Welcome back to the last term for the year. It's a busy term, but a term full of fun and activity. Please check the school calendar for some of the more important dates, including Stage 2 excursion, Intensive Swimming School, Transition sessions for High School and Kindergarten, Discos, Presentation Day and Year 6 Farewell.

Hats
As we are now back into the warmer months of the year, we would like your support to ensure your child is protected by a hat when out in the playground. While we did not enforce this during the winter months, we will be monitoring it from now on and children who do not have a hat will need to stay under the shaded areas and will not be allowed to play on the main playgrounds. Could you also please check that all hats have names clearly written on them.

Ethics Classes for 2014
In 2014 we will be establishing and teaching Ethics classes. Some schools have been implementing this curriculum over the previous 2–3 years. In late 2010, the NSW State Government gave parents the right to choose ethics classes for their child if they did not want their child to attend scripture. The curriculum has been developed by the St James Ethics Centre (Macquarie University) and will be implemented by trained volunteers. The curriculum itself is interesting and aligns closely with the vision and values of the school. Ethics will run at the same time as scripture and parents will have a choice of either:

- Scripture
- Ethics or
- neither scripture nor ethics (children will remain with teacher doing activities).

An orange note will be coming home soon and it would be appreciated if you could complete it and return it as soon as possible so that we identify demand. If you would like additional information on Ethics, please see the following link:

NAPLAN Reports and School Photos.
Parents of students in Years 3 and 5 should have received their child's NAPLAN report. The report is detailed, but if you have any questions please do not hesitate to make an appointment with your child's teacher to discuss the report in more detail.
Parents should also have received their child’s school photos last Friday. If you have not received your photos, please contact your child's teacher.

Good luck to all staff and students in Stage 2 for your excursion this week.

Thought for the Week
Education doesn't need to be reformed ----- it needs to be transformed. The key is not to standardize education, but to personalise it, to build achievement on discovering the individual talents of each child, to put students in an environment where they want to learn and where they can naturally discover their true passion.
Ken Robinson

Sue Lowe
Principal

Principal’s Stickers
Kai Pratt, Ava Perra, Jessica Jones, Hugh Wignell, Zeke Muscroft, Ronin Rowley, Jaiden Barnes, Deacon Muscroft, Brendan McGee, Scott Rigby, Ziggy Clare, Summer Bradshaw & Phoenix Fraser-Fitzgerald

Upcoming Events – Click on link below to see our Calendar
Year 1 Excursion – Courthouse Museum

Last Friday 11 October, Year 1 travelled to Batemans Bay to visit the Courthouse Museum. At the museum we were shown around lots of different exhibits including the hospital room, school room, courtroom, Lest We Forget room, an old kitchen, old toys, old tools and many more. We saw many photographs of the history of Batemans Bay which were really interesting. We also walked the boardwalk at the Water Gardens and the students enjoyed seeing the birdlife and hundreds of bats! We visited Corrigans Beach for lunch and a play on the playground.

All in all, it was a very educational and fun excursion and the students were great ambassadors for our school. Thank you to all the parent helpers who joined us and we recommend that you visit the Museum and Water Gardens one day.

Whooping Cough

We have been advised of a confirmed case of Whooping Cough (Pertussis) in our school.

Please see attached to this edition of the Scoop a NSW Health Department release which provides further information.
Scurvy Scallywags meet Pretty Princesses

Kindergarten students spent the first week back at school reading, writing, painting and performing everything that is pirates and princesses. The week culminated with students coming dressed as a pirate or princess and spending the day role playing and living the life of a pirate or princess, every child’s dream. The princesses’ pink castle was all that separated them and the dastardly pirates who brandished swords in the hunt for treasure. Kindergarten teachers Mrs Dunn and Mrs Bourke enjoyed dressing up as much as the students and spent the week calling ‘Ahoy me hearties’ while the students responded ‘Aye, aye captain.’
**P&C News**

**Fundraising Meeting**
Next meeting of the Fundraising Committee will be held on Thursday 24 October at 6.30 pm. All welcome.

**Walkathon**
Reminder to everybody to get lots of sponsors. The more you raise, the more chances you have to win one of our wonderful prizes.

