



Byron Bay High School

Newsletter

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Term 1 Week 3 | Friday 15 February 2019

What's Coming Up

Term 1

Monday 18 February - Day 1

Aquatics Programs begins this week

Tuesday 19 February - Day 2

School Photo catch-up day
FNC Touch Football U15's
DoE Aboriginal Dance Workshops
Parents and Citizens Meeting- 7pm

Wednesday 20 February - Day 3

Year 12 Marine - Bronze Medallion

Thursday 21 February - Day 4

Edrolo Induction- Stage 6 Science

Friday 22 February - Day 5

CHS FNC Swimming Championships

Tuesday 26 February - Day 7

AFL U15's Gala Day

27 February - 1 March

Year 7 Camp Koinonia

Thursday 28 February - Day 2

FNC Basketball

Friday 1 March - Day 3

University Showcase
Rugby League U15's Opens

Monday 4 March - Day 4

FNC Hockey

Tuesday 5 March - Day 5

FNC Volleyball- CHS Knockout
North Coast Swimming

Thursday 7 March - Day 7

FNC Soccer
Year 7 2020 Information Night 5:30pm

OUR VISION

Byron Bay High School delivers a collaborative learning environment where students achieve excellence through our connection with community and land, creating holistic leaders of the future.

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Collaboration

This week we launched our new Stage 4 initiative, Yarn Ups. Year 7 and Year 8 students will be organised into small groups and linked with a staff member who will collaborate with students in working through a goal-setting program in Weeks 3 and 8 of every term in 2019. Yarn Ups will be a space to focus on setting learning intentions and discussing strategies to achieve students' individual goals. The booklet used in these sessions will also be available for students in other year groups to access from Week 8 of Term 1. I am excited about the initiative that allows students to collaborate and discuss how to work towards Excellence.

Excellence

In our Week 7 school assembly this term, we will be celebrating International Women's Day 2019. Ahead of this celebration, I would like to congratulate the following senior students who have been named as finalists in the BASE Youth Leadership Awards.

Academic & Leadership Award - Alice Guye

Community Service and Citizenship Award - Isabella Stephens

Performing Arts Award - Piper Leo and Isabella Stephens

Creative Arts Award - Lily Spiteri, Jaclyn O'Toole and Vindi Ferguson

Youth Spirit Award - Mia Thom

I am very proud of all students who have started this year with high expectations of themselves as lifelong learners. Remember to keep in contact with the school in regards to changes at home or any educational needs.

Ms Janine Marcus - Principal

PAYMENTS AND NOTES NOW DUE

Year 7-10 - Term 4 Sport Fees - now overdue

Year 7-10 - PDHPE Aquatics Program - \$35

Far North Coast Swimming Championships - \$25

Year 7 - Camp Koinonia Evans Head - \$285

Zeal Theatre Production - \$30

Year 12 - Responsible Service of Alcohol - \$130 NOT PAID TO SCHOOL



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Sport News

Byron Bay High School Swimming Carnival

Another great Byron Bay High School Swimming Carnival for 2019. Plenty of pool action, records broken and our Year 7's proved to be a dominant force.

Congratulations to all those students who qualified for Far North Coast Swim Championships, we wish you the best of luck! Please return all notes to the front office ASAP .

Enjoy the photos from the day on the following pages.

Congratulation to Tallows the winning house and to Angela McKey our Belly Flop Champion once again ... go girl!

Congratulations to our Age Champions!

Girls Age Champions

- 12 yrs- Juniper Harper
- 13 yrs- Chloe Miller
- 14 yrs- Eve Porter
- 15 yrs- Chloe Guye
- 16 yrs- Meg Porter
- 17 yrs- Freya Peacock
- 18 yrs- Kamilie Pashen-Nelson

Boys Age Champions

- 12 yrs- Luis Sellors
- 13 yrs- Rhett Walshaw
- 14 yrs- Jay Dunbar-Reid
- 15 yrs- Tex Hembrow
- 16 yrs- Alby Kay
- 17 yrs- Beau Carter
- 18 yrs- Zakai Boutkan-Sparkes

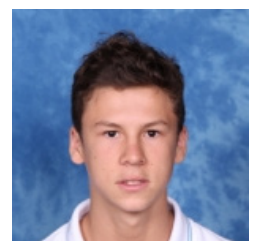


Byron Bay High School Sporting Success – outside of school competition

Congratulations to Connor Whitelock who recently won the South Australian Masters by 11 Strokes!

