Dear Parents and Care-givers

It’s Week 11 and as we wind down for the school holidays I would like to thank parents, care-givers, staff and students for an extremely productive first term. Today the children are having a free drumming concert, followed by the Finals of our Talent Quest and this afternoon Stage 2 are holding a Market Stall afternoon. Tomorrow is our Grandparents’ Day and Easter celebrations and visitors are welcome to purchase tickets in the P&C Raffle and the Teacher’s Raffle, both of which will be drawn tomorrow. I would like to thank Ms Schrader for filling in for Mrs Henry, who will return to 2H next term. Mr Erickson will continue to replace Mrs Rodgers who remains on sick leave.

Congratulations to our sports stars who have been accepted into Hunter representative Teams. Jorja; Zoe; Holly; Nathan; Olly; Flinders; Addison and Edward were selected to join the Hunter team for State Cross Country. Jorja and Grace were selected for the Hunter Netball Team and Ezekiel was selected for the Hunter Soccer team to play at State level. What a fantastic effort!

The 2013 Annual School Report has been officially published on our School website. You can find it at www.bolwarra-p.schools.det.nsw.edu.au. If you would like a paper copy you are welcome to pop along to the office and collect a copy. Each year schools are required by law to publish a report to account for the public monies we have received and the school’s achievements in academic, cultural and sporting areas. All schools throughout NSW also have their reports tabled in Parliament.

School holiday kids and family camps: It’s not too late to book your child into a NSW Sport and Rec holiday camp. There are also family camps available year-round, for an active, family-friendly (and pocket-friendly) getaway. Find out more: http://bit.ly/1hWxTrA

School resumes on Tuesday 29th April for all students. Staff will return on Monday 28th for professional learning.

Have a safe and relaxing holiday. See you all on Tuesday 29th April.

Regards
Sue Swetnam

URGENT IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Thank you to those parents who have paid for book packs and work books. There are still outstanding payments so please see Mrs Rapson to make arrangements for a payment plan.
### IMPORTANT DATES

- **11th April**: Grandparents' Day starting at 11am
- **11th April**: Last day of Term 1
- **28th April**: Pupil Free Day
- **29th April**: Students return for Term 2
- **30th April**: Anzac Day Ceremony
- **5th May**: Dance2bfit begins
- **8th May**: Mothers’ Day Stall (K-2)
- **9th May**: Mothers' Day Stall (Years 3-6)
- **9th May**: Hunter Cross Country
- **12th May**: Food Allergy Week
- **13th May**: Wetlands Excursion - Year 2
- **16th May**: Wetlands excursion - Year 1
- **21st May**: St Peter's Music Festival
- **29th May**: Oakvale Farm Excursion - Kindergarten

### WEBSITES

- **P&C Website**: [www.bolwarrapandc.wordpress.com](http://www.bolwarrapandc.wordpress.com)

### YEAR K – 6 NEWS

#### Year 5 Camp to Point Wolstoncroft

What a terrific week was had by our Year 5 students at Point Wolstoncroft last week! Congratulations to all of the students who attended the camp for your pleasing behaviour and involvement in all camp activities. Students participated in activities including kayaking, the giant swing, sailing, rock climbing, archery, the wombat hole (a tunnel through mud and water) and mountain biking. Students developed their skills of team work, co-operation, resilience, organisation, persistence and confidence. Many students pushed themselves to complete activities that challenged them and made them step outside of their comfort zone. Many wonderful memories of Year 5 camp will remain with the students for years to come. Thank you to all of the teachers who participated in the camp for giving up your own family time to make this wonderful opportunity possible for our students. Thank you also to Mr Carlton for assisting us at camp. Next year’s Year 5 camp will again be held at Point Wolstoncroft during Term 3 Week 10.

#### Drumming!

Col Hatchman gave a FREE drumming concert today in our school hall. Col will be teaching drumming to a limited number of students (at a cost of $10) beginning next term. Expression of interest forms are going home to those students who are interested in learning drumming. Col was the drummer for the Screaming Jets (WOW!) and teaches drumming at several schools in our area. The concert was enjoyed by all!

