Your feedback – invaluable!!: Thankyou to all parents who attended our feedback sessions and/or who completed surveys about our school. This feedback is invaluable and is helping us with our planning for 2015 onwards.

Our Presentation Evening: For our new families, our Presentation Evening is held in the last week of the school year. This year it is on Monday, 15th December at 6pm at The Dolphin Theatre of the Tuggerah Lakes Secondary College, The Entrance Campus. No awards are announced before the event. It is a great opportunity to appreciate the good work of others. It is expected that all students attend and wear full school uniform.

Stage 3: If you have a child in Stage 3, please remind them that their behaviour, attitude and application must continue at a high level until they arrive home on the very last day of school. (If they are going to the farewell, this must continue until they arrive home after the farewell). Please help them stay on track until the end of the school year. Remember – no writing on/ destruction of uniforms.

Stage teams for 2015: Classes have been created for 2015 so please do not send in any more requests. The stages will look something like this:

Early Stage 1: Naomi White/ Sophie Rex (APs), Lisa McBrine, Sarah McCloud, Alex Hetherington

Stage 1: Kelly Goodwin (AP), Ali Broadhouse/ Jess Mitchell, Helen Hayden, Kirsten Atkinson, Mel Parker/Renee Young, Angela Sullivan, Yolanda Evans

Stage 2: Mandy Austin (AP), Richard Griesser, Kristy Herring/Kelly Sadi, Kylie Dorn, Hannah Anastasakis, Karma Cannan

Stage 3: Lisa Brookes (AP), Jill Barnett/Helena Powell, Courtney Riddle/ Renae Gerrish, Paula Ritchie, Kate Galluzzo

RFF: Jamie Stephen, Kerry Lloyd-Jones

LaST: Nic de Mestre, Karen Hey, Raelene Cid-Pinkas, Wayne Edwards, Cherie Collins

Deputy Principal/Instructional Leader: Karen Evans

Book Packs for 2015: Book Pack and ‘classroom needs’ information for 2015 will be sent home on Monday.

Congrats to our ex-BAPS students: Lewis Sheens – captain of Tumbi Umbi Campus and Katie Smart – Sports Captain for 2015. We are so very proud of you.

Merry Christmas

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**CALENDAR**

12th December – Picnic Day  
15th December – Presentation Evening 6pm  
17th December – Year 6 Farewell, Kinder Graduation & last day of 2014 for students  
28th January – students return for 2015  
2nd February – Kinders’ First Day

**Reports and PLAN- Feedback to Parents letters:** Teachers are required to report to parents on student progress in each syllabus area twice a year. In addition to the syllabus documents, teachers also use the **Literacy and Numeracy continuums K-10**, to help assess student learning in essential skills and understandings and track their progress in each syllabus area. The data related to these continuums is plotted on the **Planning Literacy and Numeracy (PLAN)** software and provides the opportunity for teachers to generate **Feedback to Parent** letters based on this information. These feedback letters are part of your child’s Semester 2 report and will provide you with information about your child’s learning and the behaviours they are demonstrating when participating in literacy and numeracy experiences. The Feedback to Parent letters also has additional information for learning at home. Please take time to read through the **PLAN** details and celebrate your child’s success in learning this year.

**Canteen News - End of Term 4 :** As we are approaching the school holidays we will NOT be ordering new stock therefore lots of items will be unavailable. Please check the canteen Notice Board before ordering. A HUGE thank you to all our wonderful canteen volunteers who have helped throughout the year. Once again it is very much appreciated. A new roster for 2015 is now being prepared. If you would like to volunteer for next year please come and see me in the Canteen. The will open from 8.30 till 9.00am only on Friday 12th December (Picnic Day). No lunches or recess will be available on this day. **Canteen will be closed on the last day of term, Wednesday 17th December 2014.**

Happy holidays, stay safe see you in 2015  
Heather Sinclair Canteen Manager

**‘Ready Set Go” Graduation:** Horizons Family Services has been running a transition to school program each Monday during Terms 3 and 4 for students starting Kindergarten next year at BAPS. The program ‘Ready, Set, Go!’ has been extremely popular this year and we have been delighted to see so many families participate in this fantastic program. Week 10 was the last session and the students enjoyed their graduation and celebration party! Thank you to Narelle and Jess from Horizons for running this program and thank you to all the families who attended each week.

**Year Six:** The Year 6 Guard of honour will be held on Tuesday 16th December from approximately 2:30. This will include a very brief assembly for the whole school under the COLA. All families are invited to attend and join us on farewelling Year 6 2014.
Breakfast Club and Fruit Break 2014!

This year our Breakfast Club began again, with the help of amazing community volunteers (none of whom have children at our school). The team from Coast Shelter, in Gosford, donate all of our food; including milk, bread, spreads and cereals.

Damon, Jake, Lenny and Harvey enjoying Breakkie Club.

In addition to this, ‘Woolworths’ at Bateau Bay have agreed to sponsor our fruit break each week and have been doing so all of this term. The initiative looks set to continue into 2015, with Mark (pictured below with Talon D, Tilly B and Elye C) from Woolworths keen to support our local community. The idea of Woolworths sponsoring our fruit break is for children who forget their fruit, to be able to join this healthy initiative, which occurs every day in all classrooms.

We thank Woolworths for their generosity and support of our local families.

Thanks to all children who have come along this year. The social experience for many children has been extremely enriching. The amazing volunteers have nurtured our children with their care every Monday morning and we cannot thank them enough for getting this initiative up and running.

In 2015, it would be extremely exciting to run Breakfast Club on more than one day. If you are interested in taking this on, please see Mrs White (Kindergarten AP) at the school office.