Thursday 28th February

Thank you to all of our students, staff and community members for collaborating once again to bring about a fantastic swimming carnival to start us off for 2013. The aim of the day is participation, having a go, cheering on your mates and trying your personal best. It is also really nice to see that we have a significant number of students reaching levels that allow them to go on to compete with other students in the wider Central Coast area at zone level. Thank you to our brilliant teaching staff who put so much effort into organising the carnival. In particular to Mrs McLaren and Mrs Harris for all of their efforts to ensure things run smoothly on the day. Thanks for a great day everyone!

Important notice to parents:
additional school development day
starting Term 2
All schools are in the process of developing a greater understanding of the new National Curriculum, to be implemented in part from the Start of 2014. The New National English Syllabus must be implemented from the start of next year and all teaching staff are in the process of developing their understanding of the changes that need to be catered for. As part of this process, there will be an additional school development day at the start of Term 2 this year to allow staff to participate in a significant level of professional development. A great number of hours are required over the course of the year to ensure our teaching staff have a full working knowledge of the new National English Syllabus. At the start of Term 2: NSW Public School teachers will return to school on Monday 29th April and Tuesday 30th April. Students will return to school on Wednesday 1st May.

Here are eight easy ways to help your kids stay out of trouble in cyberspace.
It is important to be aware of what your child is doing in cyberspace. We teach our children how to behave and conduct themselves in daily life. Have you considered these points?

- Don’t let your child post photos of themselves wearing their school uniform – it can be enough to identify your child’s school.
- Ensure your child never organises to meet up with any strangers they have met online.
- Talk about what websites are appropriate with your child so they understand and make the right choice. If your child starts being secretive about what they are doing online, check it out.

### School Dates for the Fridge Door

**Assembly Time**
Tuesday 19th February
1.40pm
Combined K-6

**Star FM Visit**
Thursday 7th March

**AECG Meeting**
Wednesday 13th March
2.45pm

**Cross Country**
Tuesday 26th March
Swimming Carnival

Yesterday 165 students from years 2-6 attended the annual swimming carnival at Wyong Pool. It was a wonderful day with all students showing great support for their houses and fellow students. A big congratulations to our new house captains who showed great enthusiasm and responsibility leading their houses.

Thank you to all parents who attended on the day and showed their support for not only their children but also the school as a whole.

Ten students have qualified for the zone carnival to be held next week. These students will receive their note shortly. We wish all these students the best of luck.

Ribbons will be handed out in the near future to those students who gained a first, second or third place based on their times.

Blue Haven Aboriginal Choir

On Tuesday 26th March, Aboriginal students from years 4-6 performed at the Blue Haven Community Centre for the opening of the Communities for Children Forum. They sang two Aboriginal songs "Innanay" and "Melaleuca" and sounded spectacular. I would like to thank all students for giving up some of their own time to rehearse and congratulate the students on their amazing efforts!

Miss Hanlon

YCDI Week 5

You Can Do It’s (YCDI’s) focus is building social, emotional, and motivational capacity of young people rather than focusing on their problems and deficits. It encourages prevention, promotion, and intervention efforts (school, home and community) in order to build the social and emotional strengths of young people.

YCDI seeks to develop the social and emotional capacity within all students and "level the playing field" among students. As some children are more developed socially and emotionally than others, YCDI helps those with lower social and emotional capacity to grow. However in order to change the development of young people with poor emotional, social and behavioural challenges and poor learning outcomes and to accelerate their social and emotional development, it is vital that schools, homes and communities be transformed so that the responsibility for supporting and educating, including quality social and emotional experiences and caring relationships, is shared throughout the community.

Later in the year, students will be learning about the core foundation of ‘Persistence’.

Persistence means trying hard to do your best and not giving up when something feels like it’s too difficult or boring.

Examples of Persistent Behaviour include:
- Tidying up after playing with equipment even though you don’t want to
- Finishing a task, even if you need to ask for help
- Keep trying when learning new things even though it is hard
- Not rushing your work
- To keep trying even if you are tired

Positive Habits of The Mind that help develop Persistence include:
I Can Do It!- Thinking that I’m more likely to be successful than I am to fail.

Giving Effort- thinking that the harder I try, the more successful I will be, and knowing that success is not caused by external factors (luck, ease of task), but by internal factors (effort)

Working Tough- thinking that in order to be successful in the future, I sometimes have to do things that are not easy or fun in the present.
Negative Habits of the Mind that discourage Persistence include:
I Can’t Do It- means thinking that, when I have not been successful at something important, I am not good at anything and never will be.
I Can’t Be Bothered- means thinking that life should always be fun and exciting and that I can’t stand it when things are frustrating or boring.

Parents & Citizens NEWS

Thank you to all the parents that came to the P&C meeting last night. It was great to see new faces.
The next meeting and AGM will be Wednesday 20th March 2013 at 6pm.

P & C email is bhpsspandc@hotmail.com if you need to contact us in regards to P & C matters, uniform or to offer your help in any of our events.

Canteen NEWS

Pizza Meal Deal

Thursday 7th March 2013
1/4 family pizza and water or popper

$5.00

ORDERS MUST BE IN BY MONDAY 4th March

Order form does not need to be attached to lunch bag just send in an envelope or snap lock bag.

STAR 104.5

We will be at the school for breakfast from 6am

Pre-order your egg and bacon rolls at the canteen

Egg & Bacon Roll $3.50

Egg Roll $3.00

Come down early to join in the fun to have breakfast with your kids.

It is PIZZA DAY meal deal day as well, no need to worry about lunches!

www.flexischools.com.au

If you wish to volunteer we always love to see new friendly faces.

Uniform Shop NEWS

We are no longer offering Lay-by at the shop

Uniform shop open Monday 2pm to 2.30pm

Fast and easy way to order uniforms is at www.flexischools.com.au
orders will be delivered to your child’s class.

Fundraising NEWS

Easter Raffle
Easter is fast approaching and we are organising our Easter raffle.
If you are able to donate and Easter egg or baskets please send them into the canteen.
For every donation your child will receive a bluey.
Raffle tickets will be sent home Monday.

Woolworths equipment has arrived!

Kindergarten Rooms
Lake Haven

Thursday March 21st 5pm - 8pm
FREE
Face painting - Snow Cones - Hot dogs
Jumping Castle - Fairy Floss - Popcorn
Kids Craft - Mini Jeeps
Enquiries: 43944000