

EXCITING END TO TERM 3

We have had the busiest of terms and are almost at the end. I wanted to say thank you to our many teaching and non-teaching staff, and a large number of community volunteers for helping to make Bilambil PS a great place of learning and play. We are lucky to receive lots of feedback regarding how happy our kids are at school.

This term has been especially busy with Education Week, Book Week, Science Week, NAIDOC celebrations, Year 6 excursion to Sydney, Athletics carnivals and other sporting achievements, our father's day stall, SASS Recognition week, our Teddy Bears Picnic, working bee, the FNC Dance Festival, our Deadly Leaders program, and the Indigenous Literacy Day Great Book Swap that took place today. We still have our Talk Like A Pirate Day and school disco, and the public speaking competition coming up to finish the term next week.

There are so many wonderful opportunities for our kids. We hope they have all had a great term and are excited about coming back for more next term!

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS ON BUSES

We continue to be frustrated by some disappointing choices that a number of students are making when travelling on our school buses. It is every student's responsibility to behave in a manner that ensures the safety and comfort of all passengers and drivers. If your child catches a bus to or from school, can you please have a conversation with them to ensure they understand the following items:

Behaving appropriately:

- Respect the needs and comfort of passengers (eg use of offensive/racist language, fighting, spitting, feet on seats, throwing things in or from the bus, eating or drinking).
- Stay seated with seatbelts on at all times on the bus when stopped or moving.
- Obey reasonable directions from the driver (e.g. where to sit or to remain in the bus).
- Keep arms, legs and head inside the bus.
- Refrain from attracting the attention of the driver, except in the case of an emergency.

Respecting property:

- Protect bus property.
- Ensure that buses are not vandalised.
- Report any vandalism (eg graffiti and window etching).

Disobeying these rules may lead to the withdrawal of school bus travel passes and/or prosecution. A full copy of the Code of Conduct can be found on the Ministry of Transport website at www.transport.nsw.gov.au

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Home School Liaison Officer (HSLO) visits our school regularly to monitor the attendance of all students. It is a legal requirement that children of school compulsory age attend a registered place of instruction on each day it is provided. Term 4 will be a time when we aim to strengthen our processes for managing attendance and improve our overall data.

While sickness or family leave can be unavoidable, it is important to encourage regular attendance as this has positive effects for learning.

When your child is absent, it is a requirement that the parent/caregiver provide an explanation for the absences within seven days. This explanation can be by way of a telephone call, text response, or person to person (parent/caregiver or teacher). The explanation must give a justifiable reason for the absence.

We have also been reminded that parents have to provide a valid reason for late arrival or early departure from school, so we will be adding these to our text messaging that currently occurs. Parents and carers are asked to walk students into the school office if arriving late to provide a reason for late attendance.

END AND START OF SCHOOL TERM DATES

Term 3 ends next Friday 23 September, 2022. Community may have also heard that next Thursday, 22 September, 2022, is a public holiday due to the passing of the Queen. Students will then attend school for the last day of term on the Friday.

Students are to return for the commencement of Term 4 on Monday 10 October, 2022.

As we are about to commence a two week holiday break, can I wish all community members a safe and happy holiday period. For those travelling away, please drive carefully and ensure that you take a break if driving long distances. The holidays are always a good time for families to share time together so enjoy this time together. We look forward to seeing all of our smiling, happy little faces when they return to school for what will be a busy term 4.

Jeff Robinson
Principal



WOW The Great Book Swap!



5/6E - CLASS OF THE WEEK

Well I don't know where the year has gone...

5/6E has been busy getting organised for the Great Book Swap this term. It was a great event with plenty of fabulous books donated.

We have been enjoying building relationships with our kindy buddies throughout the year and our weekly buddy reading sessions are a favourite part of our week.

Both years 5 and 6 have been loving participating in the 'Music Mates' music program and have been working hard learning a variety of instruments and a new song. Our beautiful year 6 students are racing toward their high school transition and I cannot believe they only have 11 weeks of primary school left!

