

## Batemans Bay Public School

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## INFORMATION BOOKLET

## School Operation Information

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Mon- Fri 8.30am - 3.00pm

**School Hours (Preschool to Year 6)** 

Mon-Fri

8.55am-2.45pm



Supervision of students begins from 8.25am. Students should not arrive until this time. During the morning time until 8.55am, children will be supervised under the covered area (COLA) or on the basketball courts. Any children who arrive after the bell time at 8.55am should be accompanied by an adult and must come to the office for a late note which documents their time of arrival at school. This is then taken to the class teacher.

A breakdown of the school day is as follows:

Start Time	Activity
8.55am	Morning bell. Class begins
10.00am	Fruit break
11.00am	Recess bell
11.30am	Class time resumes
1.00 pm	Lunchtime bell all students eat with class and teacher.
1.40pm	Class resumes
2.40 pm	Classes finish

**Term Dates** These are available at: www.dec.nsw.gov.au

## PRINCPAL'S MESSAGE

Do you recall when you were learning to ride a bike? When you were first attempting to drive a car? Do you remember your first day of school? Do you remember getting up and pushing yourself on when you made a mistake? All these situations presented you with a range of challenges to face, decisions to make, people to meet and skills to learn.

### Welcome To Our School

Most people, given the time and support needed at the time become confident and competent riders, drivers and learners. Your child faces the same challenges and excitement when beginning at a new school.

Our school purpose is to cater for the needs of the growing, learning child you have entrusted to our care and to help him/her prepare for a life of fulfilment and worth. I know that with your support and encouragement your child will quickly adapt to the new circumstances of our school and become a confident and competent learner who is always striving to achieve. On behalf of the children, staff and parents of Batemans Bay Public School I welcome you to our school and hope that in a relatively short time you think of it as your school as well. I am sure that your child's time at Batemans Bay Public will be challenging and rewarding.

This booklet will provide you with much of the basic information you require to be able to use the services that the school and its community offer.

I particularly value the importance of open communication and welcome enquiries or comments on any aspect of school life. The future of our school community looks extremely positive indeed. We look forward to continuing to grow our relationship and our learning.

Welcome!

Mr Kel Smerdon Principal

### INTRODUCTION

Batemans Bay Public School provides a safe, positive and caring environment where students, staff and the community believe that every individual is capable of learning, achieving and growing. In a climate of rapid growth and change, all staff are committed to providing education programs which analyse student performance data to plan teaching and learning programs. Our teachers create and adapt processes to identify students with needs in all curriculum areas, particularly literacy and numeracy.

Batemans Bay Public is a caring school where strong emphasis is placed on the positive recognition of student achievements. A wide variety of interesting and innovative programs are offered.

We believe that social and emotional skills development is essential for all students. To cater for the needs of all students we have implemented Kids Matter and the 'You Can Do It' program. This program engages students and teachers explicitly teach the 5 keys, getting along, confidence, organisation, persistence and resilience. The school has a number of specialist teachers who cater for students with additional learning needs. In addition, we also have the services of a School counsellor.

Our Classrooms have computers, interactive technology and tablet technology in each classroom.

Students participate in a range of summer and winter sports. The whole school is actively involved in the South Coast PSSA and competes at District Carnivals in Swimming, Athletics and Cross County Running.

A Home reading program operates throughout the year for our Kindergarten and Year 1 students. Our Creative and Performing Arts program enables students to enjoy a variety of performance groups such as dance, band, choir and art.

The important role that our community plays in sharing responsibility and working with the school to address issues and resolve situations is a driving force behind the positive change that is occurring at our school. The amazing work and commitment of our current and past P&C Association has been instrumental in supporting the school to achieve our current school direction. Finally, a strong discipline code ensures fairness and safety for all our students within our care.



# ENROLLING YOUR CHILD AT SCHOOL

### THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND COMMUNITIES



Your child can start Kindergarten at the beginning of the school year if they turn five on or before the 31st of July in that year. By law, all children must be enrolled in school by their sixth birthday.

As students start work in their new class at the beginning of the school year, it would be an advantage for your child, both socially and educationally, to start school as soon as possible in the year.

The enrolment of Kindergarten students occurs over a number of days with all Kindergarten enrolments begin completed by the end of week two of the school year.

A small number of students with exceptional ability may start school before the normal enrolment age. A decision to allow a child to start school is made by the principal in consultation with parents.

