Our last newsletter for the term.
Wishing everyone a safe and happy Christmas and Festive season!
Thank you all for your support throughout the year! It’s been wonderful!

REMINDERS .

Tues 9th Dec    Yr. 6 Farewell lunch- Spectrum Café  
Wed 10th Dec    Dress rehearsal 2-3pm- please send costumes for play to school!  
Mon 15th Dec    Final preparations for presentation night+ dress rehearsal  
Mon 15th Dec    Presentation evening/BBQ/ Reports/ play 5-7pm  
Tues 16th Dec   Movie Day (Nelson Bay-No Good Very Bad Day $9 PP) and Beach picnic 10am-2pm  
Wed 17th Dec    Last day students/ clean-up day. Play Tents in playground when complete.  
Thurs/Fri 18th Dec  Staff development days  

Please send in plastic shopping bags to take home student books etc. this week.

Dress rehearsals: This Wed and next Monday morning. Please make sure your child/ren are organised. Out of uniform may be worn all next week to allow clean uniform to be worn on Presentation night.

THANK YOU - to Anna Bay Rural Fire Service for completing a burn off for our school on Sunday. Our pile had become too big to do it safely without their assistance. The timing was perfect yesterday! (Mr and Mrs Elliott got heaps done at school as well)
Yr. 6 luncheon - Tues 9th Dec at 11.15am Our Yr. 6 students will be taken to lunch at Spectrum Café tomorrow with Mrs Elliott. A parent of each child is invited if they would like to join us. This will be followed by a swim at Birubi Beach, conditions permitting.

Library Books – Could all students who have outstanding library books, please return them by Thursday this week. You can place them in the red return box by Ms. Merrilees desk. Thank you.

Presentation evening - Invitations have been sent to VIPs. All students and parents, grandparents and relatives are invited to join us to celebrate Christmas and the end of another fabulous and successful year at BFPS. BBQ from 5pm followed by formalities and reports at 5.30pm-6.15pm. Supper followed by Christmas play in the hall at 6.45pm-7.30pm. Please bring a plate and a big smile to share!

Thank you to the primary students who have been bringing in their fabulous play/elf costumes. We are also borrowing Yr. 2 as wise men and shepherds. (Aden, David, Fynn and Callum) Could those boys have bath towel style outfits ready please? (Two towels pinned at shoulders with a sash around waist, another towel as turban)

K-1-2 Christmas Play – K-1-2 have been singing their hearts out, learning all the songs that form part of their Christmas Play. Miss Rees has made some recordings to help out and these are available on Edmodo (or CD/thumb drive by request) for anyone who wants to have a practice at home. We hear there has already been some hard work put into costume creation and these can be brought in at any time.

MOVIE DAY/BEACH PICNIC - Tues 16th Dec - Most students to arrive at school at normal time before we leave at 10am and travel by car to Nelson Bay Cinema for the movie at 10.30am. After the movie we will travel to Little Beach Nelson Bay for our picnic. Students are to bring a plate of food to share, have their swimmers on underneath party clothes and have towel, water bottle, hat and sunscreen. If anyone wishes to meet in Nelson Bay instead of school, please notify staff. Please complete permission note indicating transport availability and swimming competence of children.

Food scraps for chickens – If any families have any food scraps they can bring in to feed our chickens they will be greatly appreciated.

CULTURAL PROJECT - View www.BobsFarmHistoryTour.weebly.com if anyone is interested in looking and assisting with ideas and information

Book Sales – Books and Gifts Direct are selling books through the front office. Just stop by the office and have a look at all the great items on sale at very reasonable prices. Great Xmas presents!!!!!

Tuesday 16th Dec Movie day- No Good Very Bad Day at Nelson Bay Cinema 10.30am

Followed by Little Beach picnic and beach swim (parent supervision and transport required) 12-2pm

I give permission for my child/ren…………………………………………………………………………………………………… to attend.
Cost of movie is $9 pp
I give permission for my child/ren to swim…………………………………………………………………………………………
I can / cannot help with transport ………………………………………
Please bring food to share for Christmas picnic. I will bring ……………………………………………………………
Family members attending…………………………………………………………………………………………………………
Money attached………………………………………………………………………………………………………………
Signed ……………………………………………………………………………………..Date………………………………………………
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“Increase your child’s communication skills, self-confidence and creative talents.

(Improvisation, Scriptwork and Performance)

DRAMA CLASSES – 2015

PRIMARY: 7 – 11 YEARS
4pm – 5pm

YOUTH: 12 – 15 YEARS
5pm – 6pm

MONDAYS: Tomaree Primary Hall

Enrolments now being taken for Term 1.

Principal: Shane Skerly
Ph: 02 49 692338 – dramacorp@bigpond.com
Facebook : helenogrady drama Newcastle.
Visit the Hunter Wetlands Centre at Shortland in the January school holidays. There’s always lots to see and do.

- Try dip-netting from the jetty
- Watch the Magpie Geese feeding
- Climb the Egret Tower
- Get up close to some of our reptiles at an interactive tank talk.
- Become a WETLANDS EXPLORER and go in the draw to win a weekly prize
- Hire a bike or canoe or bring your own and explore the wetlands
- Climb, slide and play at the Discovery Playground
- Bring a picnic or eat at Spoonbill Café

Kids can book in for one of the special holiday activities:

**Bush Skills** for 8-12 years ($20) – have fun making a bush survival shelter, cook damper, learn knots and other bush skills.

**Wriggly Wetlanders** for 5-8 years ($20) – enjoy a wetlands wander and then get creative with craft activities

For more information go to [www.wetlands.org.au](http://www.wetlands.org.au) or phone 02 4951 6466