They are fabulous role models in the classroom.

Michelle Eddy
Classroom Teacher



Bilambil's Dancing Superstars!



On Monday 12 September, our FNC Dance Group, Mrs Calleja and myself travelled to Twins Towns to participate in the 2022 Far North Coast Dance Festival. We spent the day rehearsing our routine on stage and had the chance to watch other participating schools' rehearsals. The girls returned in the evening to perform their dance routine in front of what seemed like a packed house! They danced amazingly and should be so proud of what they have achieved. Well done girls!

Sarah Tunsted
Dance Teacher



TEDDY BEAR'S PICNIC at Bilambil PUBLIC SCHOOL

If you went down to Bilambil on Tuesday, 6 September 2022 you were in for a big surprise. Bilambil PS welcomed our 2023 Kindergarten students and families to a wonderful morning celebrating with a Teddy Bear's Picnic. The morning was filled with activities starting in the classroom, making bear ears, singing songs and enjoyinh a few stories.

We then ventured to fun themed activities outside with a special visit from our own Billy the Teddy Bear. Students were able to get their face painted, play with the gross motor equipment, colour in, and read books selected from our library. Parents and students then enjoyed a lovely morning tea put together by Danelle our school Canteen coordinator.

The Teddy bears Picnic marks the beginning of transitioning activities for commencing students. Transition dates for term 4 are as follows. Tuesday 8th November, 2022, Tuesday 15 November, 2022 and Tuesday 22November 2022 commencing from 9.00am to 12.30pm.

Flo Borra
Teacher





STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Term 3 Week 7 & 8

KB	Luke Tara	- Coming to school with a smile and trying his best. - Always trying her personal best in the classroom.
KF	Kai Marcus Sierra	- Trying his best in all areas. - Achieving his writing goal. - A focus on producing quality work.
1H	Hugo Jessa Renya	- Trying his best in all areas. - A consistent effort in all areas - well done! - Great work exploring vocabulary.
1T	Thea	- A great effort during guided reading - well done.
1/2H	Noah	- Amazing improvement in your writing.
2C	Hamish Mia	- Excellent effort in class. - Fantastic attitude in all areas of learning.
2/3S	Ayla Lydtaka	- A consistent effort in all her learning. - Incredible focus and improvement in maths.
3T	Brax Te'l	- Displaying a focused work ethic in rotations. - Taking initiative in all areas of learning.
3W	Felicity Lulu Jacob	- Insightful comments and contributions to class discussions. - For her engaging and highly persuasive introduction. - Challenging himself in maths.
4T	Talei	- Consistent effort and hard work at all times.
4/5B	Layla Koby	- Fantastic work during reading groups. - His maturity and honesty.
5V	Ava	- Producing clear and Succinct written text.
5/6E	Abe	- Always being a wonderful role model and being a strong leader.
6B	Hudson Jesse	- Showing greater confidence and positive engagement in maths . - Excellent, consistent effort with homework.



"TALK LIKE A PIRATE"

DRESS UP DAY MY HARDY'S

Just a reminder our *Talk like a Pirate* dress up day will be held on Wednesday, 21 September. Wear your very best pirate costume and bring a gold coin donation. Money from this years event will be going towards Bilambil resident and Para Olympian, Bill Chaffey's Tour de Cure fundraising campaign.

The Tour de Cure event raises money for cancer research. We are fortunate to able to have Bill attend the school on this day where he will speak to all students about the Tour de Cure and show them the handcycle he will use in the event.

