COMING EVENTS
Mon 22 July       NAIDOC flag raising
Fri 26 July       District Athletics
Mon 29 July       Education Week
Tue 30 July       BBHS Open Night
Wed 7 Aug         School Photos

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE
Welcome to term three!
Well done to all those students who have been practising so hard with Mr Tierney, Mrs Bennett and Mrs Counsell. Good luck to you all in four weeks at Nowra.

The school photos will be taken on 7 August. Due to Pixie Photos being merged with another company the envelopes will be a bit late in going home but I anticipate they will be ready very soon. Please return them by the due date.

The excursions have been finalised. We have very low numbers going to Lightning Ridge. This is very disappointing as the skills and knowledge gained by the students who have attended this excursion over numerous years have been invaluable. It is a shame that this opportunity has not been seen as a priority by so many of our year five and six families.

I am now officially able to welcome Ms Dielman to our school as a permanent teacher after the completion of the necessary paperwork. Ms Julia Bartsh will be joining us from Queensland next year upon Mr McKerchar’s retirement. Mr McKerchar will be remaining with his class until the end of the year.

Roy Counsell
Principal

NEW ELECTRONIC SIGN
We are in the process of installing a double sided electronic sign in the front of the school grounds on Beach Road and are offering local businesses the opportunity to advertise, on one side of the sign, their services as a valued sponsor of the school.

The cost of this sponsorship is $990 per year. We are limiting the number of advertisers to 20 so in effect your advertisement will be displayed every three weeks.

If you are interested in this offer please contact the school office on 44726522.

NAIDOC DISCO
The NAIDOC Disco is being held next Wednesday 24 July.
Students are requested to wear one item of clothing that is either, red, yellow or black.

The cost of the disco (includes a glow rope, packet of chips and a cup of drink) is $5.00.
Kindergarten Year 1 and Year 2 disco starts at 5.00pm and finishes at 6.15pm.

The Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 disco commences at 6.15pm and concludes at 8.00pm.

Please note that the disco is for the students to have fun with their peers and therefore we request parents to escort their child/ren to the school gate but not enter themselves.

Students attending the disco may be picked up in the courtyard as we don’t allow students to leave without a parent or older sibling.

Thank you to Woolworths for their $25 donation toward our disco.

The disco is only for enrolled S.B.P.S students and siblings are not permitted to attend.

EXCURSIONS
Year 3/4 excursion to Katoomba, 19–22 November. $50 deposit MUST BE PAID by Tuesday 23 July.

Year 5/6 excursion to Lightning Ridge, 21-25 October. Full payment $410 MUST BE PAID by Friday 13 September.
**BATEMANS BAY HIGH SCHOOL OPEN NIGHT**

BBHS in holding an open night for all prospective students in Year 6, Year 5 and their parents on Tuesday 30 July from 5.00pm-7.00pm. Presentations begin at 5.00pm from the 2014 Year 7 Student Advisor (Ms Kerryl Davie) and the Principal (Mr Neil Simpson).

You may tour the specialist curriculum areas including our connected learning classroom, digital photography laboratory, graphics room, computer rooms, technics rooms, visual arts and science laboratories.

See what happens in the class and meet with the teachers!

**SPORTS REPORT**

A reminder that the District Athletics Carnival is on at the grounds opposite Batemans Bay Primary School Friday 26 July. All eligible students have received their permission notes and should have these returned to Mr Gaukroger with $3.00 by this Friday. We will be doing relay training during second break for the next two weeks so please wear your runners if you are in the relays. Reserves will also be training.

Tennis will be continuing for Stage 2 sport this term.

**PREMIER’S SPELLING BEE**

This term years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be competing in the annual Premier’s Spelling Bee and our school will be hosting the Regional Finals. Years 3 and 4 will compete in the stage 2 and years 5 and 6 in stage 3.

We will complete our school spelling competition in August, before the Regional Final in the last week of this term.

The official word lists for the 2013 Premier’s Spelling Bee, provided by Macquarie Dictionary, are now available at:

**Please note:**

Junior words begin at Level 1 and go to Level 5
Senior words begin at Level 2 and go to Level 7.

**BOOK WEEK**

This year we will be celebrating Book Week to coincide with our Hogwart’s School Fete in Week 8 of this term. There will be a Book Fair in the Library between 11.30 and 1.40 on Friday 6 of September, and a colouring-in competition leading up to the day.

**CANTEEN NEWS**

Welcome back to School. We are still using the Winter Term 2 & 3 menu please refer to it for current price changes , as a lot of lunch orders are coming through with the old prices from Term 1.

The canteen is desperately seeking volunteers for a WED, THURS, or FRIDAY it is not fair that we rely so heavily on our OWN family members or parents whose children don’t even attend this school for help! We only need 2.5hrs of your help so please help your children by helping us.

Maria Biondo
Canteen Manager