Dear Parents,

Welcome

I am excited and honoured to welcome each and every one of you to the beginning of a new school year at Bemboka Public School. This school year will be a year of setting and reaching attainable goals, working smarter and taking our learning to the next level of “Greatness”.

I am also excited about introducing Bemboka Public School to Higher Order Ways of Learning (HOW2Learn) Teaching and Learning Practice during this year. This practice is to align with the current expert teaching and learning that already happens at Bemboka Public School and it will further develop 21st Century learning skills. This will ensure our students are lifelong learners who are well prepared for the demands of the real-world so they may become productive citizens, our future leaders and contribute and/or give back something positive to the community.

New Students

I would like to welcome our new students Henrick, Andy, Maddie, Jin, Cooper C, Rowley, Ruben, Tuesday and Ginger. We will all make sure that their schooling at Bemboka is enjoyable and rewarding.

I look forward to working with all of you during this year and if you have any questions or concerns about your child’s schooling please do not hesitate to contact us.

P & C Meeting

I look forward to meeting up with you all at the P & C Meeting on Thursday for more updates on the classroom make-ups for 2016.

Leonie Stevenson
Relieving Principal

“The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today.”

H. Jackson Brown, Jr.
School Happenings

Scripture
Scripture starts at school next Tuesday. If you do not want your child/ren to attend scripture you need to send a note to the school advising this. A new note is needed each year.

School Band
The school band will start practicing every Tuesday from next week. We thank Kathy Tyson for offering to ‘Take the Baton’ again this year.

Small Schools Swimming Carnival
Bemboka School’s swimming carnival will be held this Friday at Bemboka Pool starting at 10am. Students are to bring their swimmers, rash shirt, sunscreen, towel, goggles (if they use them) and $3 pool entry if not a season pass holder.

Students who are turning 8 this year and older will be able to compete for their school house on the day.

Students in the Friday’s Yellow Learning Group who will not be turning 8 this year will go to the pool with Mrs Collins after recess for some fun activities.

We would love to see as many parents as possible on the day.

Parent Information Night & BBQ
There will be a parent information night held next Wednesday 10th February 2016 at the school.

The school will run a BBQ for parents at 5.30pm and then this will be followed by a parent information session.

Can you please RSVP to the school office by Tuesday 9th February for catering purposes. Phone 64930229.

We would love to see everyone.

Year 6 Leadership Day
All year 6 students will be travelling to Sydney on Sunday 28th February until Tuesday night 1st March 2016 to attend the 2016 National Young Leaders Day. Students will travel from Bemboka by coach & train.

A detailed permission note will be sent home next week.

Tennis Training
The school is participating in some tennis training on a Monday. Can all students please bring their joggers on a Monday.
**P & C News**

**P & C Meeting**
Next P & C Meeting is Thursday 4th February 2016 at 7pm (tomorrow night). All welcome.

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**COMMUNITY NOTICES....**

**School Banking**
Every Wednesday at the school. For more information please contact Service One Alliance Bank on 64930422.

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**Bemboka Playgroup**
Now on **THURSDAY** at 9:30am during school term.

For all children aged 0-5 and their parents and carers.

Come along and meet other local families for a play and morning tea.

For more information:
Rosie Allen 04 930 848 or 0408 764 709

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**Kokoro Kai Goju Karate Australia**
Brett Nord & Tracey

**Benefits of Karate**
- For children our training offers a safe and caring environ-
  ment where they can be physically active while learning new skills.
  - Children learn self-discipline and self-confidence.
  - Children develop their motor and coordination skills.

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**Gardening - Green Group**

Do you have some spare time???
We need some books in our library covered. Books can be covered at school or at home. Please contact the school office if you can help.
Thank you.

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**Woodwork - Yellow Group**

**Cooking - Blue Group**
**Wk 2**
- **Mon:** Feb 1
- **Tues:** 2
- **Wed:** 3
- **Thurs:** 4
- **Fri:** 5

  Bemboka Swimming Carnival

**Wk 3**
- **Mon:** 8
- **Tues:** 9
- **Wed:** 10
- **Thurs:** 11
- **Fri:** 12

  Parent BBQ and Information Night

**Wk 4**
- **Mon:** 15
- **Tues:** 16
- **Wed:** 17
- **Thurs:** 18
- **Fri:** 19

  Zone Swimming Carnival

**Wk 5**
- **Mon:** 22
- **Tues:** 23
- **Wed:** 24
- **Thurs:** 25
- **Fri:** 26

**Wk 6**
- **Mon:** 29
- **Tues:** 29
- **Wed:** 2
- **Thurs:** 3
- **Fri:** 4

**Coming Events**
- **Feb 4:** P & C Mtg
- **Feb 5:** Bemboka Swimming Carnival
- **Feb 10:** Parent BBQ and Information Night
- **Feb 11:** Merit Assembly
- **Feb 12:** Small School Swimming Carnival
- **Feb 19:** Zone Swimming Carnival
- **Feb 25:** Merit Assembly
- **Feb 28 to Mar 1:** Year 6 Leadership Day

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**School Canteen Roster Term 1, 2016**

- **8 Feb:** Gaye Alexander / Sarah Henry

  Can you volunteer? Phone Gaye 64930565

  New roster to be sent home shortly