Dear Parents, Guardians & Community Members,

**Pre-Service Teaching**
We welcome Mrs. Julie Rea, as a pre-service teacher, to our Year 2 classroom. The students are enjoying having her in class and Mrs Rea’s enthusiastic approach is equally matched by the response of the children to her lessons.

**Monaro Principals**
Today our school was inundated with chiefs. All the principals from the Monaro have converged on our school to conduct their regular MEG (Monaro Education Group) Meeting. We welcome them and hope they all enjoyed the hospitality of our friendly school.

**Grandparent’s Day**
Thank you to the grandparents and parents who participated in our wonderful Grandparent’s Day and Assembly. It was great to see so many of you at our school. The children were delighted to share their classroom and show their progress at school. We have some lovely photos you’ll see later on in the newsletter.

**Reading Buddy**
Tomorrow Year 5 students will be heading down to Bombala Pre-School in Wellington Street to start the new program called Buddy Reading. We hope this “buddy system” will help our 2015 kindies adjust to their new school environment by introducing them to the more senior students (their reading buddies).

**Bournda Excursion**
On Monday, 3rd November, Year 3 students are taking part in an excursion to Bournda National Park, near Tathra. The bus will depart from school at 8.00am sharp and return in time for school finish time. Students will be investigating the coastline and undertaking a saltwater fishing activity. Please see the information on the note sent home for more details and ensure your child’s permission note and money are returned as soon as possible.

**Merimbula/Eden Excursion**
On Wednesday, 5th November, Years 1 and 2 will be visiting the Sapphire Coast Marine Discovery Centre in Eden then the Aquarium at Merimbula for a guided tour and educational talk. I hope they enjoy themselves and make plenty of “discoveries” on their field trip. Please see note sent home for full details and ensure permission note and excursion monies are sent to school as soon as possible please. Students will be departing at 8.00am sharp and returning to school at approximately 4.00pm.

**Public Speaking**
Tomorrow Night our Year 6 students will be presenting their speeches at the Principals’ Public Speaking event at Bombala High School Canteen (6pm). We wish them well and encourage them not to be nervous and enjoy themselves.

**Year 6 Orientation**
Thursday, 6th November our Year 6 students will be attending Bombala High School for the day. This will familiarize them with the layout of classrooms/buildings. They will have the opportunity to meet High School staff including Year 7 Advisor, Mr Warwick Long. Year 6 students would be already familiar with Mr Long as one of the accompanying teachers on their recent Melbourne Excursion.
Upcoming Events

Thurs. Oct 30th
Principal’s Public Speaking
Year 6
6pm Bombala HS Canteen

Monday 3rd November
Bournda Excursion

Wednesday 5th November
Year 1 & 2 Excursion
Eden/Merimbula

Tues 11th November
P&C Meeting

Thurs. 13th November
AFL Gala Day

Word of the Week
exiguous, adj; scanty, meagre, small; slender
E.g. His exiguous pension is hardly enough to pay for his bedsit.

Civics & Citizenship Education

Students from our year 4 class have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of $20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of this excursion.

Sheep Manure For Sale
@ $5.00 per bag.
Please support the fundraising effort of Bombala Public School’s Year 6 students of 2015. All proceeds go to next year’s Melbourne Excursion.
Please contact 6458 3423 to order

Monaro Dance Concert
Sunday 9th Nov 2.00p.m.
Venue: Bombala High School
Ticket prices: Child $12; Adult $18

Answer: Nautilus

Thursday Canteen Special
Nachos $3.50

Quiz Question
In 1955 the US launched the first nuclear powered submarine name after a sea animal with a spiral shell. What name was it given?

THIS WEEK’S QUOTE
“Every block of stone has a statue inside it and it is the task of the sculptor to discover it.”
~ Michelangelo

Gotcha Award
Winner for Term 4 Week 3 is Paige Hurley
Well done!