Harley Kent recently selected for the NSW 16 Boys Country Squad. The team will compete at Nationals later in the year. Go country!

Ms Kelley Caoyonan and Mr Harley Schmidt - Sports Coordinators



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CAPAL News

Music News

A warm welcome back to all our music students following a massive musical year in 2018. More performances than ever were seen at our school, ranging from first timers having a go at performing at one of the lunchtime concerts, experienced musicians performing at one of the performance assemblies to the wild and crazy Year 12 fundraising night complete with a moshpit!

The senior VET Entertainment course produces most performances at the school, setting up and running all sound, lighting and video equipment. Students did a great job of producing our events in 2018 and we look forward to working with such a dynamic team again in 2019.

We have been enjoying hearing of our 2018 school leavers successes, following record breaking HSC results in music, including gaining places at Conservatoriums to study music, University placements and performance successes as live musicians. Our current Year 12 music students are hot on their heels, honing their musical craft and performance skills and we look forward to seeing them grow this year.

We also would like to welcome our new Year 7 cohort, packed full of musical talent, some of which are already confidently performing for their classes and for sure will be seen on stage in the very near future.

School Band for Year 7 and 8 has recently started up again, with an already healthy turnout of 'newbies' on a wide range of instruments. New members are warmly welcomed to come along. The emphasis is on fun, engagement with music and aimed at any instrument and ability level. Singers will be invited along in due course to work on vocal pieces with the band.

Band meets **Friday lunch times**. Bring your lunch, instruments, a smile and sheet music. Parents can help their child to remember to attend by sending them a text just before lunch or setting a reminder on their phones.

Jazz Ensemble has restarted this year, aimed at our more experienced musicians, mostly Years 9- 12. The aim is to develop improvisation skills and to rework jazz standards. The ensemble performed for the first time at the end of last year at the presentation assembly, which went down very well!

Jazz Ensemble meets **Tuesday lunch times**. New members with Jazz attitude are welcome to attend.

Upcoming Musical Performance Opportunities

Singers, soloist and bands/ensembles are invited to audition for various performances throughout the year, including regular informal lunchtime concerts (called Day 7 sessions), school performance events held throughout the year (including evening concerts and performance assemblies), stage performances at local festivals (including Bluesfest, Byron Guitar Festival and Mullumbimby Festival). Students who are interested in getting involved at any level should contact music staff for more info and to arrange an audition.

Keep Playing the Music and Let the Music Play.

Mr Daniel Reade – Music and Entertainment Teacher



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What's Coming Up at Byron Bay High School

Year 7 to 10 Aquatics Program

All Year 7 to 10 students will begin their Aquatics module this coming week, focusing on swimming technique, fitness, aquatics awareness and general physical activity guidelines. Students in Years 8 and 9 are reminded that their swimming lesson is during their longest PDHPE period (P1- 80 minutes) whereas students in Years 7 and 10 will differ slightly due to the half-line arrangement. Each class in Years 7 and 10 will have their longest period (P1- 80 mins or P3- 70 mins) as their swimming activity.

Please ensure all permission notes are returned and that \$35 (covering pool entry and bus travel) is paid to the front office to cater for this program. Students with a pool pass need to confirm and present this to their PDHPE teacher and pay \$20.00 to the front office for bus travel.

Mr Grant Herbert - Head Teacher of PDHPE

Year 7 2020 Information Evening - Tuesday 7 March

Our Year 7 2020 Information Evening will be held **Tuesday 7 March from 5.30 to 7.00pm in the John Collins Auditorium**. All parents, carers and Year 6 students are welcome to attend.