**Bengello Bites – Canteen**
Look out for the new Term 4 “Summer Menu”!!

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**THANK YOU to William Reid’s family for looking after our chooks during the recent school holidays.**

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**Fish Bit Draw**

Term 4 Week 1
Stage 1 Luke
Stage 2 Sarah
Stage 3 William
Silver Awards

Kate Backhouse, Abbey Dunn, Louie Pantelic, Darcy Penkethman, Tane Simons, Keshi Quinton, Aiden Cottier, Seb Giri, Lachlan Davenport, Lucy Jones, Darcy Hughes, Brendan Collins, Harry Phillips, Jesse Jenkins, Dylan Holmes & Paul Bishop

Silver Awards (cont)

Joel Ware, Kai Taunga, Rielly Collins, Hayley Chown, Nina Thorne, Laila Harvey & Bree Mealy

Kayum Fernandez, Kai Pratt, Stella Horne, Travis Fairweather, Tasman Simons, Shannon Wade, Anton Thorne, Dein Foster, Katie McDonald, Charlie Hough & Kira Pendlebury
Bronze Awards

Lachlan Browne, Billy Williams, Cheyenne Dworcowyi, Mia Turner, Taj Pendlebury & Ted Mackie

Molly Stuart, Jessica Jones & Brianna Lea
SOUTHERN ZONE DEBATING CHAMPIONS
Julian Crosby, Dylan Holmes, James Burnes & Jesse Jenkins

EUROBODALLA ENVIRONMENTAL CALENDAR WINNERS
Meg Phillips & Roxy Horne
**Weekly Class Awards**

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Community News

**South Broulee Beach Rally**
A rally will be held this Saturday 19 October starting at 7 am (and possibly going through until 10 am) with a view to petition the Council to fast track a seating area for our community at the beach.
At present the Banksia Village and Banksia Hostel have a population of almost 200 senior residents. Thought should be given to our senior citizens, mothers with children and people with disabilities and their carers to have a safe easy access to view and enjoy the relaxing and therapeutic aspects of the beach. Various sections of the community will be supporting the rally to petition council to look into the building of a viewing platform. The theme of the day is to bring a chair, sit, enjoy the beach and discuss the need for adequate seating.

**Think Outside the Bowl**
Onsite Meeting Wednesday 16 October 2013 at 3.30pm.
Please RSVP by email or on the Facebook page: [https://www.facebook.com/groups/thinkoutsidethebowl/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/thinkoutsidethebowl/)

**Broulee Soccer Club**
**Funny Hat & Wig TRIVIA NIGHT**
Hosted by the Broulee Soccer Club
Saturday, 19 October, 2013
at the Tomakin Sports & Social Club
from 7.00 pm
Tables of 8 – 10 people $10.00 per person
Lucky Door Prizes 100 Club Fun & Games
Bookings essential by Friday 18 October Phone Louise 0401 805 634 or Sharon 0423 476 128
BYO Snacks for your table

Also, please return any Broulee Soccer Club shirts or other equipment to Clare Dunn (ph: 44716026) or drop off at Broulee Public School.
Community News (cont)

Nature’s Nest Community Childcare Centre
Enrolment Day
Monday October 21st
10am – 12noon
Visit our centre & enjoy some of the daily activities, songs, baking, story time
We are a Long Day Care Centre catering for children aged 2–6 years
Please come along and meet our staff
45b Hawdon’s Rd, North Moruya NSW 2537
Phone 44 745 746
Email: natures-nest@bigpond.com

Moruya Swimming Club
Wednesday Nights
Come along and try Swimming Club.
Improve your swimming and have fun with friends.
BBQ/Dinner available.
Commences 6pm Wednesday 9th October @ Moruya Swimming Pool, Shore St.
Enquiries 0427 520 336

Mums and Bubs Yoga Class
Thursdays 9.30 – 10.45 am
Broulee Yoga Shed, 11 Banksia St Broulee
$120 per term, $50 for a 4 class monthly pass or $15 casual
Contact Megan 0418697853

Moruya Town to Surf Fun Run is on again!
Sunday 27th October from Riverside Park to Moruya Surf Club 8kms.
First 300 entries will receive a free T-Shirt and goodies bag.
Everyone encouraged to take part in this great community event with loads of spot prizes, a band, jumping castle & BBQ at the end.
Online entry via http://www.moruyasurf.org.au/ or pick up form from The Rustic Pantry or Moruya Chiro & Wellness Centre.
Call Tracey 0417058338 for more details.
Broulee Surfers SLSC Nippers
Most Sunday mornings or Saturday afternoons during summer Broulee Surfers SLSC runs Nippers at South Broulee Beach in front of the Surf Club. Children from ages 7–14 participate in a variety of fun and challenging beach and water activities for two hours.

