

Inspiring 21st Century Learners

Anyone coming/ leaving?

School staff are currently configuring the class structure that we think will best suit the school for 2019. If you are aware of anyone who may be coming or leaving our school in 2018, please contact the school office and let us know. Thank you!

Thank you Scripture teachers!

Scripture for 2018 has finished and we would like to thank our six catholic and non-denominational scripture teachers who helped make this year's program a great success.

Scripture will resume in Term 2 in 2019.

Class Requests

A reminder that we would 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 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. Which teachers are teaching which years has not been finalised yet and no requests will be considered without appropriate supporting evidence.

Blue skies and a large amount of fun for our Stage 2 students (Years 3 and 4) on their recent Cape Byron National Park Excursion



UP AND COMING EVENTS TERM 4 2018

● School items

● P&C Items

STUDENT OF THE WEEK	
	Term 4 Week 5 & 6
KH	Kenyon, Oliver
KS	Olivia
K/1B	Cailin
1/2C	Lewis
1/2H	Vedder, Kalumb
1/2M	Tully, Riley
1/2P	Hayley, Connor
3/4B	Rhiannon
3/4C	Isabella
3/4T	Chloe
5/6B	Zachary, Danny
5/6T	Zoe
Library	Danny (5/6B)
Music	Lauren (5/6B)
Principal	Zac (5/6B)

Friendly reminder

If you have overlooked payment of your school fees, please finalise any outstanding fees by Friday 30 November.

If you have misplaced your statement and would like one printed, please call the office to have a new statement sent home.

Stage One Hastings Point Excursion

As part of the English and Science Unit, Stage One will be participating in an excursion to the Hastings Point Environmental Centre on Wednesday 5 December 2018. Please return your child/ren's permission note along with \$20.00 payment by Friday 30 November.

TERM 4 Week 7

Monday 26 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Canteen Sushi Day ● Swimming Lessons
Tuesday 27 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Student School Banking ● Kindy 2019 Orientation No. 5 ● Swimming Lessons
Wednesday 28 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Music Mates Rock Orchestra ● Swimming Lessons ● Choir Performance at Seagulls Club 6.00pm
Thursday 29 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Music Mates Ukulele and Percussion ● Interrelate Program Years 5 & 6 ● Swimming Lessons
Friday 30 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rainbow Bay Surf School Program ● Swimming Lessons

TERM 4 Week 8

Monday 3 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Canteen Sushi Day ● Swimming Lessons
Tuesday 4 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Student School Banking ● P&C Meeting 3.15pm ● Swimming Lessons ● Kindy 2019 Afternoon Tea 3.15pm ● Choir Performance visit at local Nursing Homes
Wednesday 5 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Music Mates Rock Orchestra ● Stage One Hastings Point Excursion
Thursday 6 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Music Mates Ukulele & Percussion ● Swimming Lessons ● Stage 3 Reward Day at Bounce
Friday 7 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rainbow Bay Surf School Program
Saturday 8 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Choir Performance at Seagulls Christmas Celebration night 6.00pm

TERM 4 Week 9

Monday 10 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Canteen Sushi Day
Tuesday 11 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Student School Banking ● Whole School Concert Rehearsal
Wednesday 12 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● School End of Year Concert—2 sessions 9.30 or 11.30am
Friday 14 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Presentation Day 9.15am ● Volunteer Thank You Morning Tea 11.30am

TERM 4 Week 10

Monday 17 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Canteen Sushi Day ● Year 6 Informal 5.30pm to 7.30pm
Tuesday 18 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Student School Banking ● Year 6 Farewell Excursion Dreamworld
Wednesday 19 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Student Class Parties ● Year 6 Tunnel & Shirt signing 2.15pm ● Last Day of the Year!

Parking in the Kiss'n Drop Bay & No Right Turn

Thank you to all parents/carers for ensuring our kiss and drop off zone is a NO PARKING area.