#### Stewart House

Please return Stewart House envelopes to school by Friday 11th April to be eligible for a draw in a $4,000 holiday to a destination of your choice.
**Mothers’ Day Stall**
From the beginning of Term 2 students are able to bring in a small gift to donate to the Mothers’ Day Stall. Our Mothers’ Day Stall will be held on Thursday 8th May (K-2) and Friday 9th May (Years 3-6) in Week 2 of Term 2. The price of gifts will be from $1 to $5 each, allowing students the opportunity to purchase an inexpensive gift for the occasion.

**NAIDOC Week**
As a way of contributing much needed funds to support Aboriginal Initiatives for Koori Kids, Bolwarra School always advertises a NAIDOC pack where you can purchase a variety of items to celebrate NAIDOC Week.

Koori Kids was founded to bring a progressive co-ordinated approach to the cultural development of our kids in particular in the areas of public awareness, reconciliation and cultural diversity and friendship. It is our vision that each and every kid both black and white should be given equal support to attain their goals, not only in sport but in their everyday life.

The Kids Fund vision reflects the need in our communities to grab hold of kids and to steer them away from the ever increasing drug and alcohol problems that are epidemic in communities everywhere. We aim to bring role-models with the support of the NRL, AFL, Netball Australia, Soccer Australia, the Australian Music and Film – Television industries to their communities to host sporting clinics, family days, concerts, discos and entertainment drama clinics. By doing this we are showing our kids that there is a better way of life than hanging out on the streets and becoming a judicial statistic.

A key priority for Koori Kids is to formulate the Prime Minister’s Inaugural NAIDOC Student of the year awards and to continue its NAIDOC Week School Initiative Competitions that are still going strong.

Support provided to Koori Kids has enabled us to provide support to assist youngsters with their endeavours including assistance with travel for students participating in sports interstate. Previous donations to the Premier’s Disaster Relief Fund including our annual Operation Christmas last year, we were able to distribute over 380 presents to kids hospitalised in Sydney Children’s Hospitals.

This year we have the following items for sale as orders. Please find the order form at the end of the newsletter. Orders need to be back at school by Wednesday 21st May 2014.
When it is your child’s birthday, they have the opportunity to donate a book of their choice (already purchased by the library) for the small cost of $6.00. The books will be presented to the children on assembly. Each book will have a special message inside saying who has donated the book. The birthday child will be the first to borrow the book. The following children have recently joined the Bolwarra Birthday Book Club: Zephyr, Noah and Matthew.

CLASSROOM CAPERS

KE What a fabulous term we have had. KE have learnt so much and have had such a great first term of Kindergarten. Next term brings lots of new topics and activities, we even have our excursion to look forward to! Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help with reading groups, the roster will come home in Week 1 of next term. Thanks again for all of your support this term and I hope you all have a safe and fantastic holiday. See you after the holidays!

KT KT have had a wonderful term of learning and a smooth transition to 'big school'. We already know lots of sight words and sounds and have worked hard to begin to read and write. We are excited about Grandparents’ Day and are looking forward to a well-deserved rest during the Easter holidays. Our Dance2bfit program begins in Week 2 of next term. Thank you to all those who have paid, it is a very worthwhile program and is thoroughly enjoyed by the children. If you are unsure if you have paid or not, drop into see me as I have a list in my room. Have a wonderful break with your children and thank you for all your support this term.

KW Happy Easter to KW and their families. We hope you have a safe and enjoyable holiday. Thank you to those who are able to assist with reading groups next term. A roster will be sent home next term. Our classroom has a colourful collection of the children’s work samples and they are justifiably proud of their efforts. We hope you enjoy looking at the work they have completed this term on Friday and enjoy our Grandparents’ Day celebrations. Happy Easter everyone!

1B The students in 1B have enjoyed being extra creative this week with Easter and Grandparents’ Day activities. We have also been writing fantastic complex sentences during interactive writing about fierce black cats. In maths we have been working on place value and are getting quite clever at adding up three digit numbers. We are all looking forward to a good break. I would like to thank everyone for their hard work this term and I would also like to wish you all a safe and happy Easter. Take care everyone and I look forward to seeing you all in Term 2.

