SCHOOL LEADERS INDUCTION
The induction for our school captains and vice captains, members of the school parliament, sporting house captains and vice captains, library and bus monitors was held last Thursday. Students were presented badges and pledged to undergo their roles to the best of their ability. We are very impressed with the student’s commitment to their roles and they are already working hard.

PARENT / TEACHER CONNECT EVENINGS
Our parent /staff sessions commence today starting with stage 1. This is a valuable opportunity for parents and teachers to connect with each other
Meeting dates are:
Stage 3 (years 5 & 6) – Thurs 18 February – 6.00pm
Stage 2 (years 3 & 4) – Wed. 17 February – 5.30pm
Stage 1 (years 1 & 2) – Tues 16 February– 5.30pm
Kindergarten – Wednesday 24 February– 5.30pm
K-6 Support – Wednesday 24 February - 2.30pm

SCHOOL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS
We ask all families to make a contribution towards the costs of providing educational resources for your children. These funds are vital in allowing us to provide students the best possible resources across all curriculum areas. The amount can be paid in instalments. Contributions are: 1 student – $30
Family - $50
All families who have paid by Friday March 4 will go into a draw for a $100 school voucher.
All school payments by cash can be made directly to the school office or online by going to the school website.

SCHOOL CARNIVAL REPORT
On Monday 8 February we held our school swimming carnival. The competition was high between our 4 houses; Wattle, Flame, Palm & Cedar. Everyone tried their best, there was an atmosphere of encouragement and strong cheering was led by the house captains. Students were very well behaved and seemed to have lots of fun.
The champion swimmers from each age group were:
Junior Boys – Joshua Hayes
Junior Girls – Sarah Alle
11 Years Boys – Seamus Graeme-Cook
11 Years Girl – Amber Borthwick
Senior Boys – Finley Neylan
Senior Girls - Tayla Coggan
It was a great contest between the houses and great team spirit displayed. We used house caps which helped us know who to cheer for. Wattle was the winning house this year.
Congratulations to all the swimmers and well done to those students who were selected to compete at the District last Friday. From this carnival we had the following great results. 11 Years Girl Champions were Eve Porter and Amber Borthwick. Sarah Alle was runner up in the junior girls and Tayla Coggan was third in senior girls. Three of our relay teams qualified for zone as well as many other individual swimmers.
Our swimming presentation is this Thursday 18 February at 1.00pm in the hall.

By Mairse Fitzgerald and Aydn Bradridge
Luke looks in great form for the match against Bangalow.

**CRICKET**
Our school team will play Bangalow in the first round of the state knockout on Wednesday 24 February. The kids are keen and have been training well. The team will be announced this week. We will be requesting parent assistance with transport.

**K-2 MUSIC PROGRAM**
Yesterday we commenced our K-2 music program with the support of the conservatorium of music. Teacher, Rochelle, will work with a variety of classes each Monday afternoon that will focus on percussion, playing, rhythm, singing and movement. All classes in K-2, as well as having time with Rochelle, will rotate through a variety of music and creative arts activities with their class teachers.

Heidi, Ryder and Ramona are ready to play.

**SCRIPTURE / ETHICS**
We commence classes in scripture and ethics next Tuesday 23 February. We do not have teachers for all grades so some classes will combine.

**MATHS CLASSES**
Year 3 to 6 teachers have been busy assessing their students in maths to help form maths classes starting next week. It is important students are placed in the correct classes for optimal learning and guidance. Parents can play a huge role in their child’s numeracy needs by building their child’s self-confidence and by assisting with completion of regular math homework.

**DISCO (FUN, LAUGH, SING & DANCE)**
We are very excited to announce our first disco for Term 1 2016. It will be held on Thursday Week 10 which will be 31 March, so come along for some dancing, music and fun! Our student parliament will meet this week to decide on a theme. More details soon. This event will be held in the school hall, so remember come on down to this amazing night full of fun, don’t miss out, we will see you there.

**P&C and CANTEEN**
Our first day of canteen for the year will be this Friday 19 February. The canteen menu and price list are being sent home today. A big thank you to the parents that have returned their forms to volunteer this year in the canteen. Your time and energy is greatly appreciated. We are still looking for people to fill the following roles: Canteen Co-ordinator, Canteen Supervisors and Weekly Volunteers. Please contact Michelle on 0418154179 or fill out a form in the office if you are interested.

A reminder that our P & C AGM takes place on 7 March. To be able to vote at this meeting you must be a financial member of the P & C prior to the meeting. ie You need to join before the AGM. (Membership is $2)

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

![Brunswick Valley Junior Rugby Union Club](image)

**The Billygoats** welcomes boys and girls of all ages and abilities to join our Rugby Union Club. We have teams from under 8s to under 17s and committed coaches and administrators. Training is on Wednesday evenings with matches on Friday evenings, leaving weekends free! We train and play at the Brunswick Heads sports oval (next to the bowling club). Sign on at Brunswick Heads sports oval:
Saturday 13 Feb 9.30-11.30am  
Wednesday 17 Feb 6.00-7.30pm

For more info: Donna 0439 074 977 Chris 0427 440 257

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