placements for 2019 as this year winds up. We would again like to offer parents the opportunity to offer any specific thoughts which they would like school staff to consider when forming classes. Consideration of social, emotional, physical or academic factors from parents will support the knowledge that teachers have of each student. Teachers will form classes on a range of factors with the main aim of having your child have a happy and productive future year of learning.

If you would like to have your thoughts considered, the only way that this will take place is if you write a letter addressed to The Principal of Bilambil PS. These can be delivered via the front office or via email at [bilambil-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:bilambil-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

Please feel free to talk to your child's current teacher about this, but understand that only written correspondence will be formally considered. Please understand that this is not an invitation to choose your child's teacher for next year. Teacher allocation for classes has not been finalised yet and no requests will be considered without appropriate supporting evidence.



## UP AND COMING EVENTS TERM 4 2018

### ● School items

### ● P&C Items

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK



### Term 4 Week 3 & 4

<b>KH</b>	Lola, June
<b>KS</b>	Alexander, Evie
<b>K/1B</b>	Talei, Phoenix
<b>1/2C</b>	Elly, Isabella
<b>1/2H</b>	Summer, Mia
<b>1/2M</b>	Indie, Michael
<b>1/2P</b>	Kalani, Violet, Zavier, Laylah
<b>3/4C</b>	Zander, Nicholas
<b>3/4T</b>	Sonny, Jack
<b>5/6B</b>	Zac, Lauren
<b>Library</b>	Marley (3/4C) Sienna Rose-Budin (3/4C)
<b>Principal</b>	James (5/6M) Cael (3/4T)

## Canberra 2019

Just a friendly reminder to current year 5 students to please pay the deposit for Canberra 2019 to secure your place.



## Interrelate Year 5 & 6 Change of date

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the dates for Interrelate have changed.

The new dates are as follows:

Tuesday 13 November  
Tuesday 20 November  
Thursday 29 November

Thank you for your understanding.

### TERM 4 Week 5

Monday 12 November	● Canteen Sushi Day
Tuesday 13 November	● Student School Banking ● Kindy 2019 Orientation No. 3 ● Interrelate Program Year 5 & 6
Wednesday 14 November	● Music Mates Rock Orchestra
Thursday 15 November	● Music Mates Ukulele and Percussion
Friday 16 November	● Rainbow Bay Surf School Program

### TERM 4 Week 6

Monday 19 November	● Canteen Sushi Day ● Stage 2 Byron Bay Excursion ● Swimming Lessons
Tuesday 20 November	● Student School Banking ● Kindy 2019 Orientation No. 4 ● Interrelate Program Year 5 & 6 ● Swimming Lessons
Wednesday 21 November	● Music Mates Rock Orchestra ● Swimming Lessons
Thursday 22 November	● Music Mates Ukulele and Percussion ● Swimming Lessons
Friday 23 November	● Rainbow Bay Surf School Program ● Swimming Lessons

### TERM 4 Week 7

Monday 26 November	● Canteen Sushi Day ● Swimming Lessons
Tuesday 27 November	● Student School Banking ● Kindy 2019 Orientation No. 5 ● Swimming Lessons
Wednesday 28 November	● Music Mates Rock Orchestra ● Swimming Lessons
Thursday 29 November	● Music Mates Ukulele and Percussion ● Interrelate Program Year 5 & 6 ● Swimming Lessons
Friday 30 November	● Rainbow Bay Surf School Program ● Swimming Lessons

### TERM 4 Week 8

Monday 3 December	● Canteen Sushi Day
Tuesday 4 December	● Student School Banking ● P&C Meeting 3.15pm ● Kindy 2019 Afternoon Tea 3.15pm
Wednesday 5 December	● Music Mates Rock Orchestra
Thursday 6 December	● Music Mates Ukulele and Percussion
Friday 7 December	● Rainbow Bay Surf School Program

## Swim Scheme

Our annual swimming scheme program has again been very popular. We apologise that it is now full and has a waiting list. Thank you to those people who returned their notes so promptly.



## Reading Eggs and Mathletics

This term we are excited to be using two very engaging online programs that focus on developing and extending skills in Reading and Mathematics for all students from Kindergarten to Year 6.

