## Dates for your diary

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<td>Thursday 11th February</td>
<td>AVID Parent Information Session – Years 5 &amp; 6</td>
<td>2.45pm at school</td>
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<td>Friday 12th February</td>
<td>Book Club Orders are due</td>
<td>In the front Office</td>
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<td>Wednesday 17th February</td>
<td>P &amp; C meeting – All welcome</td>
<td>6.30pm in the staffroom</td>
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<td>Ovarian Cancer Afternoon Teal</td>
<td>3.15pm in the school library</td>
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<td>Twilight Swimming Carnival Students 8 years old and older</td>
<td>4pm – 7.30pm @ Wyong Pool</td>
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<td>Tuesday 8th March</td>
<td>STAR 104.5 at Blue Haven Public School</td>
<td>6.30am-9am</td>
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<td>Wednesday 9th March</td>
<td>Cross Country</td>
<td>On school oval</td>
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<td>Friday 11th March</td>
<td>Magical World of Crazy Science</td>
<td>$5.00/student</td>
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<td>In the school hall</td>
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<td>Monday 14th March –</td>
<td>Life Education</td>
<td>$6.00/student</td>
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<td>Friday 18th March</td>
<td>Easter Mufti Day</td>
<td>Wear mufti and donate Easter Eggs for the P &amp; C Easter raffle</td>
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<td>Monday 21st March</td>
<td>Canteen Meal Deal</td>
<td>Order a meal deal from the canteen – note to come home soon</td>
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<td>Thursday 24th March</td>
<td>Easter Hat Parade</td>
<td>Kindergarten to Year 6</td>
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<td>Friday 25th March</td>
<td>Good Friday</td>
<td>Public holidays – no school</td>
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<td>Monday 28th March</td>
<td>Easter Monday</td>
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<td>Tuesday 29th March</td>
<td>Athletics Carnival</td>
<td>Blue Haven Oval</td>
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<td>Tuesday 5th April</td>
<td>School Photos</td>
<td>At school</td>
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<td>Thursday 7th April</td>
<td>ANZAC Remembrance Day Service</td>
<td>At school</td>
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<td>Last day of school for Term One</td>
<td>Students return to school Wednesday 27th April</td>
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**Note:**
- **SAFE**
- **RESPECTFUL**
- **RESPONSIBLE**

**Website:**
From the Principal

2016 Classes
Students have settled well into their new classes for 2016 and as I have been around the school visiting different classes I have been very impressed with how organised and ready to work the students have been this year.

Early Stage 1 Stage 1 Stage 2 Stage 3
Mrs Craig Mr Law Mrs Corbett Miss French
Mrs Medcalf Miss Tyan Mrs Everingham Mrs Clarke
Mrs Tosh/MrsAnderson Mrs Daley Mrs Waterhouse Mr Pareaux
Mrs Bryne/Mrs Dawson Miss Ward Mr Plumb Miss Glawson
Miss Naughton Mr Dawson Ms Graef
Mr Vonovono Mrs McLaren/Mrs Hughes Mrs Quilty
Mrs Hird/Ms Graham
Miss Perry

Early Stage One Assistant Principal: Mrs Karen Craig
Stage 1 Assistant Principal: Mr Eric Law
Stage 2 Assistant Principal: Mrs Rae Corbett
Stage 3 Assistant Principal: Miss Tessa French

RFF & Library
Mrs Lynn Hartas
Miss Claire Travis
Mr Ross Coombes
Mr Jarrod Myles
Mrs Lauren Taylor

LaST
Mrs Kerryn Surwald
Mrs Felicia de Somer
Mrs Trudi Butler

Office Staff
Mrs Christine Close
Mrs Jeanette Molenaar
Mrs Kathryn Grime
Mrs Tina Johnson

General Assistant
Mr Aaron Preston

SLSO
Mrs Tracy Mathison
Mr Chris Garbutt
Mrs Sharyn Hancott
Mrs Katharine Downer
Mr Harry Rathie

Principal (Acting) Ruth Goodwin
Deputy Principal (Relieving) Duane Hutchinson
School App
Communication is an important part of any school and helps with the smooth running and organisation for both families and the school. Our school has a school app which can be downloaded onto your phone. Blue Haven Public School Skoolbag App is for parent and the school community. Download this App to be kept up to date with everything that is happening at BHPS. It features Events, News, School Enews Newsletters, Documents, and push notification alerts direct from the School.

STAR 104.5
STAR 104.5 will be broadcasting from Blue Haven Public School on Tuesday 8th March. Watch this space for more details closer to the time.

