Week 2 - Term 1 - 2016

We extend a very warm welcome to our new students and families; Mitchell and Mason - Yr 5/6, Erin, Michael and Greg – Yr 4/5. An especially warm welcome to our Kindergarten students and their families. A special thank you to the Bexhill buddies who assisted in making Kinders’ first day a happy one.

NEW BUS ARRANGEMENTS
The afternoon buses will now be collecting students from the front car park; Withers St. We ask that no one parks along the designated bus area at the front of the school so buses have safe access to collect students. We appreciate your consideration in this change of routine.

NOTE: Sweeney Todd Buslines has commenced a school bus service linking to Bexhill Public School. The service will include McLeans Ridges, Cameron’s Road and Boatharbour Road. If you require any further information, please contact Sweeny Todd Buslines on 66 251192.

PROCEDURES FOR ENTERING AND EXITING THE SCHOOL GROUNDS
Please note that you are required to enter and exit school through the main front gate in Withers Street. Please do not enter through the staff car park for student safety reasons. Once inside the grounds, please continue through the undercover walkway near the bubblers.

The main office entry is only to be accessed by parents or visitors who require advice from Office staff or for appointments. All school notes are to be handed in to class teachers. Your co-operation in this matter is much appreciated.

STUDENT ABSENCES - Parents and Carers are requested to notify the school of any student absence including the reason, either by note or a phone call to the office. This is a legal requirement which all schools are expected to adhere to and report on.

LATE ARRIVAL/EARLY PICK-UP – Parents and Carers are requested to report to the front office to sign students in and out of the school. Please DO NOT go to the classroom.

SUPERVISION BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL – It has been brought to our attention that some students are arriving at school as early as 7.45am. The school’s official supervision roster starts at 8.45 am and finishes at 3.30 pm. Parents and Carers are legally responsible for their child before and after these hours.

Please note: OOSH operates under very strict guidelines which means Kath is not legally responsible for students left at school early who are not in her care.

Before and after school care (OOSH) is available for families with work commitments. This operates from 6.30-9am and 3.30-6.30pm in the old ‘school residence’. For further information contact Kath Degier on 0424 436 474 or 66284574.

STUDENT HEALTH
If your child has been diagnosed with any new medical condition or medical information has changed since last year (eg. diagnosed asthma/allergy) please contact the school office so we can arrange a Health Care Action Plan for your child.

PRESCRIBED MEDICATION – Any medically prescribed medication to be administered during school hours must be handed to the office to be administered by the school First Aid Officer. Medication must be in a clearly labelled container with instructions including: name, dosage, time, storage requirements and signed and dated by the parent or carer.
Lessons will commence in Week 3 of the new school year.
The fabulous Alex McLeod will be returning for Guitar lessons and we also offer lessons in Voice and Piano, Flute and Drums.
Please contact the friendly staff at the Northern Rivers Conservatorium on 6621 2266 if you have any questions about enrolment or the Music in Schools Program.

FIRST NORTH SWIMMING TRIALS
We have a number of students representing the school next Friday 12th February competing in the First North swimming carnival at Alstonville. We wish them speedy swimming in their chosen events. Mrs Sue Craigie will be the supervising teacher. All interested students 8 years and over have been given permission notes and a copy of the day’s schedule.

P&C MEETING
Our first meeting and AGM is on Monday 8th February, 6.30pm in the school library. All parents and Carers are welcome to attend...we look forward to seeing you there!

CANTEEN WILL COMMENCE WEEK 3, MONDAY 8th February
Lisa Perkins and Louise Newberry have kindly offer to run canteen for us next Monday. Volunteering for canteen is a valued contribution to our school and is a great way to meet other parents and all the children.
We need two people to work each week (between 9.30am & 3pm) and volunteers to contribute home baking (2 doz pieces eg. patty cakes/slice/jelly or anything your own children like – no nuts please).

A canteen availability note is attached. Please return this to school as soon as possible so a roster for Terms 1 & 2 can be made and distributed . Thank you for your support!

FAMILY SUPPORT NETWORK - Our Start Together Baby Group is for all families with babies between 6 and 12 months of age. Each week we will be exploring a new area of child development, meeting milestones, playing with a wide range of fun and educational activities while sharing our experiences of parenthood. All caregivers welcome. When – Tuesdays from 1pm – 3pm (during school term) - Where - Family Support Network – 143 Laurel Avenue. Free parking available behind our building in Shepherd Lane

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NAME: ____________________________________  PH: ____________________________

I am available to work on canteen;  □ Any time

□ These dates only _____________________

□ I would like to contribute home baking