1H In 1H this week we have been talking about our grandparents in preparation for Grandparents’ Day tomorrow. We have drawn some fantastic portraits and have been writing about why our grandparents are the best. 1H would like to wish everyone a happy and safe Easter holiday and we look forward to a fantastic Term 2 together.

1M We are enjoying a jam-packed week of Easter/Grandparents’ activities this week. The students delightedly prepared Easter biscuits and discussed procedural texts, such as recipes, at the same time. The best part, of course, was eating the biscuits at the end! We have used jellybeans to gather and plot information on a graph, again enjoying the produce at the
completion of the activity. Our grandparent portraits are a treat and we know they will delight our visitors tomorrow. What a productive term we have had in 1M. We are all ready for a holiday and are looking forward to a visit by the Easter Bunny.

2C This week we reflect on our learning over the term and are proud of our achievements. We are completing unfinished work, revising concepts taught over the term and are completing some assessments. Students enjoyed our combined Scripture yesterday and are looking forward to a drumming concert, Talent Quest Final and the Stage 2 Market Day today and also Grandparents’ Day tomorrow. Students are also excited for the draw of our class Easter raffle. I look forward to a most productive time with students on their return in Term 2.

2H 2H have been finishing work on the text ‘No David’ and our work on inferencing and making meaning of visual illustrations in a text. In numeracy we have again been revising the different concepts we have learnt this term. We have started Easter and Grandparents’ Day writing tasks this week. 2H have created some wonderful portraits of our grandparents. We have been busy rehearsing our items for Grandparents’ Day tomorrow. Wishing you all a wonderful Easter and relaxing holiday break.

2W Congratulations to everyone in 2W for your hard work this term! This week we have had a lovely time creating things for Easter and Grandparents’ Day. Thank you to all our parent helpers for your time and support during literacy groups this term! I hope that you all have a wonderful break!! See you all in Term 2, refreshed and ready to learn!

3L How the past 11 weeks have flown by! This week we have many wonderful events in store such as our much anticipated Market Day, a drumming performance and Grandparents’ Day. I would like to thank you all for the bits and pieces that you have contributed for our markets, the whole class has been very excited and devoted to their stalls. I hope you all have a happy and safe Easter break. Good Luck and best wishes to the Carlton family who are moving to Tasmania over the holidays, you will be missed!

3T We are super excited about our market stall today. We have enjoyed preparing our business plan and preparing for our special stalls. This week we worked hard on writing quality descriptions and analysed the importance of understanding word problems in maths. We all enjoyed our Easter scripture service yesterday and singing the songs with Father Chris. Remember that there will be no reading groups or homework for the first 3 weeks of term. Well done on a great term 3T. I wish you all a great Easter holiday and I look forward to seeing you all safe and well in 2 weeks.

3-4B What a busy week 3-4B have had and we can't believe we have nearly finished Term 1. Time is just flying by. This week we have been continuing our investigations into figurative language- looking at idioms, onomatopoeia, hyperboles and personification. We have had fun trying to use these devices in our writing, to help make our writing more interesting and descriptive for the reader. We have published some historical imaginative texts and aged the paper to look like it has been around for a loooong time. We aged the paper using tea bags and ripping and scrunching the paper. Be sure to look out for these excellent pieces of writing, they are hanging in our classroom. We are super excited for Grandparents’ Day and the Stage 2 Market Day stall and we have been busily readying ourselves for the big days. Bring in your money to help support the student council. 3-4B’s stalls are called Lovers Beauty Salon, Socklemania, Guess the Character, Loomzy Loom Band Land, Colouring in Competition, Spiders in a Drink and Awesome Handball Competition! A big thank you to parents for helping your child to prepare for their stall. Thank you for a wonderful term. I hope you have a restful holiday. Looking forward to Term 2! Miss Blayden
4B have been working extremely hard on their business plans and making stock and getting organised for our market stall. We have been busy making posters, radio adverts and planning rosters for the stall holders.....everything has been thought of. We will be presenting certificates tomorrow for the most profitable stall, the most ‘green’ stall, the most innovative product/service and excellence in marketing and advertising! I think we have a few entrepreneurs in the making! It has been a pleasure working with and getting to know these wonderful children this term and I am looking forward to another rewarding term after the holidays, rest up children, you've worked hard! See you after the holidays! 😊

4RE have been very busy working on our market stalls for today. We have organised our groups, developed business plans, created posters and even advertised at assembly. We can't wait to raise as much money as we can. In literacy we have been learning about alliteration and how to write tongue twisters. We are continuing to learn about fractions in maths and have been learning how to draw portraits using symmetry and proportion. 4RE, you deserve a well earned break. Have a good holiday!

