Dear Parents and Carers,

I am very pleased to be back at Ballina Public School, relieving as Principal while Mr Flannery is away on leave. I will be here until the end of term, I’m looking forward to spending time with your children in the classrooms and playground.

**Stranger Danger**

There have been reportings of a suspicious car parked outside the school fence. I have notified police and every teacher has spoken to their class about the importance of not speaking to strangers and reporting anything they feel is not right. The safety of our students is our top priority. All teachers will ensure that while students are here they are safe. Please speak to your child about the importance of not speaking to strangers, not getting into a stranger’s car and to yell and run away. Make sure they are supervised when they are not at school. Your most effective way to express any concern regarding this or any other issue is to contact the school directly.

**Lismore and Richmond Valley Network Education Week Awards**

We have several people nominated from Ballina Public School for an award at the Lismore and Richmond Valley Network Education Week Awards. Eli Cook, Lee Jonsson, Colleen Carriage and Joan Gibson are all in the running to receive one of these prestigious awards. They will be attending Kadina High School next Thursday afternoon. We wish them the best of luck to receive such recognition for all their hard work for our students.

Michelle Stroud-Watts
Relieving Principal

**P&C Meeting**

Monday, September 14th, in our school staff room. Please come along and see what it is that our P&C does within our school.

**Choir Performance at St Andrews**

Monday, September 14th. Students will walk to and from the St Andrews Aged Care Facility.

**Weekly Assembly**

Friday, September 18th in our school hall. All welcome!

**Last day of Term 3**

Friday, September 14th. Have a happy and safe holiday everyone! School will resume on Tuesday, October 6th.
Kinder News!

We have been VERY busy in kindergarten this term! We have been writing every day and learning about the weather. We have made wind socks and a weather journal. We have regular visits from Eli and he has taught us about Aboriginal artifacts, language and dance. We wore our PJ’s to school. We eat together in our new outdoor area and we share fun things every day! Kindergarten is SO much FUN!
Deadly Sports Day

This coming school holidays, Bunjum Aboriginal Cooperative in conjunction with NSW Sport and Rec will be holding a **Deadly Sports Day**. This event will involve sports and activities catering for all age groups and will be open to the entire community. It is set to take place on Tuesday, 22nd September between 10am and 2pm with a BBQ provided. Children attending must be supervised by a parent/carer.

Eli Cook, AEO

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Choir News

On Monday afternoon 14th September the choir will be performing at St Andrews to entertain the residents. This excursion will come under the global permission note so all choir students will be attending. Please contact the school on 66862205 if you do not wish your child to attend. Your child’s attendance will be dependent upon their continuing good behavior at school.

I look forward to being able to entertain the residents at St Andrews with our lovely choir.

As always, it is a pleasure working with your children.

Warm regards
Amanda Drinkwater ♫

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Tutea Fruitea Iced Tea

2 NEW Flavours, Blackcurrant and Lemon flavours. Try one today!

**Next Weeks Meal Deal**

‘Dragon Food’, Vegetarian Fried Rice, Tutea Fruitea Iced Tea, Zooper Dooper, plus a surprise. $5.00.

**Did you know** ~ Australia has over 10,000 beaches. You could visit a new beach everyday for over 27 years.

Visit a new beach these school holidays!!

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**P&C News**

All Parents and Carers are welcome to join us for free afternoon tea, every second Thursday from 2.30~3pm. The last Coffee Club for Term 3 will be Thursday, September 17th. It’s a great opportunity to catch up, and meet other families from our school, and to have an informal chat with our Principal, Peter Flannery. Hope to see you there!

The P&C Committee

Colleen 0457 641431

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**Canteen Roster**

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Kick off the school holidays with a fun bike ride round beautiful Ballina!

When: Sunday 20th September 9am to 11am

Where: Starts at Shaw’s Bay Public Reserve (northern entrance to North Wall)

Where to: 11km loop guided ride on Ballina’s shared pathway and see some of the best views including lakes, creeks, beaches and coastal headlands. A shorter ride will be available to younger cyclists. (Children under 14 years of age must be accompanied by an adult)

Who: All cyclists

What to Bring: Your bike, your helmet and an adult if you are under 14 years of age.

One free coffee for every registered adult!

Contact Ballina Council’s Road Safety Officer on 6688 1477 to book in for the Bike Week Social Ride.

12-20 September 2015. For more information visit transportnsw.info/bikeweek