Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

At this time of the year I become a little nostalgic as I reminisce about the year that has passed. Sometimes when the challenges mount and things aren’t going as you expect it is a wonderful asset to be able to look back at the achievements and things you are proud of. This year I have been very proud of the academic, sporting and social achievements of our students and the personal bests that have been achieved by one and all. As I have read the student reports my sense of pride has swelled as every child has improved in one area or another.

Next Tuesday 15th December we cordially invite you to attend our annual Presentation Day commencing at 1.00pm in the School Hall. During this time we will not only farewell our Year 6 Graduating Class, but also celebrate the successes of our school, its wonderful students, parents, staff and community members.

Staff Changes

Next year some staffing changes will occur as a result of our enrolment numbers and the allocation of the Resource Allocation Model (RAM) funding. On our current enrolments we are below the staffing formula to retain a sixth classroom teacher. However as we believe in providing a quality education for each and every one of our students and in keeping our class numbers small we have allocated a substantial amount of our funding to ensure we retain our six classes. During the week the Executive Staff faced the unenviable task of selecting another teacher to join our staff in 2016 and fill in the sixth teaching position. This position was advertised across all schools in the Monaro Region to provide an equal opportunity for all casual and temporary staff to apply, as well as to select a teacher who could bring many assets to our school not only through the provision of quality teaching and learning programs but also through their ability to be a dynamic member of our school team. There were many applicants for the position and I am delighted to announce that Mrs Katie Brazel will take up a full time classroom teaching position in 2016. Unfortunately Miss Claire Morgan will be leaving us to further her career further north. We wish Claire all the best in her new career venture and thank her for her hard work during 2015. As mentioned in a previous newsletter you will be informed of the class teachers and other staffing arrangements for 2016 in next week’s newsletter.

Return of Parent Questionnaires

Thank you to all those parents who have already returned their Parent Questionnaire. Yesterday we sent home a quick reminder as we value your input into our school decision making processes. Remember when these are returned you will receive five (5) free tickets in the Television Raffle to be drawn Tuesday 15th December. We would appreciate the return of these questionnaires by Tuesday 15th December. Thank you in anticipation of your cooperation.

Until next week
Kind regards
Jo

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Week 10

9th Dec Captains Speeches
10th Dec FETE 12.30 start
11th Dec Pool Party Yrs 3-6 Santa Visit K-2

Week 11

14th Dec Yr Softball Farewell Party
15th Dec Presentation Assembly 1:30 High School Hall
Thurs 17th Dec Last Day for students
Enjoy the holidays Stay safe

2016

Thurs 28th Jan Yrs 1-6 return
Tue 2nd Feb Kinder Begin
Bombala Netball

The Bombala Netball Club have decided that instead of running Saturday netball we will be holding two afternoon/twilight comps one in first term and one in fourth term. Rego will cover both comps. As with this comp we will have Net Set Go and Juniors held at 4.30 pm - both girls and boys are able to play; and a mixed comp starting a 6pm. If you are interested could you please let Marni Moreing 0421699452 or Calli Kidman 0417252431 know ASAP as we would like to start first or second week back at school next year.

Thanks

The Committee

END OF YEAR PRESENTATION ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY 15TH DECEMBER
TIME: 1.30PM

PLACE: BOMBALA HIGH SCHOOL HALL

PLEASE COME AND SHARE YOUR CHILD'S ACHIEVEMENTS FOR THE 2015 SCHOOL YEAR!
Christmas Giving Tree

Every year Bombala Public School organises a giving tree. This encourages students to get into the spirit of Christmas and think of those less fortunate than themselves by donating a gift to a boy or girl for Christmas.

If you would like to donate a gift then please wrap and label your item (new) in Christmas paper and a label saying either boy or girl and the age the gift would be suitable for.

These gifts can be brought to the School office and left under the Christmas tree.

FETE DAY THURSDAY 10 DECEMBER
12.30PM - 3.00PM

FETE DAY IS NON UNIFORM DAY

Hotdogs $3 (provided by P&C)

ALL WELCOME

Donations of milk (milkshake stall) & cooking for the afternoon tea/cake stall would be greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance

Wooden Reindeer Christmas Decorations made by our Senior Students.

For sale at the fete. $4.00 each.

Have your name added on the day and make this a treasure to enjoy for years to come.
Fete

The P&C will have a stall at the fete selling hotdogs and drinks next Thursday the 10th of December, we will need some volunteers to help set up, cook and sell these. Even if you can do half an hour, it would be much appreciated. Could you please indicate below if you are available and return to school or let Calli Kidman know on 0417252431.

11:30 - 12:30

12:30 - 1:30

1:30-2:30

2:30- 3:30

Also, we will require a couple of people to cut up fruit for the children on Friday the 11th of December from about 9.00 am. It should only take about 1/2 an hour to an hour.