Dear Parents and Carers,

There is a great deal that I love about my work. But often, it is the small things that bring a smile to my face and make my work so rewarding. I love it when the bell rings and I see over 270 children running enthusiastically to their class lines ready to start learning for the day. I love it when I walk into classrooms and see children all engaged in their learning activities and trying their best. I love it when I walk into a staffroom full of laughter. I love seeing the changes in our gardens as spring arrives. I love taking time to work with groups of students in Year 6 and reflect back on how quickly they have grown and feel confident that they will leave for high school as strong individuals. There are so many things to be grateful for, and working at BPS is one of them!

**Special Assembly for Mrs Ball**

On Monday morning we held a special assembly to remember and pay tribute to Wendy Ball, who taught at Ballina Public School for 33 years, before passing away in August this year. It was clear that she was a valued friend, peer and teacher who made a difference as she inspired and engaged young people to learn and succeed. Every student who passed through kindergarten at Ballina Public school fondly recalled memories of Mrs. Ball and wrote them on handmade paper flowers that were placed on the lawn outside the hall. They looked beautiful. Mrs Ball loved the garden and a bench seat was purchased in memory of her to be placed in the school garden.

**Relay for Life**

We are very proud of our choir, who beautifully sang two songs at the Relay for Life event last Saturday. Thank you to students, teachers and parents for giving up part of your weekend to support this event. Mrs. Drinkwater says, “You nailed it!”

Julie Streader
Relieving Assistant Principal

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**Intensive Swimming Program**

Starts Monday, November 10th, continuing on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays until week 8, concluding on Tuesday, November 25th

**Remembrance Day**

Tuesday, November 11th
A minutes silence will be observed at 11am.
BPS will be represented by our school leaders at the RSL memorial service

**Ballina High School Orientation**

Year 5 students to visit the high school Friday, November 14th

**Primary Assembly**

Friday, November 14th
All Welcome!
3-4T will be sharing an item with us.
Hope to see you there
## Congratulations to our Royal Bees

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Enrolment for Kindergarten 2015

Child's name: _______________________________
Date of Birth: ________________________________
Address:____________________________________
Phone number: ______________________________
Parent Name/s: ______________________________
Sibling's Name/s:_____________________________
Email Address:_______________________________

Do you have a brother or sister that is starting Kindergarten next year for 2015? We are currently organising Kindergarten for 2015 and would appreciate it if you could return this form below to the office please, so that your child’s name is on the invitation list for Kindergarten Orientation starting 27th October to 31st October.

Lost Property

Lost property at our school is starting to really pile up, some items have been here for some time now. If your child has been missing things such as jumpers, hats, lunchboxes shoes or socks, please come in and have a look through the lost property trolley, located near the west site canteen, it might be in there! All items that are left at the end of week 7, Friday, 21st of November, will be donated to St Vincent de Paul.

There are 2 scooters currently being held in our front office, that would also fall under the category of lost property. They have been at the school for several months. If your child has been missing a scooter, please contact us and describe it, we would like to see them back with their owners.

Reminder ~ If your child has to hand in a lunch order, please remind them to come straight to the canteen when they arrive at school. There are still some children who continuously forget until it’s lunch time, this makes it difficult to get them something at the last minute!

Meal Deal ‘Rice Power’ Vegetarian Fried Rice, Nudie Juice Popper, Fruit Salad Cup, plus a surprise. $5.00

Did you Know ~ You can pre-cut fruit such as kiwifruit, oranges, watermelon, etc. Fruit will keep fine wrapped in cling wrap, in a ziplock bag, or in a container. Don’t forget to put a spoon in their lunchbox if needed.

Thanks for your support.
Colleen. 0457 641431

Canteen Roster

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P & C News

COFFEE CLUB

All parents & carers are welcome to join us for free afternoon tea, every second Thursday from 2.30~3:00pm, near the West site canteen. It’s a great opportunity to have a chat and meet with other families from our school, and also to have an informal chat with our relieving Principal, Janet O’Shannessy.

The next Coffee Club will be on Thursday, November 13th

Hope to see you there.
The P & C Committee

Banking News

A banking reminder: bank books will be collected by Joan and Alison outside the Kindergarten rooms of a morning on Wednesdays, not from their classrooms.
Thank you for banking,
The Banking Team
Choir News

Talent Quest Final - Thursday 20th November, 2014.

I would like to congratulate all of Ballina Public's very talented students. The judges had to choose from over 45 acts in the auditions for the Ballina Public School Talent Quest (our own unofficial "Ballina Public's Got Talent").

We were treated to singers, instrumentalists, dancers and comedians. The standard was incredibly high and the job for the judges was incredibly difficult.

We have chosen 15 finalist acts, and we have a bit of everything so the finals should be a very entertaining evening. We have students from Kindergarten to year 6! On Thursday night, the 20th November here at school, we will showcase not only the 15 finalist acts, but also the Junior and Senior band, the choir and Mr Macs Rock band.

Please put this date in the calendar if your child is a part of any of these groups (finalists received a special note on Wednesday) or even if they aren't and you just want to see what we have been up to!

Entry will be by gold coin donation at the door and the P & C have generously agreed to help out with a hot dog stand and some coffee, tea and cakes for intermission. We would love to see as many families as possible here to support their children and the school - so don't let this busy time of year mean that you miss this great event.

A massive congratulations should go to those brave students who auditioned - you did an amazing job and we thank you so much for your efforts - as a special thank you, you will be invited to attend the dress rehearsals in the hall on the day of the Talent Quest. All of the rest of the school will have to wait until the big night!

Thank you as well to Michelle Fuller and Alison Mann who were our parent representatives on the judging panel, we appreciate you giving up your own time.

I hope to see you on the 20th!

Warm Regards
Amanda Drinkwater

Meet our Students

NAME: Jacob
YEAR: 5
CLASS: 5-6F
MY FAVOURITE MOVIE: Planes Fire and Rescue
WHAT I DO FOR FUN: Playing sports and with my friends
MY FAVOURITE FOOD: Curried sausages
MY FAVOURITE TV SHOW: Ink Master
MY FAVOURITE BAND: Justice crew
MY FAVOURITE SUBJECTS: Science and spelling
I LOVE COMING TO BPS BECAUSE... I get to see my friends, and I can do good work!

A very happy birthday wish goes out to all our students celebrating their special day this week!!

Reef, 1-2H
Tamika, 1-2H
Izaac, 1-2H
Ciara, 1-2H
Ellie, 3-4T

We hope your day was fantastic!
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