5A After a wonderful camp 5A are using the week to catch up on activities which we need to complete by the end of term. We are hoping to finish reading our class novel, 'Misery Guts', and look at some episodes from the television series.

5PL Term1 has flown by so quickly! Congratulations to all students in 5PL for their persistence, organisation and hard work throughout the term. We are looking forward to tackling the new challenges that Term 2 will bring. We have settled back into the classroom this week after our amazing time at camp last week. We have continued to look at Australian explorers in HSIE, focusing on Burke and Wills and John Oxley this week. Our focus in maths is 3D shapes. We have particularly enjoyed making models of 3D shapes using plasticine and toothpicks. We are all looking forward to celebrating Grandparents Day tomorrow. We have drawn wonderful charcoal sketches of our grandparents and can't wait to welcome our grandparents into our room on Friday.

5-6D Where has Term 1 gone? Thank you to all of the parent helpers who have assisted us in the classroom this term. Your support and assistance is much appreciated! This week we have been very busy completing our science unit on ‘Space’. We have been learning about the reasons why we have day and night as well as different seasons. We will also complete our HSIE unit this week on ‘Australian Inland Explorers’ by learning about the journey of Bourke and Wills. This term we have enjoyed reading the novel ‘Finders Keepers’ and making book trailers for the novel using the iPad app ‘iMovies’. We certainly have some creative talent in drama! We have also been writing discussions on the topics ‘Should Loom Bracelets be Banned from Schools?’ and ‘Should We Continue with Space Exploration?’ 5-6D would like to wish everyone a happy and safe holiday. I am sure everyone will come back well rested and ready for another exciting and hard working term in Term 2.

6L We have had a very productive term in 6L and I have been most impressed with student behaviour and the quality of work completed. This week we will be completing end of term assessments in science, HSIE and mathematics. In mathematics we are working with fractions, including looking at equivalent fractions and adding and subtracting fractions with
common and related denominators. Students will be presenting their powerpoints on a space mission that we have been researching during computers. Thank you to our reading helpers this term. Reading groups will begin in Week 2 next term. Have a great holiday 6L and rest up in readiness for a busy Term 2.

**Library**

The Library is a hub of activity during lunch times. A special request please, for any old, but still in good condition games or puzzles you may like to donate to the library. Our equipment is becoming very well worn through lots of use! Wishing you all a very happy and safe Easter break.

**Choir**

The MLC Choir performed at The Largs Nursing Home on Tuesday and presented themselves fabulously! The choir is made up of students from different schools in our area. Unfortunately, we no longer have any members form Bolwarra, even though the rehearsals are held at our school on a Monday afternoon. Children who can sing, from Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 are welcome to join. The choir is held from 4pm till 5pm on a Monday afternoons in our school hall. Children who wish to participate are welcome to come and be supervised in the library by me on a Monday afternoon until choir begins. Please contact me at school if your child is interested in joining this talented choir. The Choirs will have their first performances tomorrow at Grandparents' Day. The children are very excited about performing, see you there!

**Environment**

Happy holidays! Enviro gardening starts next term. Enviro table Wednesday and Friday mornings. Take care!

**Sport**

Bolwarra students have enjoyed a wonderful and successful term in regards to sport. We have now concluded all our winter trials and congratulate all of our students who have made Hunter teams. Next term we will be selecting boys and girls soccer teams for the State Knockout competition. Also, we will be holding our school athletics carnival in June. The date is yet to be confirmed.

**Soccer:** Congratulations to Ezekiel and Caleb who participated in the Zone team recently at the Hunter carnival. Congratulations to Ezekiel who went on to make the Hunter team from the possibles and probables game. All the best at the State carnival next term!