If you need to leave your car, please park in the Jets car park or in the pre-school or road car parking spaces available.

Unfortunately, there have been several incidents lately where parents/carers have parked and left their car in the kiss and drop zone. This is very dangerous and does not allow the process to be safe and effective.

Also, a reminder that parents/carers or friends dropping off or collecting students through the Kiss and Drop area should never turn right. This is a potentially dangerous area as our pedestrian crossing is located there. We ask all drivers to please obey the street signs and only turn left when leaving the area. Thank you!

Kindergarten 2019 Orientation Program

This year's Orientation Program is up and running with much success. There are two more Tuesday sessions and in Week 8, Tuesday 4th December, there will be an afternoon tea for all 2019 Kindy parents at 3.15 pm. We anticipate 55 students starting in Kindergarten in 2019. This should mean that we will have 3 Kindy classes next year.

Lost Property

There is an amazing amount of clothing left over from winter in our lost property box. This can be found near the Music Room at the stage end of the COLA. All clothes which had student's names in 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.



Early Stage One David Fleay's Wildlife Park Excursion

After reading stories about possums, emus, wombats, dingoes and cockatoos, we thought we should see these fantastic Australian animals and birds up close. So, on Friday 9th November, we headed off to David Fleay's Wildlife Park at West Burleigh. Here we were met by Ranger Bindi. We got to meet a Shingle-Back Lizard (that looked like it had two heads) called Rosie, we learnt about the park and animal habitats. Bindi had eggs, a fur and a snake skin for us to feel and discuss, before we headed out to explore the park.

Kindergarten showed amazing skill at spotting camouflaged animals and excitedly pointed out a Cassowary and a Tree-Kangaroo that weren't very easy to see. We loved the presentation where we got to meet a Tawny Frogmouth, a Ring-Tailed Possum and a Feather-Tailed Glider.

The creatures in the nocturnal house were very hard to see, except the Hopping Mice, which we all agreed would be very cute pets!

We were very lucky to see the enormous crocodile being fed. We loved looking at the Dingoes, Brolgas, Emus, mother and joey Koala, Kangaroos, Wallabies and Cassowaries.

What a fantastic day of learning and fun!

Flo Borra - Teacher



Live Life Well @ School
A joint initiative between the NSW Ministry of Health and NSW Department of Education

SAFETY ON WHEELS

- It's the law for everyone to wear a helmet when riding a bike in any public place. The helmet must meet Australian Standards and be securely fitted and fastened.
- Children under 16 and adult riders supervising them may ride on the footpath unless there is signage prohibiting this. Cyclists must keep to the left and give way to pedestrians.
- At intersections, children and adults must dismount and use safe pedestrian behaviour as they wheel the bike or scooter across the road.

Tell Them From Me - Partners in Learning Survey Report 2018

We have included the data to share with you from this year's Parent Survey below. We greatly appreciate those people who had their say and feel really validated in our current efforts and practices from the data that has been collected. Our lucky winner of the parent raffle is J Morris who will receive a \$50.00 school voucher.

If you have any questions about this, please contact Mrs Sharon Butler (Relieving Principal) at school.



