COMING EVENTS
Fri 15 Mar  District Netball Trials
Fri 22 Mar  District Girls Soccer Trials

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE
The students are all settling in to their classes and routines after a very busy start to 2013. We welcome Katrina Wales to our staff. Our numbers have increased since the beginning of the year which has allowed us to employ an extra staff member. She will be assisting teachers in classrooms with support, extension work and extra curricula. Congratulations to our students who represented our school so well at district swimming and district trials.
Twenty one Batemans Bay High School students, many ex-students, visited our year 1 rooms this week to work with the students. It was wonderful to see this collaboration between our schools. They will be returning every second Tuesday.
We have a very important workshop coming to Sunshine Bay School on Thursday 21 March for students, staff and parents. We have been fortunate in being able to offer a course run by Cybersmart Outreach Programs. As the internet becomes more accessible to students we, as teachers and parents, need to ensure that we are up to date with current information and legalities. Further information is at the end of this newsletter. Students in 3-6 will attend a session at 1:30pm, Staff at 3:15pm and we invite all parents to attend at 6pm.
You may have noticed that we have been constructing an area on the south gate side of the school. This is being built in memory of Robyn Beeten who was our office manager for over 15 years. We hope to have this completed in the next few days. We will be speaking to our students over the next weeks about using this area and treating it with respect. It will mainly be used as an outdoor eating area for staff.
Please remember that students are not to be at school before 8:25am as there is no supervision before this time. The office also doesn’t open until 8:25am for payments and enquiries. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated.
Maree Dielman
Rlg Principal

SCHOOL BASED PLAYGROUP
I am seeking a registration of expression of interest for a school based playgroup for preschool children who will be turning five by the end of July 2014 and enrolling in Sunshine Bay Public School’s kindergarten classes. The session would run on a Wednesday between 11:45am and 12:45pm and a parent or adult would need to attend with the child. Activities such as guided play, story reading, counting and singing will be included in the sessions.
If you are interested in bringing your child along please request a form at the front office. Narelle Boehme
Co-ordinator

SPORTS NEWS
The district swimming carnival was held on Friday, 22 February. Luckily it was at the covered pool at Narooma as the weather was rather wet that week. Congratulations to everyone on your excellent behaviour and a very big thank you to Mrs Seidel who assisted as our team manager on the day. The following students qualified to go to region, but unfortunately none of them were able to attend. Anthony Bertosa, and the junior girls relay team of Madelyn Seidel, Jaymi Hudson, Emma Stammers and Hailie Hill.
Last week two students attended the district cricket trials; Cody Williams and Oscar Reedy. Oscar was selected to attend the regional trials on 15 March. Congratulations, Oscar.
Mr Gaukroger had to postpone the district soccer trials due to wet weather. They will now be held Tuesday, 12 March.
Coming events:
District Girls soccer trials at Batemans Bay, 22 March.
Notes home next week.
Dear Parent/Carer,

**Internet safety presentation helps children stay safe online**

Young people today are immersed in digital technologies. They use the internet and mobile phones to socialise, study, exchange ideas and play. While online activity has many benefits, there are also risks.

To help your children stay safe online, Sunshine Bay Public School is hosting a Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation. Designed for parents, teachers and students, this presentation is provided by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (the ACMA) as part of a national program of cybersmart initiatives.

The Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation is thorough and non-technical. It covers a range of issues including:

- the ways children use the internet and emerging technologies
- potential risks for children online, such as cyberbullying, identity theft, inappropriate contact and exposure to inappropriate content
- tips to help children stay safe online.

The presentation is conducted by an ACMA Cybersmart trainer and is free of charge.

Sunshine Bay Public School is committed to helping students develop appropriate behaviours when using digital technologies, both at school and home. Our program of internet safety initiatives includes:

- parental permission to allow all students onto the internet
- appropriate grade lessons that sequentially develop the skills students need
- current bullying programs are taught in every classroom

The Cybersmart Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation will be held over sessions, with the parent session being:

**Thursday 21 March 2013 at 6pm in the school hall.**

**NB. 3-6 students will attend a session at 1:30. The 6pm session is for parents/carers and members of the community interested in coming.**

To register your attendance, please contact the school on 44726464 as soon as possible or complete the tear off slip and return it to the office. Enrolments will also be accepted on the night.

Regards,
Sarah Davis and Lyndall Jackson
ITC coordinators

I/We ______________________________________ will be attending the Cybersmart presentation on Thursday 21 March.
My child/children _____________________________ are in class ________________.