Year 7 Vaccinations - Thursday 28 March

Year 7 vaccinations take place on Thursday 28 March. An email will be sent in the coming weeks with more information so please remember to check your inbox for further details.

School Photo catch up day – Tuesday 19 February

School Photo catch up day is on Tuesday 19 February. Students must bring their order envelope on the day and **give it directly to the photographer**. Payment must not be made to the school. Please note the school cannot provide the correct change for your orders.

Parents and Citizens Meeting - Tuesday 19 February - All Welcome!

The Parents and Citizens Association meet on the third Tuesday of every school term month from 7.00pm to 8.30pm in the school library. All parents and care givers are welcome to attend. The meetings provide an informal opportunity to engage the school principals, teachers and other parents/caregivers and discuss important issues for the school and its students.

Important Administration News

Parent Portal

All new parents will receive a Parent portal 'key' via email within the coming weeks with the instruction on how to set up your portal. In the portal you will have access to your student timetable, the community calendar, teacher messaging, etc. If you opened your portal last year go to the link Parent Portal login and use the same username, email address and password you logged on with last year.

Below is the link to the Portal login.

<https://web1.byronbay-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/portal/login>



Early leavers and after school arrangements

A reminder that arrangements for early leave and any after school activities for your child should be made in the morning before coming to school. In order to leave school early students must do the following.

- Present a note from their parent/ guardian to the Deputy Principal for signing before 9.00 am.
- Present their signed note to the front office before 9.00 am to be issued with their 'leave pass'.

Please discuss with your child before school any arrangements for after school activities as the school office is very busy and unless it is an emergency it is not always possible to deliver these messages.

Science News

Year 8 Science – 8I and 8L Students investigated diffusion using starch, dialysis tubing and iodine.



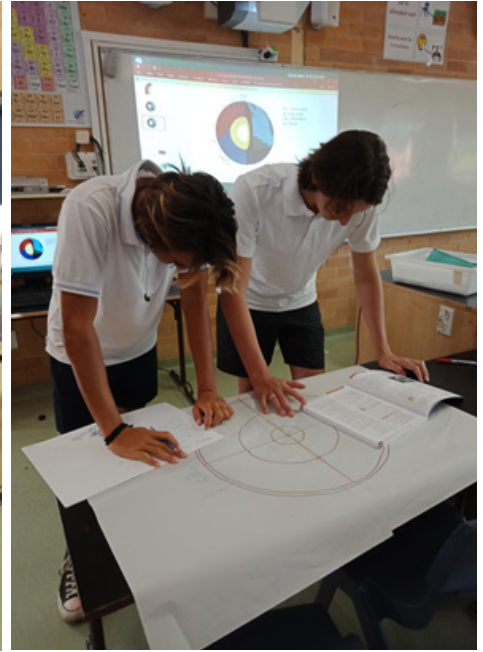
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Year 11 Earth and Environmental Science

Students have been learning about the Earth's interior. They constructed a scaled diagram to show the relative thickness of the interior layers.

Ms Elise Cox - Science Teacher



Careers News

I have had numerous students approach me requesting any leads that may lead to part-time work. We have willing students with a variety of skills (physical, retail, hospitality, etc) and enthusiasm for employment. Please contact me if are after help.

Induction for Construction Work (White Card)

A white card (or General Construction Induction) is required for workers who want to carry out construction work.

I have organised training for this qualification for 1 April. Numerous students have requested this. The course is not challenging, it is completed within a day at Byron Bay High School with peers. It is a legal requirement to have this training to work in the Construction Industry (this includes work experience at school in construction such as Plumbing, Painting, Carpentry, Electrical, Landscaping, etc.). So if you are 15 years old by 1 April this would be handy to have. The cost is \$80.

White Card Training Online is not a recognised valid qualification.