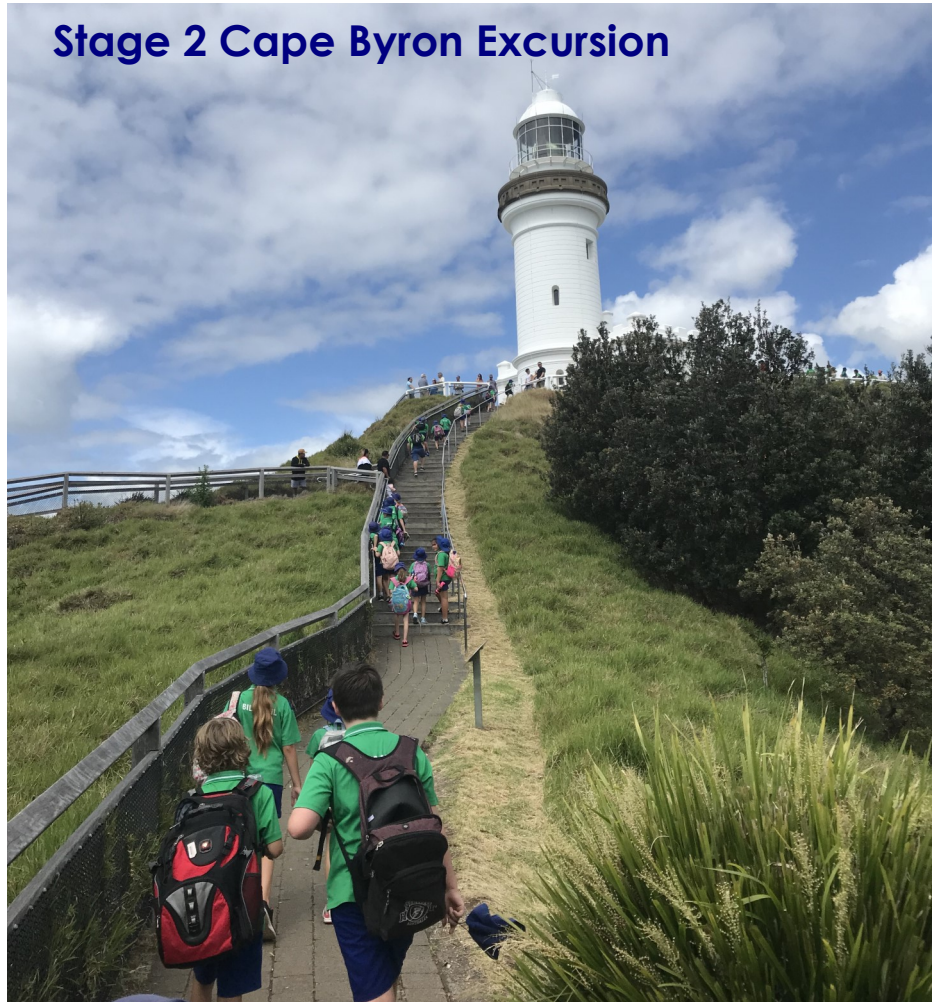
Question / Content Area	School Score	NSW Average
PARENTS FEEL WELCOME	8.8 (Average)	7.4
I feel welcome when I visit the school	9.1	
I can easily speak with my child's teacher	9.2	
I am well informed about school activities	8.7	
Teachers listen to concerns I have	9.1	
I can easily speak with the school principal	8.9	
Written information from the school is in clear, plain language	9.4	
Parent activities are scheduled at times when I can attend	7.6	
The school's administrative staff are helpful when I have a question or problem	8.9	
PARENTS ARE INFORMED	8.3 (Average)	6.6
Reports on my child are written in terms I understand	8.2	
If there were concerns with my child's behaviour, teachers would inform me immediately	8.9	
I am informed about my child's behaviour at school, whether positive or negative	8.4	
The teachers would inform me if my child were not making adequate progress in school subjects	8.4	
I'm informed about opportunities concerning my child's future	7.3	
I am informed about my child's social and emotional development	8.2	
PARENTS SUPPORT LEARNING AT HOME	7.3 (Average)	6.3
Discuss how well your child is doing in his or her class	7.1	
Talk about how important schoolwork is	6.2	
Talk about how important schoolwork is	7.4	
Ask about any challenges your child might have at school	8.0	
Encourage your child to do well at school	7.6	
Praise your child for doing well at school	7.4	
Take an interest in your child's organisation	7.5	