At Batemans Bay Public School the demand for non-local places exceeds availability. The school has established a placement panel to consider and make recommendations on all non-local enrolment applications.



## GENERAL INFORMATION

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## ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING

A meet the teacher is held early in Term 1 of each year where you may meet your child's teacher and hear about plans for the coming year. Students learning is assessed on a regular basis. This will take the form of a written report in both term 2 and term 4. Parents will also be offered a formal interview time with the class teacher. Students beginning Kindergarten are expected to take part in the Best start assessment which assists the teacher tro formulate early learning plans for their students. Students in year 3 and 5 will take part in the National Assessment program during Term 2 (NAPLAN). Other testing options include: International competitions and Assessments for schools (ICAS)

### **ATTENDANCE**

Attendance at school is compulsory. If a child is absent from school, their absence must be explained by way of a written note to the teacher explaining the reason for the absence. The note should be sent on the day the child returns to school. The class roll is a legal document and the reasons for absences must be recorded by the teacher. If you are planning an absence of 5 days or longer please obtain a form from the school office. The school principal is able to approve leave up to 50 days. Approval for extended leave (more than 50 days) from school is given by the director schools.

#### **Recess:**

Students eat recess on the COLA area and can then play in other areas of the playground. Four teachers are on duty, to cover our four playgrounds. The bell rings at the end of recess and students assemble outside classrooms by 11.30am.

#### Lunch:

At 1.00pm students eat their lunch with their class, supervised by their teacher, and can then go on the playground at 1:10pm. Eating is confined to the COLA area only. A games room is also available to children and is supervised by a teacher. The Library can also be used Monday — Thursday at lunch time. The bell rings at the end of lunch and students assemble outside classrooms by 1.40pm.

If you need to take your child from school early, you will need a <u>yellow</u> note from the Front Office to give to the teacher. Identification may be required to pick your child up, please do not be offended as this process is to protect your child whilst at school.

#### After School:

CAR TRAVELLERS: Students will be escorted to the front office area to be picked up. No child will be allowed to leave school premises without an adult accompanying them or written permission for students riding or walking home. Parents are asked to wait near the office or front gate. Please park in designated areas only as police patrol the area regularly. Kinder students being collected by parents/caregivers are met under the COLA during the early weeks of term 1 only.

**EARLY BUS STUDENTS** line up on basketball court and escorted to bus

**LATE BUS STUDENTS** assemble in the COLA and move to basketball courts with the supervising teacher once the early bus children have departed.

### CANTEEN

The school canteen is open for recess and lunch from Monday through to Friday. The P&C Association provides a healthy canteen which operates daily to provide wholesome lunches for our children with all profits going to support the school. Lunch order bags are available from the canteen at 5c each. If you can assist by working one day per term from 9.30 a.m. to 1.40 p.m. please contact the Canteen Supervisor on 44724059. We are sure you will enjoy the social side of working in the canteen and also being involved in an activity which enables you to see your children in the normal school environment.

### CHANGES TO YOUR ADDRESS OR CONTACT DETAILS

Please advise the school immediately of any changes of address, home or business telephone numbers, emergency contact people or general procedures such as arrangements for picking children up.

### **CHILD PROTECTION**

Child protections lessons are taught each year. Parents need to give permission for their child to participate in these lessons.

Child protection education aims to assist students to develop skill in:

- Recognising and responding to unsafe situations
- Seeking assistance effectively
- Establishing and maintaining non-coercive relationships and strengthening attitudes and values related to equality, respect and responsibilities.

## CUSTODY ARRANGEMENTS

If there are child custody issues, please provide relevant documentation to the school so that legal matters regarding your child's safety and welfare are known to us. This information is confidential

## **EMERGENCY** PROCEDURES

Emergency procedures for the orderly evacuation of classrooms and all school building have been devised. All staff and students are made aware of these procedures which are practised on a regular basis

## GENERAL SCHOOL CONTRIBUTION

The current contribution of \$30 for one child and \$45 for a whole family per year, is payable at the start of each year. This money is used to purchase books and equipment essential for maintaining a high standard of education in our school.

### LOST PROPERTY

Please ensure that all clothing is clearly marked with your child's name. the lost property box is located inside the school hall in a large cage on wheels.

### **NEWSLETTER**

Our school newsletter is published weekly and is available on our website and via our school App and Enews. All other school notes will be delivered to the eldest child in every family of the school or via our app: The news letter contains a principals report, reports of happenings, information on coming events and requested for assistance and support. Many organisations outside the school also contribute to the newsletter.