Have you had a look at the Byron Bay High School Careers website? If not I strongly suggest that you do so. The information and resources is invaluable. <http://www.bbhs Careers.com.au> . For example How do I get a tax file number? <https://www.bbhs Careers.com.au/?page=TFN>

Mr Brian O'Connor - Careers Adviser



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Welfare News

What Parents need to know about Tellonym

Tellonym.me is the product of German app developer, Callosum, and with 13 million monthly users is creeping up the popularity charts and starting to be seen in the junior years of High School and Primary Schools across Australia. Like Sarahah, Ask .FM and Whisper this is an anonymous app but it adds a bit of a twist. As shown above, the app claims to be the most honest place on the Internet, allowing a user to find out what people really think of them and providing a space to ask inappropriate questions should they download it. The app is currently available via both the Apple app store and Google Play. Like all anonymous apps, messages sent to the account holder from other users cannot be traced to their original sender, but unlike its contemporaries – Tellonym allows the user to reply to any feedback. After the abrupt dumping of Sarahah for perceived promotion of cyberbullying last year from all app stores, the German developers at Tellonym are attempting to add an element of protection for younger users. In a quote from one of the developers, “Tellonym surmises that it moderates in excess of 200 posts per day, and that 60% of these are deleted”.

Parental controls are available and can be set up to filter the kinds of questions that people can be asked, and block messages with specific words. Users are able to report offensive content, block the type of content they receive, and block other users. Messages are not viewable publicly, but should an account holder respond to a “Tell”, it will become visible on the user’s profile which is public. Terms of use also specifically state that any sexually explicit content or content intended to offend may not be posted on the platform. This is an attempt to take a step in a positive direction in the anonymous app market but there are still problems.

What issues should you be aware of?

Inconsistent age restrictions

The app’s restrictions in its terms and conditions of service prohibit the downloading of the app by anyone under the age of 17 years old. In another section of the app, while signing up the question is asked whether a user is under or over 16 – with no restrictions applying should the individual select the under 16 option. The Apple store recommends Tellonym for those over 12, and the Google Play store holds the same 12+ restriction. None of these are effective in preventing younger individuals from signing themselves up. This inconsistency and lack of age enforcement is a problem. Individuals are able to sign up with an email address or a phone number and that is that. Safe on Social has noticed a number of students well below the age of 17 citing account addresses in the bio section of their Instagram accounts.

What would we recommend?

The apps initial suggestion of 17+. This is not an app for younger students.

Multi-platform links. This app, once subscribed to can be linked to Twitter, Instagram and Snapchat. It mines the individual account holders contacts from all these social media accounts. Data collected across all these platforms is available to the Tellonym developers. Location information taken from additional platforms can be used to accurately pinpoint the location of a Tellonym user.



Third party data usage

The Terms and Conditions for this app are all over the place. Repeated use of the words “generally” and “where possible”, and the wide scope of the terms listed all point to large amounts of data collection taking place. There is no visible way that this app is making money (it’s free) and the assumption is easily made that data is being harvested, and sold belonging to the individuals possessing accounts. And as the screen shot above states, they are using the data they collect on each account holder to target advertising, and state they may share public, aggregate or depersonalised information with any entity they do business with.

Generally inconsistent

Combined with the age restrictions, and the dithering in the terms and conditions, the facts that the app and the developers cite vary greatly. According to publicity releases (cited about) 60% of 200 reported are moderated and removed daily, but according to the terms and conditions, this figure is 30% of 1000. This is quite a difference. And this is after messages have passed through the app’s filters and those set by users.

Location data

The Terms and Conditions state that they are converting your IP address to a rough geolocation. Pair this with the advanced location data that can be provided through the links the app fosters with Snapchat and Instagram – this is a security and privacy risk to the user. Switching off a device’s location services becomes even more vital when using this app.

People will be mean

And this is the crux of the matter. This kind of app is designed for individuals with a level of maturity not seen in younger teens. All anonymous apps have been plagued with nastiness, and the risk of cyberbullying is high on anonymous apps used amongst teens, as the anonymity provides the freedom to hide behind a keyboard. As seen with Sarahah, cyberbullying complaints are rife through the product reviews within the app stores, and though the app allows blocking and filtering to be set up – this often happens after the damage is done. Schools in NSW and QLD should be reminded that as a result of the change in legislation called Dolly’s Law cyberbullies who post with intent to cause mental or physical harm are now liable for a 5 year jail term – and the terms and conditions of Tellonym specifically state that in the event of a police matter – identities of the offenders will be revealed.

