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Tissues Needed
Each year we ask our families to donate one box of tissues for use in their child’s classroom. This is a classroom consumable in high demand and we appreciate your support in this matter.

Upper Division Homework
Homework tasks were issued on Monday and are due on Friday. All students are asked to complete a Maths worksheet, practice spelling words and times tables, choose 5 spelling words and use them in sentences and record 20 minutes of reading each night Monday—Thursday. Please contact Ms Pritchard for further help.

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This week we wish Happy Birthday to Ross Armour.

"Nobody makes a greater mistake than he who does nothing because he could do so little"

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Active After School Program/School Assembly

Active After Schools Program
Our Active After Schools Program commenced this week with netball and ball skills on Monday afternoon.

Cool drinks, fruit and cheese are being provided for afternoon tea. Sessions run from 3 to 4pm with bus students able to take part but leave early to meet the buses. Students who have not returned a note are still able to join in the fun. Just return the signed consent form to school ASAP.

School Assembly
Our first School Assembly for Term 1 2013 will take place this Friday 22nd February at 2.30pm. All parents and community members are invited to attend.

Students moving into Year 7 2014
Parents of students moving into Year 7 in a NSW Government School in 2014 will find attached a package which provides information about government secondary schools and includes an Expression of Interest forms for placement in Year 7, 2014. Could year 6 parents please indicate their preference for the school in which they would like to enrol their child for Year 7 and return the EOI form to Bowning School by Friday 22nd March.

Bowning P&C News
Working Bee—there will be a working bee at our school on Sunday 3rd March commencing at 9am, with a BBQ at 12.30pm. If you can assist please come along with gloves, rakes and shovels and help us beautify our school. For catering purposes could you please complete the note attached to last weeks newsletter and return it to school by Monday 25th February.

Voluntary contributions—each year families are asked to make a voluntary contribution to the school. All funds collected assist us in providing the resources required for our teaching programs. The amount of $30 per family has been set by the Association for 2013.

Community Breakfast
In support of our families and local community affected by the January bushfires, the students and staff will be hosting a Community Breakfast with the proceeds being donated to BlazeAid volunteers working to support the Bookham community.

All families and community members are warmly welcomed to join us for a shared breakfast of Bacon and Egg rolls, Café Style Raisin toast, Juice, Tea or Coffee. For catering purposes, please complete the RSVP attached to this bulletin to indicate your attendance and choice of breakfast foods or contact the school office directly.

Community Breakfast
Tuesday 26th February, 2013. 8:15—9:00am (Before School)
Items available:
Bacon & Egg Roll $2.50
Fruit Toast $1.50 slice
Coffee - $1.00, Tea—$1.00
Juice -$2.00

Woollies BBQ
Bowning P&C will run a BBQ stall at Woolworths in Yass on Saturday 16th March. Help is required between 9-10am to set up. Help is required between 10am and 2pm cooking and selling of sandwiches and drinks and between 2pm and 3pm for packing up. Help for 1 or 2 hours or more will be greatly appreciated. Please complete the note attached and return ASAP.
Activities in our Playgrounds

Gino’s Fruit & Veg.
Don’t forget Gino’s Fruit & Veg orders. Orders may be faxed, emailed or phoned and deliveries will take place each Friday, at Bowning School.

Email: ginosveg@bigpond.com
Ph: 69454076    Mob: 0422078724
Fax: 69454136

Bowning Recipe Books for Sale
$15.00
Available for purchase from the School Office

Enquiry
A 15 year old student living in Bowning requires a lift to Woolworths bus stop in Yass to catch the 7.20am bus to Canberra (Monday to Friday). If you can assist please phone Connie to discuss on 0423771304.

Lost
1 School Hat (large). Could parents check their child/ren’s hat to make sure that they have the correct hat. If found could it please be returned to school. Thank you

Volunteer Host Families
World Education Program (WEP) are inviting families to experience another culture in their own home by becoming a volunteer host family to an international student arriving in July 2013. Students are from Italy, Belgium, Finland, France, Switzerland, The Netherlands and South America who are looking forward to experience life in Australia. If parents would like to be involved please contact WEP to receive a full information pack.

Manager—Sylvia Kelly
Phone: 1300884733
Email: info@wep.org.au

Attachments:
- Yass Valley Council flyer x 2
- Binalong P&C fundraiser flyer
- Yass basketball flyer
- Bowning cricket team flyer
- Yass Magpies flyer
- BlazeAid catering note
- Woollies BBQ note
- Yr 7 2014 E.O.I. form
- Taekwondo flyer

Community Events & Attachments

Activities in our Playgrounds
Helping your Kindy kid succeed at school
A great way to kick off your child’s formal education is to understand the school culture and what your child is doing in the classroom.

Speech problems
All kids learn how to talk and listen at different rates but did you know there’s a general pattern to your child’s language development?

Year 10 subject selection
How can you help your teen decide on subjects for Years 11 and 12? These tips talk about balancing choices based on your teen’s strengths, while keeping their options open.

DET TIPS

Friendships to boost your child’s learning
If children are happy socially they tend to be more engaged in their learning. So teaching your child about the importance of making friends is as vital as learning their ABCs.

Assignment starters for the arts
Videos are great resources for getting kids enthused about their assignments. These pages on cubism, percussion and critical studies provide key points to help them get started and links to useful sites to assist with further research.