Reading Eggs features reading games and activities which are easy to follow, student-driven, progressional and highly engaging. Older students are using Reading Eggspress, which focuses on developing essential comprehension, vocabulary, grammar and usage skills. Mathletics is a captivating online learning space that provides students with all the tools they need to be successful learners, both in the classroom and beyond. The program supports each teacher in developing their own blend of student-driven learning and teacher-led instruction. Students now have passwords to allow them to access these programs at home.

Please talk to your classroom teacher for more information about these programs and we welcome your feedback at any time.

## Music Mates Incursion

On Monday, 20 October, we were treated to a dynamic Music Mates Drum Rock show. It was fantastic to see such a high level of participation and engagement from the students. Use of body percussion, drum technology and widely – appealing songs were some of the highlights. We look forward to continuing this term's Music Mates program with renewed vigor and enthusiasm and hope that more students feel inspired to join the program next year and explore their passion for music. A huge thanks to Scott and the Music mates team for a wonderful show!

## Surf Safety

Two Lifeguards came last Friday to teach the importance of surf and beach safety, ensuring students always enjoy a fun and safe day at the beach. Brent and Amber spoke with students about signs they may see at the beach, the importance of swimming between the flags, how to signal for help if they get caught in a rip or are having trouble in the water and general beach safety. Our students were already quite knowledgeable with surf and beach safety, but it is a timely reminder nonetheless. They also had students enthralled with the Surf Life Saving drone that patrols the beaches. Students (and staff!) were amazed to learn that there is a special rescue pod that is attached to the underside of the drone that can be dropped so that someone in difficulty can have a flotation device available instantly (it pops up as soon as it touches the water!). BPS would love to kindly thank Amber and Brent for their time and for reminding us about surf and beach safety.

Kim McQuhae  
Classroom Teacher





# The SRC are collecting

## non-perishable food items for local charities!



Bilambil PS SRC have worked throughout the year on various projects.

Our current project is collecting non-perishable items for local charities. Next time you are grocery shopping, we would love it if you could buy an extra item to send in for our drive.

SRC members will be collecting items in their classrooms.

Thank you for your support!

Rebecca Harvey  
SRC Co-ordinator





## Camping Passion Project

A mix of students from Stage 2 and Stage 3 elected Camping as their 'Passion Project'. Students in this group participated in a series of lessons teaching them the skills and knowledge required for camping.

On Thursday 1st November we camped out overnight at Bilambil Public School grounds. Students demonstrated the skills they have learnt by setting up their tents in the back playground, assisting in lighting the fire and preparing and cooking meals using the BBQ and fire pit. Families had a great time being served chicken skewers, coleslaw, sausages and salad handmade with love by their children - extra love by Ella and Kobi as they had a blast hand mixing the coleslaw!

As a part of this project students have learnt to;

- assess areas for their suitability for camping
- plan and cook appropriate meals
- safely use gas stoves, BBQs and fire pits to cook meals
- set up and pack away tents of various sizes
- tie a number of knots to build a shelter using a tarp and rope
- create a risk assessment
- work collaboratively in groups



Danielle Robins  
Classroom Teacher







*Positive Behaviour for Learning*

## Positive Behaviour Learning

The focus for PBL this week has been packing up the equipment properly.

It has been pleasing to hear from the library monitors each day who have reported seeing an outstanding improvement with the packing up of the library at lunchtimes. Great job everyone and lets keep it up!

George Glasson  
 Librarian/Teacher



## In the library...

### To be SAFE, we:

- Respect all property and equipment
- Follow all teachers instructions
- Ask for help when required
- Line up at the door and wait
- Work collaboratively to solve problems

### To be FAIR, we:

- Are actively engaged in learning
- Have the correct equipment
- Use time in class effectively
- Listen to and respect library monitors
- Quiet voices
- Pack up all equipment responsibly

### To BELONG, we:

- Respect and support each other
- Do our best, every chance we get
- Be honest
- Borrow and return Library books as expected
- Pack up when the teacher rings the bell during breaks
- Experiment with challenges