Still............ URGENTLY NEED HELP!!!
We need a fresh face at Breakfast—although we love our regulars, we’d like to see some new kids on the block. How about coming in for breakfast with your child/children and helping out with the breakfast program. We only need 45mins of your time making toast and pouring juice—simple.
Please let the office know you are our Thursday Dogooder.
### Kindergarten Orientation

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<td>Pre-schoolers attend school. Free sausage sizzle lunch for new enrolments and kindergarten students. Please sign your child in and out.</td>
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### Bombala Bike Show

**Competition for children on the day – 15th November 2014**

**La Mans style event** for children and young adults.

Categories include: Under 12, 13-17 years and Over 17

The competitors line up at the starting point having previously set out their equipment and bike along the course.

Then they:

- Run 10m to their gear (helmets, jackets, etc.)
- Put their gear on
- Run another 10m
- Get on their bike
- Push their bike 10m (don't ride it)
- Start their bike (don't ride it).

First one to finish wins.

There will be an adult competition as well. It’s loads of fun to watch as well as to compete in.

All entries welcome.

### Bournda Excursion Year 3

Yr 3 students will be visiting Bournda National Park next Monday 3rd November. Students will leave at 8am from school and hopefully return in time for Active After School Sports at 3.30pm.

Permission notes and money should now have been paid to the office for the trip. Students are reminded to wear a long sleeve top and pants for a fishing activity, bring shorts and t-shirt for beach activity, morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea, drink bottle, school hat and sun cream and insect repellent. If your child has any medical conditions please make sure you have notified the school or included it on the permission note.

### AFL Gala Day

Kindergarten, Yr 1, Yr 2, Yr 3 & Yr 4 will be attending an AFL Gala Day at the Bombala Showground on Thursday 13th November from 9.30am-1.30pm. Students will walk down from the primary school and walk back at the conclusion of activities. Students will take their lunch with them and participate in fun AFL skills activities. Please complete the permission note and return $2.00 to school by Friday 31st October.

### Anglican Garden Day

**November 1st**

Commencing at 10.00am with registration and morning tea at Bibbenluke Hall, Bibbenluke.

Cost—$15.00 p.p. and a gold coin entry for lunch.

Four gardens in the Bibbenluke area will be open on the day up until 3.00pm.

Lunch will be served at the Bibbenluke Hall between 12.30pm - 2.30pm.

A variety of local market stalls will also be at the lunch venue.

Phone Enquiries: 0428305215
Yr 4 Students from Bombala Public School lay a wreath at the National War Memorial

On Tuesday the 21st and Wednesday 22nd October the Yr 4 students from Bombala Public School accompanied by Fiona Crawford and Maree Coates were to be found touring the nation’s capital. The students participated in a variety of educational programmes with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy. This was part of their in-school Civics and Citizenship education programme.

While visiting the Australian War Memorial on the 21st October the students were invited to lay a wreath at the Last Post Ceremony to be held that night. Zara Badewitz and Jack Stevenson were chosen to represent Bombala Public School at this important and moving ceremony.

This ceremony is held each day and is attended by many from the public as well as military personnel. On the 21st October the Honour Roll acknowledged the service of Captain Emile Frank Verlaine Dechaineux and commemorated the 70th anniversary of the Battle of Leyte Gulf in which the Australian Navy fought with the American Navy to liberate the Philippines.

The children attended an educational programme at Parliament House where they met our Federal member Peter Hendy and watched and listened to the debate on the Dental Health Bill in the House of Representatives. They saw the portrait of Gough Whitlam and the many floral tributes left on the steps of Old Parliament House. They were also involved in programmes at Old Parliament House and the High Court of Australia.

Questacon was enjoyed as was the view from Mt Ainslie and Telstra Tower – by night. Dinner at the YHA was exceptional and enjoyed by all.

This programme of Civics Education is rigorous but was well received by the Yr 4 students who have learnt much on their two days in Canberra.
Kindergarten Excursion to Merimbula.

