

# Inspiring 21st Century Learners

### **Music Mates**

We are excited to welcome the Music Mates program back to Bilambil for 2019.

**Percussion Group** (Stage 1—Years 1—2) Commences Thursday 14 February 2019 and runs till Week 10 (4 April 2019)

**Ukulele Group**—(Stage 1—Year 2 only) Commences Thursday 14 February 2019 and runs till Week 10 (4 April 2019)

**Rock Orchestra Group**—(Stages 2 and 3) Commences Tuesday 12 February 2019 and runs till Week 10 (2 April 2019)

This is a great opportunity for children to engage in music at an early age which can boost self-esteem and improve memory due to stimulation of different patterns of brain development.

See the exciting times our students have with Music Mates on pages 6 and 8 of this Newsletter edition. Also meet the Music Mates teachers on page 7.

Please contact Lorraine if you have any questions.

# **Swimming Carnival**

A friendly reminder that all swimming notes and money must be returned to the office by Monday 11 February, 2019.

# Newsletter

Term 1- Week 2, 8 February, 2019

# What a great start to 2019 School Year!

Welcome everyone to Bilambil Public School for 2019! Welcome especially to our new students and to our cohort of 55 Kindy students who started on Monday 5 February. We are aiming for every single one of our students to have a wonderful year of learning and social development!

I'm very excited and grateful for the opportunity to take on the Principal role at Bilambil Public School this year. I would like to thank all the staff, students and parents/carers that have already made me feel welcome. I've spent a great deal of my time so far getting to know the staff and am looking forward to spending some time in the classrooms next week.

This year we are delighted to welcome some new staff to our school; Miss Sarah Tunsted on Kindy, Mrs Michelle Eddy on 5/6, Ms Candice Pankhurst as our School Psychologist and Ms Carol Graham in the front office. There have also been some small changes to our Assistant Principal (AP) team. Mr Jarrod Menin has decided to have a fun year focused entirely on teaching so Mr Anthony Touzell is taking up the 3/4 AP position for all of 2019, along with Mrs Karen Baird (Kindy), Mrs Rebecca Harvey (1/2) and Mrs Sharon Butler (5/6).

Brad Davis Principal





#### **School Stream**

To take advantage of the School Stream App on your iPhone/iPad, follow the instructions below. Phone the school first to obtain the access code:

- From your mobile device go the App Store and search for School Stream
- Tap the FREE button to the right of the School Stream listing
- Ta the INSTALL button
- Enter your Apple ID and password and tap OK
- Wait for the install icon to change to OPEN
- Tap the OPEN button
- You will be prompted to accept push notifications, you will need to select OK
- Start typing your school name into the search then SELECT your school
- Enter Bilambil Public
   School access code

# To take advantage of the School Stream App on your Android/Tablet:

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## **IMPORTANT DATES TO START TERM 1 2019**

| <ul><li>School items</li></ul> | <ul><li>P&amp;C Items</li></ul>                                                                                                                              |
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| TERM 1 WEEK 3                  |                                                                                                                                                              |
| Monday 11 February             | Canteen Sushi Day                                                                                                                                            |
| Tuesday 12 February            | <ul> <li>School Banking</li> <li>Music Mates Rock Orchestra<br/>commences for 2019</li> </ul>                                                                |
| Wednesday 13 February          | <ul> <li>School Swimming Carnival</li> <li>P&amp;C AGM</li> <li>Infants Choir Lunchtime rehearsals</li> </ul>                                                |
| Thursday 14 February           | <ul> <li>Music Mates Percussion<br/>commences for 2019</li> <li>Music Mates Ukulele<br/>commences for 2019</li> <li>Senior Choir Rehearsal 8.00am</li> </ul> |
| TERM 1 WEEK 4                  |                                                                                                                                                              |
| Monday 18 February             | Canteen Sushi Day                                                                                                                                            |
| Tuesday 19 February            | <ul><li>School Banking</li><li>Music Mates Rock Orchestra</li></ul>                                                                                          |
| Wednesday 20 February          | <ul> <li>Infants Choir Lunchtime<br/>rehearsals</li> </ul>                                                                                                   |
| Thursday 21 February           | <ul><li>Music Mates Percussion</li><li>Music Mates Ukulele</li><li>Senior Choir Rehearsal 8.00am</li></ul>                                                   |
| TERM 1 WEEK 5                  |                                                                                                                                                              |
| Monday 25 February             | Canteen Sushi Day                                                                                                                                            |
| Tuesday 26 February            | <ul><li>School Banking</li><li>Music Mates Rock Orchestra</li></ul>                                                                                          |
| Wednesday 27 February          | <ul> <li>Infants Choir Lunchtime<br/>rehearsals</li> </ul>                                                                                                   |
| Thursday 28 February           | <ul><li>Music Mates Percussion</li><li>Music Mates Ukulele</li></ul>                                                                                         |