HOW TO GET SCHOOL NEWS VIA AN APP ON YOUR MOBILE OR TABLET

#### Option 2 - iPhone/iPad

App store search for **school enews** 

Tap the **FREE** button to the right of the school enews listing Tap the install button

Enter your iTunes password and tap **OK** 

Once the icon is installed you will be prompted to accept push notifications, select **OK** 

Type in Batemans Bay Public School into the search. Once found click **SELECT** 

#### Option 3 - Android/Tablet

Play store search for **school enews** Tap the school enews listing Tap **INSTALL** button

Tap **ACCEPT** button

Wait for the app to install then tap the **OPEN** button

Type in Batemans Bay Public School into the search. Once found click **SELECT** 



PARENT Children learn best when parents and teachers work together in partnership and when parents and teachers share the PARTICIPATION responsibility for this partnership. We welcome you to participate in school activities.

> Our Parents and Citizens' Association is a forum for participation in discussion and decision making. The P&C raise funds for the purchase of teaching and learning resources and offer guidance, support and expertise in the development of school facilities, policies and curricula. P&C meetings are held in the staffroom on the first Thursday of each month starting at 7pm. All parents and citizens are welcome.

> Many Parents assist our teachers in the classrooms. All helpers must have a working with children check and clearance number and are asked to come to the office to obtain a visitors sticker before they go to the classrooms.

### **PARKING**

The school car park is private property and is reserved for school staff only. Unless you require a disabled car park parents are requested not to drive into the staff car park to drop off or pick up their children and are reminded not to stop or park in the bus zone.

### ROAD SAFETY AROUND THE SCHOOL AND BUS TRAVEL

Children should stay inside the school grounds outside the school office when waiting for a parent. Students waiting for buses are supervised by a teacher.

Any children riding a bicycle or scooter to and from school must wear a helmet and walk their bicycle/scooter while in school grounds.

All Primary children travelling in excess of 1.5 km and all Infant children are entitled to free bus travel to and from school provided they use the bus on a regular basis, as the Government fee is paid per term. Applications for bus passes are available from the school office or <a href="https://www.transportnsw.info">www.transportnsw.info</a>
For associated with bus travel contact Priors Bus Service on 44724040.

### **UNIFORM**

The fair Discipline code adopted by the school community supports the wearing of school uniform because it:

- Encourages pride in the school. We would like all students to be proud of belonging to Batemans Bay Public School
- Assists iun the maintenance of tone and good conduct
- Reduces to a minimum, the undesirable distinctions between children because of clothing.

Please assist in safeguarding your child's clothes by attaching name tags to all items of clothing.

The P&C operates our uniform shop. Please contact the school office for hours of operation.

The wearing of our school uniform, including a blue hat, is deemed a necessary part of our school's Fair Discipline Policy. Each child is given a school hat when they enrol. School hats must be worn by all students during play and sports times following our sun safety program. Additional hats can be purchased from the canteen. Children are encouraged to wear school uniform to promote school pride and self-esteem and to minimise discrimination. Uniforms are available to purchase from the school canteen on Tuesday & Thursday mornings 8.30-10am.

### **Boys Summer**

Royal Blue Shorts Gold Polo Top Black shoes/runners

#### **Girls Summer**

Royal Blue shorts/skirt Gold Polo Top Black shoes/runners Black shoes/runners

#### **Boys Winter**

Royal Blue Track pants Gold Skivvy/Gold Polo Top Royal Blue sloppy joe/zip up jacket Black shoes/runners

#### **Girls Winter**

Royal Blue Track pants/ Gold Skivvy/Gold Polo Top Royal Blue sloppy joe/zip up jacket





PLEASE LABEL ALL YOUR CHILD'S POSSESSIONS INCLUDING LUNCH BOXES AND DRINK BOTTLES

### STUDENT WELLBEING

At Batemans Bay Public we are committed to establishing and maintaining open communication with parents and cares. The safety and wellbeing of your child is our priority.

### HEALTH MATTERS Immunisation

The NSW Department of Health recommends that Children entering school should be immunised. This particularly important because your child will be coming into contact with lots of other children and infections can spread very easily. Children starting school who have not already had a booster immunisation should have:

- One booster injection against diphtheria and tetanus (CDT)
- One booster does of polio vaccine by mouth (Sabin)
- One injection of measles/ mumps vaccine if they have not already had measles or been
- immunised against the disease

Immunisation is available from your family doctor, from many council clinics and from some community health centres. Dates and times of clinics may be obtained from Blacktown city council.

