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Transport will be by private car. We would appreciate assistance from any family able to provide transport on the day. Please complete the note attached to this bulletin and return by tomorrow Thursday 28th February.

Upper Division Homework
Upper Division students are encouraged to seek help from school when they experience any difficulties with their homework.

Taking care of property
Responsibility is one of our cornerstone values at Bowning Public School. Taking responsibility for personal property is a big part of being responsible at school. There are a number of things parents can do to help their children look after their things at school.

- Make sure all items of clothing, lunchbox, drink bottle and stationery are clearly marked with your child’s name.
- Encourage your child to pack their school bag with you (or independently when old enough) so they are mindful of the items they are bringing to school and need to take home at the end of the day.
- Keep all toys, dress jewellery and sports items at home. Children are always upset if a special item is lost or broken at school. Please keep all personal items like this at home. Games and equipment are provided for the children at school.

Clare Pritchard

‘Literacy Program’
Years 5/6 only
Students from Years 5 & 6 have been invited to attend a Literacy Program presented by Yass Lions at Berinba Public School on Monday 4th March from 1pm to 2.30pm.

This program will offer the opportunity for students to work with a children’s author to generate ideas for creating their own story to be entered into a district based competition.

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District Swimming Carnival/Textbooks

District Swimming Carnival
Well done to all our students who competed at the District Swimming carnival last Wednesday. A great day was had by all with all children supporting and cheering their team mates. Thank you also to the parents who transported their children.

A special congratulations to William, Abbey, Alarna and our PP5 relay team of Sarah, Brody, Tamara and Alarna who have qualified to swim at the Regional Swimming carnival at Dapto next Tuesday 5th March.

Good luck at the carnival.

Information sheets and permission notes have been sent home with the children involved in this carnival.

Text books
Spelling and Handwriting textbooks have arrived and been issued to students of Years 1/2/3/4/5/6 to support teacher programs throughout the year. We are still awaiting the maths books.

Costs for spelling and handwriting books are as follows:

- Spelling Conventions: Years 1—6 $10.00
- Everyday Spelling: Year 2 only—$11.00
- Handwriting Conventions: Years 3-6—$9.50

Maths textbooks—parents will be advised when they have arrived.
This week we wish Happy Birthday to Benjamin, Sarah, Emmily-Rose and Hunter. And Ms Davis.

“They are able who think they are able”

Yr. 7, 2014 Students Information

Students moving into Year 7, 2014
Parents of students moving into Year 7 in a NSW Government School in 2014 were sent home a package last Wednesday which provides information about government secondary schools and includes an Expression of Interest form 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.

Head Lice
There have been reported cases of head lice at our school. Could parents please check their children’s hair and treat accordingly. A reminder that bed linen, combs and hats should also be treated.

Bowning P&C / BlazeAid Fund Raising Event

Bowning P&C News
Working Bee — there will be a working bee at our school this Sunday 3rd March commencing at 9am, with a BBQ at 12.30pm. If you can assist please come along with gloves, rakes, wheelbarrows and shovels and help us beautify our school.

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.

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 would be greatly appreciated. Please complete the note attached to last week’s newsletter and return ASAP.

Term 1 Bulb Fundraiser
Please find attached our Term 1 fundraising pamphlet. If you wish to order bulbs please complete this form and return it to school by Thursday 4th April. Please make cheques payable to the Bowning P&C Association.

Mini Music Morning
Postponed next week
Helena will not be able to attend Bowning next Tuesday. Mini Music morning will recommence on Tuesday 12th March. We look forward to seeing you then.

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P&C Association.
Mrs Debbie Coburn is the co-ordinator of this fundraiser. Any enquiries please phone Deb on 0418115925.

Community BlazeAid Breakfast
Thank you to parents, grandparents and community members who joined us for breakfast yesterday in aid of BlazeAid. A total of $194.50 was raised at this event.

Schoolkids Bonus
Please find attached information flyers regarding the schoolkids bonus payment.

Bowning Public School
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.

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:
- Literacy Program permission note (Yrs. 5/6 only)
- Bulb Fundraiser pamphlet
- ‘Schoolkids bonus’ flyer x 2
- ‘Kids Don’t Fly’ information flyer

COMMUNITY EVENTS & ATTACHMENTS

BlazeAid Photos
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.


Vocational education

Many kids now use Year 11 and 12 to get a head start on a traineeship or an apprenticeship, or gain other valuable industry experience.


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.


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.