## **School Fees and Voluntary Contribution**

Parent Online Payments (POP) are available on our website. This is a secure Westpac site. For those wanting more information, instructions are available from the front Admin Office.



Senior Choir Rehearsal 8.00am





#### Walkin' On Water Surf School

is based at Greenmount Beach in Coolangatta and have their nudie SurfGroms Term 1 Programs starting this weekend. We have a Saturday afternoon Program and a Sunday morning Program. Both run for 5 consecutive weeks. These programs are specifically designed for 5 – 12 year olds and include learning and progressing surf skills as well as learning extremely important lifelong surf safety and surf awareness skills. Surfers will also get an amazing SurfGroms pack included, with a Rip Curl 'wetpack' backpack and other goodies. Walkin' On Water also run fantastic Surfing Birthday Parties as well as have regular Group and Private Lessons. There is also an Adults Surfing Program too! Check out www.walkinonwater.com or call 0418 780 311 for more information or go online to book programs or lessons.



# **School Banking Information Session**

Bilambil Public School is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students.

School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.

The rewards available during 2019 are:

• Scented Stackable Highlighters

• Snowy Origami Set

• Icicle Slapband Ruler

Yeti Fluffly Notepad

Arctic Owl Fluffy Keyring

Scratch Art Cards

• Water Skimming Bounce Ball

• Polar Pencils & Pencil Toppers



School Banking is also a great fund raiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5.00 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year. School Banking day is Tuesday each week.

We will be holding a School Banking Information Session at our school:

**Time:** 8.30- 9.30am

Date: Monday 18 February, 2019

**Location:** In the Cola Area near the school canteen Please join us and find out more about the School Banking program and how your child can get involved.

If you are interested in opening a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account for your child you can visit **commbank.com.au/schoolbanking** and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.

A School Banking representative will be available at the Information Session to show you how you can do this. In order to verify yourself and your child, you will need your driver's licence and your child's birth certificate, but if you don't have these with you on the day, you can complete verification on fine at home.

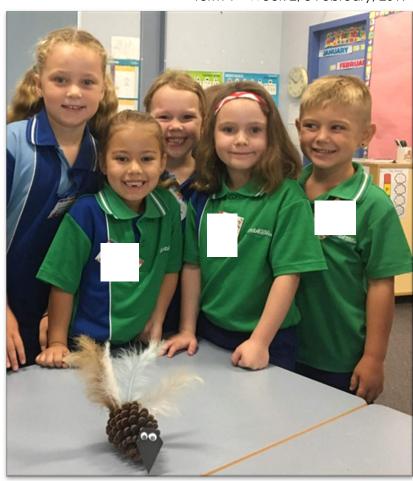


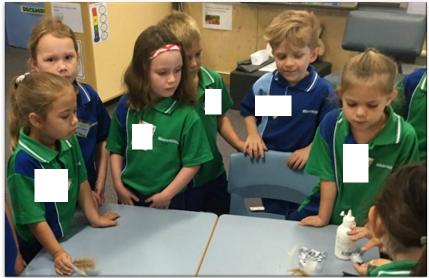
#### Inspiring 21st Century Learners

Kindergarten have had a wonderful start to their learning journey in 2019. All Kindergarten students started on Monday and engaged in activities in the classroom, walks around the school and playing with their Year 6 buddies at recess and lunch. Next week we will be lining up with the rest of the school under the Cola at the end of each break. Mrs Baird, Miss Henry and Miss Tunsted are looking forward to a fabulous year of learning and fun with this wonderful group of students.