And bullies beware...

Shown above in the section headed “information disclosed for the protection of ...others” there is a statement that Tellonym will release information if it subjected to a governmental order. A governmental order could be viewed as one coming from the Office of the eSafety Commissioner requiring a take down, or the Police being provided details of the individual posting offensive content. Remember to screen shot any offensive material, and report it to the app first and [toesafety.gov.au](https://www.esafety.gov.au) if the app doesn’t remove the offending material. If you have any questions, please email us at wecanhelp@safeonsocial.com

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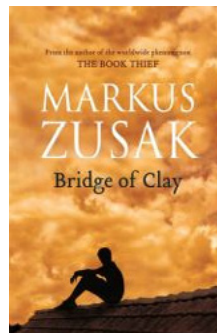
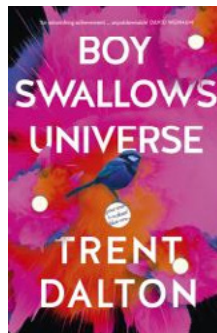
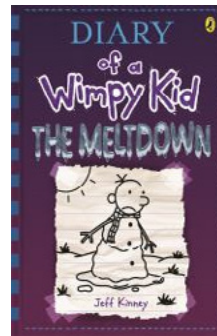
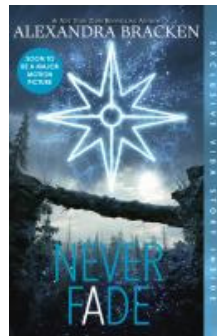
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New Library Resources

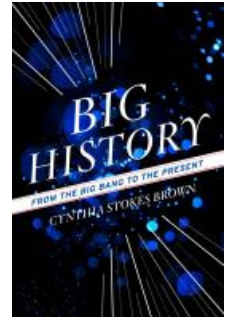
Fiction

Neverworld wake
 Never fade
 The meltdown
 Leah on the off beat
 Boy swallows universe
 Bridge of Clay
 Dumplin': go big or go home



Non-Fiction

Big history:
 from the Big Bang
 to the present



Do you want help finding Year 11 or HSC Study Resources?
 Are you looking for a way into the workforce or an apprenticeship?

SURVIVE & Thrive

Yes there will be pizza!

- Study resources
- De-stress techniques
- Staying fit and healthy
- Confidential sexual health help
- Assistance with applying for work
- Apprenticeship advice
- Resumes
- Employee rights & superannuation

Thursday 28 February, 4 - 6pm, Lismore Library

Richmond Tweed Regional Library
 Connect. Discover. Escape.



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Junior AFL 2019 Season

6yr – 17yr old Boys and Girls

Info & Training Wed 6th March Cavanbah

SIGN ON NOW – byronbayjuniorafl.com

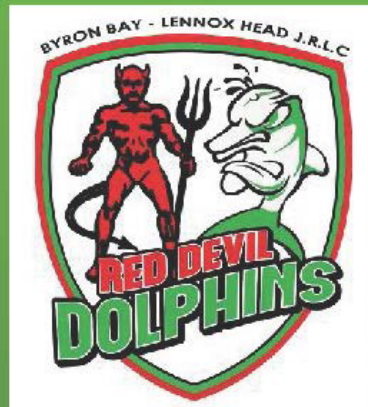
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Fairness, Fitness... & Footy!!!



BYRON BAY LENNOX HEAD JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE 2019

New players wanted 5-16 years



Quick easy & safe travel on
freeway. ALL games less
than 1 hour.

Training and games at Lennox
and Byron

Registration
Internationals & Mods \$120
Minis \$100 Includes Shorts,
Socks and Shirt
Register online now on below
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