We are halfway through Term 4 and we have many interesting and exciting things happening over the rest of the year. Our students will be continuing to work hard in class to learn new skills and further develop others. Students will continue to come to school with a positive attitude and be ready to work hard in class. Each class is also beginning to work on performances for our Annual Sunset BBQ which has been changed to Tuesday evening the 8th December.

Swimming Lessons
Thank you to the students for their positive start to swimming lessons. We are really looking forward to seeing the students’ skills improve over the ten days. Please remember to label everything that your child is wearing to and from the pool and that they bring, so that we do not have lost equipment and clothing.

Please Collect Your Lids
We are entering a competition at Bunnings to make a recycled Christmas Tree. We are collecting lids from bottles, jars or any type of small item that could be recycled and made into decorations for our tree. Any donations would be greatly appreciated!

Kik
Due to swimming we do not have our regular Kik lunch this week. Kik lunches will be run on two consecutive Thursdays, the 26th November and the 3rd December. We will also have a special Christmas cooking session as a part of our Christmas Craft in week 10. The Christmas cooking will be Christmas treats, not lunch.

Kinder Transition
Our final two Kinder Transition sessions will also be held after swimming. If you know of anyone who may be interested in having a look at the great things we do at Raleigh please encourage them to contact the office and come along and have a look. The final dates are: Friday 27th November 2.00-2.50pm and Thursday 3rd December 11.30 – 1.00pm. The final Kinder Transition will coincide with our final Kik lunch. We are inviting the Kinder students to come along and join us for lunch and then activities in the classroom after.

Yr 6 to 7 Transition
We are excited to see new Kinder students start at Raleigh but this time of the year is also an exciting time for our Year 6 students going to High School next year. The following dates are events coming up for our students going to Bellingen High School. Further details will be sent home about the final three sessions when they become available.

Tuesday 10th November – Year 6 going to BHS will be going with me to the High School to have a look around and get to know some of the teachers. Cont. over
Year 6 Transition Cont.
Friday 27th November – Small Schools Transition Day.
The students from Orama, Repton and Raleigh go to the High School for a transition day prior to the regular day. This gives them an opportunity to get to know the school and feel comfortable.
Friday 4th December – Yr 6 to 7 Transition Day. All students who will starting Year 7 next year at BHS are to attend this day.
Monday evening 7th December – Parent Information Session. Further details to come.

Musica Viva
We would like to thank Mr Mulligan at Urunga Public for inviting us to participate in the Musica Viva event. These are very talented musicians and this is a wonderful opportunity for our students. Due to a grant the cost of seeing the performance has been heavily subsided and is only costing $2 each.

Sunset BBQ
Please save the date of Tuesday evening the 8th December for our annual Sunset BBQ. In the coming weeks we will be sending home further information and asking families for numbers attending and orders for meat. We look forward to sharing this lovely event with our family and friends.

Carols on the Green
Our Performance Choir and Recorder Ensemble will be attending the Carols on the Green on Wednesday 10th December. Our students will perform for the audience as well as enjoy performances from others. This is a lovely community event and one which we love to be a part of.

Christmas Craft
During Week 10, we will be completing some Christmas Craft activities at school. During the week we will also be doing some Christmas Cooking. This is not lunch, but ‘Christmas Goodies’. Each child who has paid will take home a lovely bag of goodies to share with their families.

Bunnings BBQ
I hope that all families have been organising their day on Sunday the 29th November so that they can volunteer a few hours to help our P&C at the Bunnings BBQ fundraiser. Please fill out the form below to let us know the times you will be available. We appreciate you helping to make our school a better place.

Masonic Village Visit
On Wednesday 2nd December, the whole school will be travelling to the Raleigh/Urunga Masonic Village. We will be singing some songs to and hopefully with, the residents as well as participating in some games, before having morning tea and coming back to school. We love visiting the nursing home and it is fantastic that they are able to offer their bus to transport the students there and back.

Surf Safety Day
Each year the students in 3-6M go to Sawtell Beach to participate in a day of Surf Safety. This day is run by qualified Life Guards and is a fantastic experience.

Student Banking
Student Banking will continue until the end of term. Tokens not redeemed will be carried over to Term 1, 2016 for exciting new rewards.