Karen Baird Assistant Principal ES1







# **Great Start 2019**

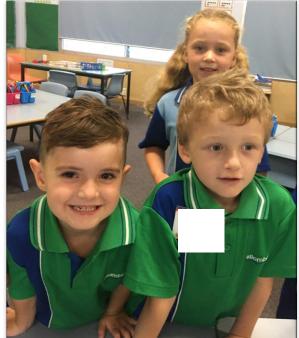


Kindergarten





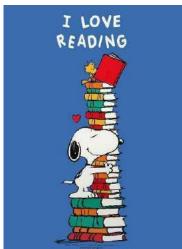
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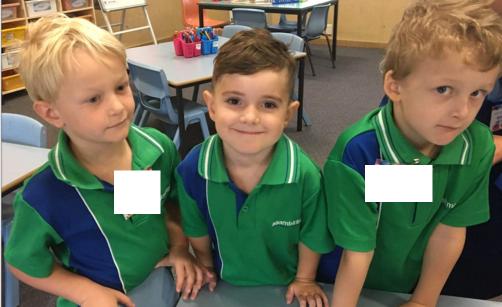






















#### MUSIC MATES PROGRAMS INFO FOR EOI

We are pleased to announce that students at the school will have the opportunity to participate in some exciting and innovative music sessions throughout 2019. We encourage all kids to take this opportunity to join these engaging programs and experience the thrill of playing music in a fun and exciting environment. Each student will have the ability to enrol in a different program depending on their year group.

## **Percussion Group - Year 1**

The Percussion Group provides an excellent introduction to music and covers everything that a young budding player needs to know to tackle an instrument and play in a group. Exploring the FUNdamentals of music through voice, percussion and movement, kids will learn about sound and pitch with a strong foundation in rhythm.

## **Ukulele Group - Year 2**

The Ukulele is a great stepping stone and gives all of our young players the chance to learn the basics of guitar before they head into the Rock Orchestra program. Learn about tuning, chord shapes, strumming patterns as well as having to memorise lyrics and melody while playing in a group, the Ukulele Group is loads of fun and an excellent way to build FUNdamental music skills.

## Rock Orchestra - Years 3 - 6

This incredible program sees the kids placed into groups to learn not one, but five different instruments (drums, guitar, bass, vocals, keyboard). With the sessions held every week, the kids will learn to play familiar songs that they know and love as well as learning the benefits of teamwork, music mate-ship and solidarity. With a focus on playing, this performance program ends up with all of the groups coming together to perform in front of their family and friends in an unforgettable concert for the entire school. School concerts and assemblies will never be the same again!





With years of performance and teaching experience, Ben has been a guitarist and singer since he was a boy. Ben's love for music and education means that he is passionate about sharing his gift with anyone and everyone, young

and old and is constantly finding new ways to bring music into people's lives. And when he's not playing music, you'll find him trail riding or keeping fit at the beach. If you see him around the school, say G'Day because he'd love

to chat.



# Meet the Teachers Ben Amor — Rock Orchestra



## Nicola Ossher - Percussion and Ukulele



Nicola loves drumming and percussion and has been having a ball doing it for the last 20 years. As a performer, her drumming addiction has taken her on tours around Australia and to recording studios in Paris. As a teacher, she has found herself sharing her drumming skills in primary schools, high schools and in conferences all across the country. Nicola is a wonderfully dedicated musician and teacher who loves nothing more than sharing the gift of music with those around her. Catch up with her in the playground and have a chat.



# "Join the fun" Be part of Music Mates













JOIN THE SCHOOL PERCUSSION & UKULELE GROUP TOO!!! LOADS OF FUN | EDUCATIONAL | GREAT MUSIC | PERFORMANCE IN JUNE CONTACT THE OFFICE FOR MORE INFO





## **Christian Church**

This weekend at Bilambil School Hall Saturday 9 February, 2019.