#### Infectious Diseases

Under the Public Health Act and Department of Education and Training regulations some common infectious disease requires children to be kept home from school to prevent the spread of infection. Details are:

Disease	Patient's period of exclusion	Contact's period of
		exclusion
Chicken Pox	For at least 5 days after the first spots appear or when blisters have all crusted	Not excluded
Conjunctivitis	Until discharge gas ceased	Not excluded
Hepatitis A	Until child has recovered (usually 7 days from the first sign of jaundice)	Not excluded. Family contacts may need injections – see family doctor
Hepatitis B	Not excluded but some children are too sick to attend school	Not Excluded. Family doctor should be able to consulted for Immunisation advice
Impetigo	Children allowed to attend school provided sores are being treated and are properly covered by a clean dressing	Not excluded
Measles	At least 5 days after appearance of rash	It is recommended that all children receive Measles/mumps/rubella immunisation at 12 months of age. Unimmunised contact should ne kept home for 14 days unless immunisation is given
Mumps	Until child has fully recovered and 9 days after appearance of swelling	Not excluded
Ringworm	Keep child at home until treatment has begun	Not excluded
Scabies	Keep child at home until treatment has begun	Not excluded
Whooping Cough	Child should be kept home for 5 days from start of antibiotic treatment	Un-immunised contacts kept at home for 21 days unless receiving antibiotics
Parvo (Slapped Cheek)	Doctor should be consulted	School should be notified Re: Warning pregnant women
German Measles	Until child has fully recovered and for at least 7 days after rash appears	Not excluded

### HEALTH MATTERS Continued...

We will make contact with you whenever we feel that there is a need to seek your assistance in supporting your child at school.

## FIRST AID/ SICK STUDENTS

Occasionally children become sick at school and we place them in our sick bay. Parents are strongly advised not to send sick children to school. It is vital that all contact details for your child are up to date and accurate at all times, if we need to get in touch with you through the school day. Basic first aid for injuries suffered at school is administered. In all cases where the injury is more than minor we make every effort to contact parents or emergency contacts. All staff members hold a First Aid/Emergency Care Certificate.

## ON-GOING MEDICATION

Policy statements from the NSW Department of Education an Communities outline procedures which must be followed when a child requires ongoing daily medication which is to be administered at school. The Department requires the school to maintain the following records:

- Detailed written advice from the student's medical practitioner
- A written request for the administration of medication with a statement of the child's condition and requirements from the parent/guardian
- A written statement from the parent/guardian granting information to be supplied and discussed by staff

### MEDICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR A SHORT PERIOD

No medication will be administered at school, unless the parents have contacted the school office beforehand

### MENTAL HEALTH

The mental health of students is relevant to their learning and is important to schools. Principals, staff, parents, health professionals and students all have a role to play in the effective support of students health needs.

The school councillor, a registered child psychologist, provided support and expert advice to our students, staff and the school community. The role of the counsellor includes the identification of children with special educational needs. The school councillor has expertise in behaviour management and is able to give advise the school in this area. Our counsellor is able to give advice and guidance to families who need additional support on a range of issues.

### YOU CAN DO IT

Our school implements the You Can Do It program. Our wellbeing team has worked closely with all stakeholders to develop the following:



- Clearly define school-wide behavioural expectations
- Systems to teach/practise expected behaviours in the context which they occur
- Positive reward systems that link to school-wide behavioural expectations
- Negative consequences systems particularly for repeated or major problem behaviour (including re-teaching of expected behaviour)
- Data management and analysis systems so that knowledge and understanding of behavioural patterns and trends can inform further interventions required for success

The Fair Discipline Code

All students, staff and community members of Batemans Bay Public School have the right to be <a href="https://happy.and.safe.school">happy.and.safe.school</a>. Every student has personal, social and learning needs which the staff and community have the responsibility of meeting within an environment that guarantees the happiness and safety of all students. Our aim is that children will develop self-worth, display, self-reliance and understand the need to accept and uphold a decent code of behaviour. To assist students to develop self-discipline and to foster student welfare we:

- Make students aware of their rights and responsibilities
- Recognise good behaviour
- Be as positive as possible with all students by giving them a "fair go".
- Use a discipline system that is understood by students, staff and parents alike.