**Netball:** Congratulations to Jorja, Grace, Lexy and Libby who were a part of the recent Zone team. A special congratulations to Jorja and Grace who then went on to be selected in the Hunter team. Good luck girls at the State carnival next term!

**Touch Football:** Over the past two weeks our students have trialled at school for the Zone Touch Football selections. The trials were very competitive with many students displaying a real talent. Congratulations to the following students who will represent Bolwarra at the Zone trials in Term 2: Eddie, Olly, Clancy, Caleb, Nathan, Lexy, Jorja, Zoe R, Stella, Mia and Zoe M. Good luck girls!

**Cross Country:** Last Thursday 30 Bolwarra students competed at Tocal in the Zone Cross Country. All of our students performed outstandingly in their events that had around 80 children from the Maitland area. A special congratulations to the following students who gained selection to now compete at the Hunter Cross Country next term: Jorja, Zoe, Holly, Nathan, Olly, Flinders, Addision and Edward.
Music

Music classes have been great this term with the children gaining experience with instruments (percussion) and lots of body percussion and movement. Kinder and Stage 1 students are becoming really clever with maintaining a beat. Year 4 (Mrs Price’s groups) are beginning to have a recorded musical background to enhance with body percussion while others are using instruments to enhance the beat. Happy holidays everyone!

P&C NEWS

A big thank you to Woolworths for donating 6 month’s supply of Tim Tams for 1st prize in our raffle which is drawn tomorrow during Grandparents’ Day.

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2

Thank you to all of our volunteers who helped out in the canteen last week. A big thank you to the volunteers on Pizza Day, lots of positive feedback from children (and it was lovely to not have to make lunches on a Monday morning)! Please remember that the canteen is CLOSED this Friday as it is the last day of term.

The roster for next term is included below. Thank you to everyone who returned their green forms indicating their willingness to volunteer. If there are any issues with this roster please contact me directly so I can make any necessary changes.

Enjoy the holidays and have a Happy Easter, Alison (0409 653 868)

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Our cafe serves delicious Merlot coffee, healthy sandwiches,
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play4kids.com.au

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Join the new Feel Good Fresh Start 8 Week Challenge
commencing Monday 28th April
Make yourself look good and feel great! Results guaranteed!
For bookings and enquiries please call
Colette 0418 454 352
**SCHOOL REWARDS PROGRAM**

**$5 FROM EVERY PAIR OF SHOES PURCHASED IS DONATED BACK TO OUR SCHOOL.**

The Athlete's foot stock a range of school shoes to ensure that there are options for everyone. $5 from every shoe purchased is donated back to our school. Even better, this applies to the whole family across their fantastic range of school, sports, work and casual shoes.

**The Athlete's Foot**
Charlestown (02) 4942 1848 – Greenhills (02) 4933 1288 – Glendale (02) 4954 4820

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**Upstage Youth Theatre presents...**

**Romeo & Juliet**

"You are a lover. Borrow Capulet’s wings..."

This autumn, at Tulloch Wines, picnic in the Tuscan courtyard and enjoy theatre under a starlit sky.

Shakespeare's powerful story is funny, bleak, amorous, frightening, devilishly romantic and inspiring.

And of course at the heart of it is a soaring love affair...

‘You are a lover. Borrow Capulet’s wings...’

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**SAVE THE DATE**

**2014 RUN NEWCASTLE**

**WE'RE BACK & CAN'T WAIT TO BE BIGGER & BETTER!**

**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 30, 2014**

100% of every registration goes straight to the redevelopment of Adolescent Ward at John Hunter Children's Hospital.

**RUN, WALK OR ROLL... JUST GET INVOLVED!**

**REGISTRATIONS OPENING SOON AT RUNAUSTRALIA.COM.AU**

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**HELEN O’GRADY DRAMA ACADEMY 2014 MAITLAND**

"Increase your child’s communication skills, self-confidence and creative talents."

(Speech, Improvisation, Movement, Scriptwork and Productions.)

**DRAMA CLASSES:**

Maitland Polish Hall - Thursdays
(Established for 23 years in Maitland)

**PRIMARY**:
7 – 11 YEARS

**YOUTH**:
12 – 16 YEARS

Enrolments now being taken for 2014

(Classes conducted in the Hunter for the past 23 years.)

