Dear Parents, 

Happy Easter! I hope you have an opportunity to enjoy some restful time with your family over the long Easter weekend.

National Young Leaders Day

The National Young Leaders Day aimed to inspire students to begin a life-long journey of leading themselves and others according to good leadership values. Believing in the potential of all students and wanting to challenge them to achieve their goals and make a positive contribution to our school and community, I found this program to be a great way to begin an ongoing conversation with the students about recognising the internal and external influences they experience in life and how to focus themselves towards making responsible choices and making a difference. The students will be making a presentation about the day at our final assembly this term. I hope you can join us and acknowledge their involvement in this important event. In the meantime you can turn to the photos included in this bulletin to get an idea of the day.

Clare Pritchard

Small Schools Athletics

The annual Small Schools’ Athletics carnival will be held on Thursday 9th May (week 3- Please note change of date). This carnival is held at Bowning Recreation Ground and brings together local small schools for a friendly sports competition. All Bowning students from Kinder to Year 6 will participate in this carnival as a member of their Sport House. Students are invited to wear a green (Paterson) or yellow (Lawson) t-shirt on the day. Uniform shorts and skirts should still be worn as appropriate.

Every student will participate in their age race. Children aged 8 to 13 will be nominated to participate in field events (maximum 3 students per house per event). Our juvenile students (5 to 7yrs.) will participate in long jump and/or novelty events (maximum 3 students per house per event). A canteen will operate on the day.

PBS (Positive Behaviour for Success)

The winners of our weekly PBS draw last week were: Dakotah & Abbey. Congratulations.

Easter Parade/Anzac Day March

Easter Hat Parade

A great day of celebration was held at school today. Students K-6 took part in a wonderful range of Easter activities. Thank you to Mrs Armour for planning and organising the day.

New look website

There is a fresh new look to our website and up to date photo galleries for you to enjoy. You can also download the newsletter and check the calendar for details of up and coming events.

Anzac Day March

Each year students of Bowning Public School take part in the ANZAC DAY march which is held in Yass to commemorate this important day of remembrance. Anzac Day falls on Thursday 25th April, the last week of the school holidays. Students who are available to participate are asked to complete the attendance note attached to last week’s newsletter and return it to school by Friday 5th April.

Educational Assessments Competitions (Yrs.3-6)

Individual students in Yrs.3-6 have the opportunity to enrol in the annual University of NSW Educational Assessment competitions. Participation in these competitions is voluntary and a cost is involved. Parents are also advised that these tests are a high level national competition. Please complete the note attached to last week’s newsletter if you wish your child/ren to enter and return to school by Friday 5th April.
Harmony Day/ District Cross Country

Harmony Day 2013
Harmony Day activities were celebrated at Binalong Public School last Friday. Students completed activities and enjoyed a tasty BBQ lunch. Lunchtime games with new friends topped off a good day.

District Cross Country
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P&C Information/ Young Leaders Day Photos

P&C Information
A canteen will be operating at our Small Schools Athletics carnival. This canteen is a major fundraising event for the P&C Association. Your help in the preparation and running of the canteen and donations of cakes, slices, popcorn etc. will help make the carnival day a success. If parents can assist in any way at the carnival could you please complete the note attached. Nat Allen is our coordinator for this fundraiser.

Bulb Fundraiser
Our Term 1 Bulb fundraiser is well under way. If you wish to order bulbs please complete the form and return it to school by next Thursday 4th April. Please make cheques payable to the Bowning P&C Association.

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

Raffle
Please support the P&C by selling/purchasing the attached ‘Mother’s Day Pampered Pack’ raffle tickets. Tickets are $1.00 each. More tickets are available from the office. Thank you.

Young Leaders Day

"Love not what you are but what you may become"
Easter Hat Parade Photos

COMMUNITY EVENTS & ATTACHMENTS

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.

Free
2 year old male kelpie. Please contact Desnee if you can provide a home. Thank you

Sacrament of 1st Holy Communion
1st Holy Communion registration will be held on Wednesday 3rd April and Thursday 4th April between 5-6pm at the presbytery. If your child is in Year 3 or older, has made their 1st Reconciliation and wishes to continue their journey in faith please attend registration on one of the above dates. For further enquiries contact Dianne Carey on 0419276889 (Sacramental Team Leader)

Attachments:
- Mother’s Day raffle
- Small Schools Athletics note
- Tickets
- Photography competition
- Yass Valley Council flyer
- RSL flyer

Uniform Shop
Thursday 28th March
8.40am

How to contact us:
Phone: 6227 6093
Fax: 6227 6121
Email: bowning-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
Website: www.bowning-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
School zone safety
A reminder to parents about the operation of school speed zones around the Easter holidays.

School zones exist for the safety of children and families; they will operate on Thursday 28 March, then resume on Tuesday 2 April.

Forty-kilometres-an-hour school speed zones operate across New South Wales at all school sites on gazetted school days, which are all days the school is open, even pupil-free days. Find out more: http://www.rta.nsw.gov.au/roadsafety/children/schoolroadsafety/schoolzoneprogram.html

Practise to be a journalist
This website could definitely make practising writing and spelling more interesting for all of us. Make a newspaper clipping with your own headline and story. Your child may even start imagining themselves as a publisher or journalist. http://www.fodey.com/generators/newspaper/snippet.asp

Safety locks
Between 2011 and the end of 2012, 39 children aged nine or younger were hospitalised in NSW as a result of window falls. New lock laws in apartment buildings will soon help to keep our kids safe. Child safety locks are now required to be installed on apartment windows. http://www.theraen/au/techbreak-news/new-window-lock-laws-for-nsw-stratas/story-fn3dxwe-1226596394666

Bullying knows no bounds
When cyberbullying hits home - what one mum wishes she’d done differently. Because most cyberbullying happens in the home, parents need to be aware of the technology that young people are using. http://www.schooatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/cyberbullying/when-cyberbullying-hits-home