Teachers explicitly teaching to a social and emotional learning program, "You Can Do It".

A copy of Batemans Bay Public School's Discipline Policy and Procedures can be obtained from the school website.

### Behaviour and Bullying

All classes formulate a behaviour agreement (class rules) with their teacher. These agreements are sent home with every child so they can discuss with parents/caregivers. These agreements focus on rights, responsibilities and consequences. A playground behaviour agreement has also been formulated and each child has a copy. These agreements are regularly discussed with the children. The school has an anti-bullying policy and classes are involved in anti-bullying lessons and activities. Bullying will not be tolerated at Batemans Bay Public School. This is regularly reinforced with the students. (Refer to Student Welfare brochure)

A copy of Batemans Bay Public School's Anti Bullying Policy can be obtained from the school website.

### Complaints and Resolutions

There may be times when your child is experiencing difficulty at school. These could include playground or classroom difficulties.

Firstly, we encourage the students to talk to the <u>teacher</u> on duty if it is a playground issue, or their class teacher, or a teacher they get on well with, if it is a class problem.

On occasions parents need to contact the school over issues involving their children. These can be emotive and we ask that you remember there are two sides to every story and by staying calm and working with us the problem is easier to solve. Being aggressive and threatening is not in anyone's best interest.

### PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

Our school provides many opportunities for our students to participate in creative arts extra curriculum groups and programs. These programs and groups include band, choir, dance and debating.



### **ASSEMBLIES**

Whole school assemblies are held every Monday at 9.00am. Infants assemblies are held every Friday morning at 9.00am. Primary stage assemblies are held each fortnight. Parents/carers are most welcome to attend assemblies. These assemblies are held in the school hall.

### **SPORT HOUSES**

Students are allocated to one of four houses via their last name – Bligh (green), Hunter (blue), King (yellow) or Phillip (red) – for Swimming and Athletics Carnivals during the year.

Bligh A-E Hunter F-J King K-Q Phillip R-Z

### SCHOOL CARNIVALS

The school Swimming, Athletics and Cross County Carnivals are held each year and parents are welcome to attend. Our Swimming Carnival is held early Term 1, the Cross Country Carnival is held early Term 2 and the Athletics Carnival is held late Term 2 or early Term 3

## ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Our school athletics carnival are held each year for all students from kindergarten to year 6. We encourage full participation for all students during this event. Information and organisation about this event is sent home during the school year.

### SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Our Swimming Carnival is held each year in Term 1. Students who turn eight or older during the year may participate in the Swimming Carnival. Information and organisation about this event is sent home early Term 1 each year.

### CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Our school Cross County Carnival is held each year for all students from year 2 to year 6. The course length of the cross country changes depending on the age of the students participating where older students compete on a longer track. We encourage full participation of all students compete on a longer track. We encourage full participation of all students during this event. Information and organisation about this event is sent home during the school year.

### BAND PROGRAM

Students are able to join the school concert band. Instruments may be hired or purchased. Fees cover group tuition and whole band practise. Please ask the school office for information.

### **KOORI CHOIR**

Positions in the choir groups are performance based and the size of our choirs is limited. The choir rehearsed weekly and students participation in a variety of day time and night time events.

### **DANCE GROUPS**

Batemans Bay Public School has primary dance group. Students practise in and out of school hours but may perform at evening concerts and weekend events. Children are not required to pay for lessons but there is usually a cost involved In their costuming and travel.

## EDUCATION WEEK

Education Week is held throughout New South Wales (usually in Term 3 each year). On this occasion we invite parents to attend the school to visit the classrooms

### **TECHNOLOGY**

Batemans Bay Public School use a variety of technology within the classroom. Year 5 and 6 students are able to bring laptops as part of our Bring Your Own Technology agreement. We also offer Robotics and other technology based activities throughout the year.

### PUBLIC SPEAKING & DEBATING

During the year Batemans Bay Public School participates in public speaking and debating competitions. Students work with a teacher during break times to learn and prepare their topics.

### CHESS

Batemans Bay Public School participate in the Eurobodalla Learning Community chess competitions. Interested students practice during recess and lunch to prepare for the competition.

### LEADERSHIP TFAM

At the end of each year students from Years 3-6 and the staff vote for the student leaders for the following year. The top vote for the boys and girls are our School Captains and the next six make up the School Leadership team. These students are given different portfolios and have different responsibilities. Regular Leadership meetings are held where all students are encouraged to discuss and suggest changes to the school.