**BRONZE AWARD**



**Term 4  
Week 3 & 4**

<b>KH</b>	Summer
<b>5/6M</b>	Luke

**SILVER AWARD**



**Term 4  
Week 3 & 4**

<b>KH</b>	Zoe
<b>KS</b>	Lola
<b>K/1B</b>	Talei, Ben
<b>1/2C</b>	Brody
<b>1/2H</b>	Liam
<b>1/2M</b>	Seth
<b>1/2P</b>	Eve, James, Taj
<b>3/4B</b>	Kobi, Jake, Jean
<b>3/4C</b>	Zander, Isabell
<b>3/4T</b>	Amelie, Jack, Dee Dee, Rueben
<b>5/6B</b>	Sikari, Marshall, Alejandro
<b>5/6M</b>	Harvey
<b>5/6T</b>	Taj, Zoe, Bridie, William, Jack, Riley

**GOLD AWARD**



**Term 4  
Weeks 3 & 4**

<b>1/2C</b>	Frankie, Elly
<b>1/2M</b>	Ivy
<b>3/4B</b>	Sabrielle, Grace, Mia
<b>3/4C</b>	Serenity, Olivia, Mia, Brody
<b>3/4T</b>	Chelsea, Aleigha, Lily, Annika
<b>5/6B</b>	Ella
<b>5/6M</b>	Ruby
<b>5/6T</b>	Amelia



The Child Oral Health Service would like to remind parents and carers that constant grazing throughout the day increases the risk of tooth decay.

- Try to limit your child to eating only 5 times per day (3 meals and 2 snacks), unless advised by your doctor.
- Avoid processed, packaged foods and drinks, as these generally contain too much sugar.
- Encourage children to drink tap water in between meals. Avoid giving your child acidic, sugary drinks (like fruit juice, cordial and soft drink) as these increase the chance of tooth decay.

**Billabong Swim School**  
 Invites you to a presentation  
 by Jennifer Althaus

**Autism, Water and the Sense:  
 Facilitating Successful Water Relations**

**On Wednesday 21st November  
 7:00pm - 8:00pm (NSW)  
 At Billabong Swim School Tweed  
 (1/63 Ourimbah Road, Tweed Heads)  
 For more info call our Tweed Pool on  
 0415 203 959**

Jennifer Althaus is an author, writing and publishing consultant and researcher. She is a mother of three children of which two have a diagnosis of autism. With a desire to connect with her children and the autism community on a deeper level Jennifer spends her time researching autism. Her first book, *A Journey of Love: A mother's memoir, touches hearts globally.*



### We are Sizzling!

On Saturday December 1 we will be cooking up sausages outside Bunnings in South Tweed so if you're out and about, please drop in and support us. A huge thank you to those awesome families who are giving us some of their time throughout the day to sell cold drinks and hot sausages. We need just a couple more people to help out either serving at the barbecue, turning sausages or with the early set up or afternoon pack up. Please let us know through our Facebook page or by getting in touch with Louise Crossan if you can join us.

### Thank you Lauren

We're a bit sad to be saying goodbye to our trusted and hard working canteen volunteer Lauren. She's been a regular face at our canteen window but she's got a new job so won't be able to pop in as often. We'll still see her around but we really just want to say a big thank you Lauren for all the time you've given to keep our canteen running. We really appreciate it and wish you all the best for your new job.

### You've Got to Be In It To Win It!

How are your ticket sales going for our giant raffle? Some of you who did drop offs or pick ups at the disco would have seen the three big baskets of prizes that we're raffling off next month. Tickets have been sent home to all families but if you want more to sell we are happy to send more home with you or pick some up at the front office. The child who sells the most tickets wins a prize too! All raffle books need to be returned by November 30. The raffle will be drawn at the Monday morning assembly on the 3 December.

### Disco Fever

What a fantastic turnout we had to our P&C disco. There were some amazing costumes and lots of smiling faces so we hope everyone went home having had a wonderful night with their school friends. Our resident DJ the Razzle Dazzle Mr T kept the dance floor crowded with great tunes and games – thank you Ryan! A huge thanks must also go to Mrs Butler and all the teachers and prac teachers who voluntarily gave up their Monday evening to help support the P&C with supervision. Some of the teachers seemed to be having as much fun on the dance floor as the kids!