Nippers is all about learning skills, building confidence and having fun in a supervised and safe beach environment. For Nippers, the beach is the classroom. They learn and thrive by participating and testing themselves in swimming, board paddling, beach sprinting, dolphin-diving, spotting a rip, having fun with new friends and discovering things about themselves. Nippers activities are fun and a great opportunity to learn some valuable life skills. First beach session will be held at the Broulee Surfers SLSC on 27 October at 10am.

Please go to the Broulee Surfers website (http://brouleesurferssslsc.org.au/) to pre-register via the membership link. For any problems with the online process, please email the Club contact on the website.

For more information on Nippers at Broulee contact Scott Elliott on 0413–009–993 or David Hosking on 0421–615–905.

VEGEMITE SURF GROMS PROGRAM for 5–12 year olds:

After School Surfing:
$165 for 8 Week structured program with logbook, including free Quicksilver backpack, towel, rash shirt & hat. Beginning Mon 21st Oct from 3.45 to 5.15pm on Mondays OR Tuesdays at North Broulee beach.

Weekend Programs:
Nov 2/3 & 16/17 $175 for 5 lessons

Summer Holidays:
5 day programs throughout January $175 Check www.surfgroms.com for info.

Regular After School Surfing for 8–16 year olds:
$100 for 7 weeks from Feb 18th includes board and wetsuit & Surfing Australia Safe Surfing Certificate. Beginning Monday 21st from 3.45 to 5.15pm on MON/ TUES or WED depending on demand.

RIP CURL GIRLS GO SURFING DAY!
Go surfing with just the girls and ladies for $50 including professional lesson, equipment, Rip Curl T-shirt and prize pack.

December 7 and/or 8th.
Limited places, all abilities welcome including past participants!
Call Broulee Surf School on 44717370 or email: info@brouleesurfschool.com.au
Little Athletics Season Starts October 10th at Moruya High School

Little Athletics is starting on the 10th of October (the first Thursday of the next school term) at Moruya High School. This year promises to be our biggest yet. Athletes from the ages of 5 to 17 are welcome to join in at the Moruya High School oval from 4:30pm every Thursday. This year we are focusing on fun and being your best! Our coaches will be using advanced equipment such as Speed Chutes, Catapult Trainers, Weights, Target Parachutes and a Speed Sled. Older athletes will be able to participate in focused coaching, developing their own unique skills, working individually and in teams. If you want to run faster come along, if you want to throw, jump, leap further come along, if you want to get or stay fit come along if you'd like to see what all the fuss is about come along. And you wont go hungry, there is a weekly BBQ to help with dinner.

Parents can register online via the ACT Little Athletics website. Link below https://sitedesq.imgstg.com/site/index.cfm?fuseaction=display_main&OrgID=3674

Any enquires: Mark Harris 0429 998956 or Rob Way 0412 762929

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**Eurobodalla Group**

*Join us on Facebook: Australian Breastfeeding Association - Eurobodalla Group*

*For more information contact Kylie on 4472 2967*
*thegilligan5@bigpond.com*
11 October 2013

Dear Parents

Whooping Cough (Pertussis)

The Public Health Unit has been notified of a confirmed case of whooping cough at Broulee Public School. I am writing to provide advice and ask you to watch out for the symptoms of whooping cough in your child. You may not have suspected that an illness in a person with a mild cough who appear otherwise fit and well, could in fact have whooping cough and spread the infection to other people for up to 3 weeks, which is the time an untreated person remains infectious.

Whooping cough is a highly contagious bacterial disease that can be readily spread by direct contact with droplets from the nose and throat of an infected person. Whooping cough may start as a dry tickle or dry cough and progress to cause bouts of coughing, and sometimes breathing difficulties and vomiting. It can be a very serious infection in small children.

What should people sick with pertussis do?

If your child develops symptoms, please take your child and this letter to your local doctor as soon as possible. Your doctor can advise whether whooping cough is likely and arrange for early treatment if needed. If your child has a cough and whooping cough is suspected please do not send your child to school until a diagnosis can be determined.

To reduce the spread children who have whooping cough should not attend school until they have completed 5 days of the recommended antibiotics. If antibiotics can not be taken, then they need to stay away for 3 weeks after the onset of the cough.

How is it prevented?

It is important to double check that your child is fully up to date with their immunisations against pertussis. If in doubt, please ask your doctor to check. Immunity to whooping cough from immunisation or infection is not life long. It is therefore important to seek medical attention if your child develops a cough even if fully immunised.

A fact sheet with more information is available at http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/PublicHealth/Infectious/whoopingcough/index.asp or call the Infectious Disease Surveillance Officer at the Public Health Unit on 02 4824 1840.

Yours sincerely

LISA CLARKSON