Tell Them From Me - Partners in Learning Survey Report 2018

Question / Content Area	School Score	NSW Average
SCHOOL SUPPORTS LEARNING	8.4 (Average)	7.3
Teachers have high expectations for my child to succeed	8.4	
Teachers show an interest in my child's learning	8.8	
My child is encouraged to do his or her best work	8.9	
Teachers take account of my child's needs, abilities & interests	8.3	
Teachers expect homework on time	7.5	
Teachers expect my child to work hard	8.4	
SCHOOL SUPPORTS POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR	8.8 (Average)	7.7
Teachers expect my child to pay attention in class	8.9	
Teachers maintain control of their classes	8.6	
My child is clear about the rules for school behaviour	9.1	
Teachers devote their time to extra-curricular activities	8.9	
SAFETY AT SCHOOL	8.8 (Average)	7.4
Behaviour issues are dealt with in a timely manner	8.8	
My child feels safe at school	8.8	
My child feels safe going to and from school	8.8	
The school helps prevent bullying	8.8	
INCLUSIVE SCHOOL	8.2 (Average)	6.7
Teachers help students who need extra support	8.3	
School staff create opportunities for students who are learning at a slower pace	8.1	
Teachers try to understand the learning needs of students with special needs	8.2	
School staff take an active role in making sure all students are included in school activities	8.3	
Teachers help students develop positive friendships	8.2	

We had a great time on our excursion to Byron Bay. We split into two groups and had to walk up the to the Lighthouse from Wategos Beach. There were a lot of stairs. It was a great view from the top and we got to do activities with the Rangers and see inside the Lighthouse. When we walked back down to the beach we got to do some fun activities with Mrs. Robins. We built 3D sculptures of Sea Creatures using sand and rocks and were able to get our feet wet. We played some beach sports and it was good to play games on the sand.

Jodie Colwell
Danielle Robins
Ryan Thomas



What we liked about our excursion?

I enjoyed learning about how Park Rangers look after the environment. I also enjoyed getting to know about more endangered species.

Sommer

I liked the beach activities and experiencing the awesome view from the lighthouse and lookout.

Ella

Exploring our local area



End of Year Concert Bilambil's GO Channel!

You are in for a treat this year with our students madly rehearsing their items for our end of year concert! TV theme! Make sure you put Wednesday 12 December in your diary. Please note a major change this year we would appreciate parents/carers, family and friends to pre purchase tickets. There will be two sessions available, the first at 9.30am and the second at 11.30am. A note with all details will be sent out shortly.

The students involved with the Dance and Event Management Passion Project will be organising this process. Please stay tuned for a for a costume note if you haven't already received one.

Donna McGlenn
Teacher Co-ordinator



Festive Food for the Christmas period! We encourage healthy snacks as part of Christmas celebrations

Music Mates Students will Rock our School

Next Wednesday and Thursday will see Bilambil PS rocking with two awesome shows presented by Music Mates and Bilambil students who have been participating in musical programs throughout Semester 2.

Rock Orchestra students from Stage 2 & 3 will take to the stage on Wednesday 28 November 2018. Doors will open at 1.30pm and parents/carers, family and friends are welcome to attend.

Ukulele and Percussion students from Stage 1 will entertain you on Thursday 29 November 2018. Doors will open at 9.30am and parents/carers, family and friends are welcome to attend.

MUSIC MATES PROUDLY PRESENTS
28TH NOVEMBER
ROCK THIS SCHOOL
Special Event Featuring
BILAMBIL PUBLIC SCHOOL
ROCK ORCHESTRA

LOADS OF FUN | TEACHERS DANCE FOR FREE | EDUCATIONAL
DOORS OPEN **1:30PM** / **LIVE MUSIC** / **PARENTS WELCOME**

WARNING: PARTICIPATION IN THIS EVENT WILL INDUCE FEELINGS OF EXTREME HAPPINESS



Our Beautiful Choir Spreads in the Community Once Again!

On Wednesday 28 November at 6.00pm, we will be entertaining the patrons of Seagulls RSL Club for about 15 minutes.

On Tuesday 4 December the choir will be traveling once again to a couple of the local nursing homes. It is our favourite type of performance, we will let you know how it goes.