Early to bed makes better swimmers.
Pen Pals
Our students in 3-6M have been writing to some of the residents at the Raleigh/Urunga Masonic Village. We hope you enjoy some of their exchanges. The resident commences the conversation.

“Hello, my name is Laura. I was born in Sydney. I am 82 years old. When I was young I used to play lots of tennis and I enjoyed swimming and surfing. I look forward to hearing from you.” Laura

“Hello, my name is Charlie. I am a girl. I was born in 2006 in Melbourne. I go to Raleigh Public School. My favourite sport is swimming and dodge ball. I have one brother called Skeet and I have two guinea pigs and a cat. My favourite food is blueberry muffins. I look forward to hearing from you.” Charlie

“Hello Charlie. Thanks for writing a nice letter. I play the guitar and the piano. I used to paint beautiful pictures, I have some in my room, but I don’t paint much anymore. I was given a dog once but it was so naughty. It used to jump all the fences, pull the washing off the line, chase all the children, cars, bikes and I gave it back to the people who gave it to me. I enjoyed looking at your artwork. I can draw also. Hope to hear from you soon.” Laura

“It was nice hearing from you again Laura. I also like painting and drawing. I also like riding my bike. Did you like doing any of these when you were a child? I also went to the movies in the holidays and watched ‘Pixels’. We also went to Lismore because my brother and dad went to Brisbane for a day. Next week we are going to Sydney and we are going with Orama Public School and we might be going to a Convict Camp and maybe going across the Sydney Harbour Bridge. What did you do on the holidays? On my holidays I also went to the river at Mylestom and we went for a swim. It was colder than I thought. We also went to go and get fish and chips there. Do you like fish and chips?” Charlie

Bunnings BBQ
The P&C have successfully acquired Sunday 29th November to hold a BBQ at Bunnings. We need parents to volunteer their time on this day from 7am to 4.30pm.

Time is needed in the morning to set-up, before we can start cooking any sausages and selling any drinks. The first shift will go from 7am to 10.30am, then 10.30am to 2pm and 2pm to 4.30pm. We need 4 people per shift.

Please write your name and mobile number in the time slot that would best suit you and return it by 23/11/15.

Name: ______________________  Mobile Number: ____________________
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☐ I am available as reserve on 29th November for the Bunnings BBQ.

Name: ______________________  Mobile Number: ____________________  Time: ____________
“Hello, my name is Batch. I was born in Bowraville in 1926. I am 89 years old. I am the oldest child in my family. I have one sister. My sister’s name is Betty. My mother’s name is Coralie and my father’s name is Gordon. Looking forward to hearing from you.”

Batch

Hi, my name is Kyle and I am 10 years old. I was born in Kalgoorlie in 2005. I live in Urunga. Hobbies include soccer and swimming. I am the best in my soccer team and in swimming I made it to State Finals. What are your hobbies? My mum’s name is Skye. My dad’s name is Tyson and my sister’s name is Charlize. I am the oldest in my family. I have two dogs. I am looking forward to hearing from you.”

Kyle

“Hello Kyle. My hobbies are playing golf, bowls and I enjoy fishing. I prefer bowls now that I am older. We play indoor bowls here where I live at the village. What kind of food do you enjoy? I enjoy fish and chips because fish is good for the brain. I also like rissoles. I enjoy all sweets. What is your favourite sweet?”

Batch

“Hi Batch. I actually love fishing as well, because I live five minutes from the river. Well I like fish and chips as well. I like Beef Stroganoff. My favourite sweets are sour straps, Tnt and war heads. In the holidays I had a sleep over at a friend’s place and we played the X-Box and we went to the skate park. What did you do in the holidays? Next week we are going to Sydney and we are going to have so much fun.”

Kyle

“Hello Kyle. When I was young, I was a member of the Boy Scouts. We used to go camping. We learnt to tie knots and to start camp fires. Also cook on an open fire. Most holidays we had a seaside house at Nambucca Heads. I used to go fishing and swimming in the lagoon. What did you do at Sydney? Looking forward to hearing from you.”

Batch

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**Scholastic Book Club**

Brochures have been handed out today for Scholastic Book Club. This will be the last Book Club for 2015. Please send orders and money back to school by Monday 23rd November. If the orders are for gifts, please attach a note to say you would like to collect them.

Thank you.