Principal: Shane Skarby
Ph: 02 49 892338 for details
Email: dramacorp@bigpond.com

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**Can Saver Plus assist you with school costs?**

Join Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to $500 for educational costs including:

- school uniforms and text books
- computers, laptops and tablets
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You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, are at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner) and have a child at school or study yourself.

Contact Cynthia Culhane, your local Saver Plus Worker:
(02) 4927 8385 / 0418 699 646
or cynthia.culhane@smithfamily.com.au
Hi from the YMCA at St Paul's Rutherford

It's quickly approaching the end of term with holidays starting. Need care for your child/ren or are they looking for something to do during the holidays. We have some great excursions which include going to the Museum in Sydney to see the Dinosaur Exhibition, we are going to Treetop Adventure – which is like an outdoor recreation centre. Then the second week we are going on an excursion and doing barefoot bowls and also going to the movies. When we are not out and about on an excursion we are having days at the centre. The theme days include bringing bikes and having a Bike & Wheels Day, a Magic Tricks Day, a Treasure Hunt Day and on the pupil free day having an Art Frenzy Day.

We have plenty of spots available so come in to the centre and collect a form to fill in or download a form from www.oshc.ymca.org.au
Call 0408587421 for more information. Thank you Libby, Carol and Rebecca

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**TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER**

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by volunteering to host one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in July 2014 for their 3, 5, or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Spain and Colombia will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money, and comprehensive insurance cover, all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. You choose the nationality, the gender, the duration and the interests of the student that you feel is the best match for your family. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceaust@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

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**Children With Type 1 Diabetes - Are You Challenged by Your Child’s Diabetes?**

Research into parenting children with type 1 diabetes.

The University of Queensland is conducting research into parenting children with type 1 diabetes. Parenting a child with diabetes presents many challenges (everything from the regular blood glucose monitoring and insulin intake, to more general parenting tasks). The aim of this study is to understand the factors that make the management of childhood diabetes particularly difficult, and to use this information to develop strategies that might assist parents in managing their child’s diabetes.

If you are a parent of a 2 to 10-year-old child with type 1 diabetes, we would love to hear from you!

By sharing your experiences (confidentially), you will be making a valuable contribution to the development of much-needed childhood diabetes management strategies for parents.

To complete the online survey, please log on to: [https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/type1.diabetes](https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/type1.diabetes)

For further information about the project or to request a survey to be posted to you, please email Aditi Lohan (aditi.lohan@uqconnect.edu.au) or call (07 3365 7689) at the Parenting and Family Support Centre in the School of Psychology at the University of Queensland, St Lucia QLD 4072 (Fax: 07 3365 6724).

Thank you for your time and participation.

Aditi Lohan, Alina Morawska, and Amy Mitchell
UQ Parenting and Family Support Centre
Awabakal’s Twilight
Awabakal Nature Reserve
Bring the family and search for some elusive nocturnal Australian animals. Listen to some stories about the night sky along the way.
When: Friday 11th April 2014
Time: 7pm-9pm Grade: Easy
Meet: End of Ocean Street, Dudley
Cost: $9 Child, $10 adults, $28 family

Art in the Park-Bush Art
Blue Gum Hills Regional Park
Bring along all the family to meet an Aboriginal Discovery Ranger who will introduce you to painting in the bush art way. Take home your own creation!
When: Wednesday 16th April
Time: 10am-12pm Grade: Easy
Meet: Blue Gum Hills RP Car Park
Off Minmi Rd, Minmi
Cost: $10 per person- includes all materials

All Ages bike riding on Ash Island
Hunter Wetland National Park
Ever wondered what was across the bridge? Join a Discovery Ranger on an easy bike ride exploring the flats of Ash Island. Realize the tranquility of the Hunter River & pack lunch to picnic along the riverfront. Bring your bike and helmet.
When: Saturday 12th April 2014
Time: 10am-Noon Grade: Easy
Meet: Ash Island. Across the bridge follow to carpark at schoolmasters house
Cost: $8 Child, $10 adults, $28 family

