

BUSY TERM SO FAR

Thanks to our kids and school community for hanging in there as we continue to push ahead in what is yet another busy term. We are now half way through the term with a giant list of achievements behind us and a growing list of opportunities still to come.

Still to come this term we have our final Kindergarten Transition session, the Great Book Swap, Interrelate Program, Year 5 will get to go to enjoy a PE/music day at Tweed River High School, Year 6 high school orientations, 2022 Student Leadership Program, Gold Party Day, Presentation Day Assembly, Year 6 Informal, and then we get to enjoy a Christmas break. When do we find the time to do school work?? You would be very surprised to see how we manage to fit that in too. We thank you for your support so far this term.

ATTENDANCE

Every day counts!

Every day counts because children achieve better when they go to school all day, every day.
Every day counts because going to school means getting the best chance at life opportunities.
Every day counts because school helps children make friends and be happy.
Every day counts because the law says that children must attend school.

Please ensure your child attends school every day for the full day, as even minutes lost add up. We ask for families to try to ensure all students are on site and ready to learn before our bell rings at 8.55am each morning.

To help understand, our attendance target for 2021 is 85.5% - our actual attendance rate is 64.86%. This is extremely concerning, even though I know that current Covid experiences throughout the year have impacted in this space in a significant manner.

Let's see if we can get this rate up before the end of the year. Please try extra hard to ensure your children are here on time every day. Your support in this area is much appreciated. Please contact the school office if you are having issues related to your child attending that we may be able to help with.

Jeff Robinson
Principal



MUSIC AND DRAMA 2021

Despite COVID putting a stop to some of our favourites like Choir and Recorder play, we've still managed to have some fun in Music and Drama this year!

We were all proud of the plays we did :

Stage 1 – The Princess and the Bag of Peas

Stage 2 – Monster Mash

Stage 3 – 'Tis the Land of Gold, Boys

Each Tuesday lunch sees 20-30 Stage 2 and Stage 3 students in the music room with Mrs McGlinn, experimenting with more drama activities and having lots of fun!

Each Thursday lunch we have 13 Stage 2 students working hard learning to play the ukulele with Mrs McGlinn and Mr Thomas.

Class time this year has been split between music and drama. In music Kindergarten and Stage 1 are working hard with percussion – following real music scores! Stage 2 have been reading music while playing the glockenspiels and Stage 3 are now participating in the Music Mates program.

In drama we do much collaboration and confidence building work – usually incorporating lots of laughter!

Mrs Donna McGlinn
Music Teacher



STAGE 2 & 3 ENJOYING MUSIC PLAYS





STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Term 4 Week 4 & 5

KB	Noah Kalani	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Awesome efforts in reading. - Being a kind helper during Kindy Transition.
KK	Aysha Kai	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For her improvements in reading. - Embracing new learning experiences with a positive attitude.
KT	Spencer Aaliyah	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - His consistent efforts in maths this week. - Being a kind and caring member of KT
1/2C	Olivia Jace	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Settling in beautifully to our class and school. - Enthusiastic effort toward maths everyday.
1/2H	Marcus Alice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Being brave on his first week back at school. - Always trying hard in the classroom
1/2P	Paige Loma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Persuasive writing - A kind and caring class member to everyone.
1/2T	Sienna Lily	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Great progress in literacy- well done! - A great effort with Mrs Stokes.
2/3B	Jimi Oscar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fantastic handwriting. - Fantastic poetry writing.
3/4S	Kenyon Charlotte Phoenix	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Outstanding effort in maths. - Always being happy and helpful. - Outstanding effort in maths.
3/4T	June Angel Levi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Your positive approach to learning. - Always being a helpful class member. - Improved focus in all areas.
4/5B	Indi Lylah	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wonderful reading and focus in reading groups. - Presenting a fantastic speech.
5/6B	Jackson Isla	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Great commitment to his learning. - Excellent commitment to her learning.
5/6E	Ava Jean	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Creative flare in her artwork. - Showing a positive growth mindset in math.
Music	Andre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Excellent score reading and playing.

BRONZE AWARD

Term 4 Week 4

3/4S	Preston
5/6B	Connor, Livina
5/6E	Jean

SILVER AWARD

Term 4 Week 4 & 5

KK	Lilliana, Jaxon
KT	Sam, Charli, Aaliyah
1/2C	Izac
1/2H	Brodie, Noah, Scout, Skye, Van
1/2P	Hamish, Ivy, Isabella, Paige, Jaiden
2/3B	Cheyenne, Lilly, Lincoln
3/4S	Shylar, Jada, Isla, Ahriel, Jade, Chris, Cheyanne
3/4T	Phoenix, Lily, Richard, Georgia, Seth
4/5B	Jake, Hayden, Kalumn, Summer, Ava-Rose
5/6B	Ruby, James, Ivy
5/6E	Sabrielle, Tully, Dempsey, Mia, Cohen, Ethan
5/6V	Jesse

GOLD AWARD

Term 4 Week 4

1/2C	Kaden
1/2P	Luli, Mia, Elise
1/2T	Gloria, Remi, Adelaide
3/4S	Hayley, Zara, Taj
4/5B	Holly, Georgia



Our Kindy 2022 enjoying their second session of transition.



