Dear Parents, Guardians & Community Members,

**Kindy Orientation**

It was wonderful to see the enthusiastic faces of our new kindergarten recruits. They had a lovely time with Mrs Ingram reading a book and doing some craft. I am sure they will all be looking forward to next week’s adventure and finding their way around “big school”.

**Coast Excursion**

Years 1 and 2 enjoyed their time at Eden and Merimbula. I am sure they will be delighted to tell you tall tales from the salty shores and how they enjoyed their time out of school. Photos and story on following pages.

**AFL Gala Day K-4**

Please remember to pack your child off to school tomorrow with hats, water bottles, joggers, recess and lunch plus plenty to drink in this warmer weather. Please apply sunscreen before they leave home. We are expecting a great day and wonderful weather. Parents welcome to join us from 9.30-1.30 at the showground.

**Remembrance Day**

Our Year 3-6 attended the Remembrance Day commemorative service at the local cenotaph and our school captains laid a wreath. Congratulations to our students for their solemn and dignified behaviour. It is important for our children to participate in this community occasion.

**Simon Clegg**

Year 5/6 had a fantastic motivational speaker, Simon Clegg, visit the school. He talked about resilience and how to differentiate between bullying and a one-off playground incident. The talk was well received by the students who took on-board Simon's insightful look at school life and growing up in the 21st century. Unfortunately the evening session was not so well attended but for those who joined in Simon, reiterated the need for children to be resilient and learn how to take life’s challenges in their stride.

**Newsworthy**

Did you see the wonderful photos in the Bombala Times this week? This last week has been very eventful with our students attending the Engine Rally, our P&C catering the Surf to Summit car rally, many of our students took part in the Monaro Dance Centre’s annual production, our Bournda excursion, Year 12 students were farewelld at their formal, a bush dance at Bonang and a book launch and a ball as Cathcart held its Springtime Ball with Belles and Beaus a plenty. There was also a feature on Melbourne Cup frocks and frills plus a catch up of local weddings with our very own blushing bride Mrs Maree Coates and husband James.

Anne Roberts
‘Word of the Week’

quixotic, adj; 1. foolishly impractical especially in the pursuit of ideals. 2. capricious, unpredictable.

If you guessed that quixotic has something to do with Don Quixote, your absolutely right. The hero of the 17th Century Spanish novel Don Quijote de la Mancha (by Miguel Cervantes) didn’t change the world by tilting at windmills, but he did leave a linguistic legacy in English. The adjective quixotic is based on his name and has been used to describe unrealistic idealists since at least the early 18th century.

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**Quiz Question**

What is the capital city of Canada?

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**THIS WEEK’S QUOTE**

“What the imagination seizes as beauty must be truth.”
~John Keats

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**Upcoming Events**

Year 5 Fundraising Meeting this afternoon 4pm in the Library

13th November AFL Gala Day K-4

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**Thursday Canteen Special**

Dino Snacks & Wedges $3.50

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**Bike Show**

BIKE SHOW COLOURING AND POSTER

Congratulations to:- Gabby Creeley, Mel Devine, Josie Cotterill, Tyson Greenfield, Kade Ingram, Jack Cuzner and Emilie Vincent who all received a prize in this competition.

A reminder that the Bike Show is this Saturday 15th November. Face painting air brush tattooing, jumping castles and much, much more.

BIKE SHOW EVENTS

Don’t miss out on special events such as:-
- Best children’s Bike & Dressed Rider
- La Mans competition—children will need their motorbike, helmet, gloves and boots

See you there

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**Street Stall Raffle**

Classroom baskets to be filled on the following themes:-

Kindy: Office Year 1: Kitchen
Year 2: Pamper Year 3/4: Christmas
Year 4/5: Garden Year 5/6: Groceries

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**Have you paid your Band Fees?**

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**Canteen Notice**

Please be advised the canteen will be CLOSED the last week of term.

Mon - 15th, Tues - 6th, Wed - 17th December.
Gotcha Award

Winner for
Term 4 Week 5
is
Bridie Hampshire

Swim Club

With the pool to open at the end of the month, it is time to start thinking about joining the Bombala District Swimming Club for the 2014/2015 season. Swimming Club runs each Monday afternoon from 5.00 pm – 6.00 pm. We offer squad training catering for all different levels and if we have enough qualified volunteer coaches it may be possible to continue our learn to swim program. Swim club offers a fun and non-competitive environment and we aim to focus on stroke correction and fitness. The cost for the season will be $25.00 for non-competitive swimmers (swim club only) or $75.00 for swimmers who wish to compete at regional swim club meets.

At this stage, the committee is asking for expressions of interest for anyone wishing to attend our Monday afternoon sessions. Could you please contact either Donna Shelley on 0409 556 813, Rhonda Stewart on 0428 435 293 or Janelle Devine on 0407 461 804 to register your interest. We would prefer if you could text if possible. Could you please include child’s name, age and swimming standard.

The Bombala District Swimming Club look forward to another successful season of swimming and encourage everyone to express an interest in joining the Club and having fun in the water!

Donna Shelley
President

Art Calendars

Finished products were sent home yesterday. The children did a great job. Thank you to all the parents who bought calendars, diaries, notebooks and phone covers. Money raised form this fundraiser will be put towards purchasing some new toys for the Kindergarten room.

Heads Up!

There have been reported cases of head lice at school. Please ensure you check your child's hair and treat if necessary.
Year 1 & 2 @ Eden Discovery Centre

Years 1 and 2’s Coastal Excursion

Last Wednesday, 5th of November, Years 1 and 2, Mr Pillidge, Mrs Moreing, Mrs Rea and Mrs Herron set out bright and early on a Cooma Coach driven by Richard for our excursion to the coast. First we headed down the Imlay Road through native and pine forests to Eden where we stopped at the lookout above Eden Wharf for Morning Tea. Here the children looked to see if they could spot any whales.

After morning tea we travelled down the hill to the Sapphire Coast Marine Discovery Centre. The children explored this fantastic hands-on centre under the watchful eyes of Jill and 6 other volunteer officers. A highlight of this visit was definitely the Touch Tank, where the children could investigate a variety of small sea creatures. Year 2 were particularly excited to be able to practise the scientific investigative skills they have been developing with Mrs Rea in their unit on Living Things.

Then it was back on the bus for the ride up the highway to Spencer Park for a quick lunch break and a short play and on to the Aquarium for about an hour. Here the children learnt about dinosaurs, bones, teeth, and things made with seaweed, including Minties and toothpaste. They learnt how an octopus moves to get its food and they also had the opportunity to look at a huge range of different sea creatures in the tanks.

The children rounded out their trip with a bus ride back to Bombala which gave them the opportunity to discuss all the things they had seen and done during the day. It was, as usual, pleasing to be told by all the people who dealt with the children on their trip what a great, well mannered, group of children they were. So, well done Years 1 and 2.