On Wednesday 16th October, a very excited Kindergarten class travelled to Merimbula as part of their units on the sea and the farm. The morning was spent at Merimbula Aquarium where the children took part in a presentation given by Mr Alan Gill. Afterwards, time was spent observing all the sea creatures in their various tanks. Before leaving the Aquarium the children were able to purchase souvenirs.

Then it was time for lunch at Ford Oval and a quick play before it rained.

The afternoon was spent at Oaklands Barn Farmyard at Pambula where the children enjoyed a presentation from Jess. All the animals were on their best behaviour for our visit as the children got up close and personal with them.

After all that learning it was time for a well earned icecream for students and staff. Then it was back on the bus for the trip home.

Kindergarten would like to thank Mr Zanco for accompanying us on our excursion and for driving the bus safely. They also wish to thank Miss Jo for helping out on the day. Special thanks to Mr Alan Gill who volunteers his time to make wonderful educational presentations at the Merimbula Aquarium. Also, thanks for Jess for her informative contribution to our Oakland visit.

Kindergarten had a wonderful excursion and were a credit to Bombala Public School with the lovely manners they displayed.

Margot Ingram
Kindergarten Teacher
The P&C has been asked by the Bombala RSL Club to run the raffles on a Thursday night and we would receive the proceeds. So of course the more we sell the more we will receive. Selling starts anytime after 6pm. This will happen for four weeks and the dates are as follows:

13/11/14 badge numbers 311-620
20/11/14 badge numbers 621-930
27/11/14 badge numbers 931-1377
4/12/14 badge numbers 1-310

If you can help out on any of the above dates could you please indicate below or contact Calli Kidman on 0417252431
Thanks in advance The P&C Committee
BOMBALA BLUE HEELERS BOYS AND GIRLS JUNIOR OZ TAG 2014/15

Parent/Career/Teacher Name:

Contact Phone Number: Email:

I AM ABLE / UNABLE TO HELP. IF YOU CAN HELP WHAT IS YOUR PREFERENCE:

Coach (parent player) / Assistant Coach (parent player) / Referee / Ground set up

CHILD 1
NAME: _______________________(BOY/GIRL) SCHOOL: ....................

CURRENT YEAR AT SCHOOL: ........

CHILD 2
NAME: _______________________(BOY/GIRL) SCHOOL: ....................

CURRENT YEAR AT SCHOOL: ..............

CHILD 3
NAME: _______________________(BOY/GIRL) SCHOOL: ....................

CURRENT YEAR AT SCHOOL: ..............

IF YOU HAVE MORE CHILDREN PLEASE PUT THEIR DETAILS ON THE BACK SIDE OF THIS RETURN SLIP.

Return this slip to your school front office in an envelope with Bombala Blue Heelers OZTAG on the front. Registrations close Friday 7th November 2014.

As the Parent/Career I agree and understand the following:

My Child plays at their own risk. I authorise an ambulance to be called if and when required and understand that I am responsible for any charges relating to ambulance attendance (the club recommends that you have your own personal Ambulance Cover).

My child will not be allowed to play in shorts with pockets or with a hard brimmed cap.

My child will wear sport shoes or football boots and will not have bare feet while playing.

My child will not wear jewellery (which includes watches) while playing.

Referees decisions are final.

Injuries must be reported to the First Aid Officer on the day they occur.

Signed: Date:
Parent/Career
Dear Parent/Career,

During term 4 2014 and term 1 2015, the Bombala Blue Heelers Junior Rugby League Club would like to run a junior OZTAG competition. The competition is open to both boys and girls in school years Kindergarten to year six.

OZTAG follows the same rules essentially as Rugby League but instead of tackling, players are required to pull off braids that are attached to the opposing players Velcro belt. OZTAG is great for fitness, hand-eye co-ordination and for developing a sense of achievement through teamwork and fair play.