Normally at Coolangatta Primary School. Everyone welcome!

3:00pm Tea/coffee

3:30pm Service with Kingdom

Kids program

6:30pm Pot Luck Dinner

# A.S.K. After School for Kids

After School for Kids Every Friday Afternoon starting back on Friday 15 February, 2019

#### Time:

2:45 - 4:00pm for Years 3 to -6

#### Cost:

\$3.00 includes arvo tea Big games, talk and discussion that helps kids build solid values for life

**Enquiries:** Gav Irvine

M: 0416137880

E: Kingdomlifechurch.com.au



The school holidays are over and it's full steam ahead for another big year. The Chappy Chapter will keep you up to date with the latest and greatest news, photos and projects as part of chaplaincy here at Bilambil PS.

This year we have been able to secure extra funding so I will now be at Bilambil 3 days a week; Monday, Tuesday and Friday, with some flexibility here and there so I don't miss out on awesome events like swimming carnivals and camps. As part of securing the extra funding, I will now need to fundraise for resources, food and materials. Some support through the year in this will be greatly appreciated.

Popular programs like "Canteen Kitchen Rules" and "Seasons for Growth" will be up and running very soon. I think there will be some new stuff this year, as well as being available more to help in situations where students need some time out and a good chat with Chappy. Throw in some sports coaching, mentoring, gardening at recess times and projects to help the school, and there is plenty to keep me occupied.

#### Food Hampers for families!

Can I put in a request for some shelf food please? I'll put a box in the foyer. I'm after big tins of tuna, creamed corn and evaporated milk for one recipe and spaghetti, tin tomatoes and jars of bolognaise sauce for another recipe. The food and recipes will be given to families to help out as well as equip for future meals. Thank you! Until chapter two, blessings to you.

Gav Irvine School Chaplain



# UNIFORM SHOP EXTENDED HOURS

In early 2019 we'll be opening our uniform shop, more often and for longer hours to give our new school families the opportunity to purchase their uniforms. Of course, it's also a good chance for our existing families to restock their wardrobes after the latest growth spurt.

#### Prices are:

Hats \$16.00, Unisex polo shirts \$28.00, Boys shorts \$18.00, girls A-line skorts \$17.00, girls pleat shorts \$23.00, fleece jacket \$32.00 and girls dress \$55.00 (\$57.00 for size 12 and up).

We also have a supply of second hand clothing for just \$2.00 a piece. If you've got uniforms you no longer fit or need, please consider donating them back to the uniform shop. Talk to us if you'd like our help to on-sell a dress.

Orders are also able to be done online:

24 / 7 ONLINE ORDERING www.bilambilpc.org

so they'll be all ready for pick up.

# AGM WEDNESDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2019 6.30PM

At the upcoming AGM (Annual General Meeting), ALL Executive Committee positions will be open for nomination, as the outgoing group has completed the required 2- year term.

You don't have to be a long standing member. If you are new to our school, such as a kindy parent, you are most welcome to apply and express your interest.

Your application must be received by the President, by Wednesday, 6 February 2019 (7 days prior to our AGM) to qualify as an official nomination.

If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else (with their permission) for a P&C position, please email us for a nomination form and return via email to: bilambilpublicschool-pres@pandcaffiliate.org.au by Wednesday 6 February 2019.

For those who just want to be part of the P&C network, come along and listen in. It will be a great opportunity to meet the new Principal and other parents who are involved with the P&C. We'll have a regular meeting after the Executive Positions are filled.

#### Extended opening hours on the following days:

Friday 8 February 2019 8.30am - 9.30am

Normal trading hours as from Monday 11 February (Week 3):

Monday 11 February 2019 8.30am - 9.00am Wednesday 13 February 2019 8.30am - 9.00am Friday 15 February 2019 8.30am - 9.00am



SIGN ON & FAMILY FUN DAY
Sat 9th Feb 2019
9 am to 12 noon
Visit www.CoolyAFL.com
for details.