Parent Meet and Greet
We will be holding our parent Meet & Greet BBQ on Thursday 3rd March. This is an opportunity for families to come and meet their child’s teachers and have a sausage sandwich with us. The Meet & Greet will be held in the afternoon after school. Please keep this date free.

Great work
Last week I was visited by Alexis and Indianna from 1D with some great writing. The girls had both written a piece about their news for the week. Great work, girls! I was also impressed with 1/2L who have been working on their fitness each morning. Well done, 1/2L!

Book Packs
Thank you to all of our families who have purchased book packs for their children. We still have some book packs left and they can be purchased at the office for $35. The purchase of this book pack is in lieu of paying school fees.

Swimming Carnival
Permission notes for our annual swimming carnival are coming home today. This year we are trialling a twilight carnival from 4pm to 7.30pm at Wyong Pool. The carnival is open to students in Years 3-6 and also Year 2 students who are turning 8 years old and can confidently swim 50 metres. Students will need to be transported to and from the pool by a parent. Please return the permission note to the office by the due date.
AVID

On Thursday 11th February we will be holding an AVID information session for parents of students in Stage 3 and also any other interested parents. A detailed letter about the information session went home last week. The information session will be held at 2.45pm in the school library.

Stage 3

What a wonderful start to the year our 5/6 classes have made as they have begun implementing AVID into their classrooms. This week they look at the qualities that it takes to be a successful student and I am sure that you will be as impressed with their thoughts as I was when I read about being successful.

What makes a successful student?

A student that will never give up. They will always dream big and like to try their best when working. Somebody that will always respect the teacher and tries to work even when people are being naughty and trying to get them off work. A student who is nice to their fellow student. By Mana

A successful student: Listens to the teacher or person who is speaking, is organised by having everything at school, follows the school rules, lets their classmates use their stuff, wears their school uniform. By Chelsea

A successful student: is an upstander, wears their uniform, never gives up, takes pride in themselves, is confident, organised, asks for help, comes prepared, is respectful, uses appropriate language, is determined to work, is polite, creative, asks questions, has fun, takes care of others, gets along and tries their best. By Vicky & Taleia.

Mornings and Afternoons

Dolphin Cove can become very congested in the morning as children arrive at school. To help reduce this congestion we ask that parents remain up behind the railings at the top of the stairs in the morning when dropping children to school. It becomes very difficult for teachers to supervise students when parents are in Dolphin Cove. If you need any support on any matter please contact your child’s classroom teacher or make an appointment to see one of the executive members of staff.

In the afternoons some parents are currently waiting in the entrance area to Dolphin Cove near the stairs. As there are a large number of parents waiting here it is making it difficult to move through this area and this is creating an unsafe situation for students, staff and parents trying to move into Dolphin Cove. We ask that parents wait in the Dolphin Cove area for their child.

Thank you for supporting these arrangements to allow for a smooth transition for your child to and from the classroom in the morning and afternoon.

Have a great week of learning, Blue Haven,
Ruth Goodwin
Principal (Acting)
A warm “Hello and Welcome!” to our new Kindergarten students and their parents and carers. The students are beginning to settle in to “big” school and are gradually learning lots of new routines and procedures. They spent the past week learning what sound the letter ‘s’ makes, being introduced to some sight words, beginning to develop some number skills and even came together as a whole grade to do some yoga in the Hall. They have also been practising their social skills through developmental play both in the classroom and the playground.

This year we have three Kindergarten classes and a composite K/1 class. The Kinder students in K/1BD and their very talented teachers are fully involved in our Kindergarten program.

If your child is in Kinder this year, please check their bag every day. As we put our programs into place, we will keep parents/carers informed of the routines by sending home notes with your child.

Mornings and afternoons are quite hectic as the teachers ensure all students are accounted for. To help in this regard, we ask that you leave a message with the office if you need to speak to your child’s teacher. They will get back to you as soon as they can. We would also appreciate parents waiting at the top of the stairs so that we have room to move the children to and from the classrooms. Keeping the playground clear makes it a great deal easier for us to keep our eyes on the students. We take our duty of care extremely seriously and we would be very grateful for your assistance in this matter.

At this early stage of the year, we request that Kinder students do not bring money to school to spend at the canteen and that older siblings do not buy food for them.

You are welcome to order their lunch at the canteen but, please, no recess orders yet.

On behalf of all the Early Stage 1 (Kindergarten) teachers, I thank you for helping us to make your child’s start at BHPS a positive experience. We look forward to working closely with you on your child’s learning journey.

Mrs Karen Craig
Assistant Principal – ES1 (Early Stage 1)
Safe, Respectful and Responsible.

Our exciting NRL visit to BHPS!

