

The Old Bonalbo Bulletin

Work at Life



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Week 1 Term 1

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Principal's Message

Welcome back to school for another great year at Old Bonalbo Public School. We have another busy term planned, with events such as the Upper Clarence PSSA Swimming Carnival, gymnastics, Bonalbo Show, Lake Ainsworth camp and Easter. The kitchen garden program or shared table will continue, however it will run on a Wednesday, due to staffing changes.

This year, we have set homework goals for the students. Each child has a home reader book and homework book. Later this term, students that have completed homework on a regular basis will be invited to a special morning tea. We are hoping everyone is invited to attend. Remember, regular reading provides significant life-long benefits to children's futures.

Bronze Awards Week 2



Tess

Congratulations Tess. Tess was recognised for her sporting achievement at the Australia Day Awards in Bonalbo. She was awarded 'Young Citizen/Sportsperson' of the year award. Well done, Tess!



PRC

Old Bonalbo PS will again enter the Premier's Reading Challenge. The Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge for each student to read, to read more and to read more widely. The challenge begins on Monday the 5th March.



Swimming Carnival

The Upper Clarence PSSA Swimming Carnival will be hosted at the Woodenbong Town Pool on Monday the 12th February, 2018 starting at 10am. The pool will be open to the public from 9:30am onwards and students are welcome to use the pool to do their warm up laps at this time if they wish. Attending students can bring their own lunch or purchase food from the canteen on the day. Pool entry cost is \$3.00.



Emirane Morning Tea

This year we will continue to support our sponsor child, Emirane. **We have changed the day to Wednesday due to staffing changes.** Each Wednesday, for 50c, students can enjoy a morning tea treat donated by one of our families. If you would like to be added to the list of volunteers, please see Mrs Tart in the office.



Classroom News

Welcome back to school and term 1 for 2018 - full of exciting, new and educational learning experiences.

During Literacy, students work through 10 minute rotations. They have a list of 'must do's and can do's' that must be worked through during the week. Spelling has changed slightly, with words being worked on in a Word Work book. Students must write the word, use it in a sentence, change the word using prefixes and suffixes (ed, ing, un) and find its meaning and put it in their own words. At the end of the week we have a dictation exercise where students must write a sentence from the Jolly Phonics textbook, instead of a spelling test. Additionally, students write in their journal, complete grammar work, guided reading, computer work and play literacy games. Most student have 10 minutes with the teacher every day others have 10 minutes 2 – 4 times a week, reading their guided reading book and word work.

Our book study is the classics Wind in the Willows and The Magic Pudding. These books will be read

aloud to the students a few times a week. Research has shown that reading aloud to children helps with fluency, imagination, vocabulary and what reading for pleasure is all about. We will work through many comprehension exercises and use the books to write narratives.

In Numeracy, students will cover mathematical concepts using a textbook, study ladder, maths mental, games and coding. Students are enjoying the coding unit and we have found a website 'Scratch' that students are using to create their own games.

In Geography, we will be looking at Place. Students in stage 3 (5 & 6) will be exploring the world through connections and how diverse the world is. Stage 2 (3 & 4) will be looking at the world through the environment. Students will learn about the different environments within Australia, and other countries within the Asian region, especially our closest neighbours. Student will also investigate the ways governments and other organisations use resources and how conservation efforts help protect our vital environments.

Art has been linked to geography and science units to the lessons. For the first 5 weeks we will be looking at Australian artists who paint our landscape. Students are then given the opportunity to create their own landscape painting. For example bushfires – we will be looking at how some artists show a bushfire scene. Students will then use the ideas to create their own bushfire scene.

In PD, students will be exploring and creating our new behaviour system Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL). In PE, students will have the opportunity to learn gymnastics from a gymnastics coach and to improve their fundamental movement skills (throwing, catching, skipping, hopping, jumping, kicking and hitting a ball). Students also use mathematics in PE by recording data while they practice their skill and by playing games that incorporate numeracy skills, ask your child how this is achieved.

I welcome parents and carers to come in and chat about their child's learning.

Mrs White



Active Kids Voucher

The NSW Government is helping kids get active with the new Active Kids program.

From 31 January 2018, parents, guardians and carers can apply for a \$100 voucher per calendar year for each student enrolled in school.

The voucher may be used with a registered activity provider for registration, participation and membership costs for sport, fitness and active recreation activities.

The voucher can be used at any time during the calendar year it was issued.

To use the voucher, give your voucher details to an approved Active Kids Provider.

To apply visit:

<https://sport.nsw.gov.au/sectordevelopment/activekids>



Gymnastics

This year, we have once again been successful in obtaining a grant from Sporting Schools. Sporting Schools is an Australian Government initiative designed to help schools to increase children’s participation in sport, and to connect them with community sporting opportunities. During Term 1 we will have three visits from North Coast Gymnastics. They had their first visit on Wednesday.

