From the Principal’s Desk
Week 5 already! There are a number of exciting activities happening over the next few weeks so I hope to see you at school soon.

Water Bug Excursion
On Wednesday 21st October, Mid Coast Water conducted their ‘Water bug’ excursion for our students. Our instructor for the afternoon, Miss Hughes led our students through some exciting activities at the river park which involved checking the water quality and examining some of our water bugs. The afternoon was a great success and I thank Miss Hughes and Mid Coast Water for their efforts in organising this wonderful learning experience for the children!

Grandparents Day
On Friday 23rd October, the school held our 2015 Grandparents day. The day started at 10am with a discussion about the importance of our grandparents and some sharing of stories from their era. It was wonderful to see so many of our parents, grandparents and great grandparents participating in the activities on the day. A wonderful time was had by all and a big thank you to Mrs Capizzi for her organisation and efforts with this activity.

CALENDAR

TERM 4 WEEK 5
Wednesday 4th December
Kindergarten 2016 Orientation Day

TERM 4 WEEK 6
Monday 9th Nov – Friday 13th Nov
School Swimming Scheme

Wednesday 11th November
Bulahdelah Show Student Night

TERM 4 WEEK 7
Wednesday 18th November
Kindergarten 2016 Orientation Day
Assembly 2pm

TERM 4 WEEK 8
Wednesday 25th November
K-2 Excursion Port Macquarie

TERM 4 WEEK 9
Wednesday 2nd December
Kindergarten Orientation Day
Teddy Bears Picnic

TERM 4 WEEK 10
Thursday 10th December
Presentation Day Assembly
Reports Home
Yr 6 Farewell Dinner/Disco

Friday 11th December
Rewards Day – Big Buzz

TERM 4 WEEK 11
Wednesday 16th December
Last day for students
**Grandparents Day memories**

Swim School
Next week students will be learning to swim at Great Lakes YMCA in Forster. The group will leave school at 9.30am and return no later than 2.00pm each day. The cost for the week is $35 for 1 child, $60 for 2 or $70 for 3 children, which includes transport costs and pool entry. Could you please return the permission slip and money to Trish **no later than Wednesday 4th November**. Please also remember that Friday 13th November will be our Swimming carnival. We hope to see you on the day!

Car Boot Sale
Last Saturday, the school P and C held our Car Boot Sale at the Coolongolook Oval. It was pleasing to see so many people support this fundraiser with over 55 stalls trading on the day. Thank you to many parents who assisted with the organisation of the day and a special thank you to the parents who looked after the barbeque. The day was so successful that plans have already been made for our next car boot sale early in 2016. Thank you everyone!
**Week 4 Assembly**
Last Wednesday afternoon, we held our Week 4 assembly in the 3-6 classroom. At the assembly, we announced our class reading, writing, numeracy and playground awards. Congratulations to our award winners!

![K-2 Award winners](image1)
![3-6 Award winners](image2)

**Bulahdelah Show Student Night**
On Wednesday 11th November, the Bulahdelah Show committee will once again hold its ‘Student Night’ at the Bulahdelah Showground. Our students have recently completed writing and art works for this awards night and we await names of winners in these areas. More information to follow later in the week!

**Kinder Orientation**
This Wednesday, the school welcomes our Kindergarten 2016 for their first orientation day. The day will start at 9.30am with a welcome to the parents and students in our school library. Our Kinders will then join our K-2 group for the morning and middle sessions. Activities will conclude at 1.30pm and parents are encouraged to join the child/ren in the playground before leaving at 2pm. We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday!

**P and C Meeting**
A brief parent and carers meeting will be held this Thursday 5th November at 3pm to discuss our new BBQ area.

Our next P and C meeting will be held **on Thursday 19th November at 2pm**. On the agenda will be a review of the Car Boot sale and discussion of our Bushfire Plan and the P and C gift for the presentation assembly. We hope to see you there!

**School Hats and Water Bottles**
With the summer months almost upon us, it is more important than ever to cover up and rehydrate. Therefore during Term 4, all students will be encouraged to have the bottle filled at all times and have them in the room during class time. In addition, it is compulsory for all students to be wearing their school hats during playtime. We will once again be enforcing the ‘No hat, no play’ rule during the term and any student without a hat will remain sitting in the shaded area at playtime.

**Head Lice**
Just a quick reminder, that there have been a few recent reports of head lice at school. We hope you can continue to check your child’s hair regularly and take appropriate action if required.

**Library Borrowing**
Just a reminder that we are now changing library books during our weekly library lessons. These lessons will be taught by Mrs Smith and Mrs Walker on Thursdays. **Library borrowing will finish on Thursday 26th November.**

**Get Well Soon**
As everyone would know, Mrs Ross has been unwell over the past few weeks. On behalf of the school community, we wish you a speedy recovery Anne-Maree and look forward to having you back at school soon!

*Jason Tindall - Teaching Principal*