Celebrate Heritage Week
FREE TOUR
Blue Gum Hills RP
Join a Discovery Ranger for a journey along the Heritage Walking Track following the Minmi-Back Creek rail embankment to Brown’s Colliery No. 2 mine. You will pass by a 1870s ventilation shaft, engine foundations and open cut mining remnants. Light refreshments will be supplied at the Village Green Picnic Area, which also provides shelters and free BBQ for your use.
Cost: FREE When: Thursday 17th April
Time: 10am-12pm Grade: Easy
Meet: Blue Gum Hills RP Car Park
Off Minmi Rd, Minmi

WilderQuest
Easter Bunny v’s Easter Bilby
Awabakal Nature Reserve
Join a Discovery Ranger to search for the Easter Bunnies homes and compare how alike they are to Australia’s very own Easter Bilby. Lots of exploring and Easter art for all the family.
When: Monday 14th April 2014
Time: 10am-Noon Grade: Easy
Meet: carpark at end of Ocean St Dudley
Cost: $15 child, discounts for more than 1 child. Adults FREE

Roll & Stroll with Bubs & Tots
Glenrock State Conservation Area
Wheel and walk the well graded flat path to Flagggy Creek. Enjoy your morning tea while the kids connect with nature as they read an Australian Bush story by the creek.
When: Wednesday 23rd April 2014
Time: 10am-Noon Grade: Medium
Meet: NPWS Carpark-Off Burwood Rd Kahibah. Cost: $10 per family

Wilderness-Stockton Sandspit
Hunter Wetland National Park
Join our Discovery bird expert at Hunter Wetlands NP to discover the many species of birds that call this special place home.
When: Tuesday 15th April 2014
Time: 10am-Noon Grade: Easy
Meet: Under Stockton Bridge in the carpark
Cost: $8 per person

Wilderness-Rockpool Ramble
Glenrock State Conservation Area
Learn more about the fascinating wild world of rock pools. Where do the animals live? How do they survive? Discover the answers with us at Burwood Beach.
When: Thursday 24th April 2014
Time: 9am-11am Grade: Easy
Meet: Merewether Baths
Cost: $15 per child, discounts for more kids

For bookings and information call: NPWS 49 464112
**BUSH POETRY COMPETITION**

**Entry form & Rules**

As part of the 2014 Tocal Field Days we are holding a Bush Poetry Competition. The aim of the competition is to encourage children to use their imagination to write bush poetry.

The theme of the competition is ‘Australiana’

There will be two sections in the competition.

* Section 1 is open to children up to and including Year 4
* Section 2 is open to children in Years 5 and 6

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

- The work must be the original work of the child and should be limited to 4 verses (but can be less)
- Finalist will be selected to perform their poem in the Children’s Park area at Tocal Field Days on Friday May 2, 2014
- The judges decision will be final
- All poems will be printed and included in a photocopied booklet which will be distributed to all schools that participate
- All children entering the competition will receive a certificate
- Closing date is Thursday 24th of April
- Entries can be faxed, mailed or email to;
  - Mail - Tocal Field Days 815 Tocal Rd, PATERSON 2421
  - Email - fielddays@tocal.com
  - Fax 4939 8807
- The winner in each section will receive
  - 1\textsuperscript{st} - $50 cash prize plus a copy of the Bush Poet Bob Skelton’s book
  - 2\textsuperscript{nd} - $30 cash prize plus a copy of the Bush Poet Bob Skelton’s book
  - 3\textsuperscript{rd} - $20 cash prize plus a copy of the Bush Poet Bob Skelton’s book
- A second copy of the book will be awarded to the winners’ school.

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Please attach your poem to this form. **CLOSING DATE 24th April 2014**

**DECLARATION**

1. This poem is all my own work
2. I give my permission for my poem to be printed in a booklet which will be distributed to all participating schools.
3. I understand and give permission for my poem to be printed in the Maitland Mercury if I am one of the finalists

_________________________________________
Signature of student
NAIDOC WEEK 2014

Orders need to be back at school by Wednesday 21st May 2014
Payment by cash or cheque made payable to Bolwarra Public School

Child’s Name: ________________________________ Class: ______________

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Signature Parent/Caregiver: ________________________________ Amount enclosed __________

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