Physical Culture Club

Physical Culture Club is having sign on days at The Northcoast Community Church, Richmond St, Casino. Information sessions are Friday 15th February 4pm-5:30pm. They hold classes for ages from 3 – ladies. The first 2 sessions are free. If you are interested, please come along or call Jess on 0408760843 or you can find them on Facebook.

Forms

Attached are two forms to be completed and returned to school as soon as possible.

The first is an annual permission and emergency contact update. Please complete this to give permission for your child to participate in excursions and school activities around the Old Bonalbo village, a media release for the name and photo of your child to appear in connection to the school and update your address, phone numbers and custody arrangements that have changed.

The second form is for student health records. It is important to include any food intolerance. This year we are growing and preparing different foods and it is critical to know if our child will react to any food or plant products they may encounter.



YOGA FOR BEGINNERS

OLD BONALBO HALL

6 weeks, beginning Thursday, 15th February
Ending Thursday, 22nd March
4.30 p.m.

This is a casual group. I am NOT a yoga instructor, so we will be following a DVD. Most moves are not extreme but if you are uncomfortable with a move it can be modified, performed sitting on a chair, or left out completely.

Cost: a gold coin donation towards the Hall

Bring: yoga mat or towel, small cushion (not too fat), strap or old scarf

Contact: Sarah 66653114



Jocelyn has settled into Kindergarten this week.



Mrs Parker gave a lesson on school expectations.
Thank you, Mrs Parker.



Dates to Remember

Date	Event
Monday 12 th February	District Swimming Carnival at Woodenbong Pool
Wednesday 14 th February	Emirane Morning Tea - Lisa
Wednesday 14 th February	Shared Table
Tuesday 20 th February	Book Club Due
Wednesday 21 st February	2 nd Gymnastics session
Wednesday 21 st February	Emirane Morning Tea - Shannon
Wednesday 21 st February	Harmony Day – wear orange
Wednesday 28 th February	Emirane Morning Tea - Rebecca
Monday 5 th March	Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) begins
Wednesday 7 th March	Gymnastics Session
Wednesday 7 th March	Emirane Morning Tea - Racheal
Monday 19 th – Friday 23 rd March	Year 5 and 6, Lake Ainsworth camp
Wednesday 14 th March	Emirane Morning Tea - Cheryl
Wednesday 21 st March	Emirane Morning Tea - Helen
Wednesday 28 th March	Emirane Morning Tea - Geraldine
Friday 30 th March	Easter Friday
Monday 2 nd April	Easter Monday
Wednesday 4 th April	Emirane Morning Tea - Lisa
Wednesday 11 th April	Emirane Morning Tea - Shannon
Friday 13 th – Saturday 14 th April	Bonalbo Show
Friday 13 th April	Last day of Term 1
Wednesday 25 th April	ANZAC Day
Monday 30 th April	First day back for Teachers
Tuesday 1 st May	First day for students Term 2

Lake Ainsworth Excursion Year 5 & 6

Once again, Year 5 and 6 from Old Bonalbo will be attending a week long camp at Lake Ainsworth. Mrs Weston will be attending the camp this year.

Dates: Monday 19th March to Friday 23rd March, Term 1, Week 8.

Total Cost: \$376

Please do this as soon as possible- online medical and consent form needs to be completed. There is no option for a manual form. Please go to the Lake Ainsworth's website and use the Booking Number 495743 to complete the medical form online. If you need assistance please ask Mrs Tart for the use of our school computer and internet if required. The website address is:

<https://sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/facilities/medicalandconsentform>

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Medical and consent form

Who should complete this form?

Complete this form if you are registering for a participant in:

- a school camp
- any program where meals are provided during your stay at a Sport and Recreation Centre.

How to complete the form below

To complete the form below, you will need the:

- booking number (this is a six digit number)
- venue (this will appear in a drop down list for you to select)
- start date of the program.

It is important that these three items are correct. If you are unsure of any of these please check with your school or group organiser prior to completing the form.

A Medical and Consent form for each person attending a Sport and Recreation Centre MUST be submitted at least two weeks before the program commences.

Sport and Recreation endeavours to provide safe, healthy meals to all clients, including those with special dietary needs or food allergies (including anaohysis).

Participant dietary, medical and consent form - with meals

Booking details

The Organisation or person coordinating arrangements for the group should provide you with the relevant Booking Number, Start Date and Venue information. Please do not proceed without the correct information.

Participant type *

Booking number *

Booking start date *

Venue *

Name of organisation and/or organiser *

A form submission confirmation will be emailed to the address listed below

Email address *

Phone type *

Phone number *

Confirm email address *

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You will need the booking number to complete the form: 495743

Payment can be made at the office.