NEWSLETTER – Mon 27th July 2015 - Term 3 Week 3

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<td>Get Hooked It's Fun To Fish workshop 9-12pm Taylors Beach &amp; Stinker!</td>
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**UPDATED SCHOOL BROCHURE** - Our staff are in the process of updating our professionally produced and printed school prospectus. We are looking for community members who have their own business who would like to sponsor us in its publication and feature their business name and details on the back. We already have Port Stephens Computer Repairs and Precise Paving and Landscaping. Cost is $100 which will ensure your business is on our 5000 brochures and also will be placed in the Port Stephens Examiner and disseminated later this term to the wider Port Stephens community. Please see any staff with your business card if you wish to be part of this great opportunity. See our newsletter for business cards as they are given which is also put onto our school website.

**Zone Athletics** – Please note that the zone athletic dates have moved to the back-up dates due to the poor condition of the fields. The dates are now Tues August 11th for Field Events (qualifying heights and distances apply) and Friday August 17th for Track Events. A small school’s relay team can enter and possibly a boys junior relay if we have the numbers.

**Sporting Schools program** – We will start a Gymnastics program in week 3 for term 3. This will be on a Friday in school time. We also have the NRL Game Development squad running a Tuesday afternoon program in school time for K-6 students. These are all free due to the Sporting Schools Grant application Megan submits.

**Primary Class Homework** – Primary class please keep your homework, especially Maths, up to date.

**WANGAT LODGE ANNUAL SCHOOL EXCURSION** - Term 4 Week 1; Wed 7th to Fri 9th October. Further discussions at future P&C meetings.
Excellent results in Mathletic and Spelledrome –

Since the beginning of this academic year, student results in Mathletics at Bobs Farm Public School have been recorded. On average students now score 82% in curriculum activities. That is an improvement of 40% on their first attempts.

In Spelledrome the top 3 students are:
- Elizabeth O’Donnell who spelt 2792 words correctly this year.
- Myles Brunt who spelt 1540 words correctly this year, and
- Baylie Barsley who spelt 1349 words correctly.

Congratulations to these as well as all students for these excellent results.

Education Week- Local Heroes - Our school is having a Get Hooked It’s Fun to Fish workshop at Taylors Beach on this Wednesday starting at 9.30am and finishing at 12pm. This will involve all K-6 students and as many parents who would like to attend. Mrs Elliott has organised Stinker (a local fisher hero) to come along and speak as well. A picnic lunch will be had at the park afterwards. Attached are Photographic Permission forms which should be signed and returned with the permission note allowing the Department of Fisheries to take photographs of your child. The children will not be able to have their photos taken unless we have this consent. Please order your sausage sizzle (money can be sent in to school or brought on the day.) Parents and students may meet us at Taylors Beach if they live on the east side of the school.

SCHOOL DISCO NIGHT- Fri 31st July at 6pm. If you require another permission note, please come and get one from the office.

Water Catchers Commercial – We are entering again in 2016! What a wonderful opportunity for our school and students! Our theme this year is “Where does our tap water come from?” Please assist your children to look at the Hunter Water website, research, be creative and work on their film script in the next two weeks. Check out https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oWWEGzLksvs for our 2014 project where we are stars! This is also currently a TV add on NBN and Go TV! Have you seen it?

PERMISSION NOTE- Get Hooked It’s Fun To Fish- Taylors Beach foreshore -Wed 29th July

I hereby give permission for my child/ren………………………………………….. to attend Taylors Beach foreshore for a Dept of Primary Industries fishing workshop K-6. Volunteer fishers will teach the children on sustainable fishing practices as well as assist them in a hands on fishing session. John Clarke, aka Stinker has been invited to join us at 11am for a further chat and BBQ lunch. Students to wear full school uniform, hat, water bottle and fruit. Children will not need any fishing gear and will not enter the water. Students will return to school at 1pm.
I can help with transport……
I cannot help with transport……
We will meet the school at Taylors Beach…..
I wish to order….number of sausages at $2 each……
I can assist with the BBQ…….

Signed……………………………………….Date……..
Good for Kids good for life

5 TIPS FOR SCREEN TIME AT HOME

Are you having trouble getting your child off technology or watching television?

Try some of these ideas to reduce the amount of screen time your child has each day:

- Go screen free for weekdays
- Try technology free Tuesdays
- Try imagination Wednesdays
- Restrict times when your child has access such as "no screen time before dinner"
- Provide seven ½ hour vouchers on a Friday afternoon to last for the week. When your child watches the television or has other screen time e.g., computer, video games etc., they hand a voucher back. This limits the child to 3.5 hours of screen time during the week.

Source: Hunter New England Local Health District

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Connecting with Challenging Children

Are you a parent or carer with a child who is:

- Easily annoyed
- Often angry
- Argumentative
- Defiant
- Oppositional

Wavelengths is offering a parenting group tailored specifically to parents of children with challenging behaviours. Learn how to develop and foster a positive relationship with your child and reduce conflict in the family home.

Email info@wavelengths.com.au for more information
Or join our workshop mailing list at www.wavelengths.com.au

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Millers Forest Public School P&C
Country Fair

Saturday 5th September 2015
10am - 3pm
127 Martins Wharf rd,
Millers Forest,
Face Painting. Pony Rides.
Jumping Castle. Raffles.
Animals. Cake Stall
Market Stalls.
and lots more!!!!
Fun and Games for
everyone!!

For more information please call Julie on 0407 287 414 or 4987 7507.