COMING EVENTS
Mon 15 Dec  Year 6 Farewell
Wed 17 Dec  Students Last Day
Wed 28 Jan  Year 1 – 6 Students return
Kindergarten students attend on their selected half day.
Mon 2 Feb  All Kindergarten Start

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE
As the school year of 2014 draws to a close it is timely that I acknowledge the tremendous work that the staff at Sunshine Bay Public School are doing for your children. Activities such as excursions, sporting events, technology, choir, assemblies, concerts, presentation days, environmental groups, Kids Matter and our S.T.A.R.S. don’t happen without teachers doing ‘that bit extra.’

Congratulations to students and staff for a wonderful concert, the variety of acts was certainly a hit. Thank you to the parents who brought their children to the evening performance I know this is a busy time of year.

We have just had our presentation day assemblies where we congratulate and award students for their contribution to learning and our school. There were many proud parents and teachers. It is at this time that you recall how far all students have come. It is a wonderful time of reflection to compare them at the beginning of the year till now. The growth both academically and socially can be outstanding. Thank you to the parents who came to our presentation assemblies – I hope having these two assemblies on the same day made it easier for you.

Our year 6 graduation assembly was held today. The following students received awards.

Hailie Hill, Calista Draper, Hanna Swift, Max Whitter and Shaely Rixon – School Citizenship Award
Marcus Cristallo – Rotary Outstanding Citizen Award
Calista Draper - Dux 2014
Marcus Cristallo - Principals award

OUR LEADERS FOR 2015 ARE:
School Captains: Ashlea Goodridge and Zac Jones
Vice Captains: Emma Stammers, Heidi Condon, Sarah Art and Christina Young
Congratulations to you all.

It is with great sadness for us as we farewell Mrs Sarah Davis. She will be moving to Moruya Public School as Assistant Principal in 2015. We wish her well and would like to acknowledge the amazing impact she has had on our school in the last two years. Her extra work in computers, sport and curriculum development has been exceptional. Thank you to Mr Tony Tierney who stepped in at the beginning of the year to relieve for Mr Lez Holder. Students will certainly remember many things you have engaged them with, particularly the love of literature and those fish that got away at clubs.

Thank you to Mrs Elisabeth Ison, Mrs Carly Tunnecliffe, Miss Katrina Wales, Ms Laura Bennett, Mrs Candace Parnell and Mrs Louise Counsell for your dedication and support of our school in 2014.

To our permanent staff I cannot thank you enough for everything you are doing for the students at SBPS. I can only see greater things in 2015 as we embrace our new school plan.

Lastly I would like to thank you, the parents of our students for your support throughout 2014. There will be many opportunities in 2015 to be involved in our school. We are very excited about where we are going and what the next few years will bring.

I wish you a very happy holiday season. Stay safe! We look forward to seeing all our students back ready for an even busier 2015.
Thank You to:
Country Women’s Association Batemans Bay, Quota Club Batemans Bay, South Coast Ford, Rotary Batemans Bay and Campbell Page for your ongoing sponsorship of our school.

Maree Dielman
Relieving Principal

ELC ENVIRONMENT FORUM
Earlier in the term, six Stage 3 students joined schools from across the district to participate in the Eurobodalla Learning Community Environment Forum. Students learned about shore bird identification with Amy Harris - Threatened Shorebird Recovery Coordinator - Far South Coast Region, Bernadette Davis and Tom Dexter from Eurobodalla Shire Council took students through the process of marine debris clean-up, sorting debris and logging data onto a national marine debris collection site. Students were required to film on the day to support the production of a short film back at school. Zac Jones, Sarah Art, Patrick Eberle, Ashlea Goodridge, Elizabeth Griffin and Hayden McDonald did a wonderful job and their film, which showcases their learning and seeks to create a proactive message in terms of environmental awareness, is now available for viewing at the council website. Check it out at: http://www.esc.nsw.gov.au/living-in/living-sustainably/get-involved/marine-debris-working-group.

Ms Laura Bennett
Teacher

SLOW FOOD PROJECT
Thank you to all the student volunteers in our school vegetable garden. We’ve harvested lots of silverbeet, beetroot, cucumber, lettuce and zucchini this term. Maria cooked up some delicious warm Spinach and Ricotta Gozleme this week for canteen lunches using our silverbeet. Our garden helpers agreed it tasted delicious!

ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB
A special thank you to the parent helpers this week who helped us plant out further trees along the creekside.

Mrs Elisabeth Ison
Teacher

KIDS MATTER

“Every Face has a Place”

CANTEEN NEWS
I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas, have a wonderful happy safe holiday. A special thank you to my volunteer helpers. Good bye and good luck to year 6 and thank you to my student volunteers.

Maria Biondo
Canteen Manager

CHRISTMAS FOOD AND TOY DRIVE
Thank you for your wonderful response you have helped to make Christmas a happier time for many families.