At this stage the competition is proposed to work in staged aged competitions (depending on numbers). This means that there will be a K/1, 1/2, 3/4, and 5/6 competition. If numbers allow then age-based groups will be used. No ladder will be kept and the competition is for fun and development only.

Please note the details below and return the attached form to your school’s front office to secure your enrolment:

**WHAT:** Bombala Blue Heelers Boys and Girls Junior OZTAG

**WHEN:** Thursday afternoons from 4.30 till 5.30pm, with game familiarisation in term 4 and competition commencing in Week 1 of Term 1 2015. Games run for 25 minutes (two 10 minute halves).

**WHERE:** TBA (Likely on the Recreation Ground or Show ground)

**COST:** $10 per player. PAYABLE ON THE FIRST AFTERNOON OF COMPETITION.

**EQUIPMENT NEEDED:** Shorts with no pockets, T-shirt, Sports Shoes or Studded Football Boots.

*SPECIAL NOTE: If you are a parent/career/teacher or older sibling who can help coach/referee a game, we will need your assistance to make this happen, if we don’t get helpers we wont be able to run this program. Please fill in your details on the slip below and we will contact you.*

**CONTACT:** If you have any queries please email simone.hillyer@gmail.com or call 0411 597 686 and I will reply to your requests as soon as possible.
SUMMARY OF THE BASIC RULES

Maximum of 8 players on the field at any one-time

Defender must remove one tag to stop attackers progress. He/She then holds up the tag and drops it to the ground marking where the play the ball should occur.

There is a marker in the play the ball.

You must be between 5 years and 13 years to play.

If a player propels the ball in a forward direction with their hand or arm and the ball comes into contact with the ground, an opponent or the referee, a knock on will be awarded. A changeover will be awarded to the non-offending team. The referee may allow the non-offending team to take possession and gain an advantage. If they are tagged, it will be a zero tag.

The game is non-tackle – the attacker cannot deliberately bump into a defender. A defender cannot change direction and move into attackers path. Whoever initiates contact will be penalised. The onus is on the attacking player to avoid defender.

The ball carrier is not allowed to protect his tag or fend off defenders.

A try is awarded to the attacking team when they ground the ball on or over the try line. There are no dead ball lines

Defence must be back 7 metres.

KICKING (No kicking in K/1, 1/2 age groups)

The ball may not be kicked until after the fourth tag and before the initial tag. Kicks in General play cannot be above the shoulder height of the referee. Attacking team cannot dive on a kicked ball in any situation, but can kick on.

Kick offs and line drop outs. If the ball lands in the field of play and then rolls across the try line whether touched or not a line drop out occurs. Try line becomes the dead ball line for all kicks.
OTHER IMPORTANT ISSUES

Defensive line can move forward only when dummy half touches the ball. Dummy half can run and be tagged with the ball. Dummy half cannot score a try.

Rule change for the following age groups: K/1, 1/2: Play the ball with No Marker

Defence cannot move until 1st receiver has the ball unless Dummy half runs with the ball.

Dummy Half cannot score.

All other Divisions have a marker and defence can move as soon as Dummy Half touches the ball.

An attacker must stop and play the ball if he is in possession with only one tag.

The only persons able to promote the ball with one tag on is the dummy half and the player taking the tap (as long as they do not take more than one step with the ball).

Simultaneous tag is play on. (If the referee is unable to decide, the pass is allowed - play on. The advantage goes to attacking team.)

If the ball is kicked or passed into the referee, the referee will order a changeover where he was struck.

If a players knee's hit the ground whilst diving for a try and a defender is within tagging distance a try is disallowed and a tag is counted.

Unsportsmanlike conduct covers the behaviour and attitude of players on the field and may result in penalty, sin bin or dismissal.

SCORING

1 Point will be awarded for each try

OTHER INFO

Until the kids gain a sound understanding of the game we will have parents assisting them on the field.