Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Last week’s newsletter featured Bonville’s Enrichment Program and promoted the wonderful achievements of most recent sporting endeavours. This week’s newsletter highlights the ‘arts’. The level of talent Bonville students have is amazing. Opportunities are plentiful at Bonville and our students embrace them.

On Saturday the Dance group performed at the Coffs Harbour Show. They looked great in costume and performed exceptionally well. A big thank you to Libby (Alina’s mum) for putting the entire dance together including costumes. The Dance group will be performing at the Class 5/6 Assembly next week if you would like to see it again.

Coffs Harbour Eisteddfod
The Coffs Harbour Eisteddfod will be held next Monday 26th May. This year a selected group of students from the whole school choir have been chosen to represent Bonville school.

2/3 Assembly
Mrs Batten’s Recorder group played a lovely tune at assembly last week. Well done kids!

A date for your diary
On Wednesday 25th June there will be a Community Wellbeing Day for the Bongil Bongil Community (Toormina District schools). The day will be held at Sawtell PS and will be attended by over 300 students. Years 3-6 from Bonville will be attending the wellbeing day where they will participate in a number of workshops around resilience, striving for personal goals, confidence building and Rock and Water. We strongly encourage parents to attend as there will be something for everyone. Parents will have the opportunity to walk through a mini expo of professionals and organisations who offer an abundance of support.

Hugh, Holly and Zach would like to say ‘thanks’ to the kind support given by the Bonville school community.

P&C NEWS
The NSW Parliament has introduced legislation to reform the NSW Federation of Parent and Citizens Associations, which has suspended operation pending Supreme Court action. While these reforms will not affect the day-to-day operation of individual school P&Cs, they will introduce a new executive structure which will ensure the Federation operates as a modern and representative body on behalf of school P&C Associations. Each school’s P&C Association will be asked to vote for councillors and delegates who will represent their electorate at the Federation’s Annual General Meeting and councillors who will serve on the Federation’s Board of Management. More information will be available on the Department’s website at http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/gotoschool/a-z/involvement.php.

Bouquet of flowers
Thank you Mrs Van Rooyen for your expertise in choir and assistance in preparing Bonville students for the Eisteddfod.
Advance Notice

Please be aware that the school will be closed this year for the half day gazetted Public Holiday for the Coffs Harbour Race Day on Thursday 7th August. Students will need to be collected BEFORE 12 noon. Bus companies have advised that they WILL NOT be picking students up at 12 noon and alternative transport arrangements will need to be made.

Congratulations Mrs Hunter and welcome Mr Kenny

Bonville PS’s increased enrolment has changed the school’s staffing entitlement. Mrs Hunter has been appointed relieving Assistant Principal for 2014. Miss McKillop’s position will remain an ‘unfilled vacancy’ due to the uncertainty in enrolment numbers for 2015. The transition into 5 classrooms has been smooth. Thank you for your patience and support. Also, welcome Mr Kenny who has been at Bonville in the past. Mr Kenny will be working with 5/6 when Mr Hepi is on Principal release.

New Department of Education and Communities REFORMS

Over the coming weeks I will provide brief summaries of DEC reforms and priorities. Please note that if you require more indepth information visit www.dec.nsw.gov.au.

229 schools The Australian Government has committed $475.5 million over seven years to roll out the Empowering Local Schools National Partnership in two phases.

The aim of the National Partnership is to empower participating schools to make decisions at a local level, supporting them to better respond to the needs of students and the school community and provide services designed to assist their students to achieve their best educational outcomes.

Following a selection process involving regional and state office endorsement, 229 NSW schools were selected to be part of the Empowering Local Schools National Partnership. Bonville PS is NOT a 229 school.

$1 a scoop ice-creams this Thursday

Life Education Van

It’s that time of the year again when Healthy Harold comes to town. The Life Ed. Van will be at Bonville PS on Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th June. All students are encouraged to participate in this exceptional educational program. The program cost $9 per student. Notes will go home soon.

Bonville School Community

Art Exhibition is BACK!

Last year we held our first Art Exhibition. The exhibition was a huge success and was well supported by the entire school community. This year all students will again make a piece of artwork using resources purchased by the P&C. Artworks will be available for purchase as part of the P&C fundraising. Community donations of artwork for auctioning and sale are greatly appreciated. The art Exhibition will be held on Wednesday 20th August in the Memorial Hall. Further information to follow!

Ryan’s Mandarins!

Ryan is selling bags of mandarins after school for $4 per bag. Ryan donates $1 per bag to the school. An entrepreneur in the making, thanks Ryan!

Library news

Remember, May is family reading month. There are lots of ways to read together, in the car, watching TV or reading a book to each other.

The Premier’s Reading Challenge is half over. There is still plenty of time to finish the books listed. Well done to those students who have already finished.

I would like to thank parents for encouraging their child to return their library books. Thank you.

Mrs Hart

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Welcome Mr Kenny!

Sick children

If you know your child is ill please keep him/her at home. It is the time of the year when the flu is rampant. Children who come to school sick can create a domino effect resulting in others becoming ill and delays the recovery time for your child.

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Michael Hepi
Principal

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