Also, back by popular demand...we will be singing some of our Christmas repertoire on Seagulls Christmas Celebration night on Saturday 8 December. The night starts at 6.00pm and Bilambil Choir will be performing at 6.22pm for 15 minutes. Don't miss out on a lovely community Christmas night!

Donna McGlenn
Choir Teacher

SILVER AWARD



**Term 4
Week 5 & 6**

KH	Ethan
KS	Olivia, Akira
K/1B	Junior, Jesse, Phoenix, Cooper
1/2C	Jackson
1/2M	Jake, Mariah-Louise
1/2P	Laylah, Kalani, Maddison, Shailyse, Layla
3/4B	Cody
3/4C	Brock, Lily, Isabella
5/6B	Tristan, Shelley, Zachary, Anakin
5/6M	James, Reuben
5/6T	Seth

GOLD AWARD



**Term 4
Weeks 5 & 6**

KH	Lily, Stella
1/2C	Isabella, Charli, Amy, Seth, Sienna
1/2H	Zahlee, Aston
1/2M	Teeghan, Aria
3/4B	Ella
3/4C	Marley, Ruby
3/4T	Bella
5/6M	Grace
5/6T	Phoebe, Zoe, William

Friendly reminder - Music Mates Fees

Please ensure all outstanding Music Mates fees for Rock Orchestra, Ukulele and Percussion are finalised by next Wednesday 28 November. If you are unsure if you still have fees owing, contact the office. Thank you!

MUSIC MATES PROUDLY PRESENTS

29TH NOVEMBER

ROCK THIS SCHOOL

Special Event Featuring

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UKULELE & PERCUSSION

GROUPS

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DOORS OPEN 9:30AM / LIVE MUSIC / PARENTS WELCOME

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Chappy Gav's Gab

Don't worry everyone! I haven't gone anywhere! I've just lacked the time to get my next edition of Gav's Gab into the newsletter.

We've had two Canteen Kitchen Rulz teams this term. The boys group really started to work together and they made some yummy food. The staff were treated to scones with jam and cream one week, and choc-chip cookies another week. The boys loved their own cooking too!

My new team has started with a bang. It's ok, the kitchen is still in one piece! The team has combined to cook food in really good time, and they don't mind washing and wiping up (parents of these four take note of that last comment). This week we made some pizzas for the class. Mr Jenkins thought they were the best ever. Mrs Robbins loved them so much that Domino's, Pizza Hut, etc. have lost their gig for the pizza party and we will be the caterers. 18 pizzas in 2hrs, BRING IT ON! This term I've also had the privilege of meeting families and students of Kindergarten 2019. After the meet and greet I've been in the classes getting to know the students and help out a bit. Awwwww, so cute!

Have a great week everyone. "How can you make sure you never miss your target? Shoot first, and whatever you hit, call it the target!" - anonymous.

Gav Irvine
School Chaplain

Year 6 Informal Evening

Congratulations to our Year 6 students who after seven years have made it the end of their primary school journey. The Informal will be held on Monday 17 December at 5.30pm in the school hall. Parent/carers family and friends are welcome to attend the evening at a cost of \$15.00 per person, this includes a 2 course meal. Please return your RSVP and money to the office **by Friday 30 November**.

Stage Three Reward Day at Bounce

The Stage 3 Reward Excursion at Bounce in Burleigh Waters will be held on Thursday 6 December. The total cost per student is \$27.00 which includes their entry fee, socks and the bus to and from the venue. Please return permission note and money to the office **by Monday 3 December**.

Year 6 Farewell Excursion to Dreamworld

On **Tuesday 18 December**, Year 6 students will travel to Dreamworld and Whitewater World for their Farewell Excursion. Students need to wear their Year 6 shirt or sports uniform and bring recess, lunch, swimmers, towel, a hat, sunscreen and a water bottle. Total cost of this excursion is \$42.00 which covers bus and entry, or \$16.00 bus fare for those students that have their own Dreamworld pass. Please return the permission note and money to school **by Thursday 13 December**.