On Friday 5\textsuperscript{th} February, BHPS was very privileged to have two NRL players from the Sydney Roosters and players from the Wyong Roo’s, visit our school.

Students from Stage 2 and 3, were presented with a Wellbeing lesson from Jared Waerea – Hargreaves and Dominic Reardon.

All students demonstrated our school’s 3 Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) expectations of Safe, Respectful and Responsible.

Jared and Dominic played a few trivia games with the students where some lucky BHPS boys and girls won prizes.

Beau Jackson and Kaydance Duncan were selected to participate in a passing game where they both were rewarded with a Roosters supporter’s hat.

After the games, the football players spoke to the children about their wellbeing. Diet, sleep, water intake and the importance of an active lifestyle were discussed.

It was a very engaging presentation for all students.
February is Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month.

During this time Ovarian Cancer Australia informs women of the risks and symptoms of ovarian cancer.

Did you know there is no early detection test for ovarian cancer?

Do you think your family and friends know this and the risks and symptoms of ovarian cancer?

Blue Haven Public School will be hosting an Afternoon Teal to help raise awareness of ovarian cancer and raise funds for Ovarian Cancer Australia’s support and research programs.

Afternoon Teal will be held on Wednesday 24th February in the school library.

Please mark this date on your calendar.

Baby sitting will be available and there will be a short informational presentation.

Gold coin donation on entry would be appreciated. We will also be having some raffles, for 50cents a ticket, which will be drawn on the day.

Ovarian Cancer ribbons are currently on sale in the school office for $2.00.

Thank you for your support.

Rae Corbett

Ovarian Cancer Community Awareness Ambassador
NEW YEAR, NEW BEGINNINGS! Have you thought about gaining employment but feel something is holding you back. LEAP to Employment at Blue Haven Community Centre will be able to assist you in becoming “Job ready.”

Come and meet our friendly team who will support you along your journey. We can assist you with your individual needs whether it be a resume, cover letter, job search, suitable training courses, and we also have “Dress for Success” on board which is a free service that provides you with a suitable outfit for your job interview. We also arrange “mock interview days” which will prepare you for that real “job interview” this is all provided by experienced Community Caseworkers in a friendly environment.

LEAP to employment is a free Community service. We are open Monday to Thursday 9:00am to 4:00pm (closed Fridays). You can Contact the LEAP team on 43 900 897 or email us at either leaptoemployment@sanremo.org.au or leaptobluehaven@sanremo.org.au or visit us on our Facebook page leap to employment Blue Haven.

ANGER MANAGEMENT COURSE STARTING SOON FOR YEARS 3-6
A FREE Anger Management course for Year 3-6 Kids will be run at Lakehaven Community Centre by Child & Family Health between 2pm - 3.30pm, starting Tuesday 16 February. A parent must attend and will have a workshop at the same time as the child's session. To enrol call Child & Family Health Ph 4328 7900.

Northern Lakes Power

Northlakes Oval, Emu Drive San Remo
We Play Sunday Footy
Auskick (Boys and Girls 5-7 year olds)
Boys: U9’s, U11’s, U13’s, U15’s, U17’s
Youth Girls: U16’s

For further information please contact the club on 0428 196 667
Or head to play afl.com.au
Small changes,
Big differences.

Mental Health and Parenting Program
Are you living on the Central Coast, parenting or caring for children 2 – 12 years old? Have you experienced Mental Health Problems? Would you like to develop a better relationship with your children, as well as learn some different strategies to assist in your parenting role? Then this program may interest you.

**Aim of program** To make parenting easier and more enjoyable

The program offers suggestions, ideas and practice around positive parenting techniques. There is no single “right way” to parent. In this group we will be discussing a variety of ideas and strategies.

**Topics covered**

- Positive Parenting – What is it?
- Possible Causes of Child Behaviour Problems
- Mental Health and Parenting
- Developing Positive Relationships with Children
- Supporting Children's Development
- Managing Misbehaviour
- Developing Family plans

The program is FREE and consists of six weekly group sessions (3 hours) and four individual follow up home visits to help implement new strategies. The program runs each school term in either the Gosford or Wyong area.

**OUR NEXT GROUP:**

**Dates:** Thursdays 11th February – 17th March 2016

**Time:** 10.00am – 1.00pm

**Where:** Level 2

4 Watt Street

Gosford 2250 (opposite Centrelink)

Places are limited and booking is essential.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BOOK INTO ONE OF OUR GROUPS, CALL:**

Ruth Phelan 4328 7350 OR Joanna Heap 4328 7350

Children & Young People’s Mental Health

[www.triplep.net](http://www.triplep.net)