SUMMER FUN DISCO

Thank you so much for everyone's support at the disco last week. We hope everyone had fun during school time! We are very pleased to have raised just over \$1200 which is fantastic!

Some of the pavers are already here and the rest will be here soon. It is so exciting that we are so close to having the Year 6 space ready.

Thanks again to Mr Gavin Irvine for all that he has done to get this project going, to the P&C for their support and all the students who have helped and raised money along the way, including the past 2020 and 2019 year 6 groups.

This will be an amazing space that will be just for Year 6 children. Can't wait!

Thank you from Stage 3 Teachers







Orientation Day Tweed River High School

WHEN: Tuesday 23rd November 2021
WHERE: Tweed River High School
TIME: 8.35am - 2.00pm
WHO: Year 6 students only – all day
 (Sports & Entertainment Centre)

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS:

8.35am – 11.00am in the Library **ONLY** to purchase Uniforms, Calculators, Visual Art Diaries and pay the Year 7 Camp 2022 Deposit. Due to COVID restrictions parents must show proof of being double vaccinated and remain in the front area of the school. Students attending must have a completed enrolment form.

Please feel free to contact TRHS for Further information: **07 55243007**

Mr Chris Swaddle
2022 Year 7 Year Advisor

Bronwyn Mackney
HT Welfare

YEAR 6 TASTER DAY

On Tuesday 9 November 2021, Year 6 students were invited to experience some of the exciting subjects on offer at Tweed River High School.

Under the guidance of some senior high school students, Year 6 met several teachers and got to go hands-on with activities such as bottle rocket making, cooking their own pizza, creating nature prints on calico, and playing instruments in a class band.

Everyone seemed to have a great time, and a special mention was made of Year 6's excellent behaviour. Great work Year 6!

Kind Regards,

Mr Ryan Thomas
 Teacher



CANTEEN IS BACK!

We welcome back our hard working Canteen Coordinator Danelle as our Canteen re-opens Monday 15 November. **Our Sushi Day has now changed to THURSDAY** due to staffing constraints. Danelle can not do it alone, so if you have a spare morning or few hours to help in our Canteen then **WE NEED YOU!** Wonderful programs like Breaky Club, Birthday packages and our fun special days are currently unable to continue until we have more volunteers. Once we have more onboard we will be able to bring back our much loved and delicious Cupcake platters and much more. So if you are interested or would like further information please email Danelle bilambilpublicschool-canteen@pandcaffiliate.org.au

Full day volunteers receive \$5 credit for their child to access on the day as well as a light lunch for the volunteer. Our online ordering system is an easy way for you to order lunches. Our recently updated canteen menu can be found on our webpage and where you will find our easy to follow ordering instructions. Visit www.myschoolconnect/bilambil

VOLUNTEERING

There are many ways that you can help within our school community. Bilambil Public School welcomes and relies on volunteers in accordance with government guidelines to run our events, carnivals, uniform shop and canteen. This is a great way to connect and be a valued part of your school community. Students love seeing mums, dads, grandparents and carers during the day helping out. If you are able to help with Breakfast Club at 8:30am or drop the kids off and help with recess and or lunch let us know your availability by contacting us, you can email or message our team via our Facebook page, call the school and ask to be put through to the canteen or contact Belinda on 0404 013 085 or Bronny on 0421 827 740. Email bilambilpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au

P&C INCENTIVE SCHEME

As a way of thanking you and in recognition of our volunteers time and efforts, each volunteer can earn P&C dollars. For every hour (or part thereof) you volunteer for a P&C fundraising activity (eg. canteen, uniform shop, stalls or any P&C event), you receive one P&C dollar which can be redeemed at the uniform shop or canteen.

THANK YOU

A big thank you to the wonderful families who have started to donate their old school uniforms they have grown out of. Please consider donating any unwanted uniforms to our much needed second-hand supplies. If you have any old polos please send them in as we are recycling the buttons for use on any pre loved item that need simple repairs. We are also taking in dresses for consignment and any that are marked or well worn are being upcycled into hair scrunchies so please send them in. Just send all your clean donations in a bag marked Uniform donations and can be dropped off at the office or canteen.

UNIFORMS

Online Ordering is easy! Visit www.bilambilpc.org/uniforms

Orders can be collected from the school office or sent home with your child. Please write your child's name and class when you place your online order. Allow 2-3 days for the order to be processed. **PLEASE** remember to **LABEL** your children's uniforms especially hats and jumpers!! Our 2022 Extended hours for the Uniform Shop will be held in the school hall Monday 31 January and Tuesday 1 February 2022 from 8.30am - 1.30pm.

MANGO MADNESS!

Our annual mango fundraiser is a huge success raising just over \$900. And it is with thanks to you and our wonderful Bilambil community who together ordered 168 trays. Well done everyone. Trays can be collected from Bilambil Hall, early December - date to be advised.

SCHOOL BANKING

Sadly our last ever School Banking day is Tuesday 7 December. With a few more weeks to go our dedicated volunteer banking team will be on board each week. This has been such a valuable program and fundraiser for our school and it will be missed. A big thank you to our team for all their hard work over the years.