Year 5 Deposit for 2019 Canberra Excursion

Year 5 intending on going to the Canberra Excursion in 2019, please remember to return your signed Canberra Excursion Agreement along your \$100.00 deposit **by Friday 30 November**.

Live Life Well @ School

R-E-D-U-C-E recreational screen time!

There is no app for this.....



More information and tips to switch off:
Search 'turn off the TV' at www.healthykids.nsw.gov.au



Bilambil PUBLIC SCHOOL
P&C ASSOC. INC.

It's a big week coming up for your P&C...

Hot Diggety

The good ol' Bunnings BBQ will be working in our favour on Saturday 1st December with all proceeds coming to our awesome little school!!! Yay!!!

There is a catch however – **we need to cook it.** If you can spare us an hour or two on the day please come along – better still, let us know in advance by sending in a note with your child what time you plan to pop along so we can make sure we spread our helpers out across the day so it is a fun day for everyone. In the past it's been a lot of fun and an easy way to meet some friendly new people. As a bonus, you get to know that you've helped raise a stack load of money that will be spent on our kids and teachers.

.... All this follows our final P&C meeting of the year held yesterday (Wednesday 21 November). We held our meeting a little later and were treated to a light supper thanks to our fabulous canteen co-ordinator Danelle. It was a great opportunity to try out some of the delights she and our canteen volunteers whip up for our kids. AMAZING!!!! For those leaving us at the end of this year – thank you for everything large and small that you have done during your time at Bilambil School. If your child is off to high school we wish them every success. We look forward to seeing the rest of you, and some new faces, in the new year.

Raffle Rustle Up

It's your last chance to buy – and sell – tickets for our major raffle.

There are three ginormous baskets of goodies up for grabs. Tickets have been sent home with some families already returning for more booklets to sell. Thank you to everyone who has bought and sold tickets so far. The child who sells the most tickets will win a small prize too!

All raffle books need to be returned by November 30, sold or unsold.

The raffle will be drawn on December 3. Winners will be notified.



RAFFLE DRAWN: Monday school assembly, 3rd December. TICKETS DUE: Fri, 30 November 2018
TICKETS COST \$1 per ticket or 3 for \$2.

SPRING INTO SUMMER RAFFLE

We have 3 hampers up for grabs!

Hamper 1 - Hamper includes Tennis Lessons 2 x 1hr private lessons (value \$140), backyard tennis, umbrella, scooter, rug, pool and beach toys & much more.

Hamper 2 – Twin Towns Voucher (\$50), kids surf board, ice tub, rug, pool and beach toys & much more.

Hamper 3 – Star buffet voucher (2 x adults meals), pop up shelter, inflatable boat set, rug, outdoor & pool toys and much more.

Including a prize for the student who sells the most tickets so make sure you put your name and class above! Please return all sold AND unsold tickets by the date above.

NB: All prizes are on display in the office or can be viewed via our facebook page at www.facebook.com/bilambilpublicschoolpc

Book Worms

Feeling pressured with Christmas coming? Don't stress, why not grab a few books through Book Club to get you started. Prices are good and 20% of what you spend is passed onto the school to use to buy library resources.

So it's Happy Christmas to you, and Happy Christmas to Bilambil Public School!

Get your orders in online or send it into school.

DON'T FORGET!



 **SCHOLASTIC**

Book Club

orders are due:

Friday 30 November



DANCE
WITH SUSANNAH



Presents the...

2018 SHOWCASE!

DATE

Sunday 9th December, 2018

LOCATION

Tweed Heads Civic Centre, Tweed Heads NSW

TIME

Doors open at 12:30pm for a 1pm start

TICKETS

Purchase at the door or via dancewithsusannah@gmail.com
Child \$10 ~ Adult \$20 ~ Concession \$15 ~ Family \$50