Michelle Eddy
Teacher

BRONZE AWARD

Term 3 Week 7 & 8

5/6E	Noah, Keanu, Harry, Cylus, Abe
6B	Hudson

SILVER AWARD

TERM 3, Week 7,8

KB	Tamsin, Chace, Dasiy
KF	Reef, Marcus, Poppy, Harriett, Sierra, Oxley, Chase
1H	Noah, Aubrey
2C	Marcus, Judah
2/3S	Lucas, Olivia, Ivy, Archie, Branden, Olivia
3T	Brax, Lilly, Maui
4/5B	Ava-Rose, Jumi, Lyla, Maddy, Aria
5V	Ethan, Amy, Blaze
5/6E	Zy, Tully, Ravi, Laylah, Jonathan, Gwen, Elyana, Dempsey, Charlotte
6B	Makaira, Lara, Shailyse, Seth, Jackson

GOLD AWARD

Term 3, Week 7&8

1T	Ruby, Sam, Kalahni
2/3S	Mason, Casper, Elsie

WHICH BIN DOES IT GO IN ?

Our stage 1 students enjoyed a hands on waste management workshop last week provided free by the Wipe Out Waste team. The focus was on reducing waste and educating our students on sustainable waste management practices.

Our students were entertained whilst learning how to actively help our local environment through simple waste-less practices, such as smart-shopping, reducing, reusing, composting and recycling at home, school and play!

Do you know what goes in what bin? and why? Ask our year 1 and 2 students as they were great at sorting the 'rubbish' items correctly.



UP AND COMING EVENTS

TERM 3 & 4 2022

School items	P&C Items
Term 3 Week 10 2022	
Tues 20 Sep	• Canteen Open
Wednesday 21 Sep	• Pirate Dress up day • P&C School Disco
Thursday 22 Sep	• Public Holiday School Closed
Friday 23 Sep	• Last Day Of Term 3
Term 4 Week 1 2022	
Monday 12 October	• First Day of Term 4 2022
Tuesday 13 October	• Canteen Closed



Spring School Holiday Program Bilambil Community Preschool & OOSH

BASC Voucher—Use it now!

Dates: Mon 26th September 2022 — Fri 7th October 2022
Location: 418 Bilambil Road, Bilambil NSW 2486
Hours: 6.30am to 6.30pm
To Book: Through the Xplor 5App (Select Vacation Care)
To wear: Sun safe clothing, hat and closed in shoes.
To bring: Water bottle, recess and lunch. Afternoon Tea provided
Contacts: 07 5590 7722, oosh@bilambilpreschooloosh.org



Cancellation Policy: Please select your days carefully as there is no cancellation period. Full fees, less eligible CCS will apply.
Fee: \$85 for School aged children & \$95 for Preschoolers, less Child Care Subsidy. Below are estimated fees with CCS deducted.

CCS %	50%	60%	70%	80%	85%
Daily Fee	\$42.50	\$34.00	\$25.50	\$17.00	\$12.75

MONDAY <small>extra activities</small>	TUESDAY <small>extra activities</small>	WEDNESDAY <small>extra activities</small>	THURSDAY <small>extra activities</small>	FRIDAY <small>extra activities</small>
26th September	27th September	28th September	29th September	30th September
Supercody Air Strike Mission Origami	First Fives Rugby Sensory Balloons	Tie Dye Aeroplane Making	Inflatable obstacle Course Money Box Painting	Technology Day Clay Creations
3rd October	4th October	5th October	6th October	7th October
<p>Closed Public Holiday Labour Day</p>	Cooking Day Perler Beads	Mr Paramedic Mask Painting	Nerf War Games Chalk Drawing	Silent Disco Boomerang Painting



SATURDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 2022

THE KINSHIP FESTIVAL

A FREE COMMUNITY EVENT FOR ALL FAMILIES



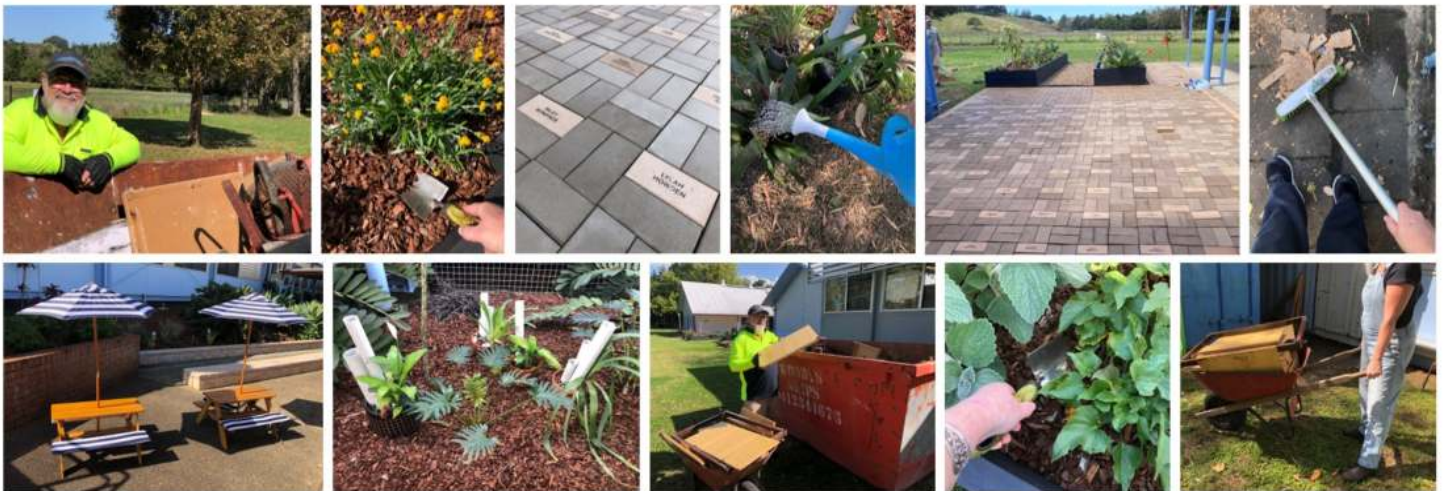
10AM – 4PM KNOX PARK MURWILLUMBAH

Connect, share and participate in the wisdom and practice of healthy families, strong values and vibrant community culture!



BILAMBIL WORKING BEE The P&C would like to extend our gratitude and thanks to all the parents, partners, students and teachers that turned up and got involved in making our school shine last weekend. A huge thank you to our amazing Mr Renehan for Coordinating on the Day with our P&C President.

There was a fantastic turnout and it was great to see so many teachers turn up to support. The team was able to gerna and clean play areas, admin area and class rooms; weed and bark chip all the garden beds; and the Year 6 paved area was completed. It was a tremendous achievement by all who attended. A special mention and thanks goes to our Principal, Mr Robinson, the 20 teachers and partners who were there bright and early from 7am through to clean up just after 12pm. Also special thanks to the parents and students who helped by getting their hands dirty in the garden. All up there were almost 30 people and we were able to complete most tasks on our checklist. With the success of this working bee the P&C will organise another in the future and we look forward to the continued support for the families and teachers of our beautiful Bilambil Public School.



CANTEEN Next Week our Canteen will also be open on Tuesday with a limited menu, due to Thursday's Public Holiday. Yarrh! there will be extra special Piratery treats on Wednesday. Look out online for all our updates and theme days. Families should have received our recently updated Healthy Options Canteen Printed Menu, also available online at **MySchoolConnect** or download and print your own copy via our website www.bilambilpc.org/menu **PLEASE NOTE:** Our canteen is extremely under staffed and **NEEDS VOLUNTEERS** especially on a Monday and Wednesday! Due to volunteer shortages, the full menu will not always be available. If you are able to help, please fill out the recent form sent home and return to the office.

UNIFORMS PLEASE remember to LABEL and RE-LABEL your children's uniforms with students full names. Any Bilambil logo fleece jackets you have lost, please email the Uniform Coordinator as we have quite a few (unnamed) in shop.

NEXT P&C MEETING Our next P&C meeting will be held Term 4 - Week 3 **Tuesday, 25 October** at 5pm in the School Staffroom. Follow our FB page www.facebook.com/bilambilpublicschoolpc for regular notices, daily updates, events and specials!



WEDNESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER

K - 2 3.30pm to 5pm
3 - 6 5.15pm to 6.45pm



TALK LIKE A PIRATE DAY

