Great News Stories

2016 Kinders Start

Welcome to all our new families. It was awesome to see the Year 5 buddies having fun with our new Kindergarten students. Thank you to Mrs Casz Fitzgerald and Mrs Glenda Wood for their organisation of a wonderful Kindy Start Program. We look forward to seeing all our new faces again next week. We welcome Landon, Max, Amanda, Kaden, Zion, Asher, Liam, Ohala, Reef, Darcy, Xavier, Morgan, Oscar, Lucinda and Amelia to our school community. We hope you enjoy Bodalla Public School as much as we do.

Life Education

We have had the Life Education van at our school yesterday and today and all students who have visited have had a great time. K/1 had a wonderful time with Harold's friend Possum in organising his party at the park. 1/2/3 went on a mystery tour with Harold exploring body parts such as lungs and heart, as well as safety at the park and beach. 3/4/5 have become cyberwise and 5/6 joined Mac McHardy, a time travelling detective. This has been a wonderful experience and there will be lots happening in the classroom following this visit.

Parliament Nominations

Next week we will be seeking nominations from Year 5 students for the positions of Ministers in our parliamentary team. As leaders of the school we take these nominations very seriously and encourage all Year 5 students and parents to talk about the importance of the role and expectations. Students will need to prepare a short speech for presentation to the school at Week 7 Assembly, 20th November. Our Ministers this year have done an amazing job and we look forward to another great team in 2016.

Grandparents’ Day

This week celebrates Grandparents all around the world and we would also like to say thank you to all our wonderful grandparents who do an amazing job and play an important role in our students’ lives. We believe in celebrating this role each and every day and it is because of this that we have decided to hold our Grandparents’ celebrations on the Friday, 6th November. This will be a great morning with classroom visits, performances and morning tea together. Your child will have designed a special invitation for grandparents and we hope to see as many as possible next week.
Partial Absences

Getting to school on time can be difficult at times and it is a challenge we all face. We do ask however that if you are dropping your child to school late that you take the couple of extra minutes to come into our office, say hello and sign your child in. It is a legal requirement that we not only have your child signed in but also that it is a parent/guardian who signs them in and that we have a reason recorded for their absence. If this is a problem please call the school and discuss it with us. We understand how busy life is and how busy mornings can be.

Selective High School

If your child is in Year 5 and you are thinking of them gaining placement in a Selective High School in 2017 you need to begin the process now. An information book is available from the school about the process. Next year will be the first year that the Virtual Selective High School will operate out of Moruya High School and is called Aurora High School. This allows your child through video conferencing and use of technology to access the virtual high school as well as interact with classes locally and live at home. Selective High Schools are an opportunity for students who are high achieving academically gifted students to gain specialised support and learning. The process includes an application, supporting documentation from the school and a placement test in March 2016. Applications are now open and will close on the 16th November. If you are unsure please talk with myself or the class teacher about options and opportunities.

Learning Labs

The University of Wollongong is again offering Learning Labs for Gifted and Talented students. These sessions will operate in January and are for students who demonstrate academic brilliance in many areas. If you are interested in your child participating in one of the labs please speak with the classroom teacher for more details and suitability for your child. Applications close on November 3rd.

Principal Gold Star Awards

All our new Kinder students - Kaden, Amanda, Lucinda, Amelia, Ohala, Max, Xavier, Asher, Liam, Landon, Zion, Darcy, Morgan, Reef and Oscar.

Quote of the Day: We can believe what we choose. We are answerable for what we choose to believe. John Henry Newman

Lynne Takacs
Relieving Principal
Save the Date

Grandparents’ Day — Friday 6th November

On Friday 6th November, our school will host ‘Grandparents’ Day, commencing at 9.30am and concluding at 11.00am. As many grandparents may be unavailable, we would like to extend the invitation to ‘grandfriends’ or adult mentors. The children will love showing you around their school.

- 9.30 Welcome in hall by school leaders
- 9.40 Classroom visits—Grandparents join children in a range of activities
- 10.20 Class items in hall
- 10.40 Morning tea/fruit break

From the Office

School Photos

School photos have gone home with students today. If there are any queries please contact Don Wood Photography 9542 5370 (not the school, thank you).

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open for the next four weeks on Wednesday mornings starting as of today 28th October. It will be open from 9.15am till 10.30am. Orders can still be placed on our order form and handed in at the office and they will be filled on those days.

P & C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting is on tonight Wednesday 28th October at 6.30pm in the staff room. We would love to see some new faces at our meetings as we really need a few more people to come along so we can help the school. Thank you.

Bodalla P&C Association
Contact Michelle Robinson if you have any questions 44735131 or email: bodallapandcassociation@gmail.com
Aurora College
The virtual selective school for rural and remote students

Aurora College is NSW’s first virtual selective school, offering a mix of online and residential school classes. The school provides innovative, flexible learning in a whole new costed, by allowing students to connect locally and learn globally.

Aurora offers selective classes in English, mathematics and science to gifted and talented Year 7-10 students from rural and remote areas across NSW. Students connect with their teachers and classmates in timetabled lessons through a virtual learning environment.

The college also gives Year 11 and 12 students the opportunity to study subjects not available in their own school. For details please visit our website.

Aurora College offers students expanded career options through innovative partnerships with businesses and with scientific, cultural and tertiary education institutions.

Students in the selective stream are chosen in the same way as students in all other selective classes in NSW government schools.

Applications for entry to Year 7 in 2017
OPEN 13th OCTOBER 2015 AND CLOSE ON 16th NOVEMBER 2015

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