### ACADEMIC CHALLANGE

Batemans Bay Public School participate in this annual event as part of the Eurobodalla Learning Community. Students are selected to be in this team as part of our Academic Enrichment programs. On the day students compete in various academic activities.

## CAMPING PROGRAM

All children from Year 1 to Year 6 will be involved in a school-based Camping Program starting in Year 1 from a day camp in the school playground to a 3 day and 2 night camp at various outside venues for primary classes.

The following are examples of camps held in recent years:



Year 1 1 day

Year 2 2 days and 1 night

Year 3 3 days and 2 nights

Year 4 3 days and 2 nights

Year 5 3 days and 2 nights

Year 6 3 days and 2 nights

\*NB Camp locations are dependent on weather conditions and may change due to availability.

### **EXCURSIONS**

Throughout the year excursions are organised to enable students to visit places or see things of educational value. On all occasions a teacher will accompany the children and be responsible for their supervision and safety. Often parents are asked to accompany groups.

A permission note will be sent home as written permission of a parent is required before any child is allowed to participate. It is essential that money and permission notes are returned by the due date as final arrangements and confirmations have to be made outside agencies.

When money for excursions, school performances etc. is due a special envelope is sent home. The amount, activity and child's name should be clearly marked on the front and be sent back to the class teacher. Online payments are also available through the school website. Parent Online Payment (P.O.P). www.batemansba-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

If paying is an issue please see your child's class teacher before the due date.

### **HOMEWORK**

Batemans Bay Public School has a homework policy, written in consultation with the community. Homework has the following aims:

- To help provide a link between school and home and enable parents to keep in touch with their child's work.
- To enable students to consolidate work already taught
- To enable students to prepare for future work
- To develop in students habits of self direction reading and home study

### **SCHOOL** BANKING

Director

Children with Commonwealth Bank streamline accounts may bank through school every Wednesday morning. Packs are available if your child would like to commence banking.

### CONTACTING THE SCHOOL

### COMMUNICATING WITH THE SCHOOL Classroom Your first point of contact for issues relating to your child at school. Teacher If there are further concerns, please contact the team leader for the grade your child is in. Team Leader If your concerns are not satisfied, please contact the appropriate Deputy Deputy Principal. Principal Our school Principal will then be the next point of contact for issues that are unresolved beyond the Deputy Principal. Principal For all matters unresolved by the school Principal, contact **Public Schools** NSW Batemans Bay Office on (02) 4475 3300 and direct your call to the

Director Public Schools NSW, The Wagga Wagga Network.

## END OF YEAR PRESENTATION

Batemans Bay Public School's end of year presentation is held annually in term 4. Presentation events provide an opportunity to recognise and celebrate the success of students and the school throughout the year dates, times and venue are shared closer to the event taking place

## SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Each year, class individual and special group photos are taken at school. Parents receive special envelopes in which they may place an order. Parents are not obliged to buy these.

# SUPPORT PROGRAMS

Our school implements many comprehensive student support programs for academic learning. Descriptions of the various programs area are following:



### INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERS AND INTERVENTION TEACHERS

Batemans Bay Public have several staff that are Instructional Leaders or Intervention Teachers. Instructional Leaders build student and teacher capacity in both literacy and numeracy, by providing high quality professional learning and direct literacy and numeracy support.

Intervention Teachers work with class teachers and Instructional Leaders to identify and target students needing small group or individual support to make academic gains.

### READING RECOVERY

Reading recovery is a safety net designed to promote literacy learning and reduce the number of students struggling with reading and writing.

Reading recovery teachers identify students experience reading and writing difficulties after their first year of school; provide an intensive, individually designed and individually delivered series of lessons for 30 minutes each day; supplement the ongoing literacy activities in the classroom

### LIBRARY

The school library is central to our school programs, being the resource that assists the teachers to develop students who are independent learners, capable of accessing and using Information. It also encourages children to discover the joy of books. All students are required to bring a library bag to protect the books that they borrowing.



### RELIEF FROM FACE TO FACE TEACHING

Relief from face to face (RFF) teaching is an integral part of our school's overall teaching and learning program and is developed in consideration of all needs of all students and enables the continued delivery of an integrated curriculum. Each week, classes across the school participate in the RFF program which include a range of learning experiences in library, fundamental movement and creative and performing arts.

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