Bowning Public School
Newsletter

Calendar of Events

TERM 1
Friday 28th February— Schools Clean Up Day/ Mufti Day
Friday 7th March— Tuckshop and Assembly
Wednesday 12th March— Scripture
Friday 21st March— Harmony Day at Bionalong
Friday 4th April— District Cross Country
Friday 11th April— Last day of Term 1
TERM 2
Friday 2nd May— Small Schools Athletic Carnival

Week 5, Term 1
26th February, 2014

From the Principal:
We would like to welcome Olive (kindergarten) and her family to Bowning School. Olive’s arrival takes our Kindergarten enrolment to 8 students and our total student enrolment to 42.

Our students have been very well presented in their uniforms each day this term. Supplies of our new Bowning Sports Shirt have arrived at school and ready to purchase. Please contact the office for assistance. The new sports shirt, navy sports shorts/skorts is to be worn each Friday. Our formal uniform of sky blue polo shirt, navy shorts/ culottes and black shoes is to be worn Monday to Thursday. Please contact the school if you require further information regarding our uniform policy.

Clean Up Australian day for Schools February 28th 2014
This Friday is “Clean Up Australia Day for Schools” as the actual event is held this Sunday, 2nd March. To acknowledge this great project the students of Bowning School will be cleaning up their school environment on Friday.

Lower Division students will clear the school grounds of papers and general rubbish. Upper Division students will be working in the gardens to improve the presentation and prepare the vegetable garden for a winter crop.

Friday will be a Mufti day. Children are invited to wear comfortable work clothes—ensuring closed shoes are worn—and sunhat. Upper Division students should bring gardening gloves to school if available.

Yass District PSSA Swimming Carnival
Congratulations to all our participants who competed in the District Swimming carnival last Friday and helped Bowning win the aggregate points trophy for 2014!

A special congratulations to William (2nd individual medley), Ben (2nd 50mtrs. freestyle), Abbey (3rd 50mtrs. breaststroke), Alarna (2nd 50mtrs. breaststroke, 3rd 50mtrs. backstroke). Our PP5 relay team of Alarna, James, Shayanne and Ben (with Abbey as reserve) were placed second. All these students have been nominated to represent our school at the Regional District carnival at Dapto on Friday 7th March.

All students who have been nominated to attend the Regional have received a permission note. Signed notes must be returned to school by Friday 28th February. Parents are welcome to contact the school should they require any further information or assistance with transport.

Bowning P&C Information/ X Country Carnival

Bowning P&C Association
On Friday 28th March Bowning School will be holding a cake stall in Yass (next to Millers pharmacy) commencing at 9am and concluding at approximately 12pm.

If any parents/community members/ grandparents could help with either cooking or manning the stall please complete the note attached to last weeks’ newsletter and return it to school by Monday 17th March. Any help would be appreciated.

Fundraising activities for the 2014 year are as follows:

Term 1: Cake Stall— Fri 28th March (9am—12 )
Term 2: Small Schools Athletics carnival/ Mothers Day Raffle
Term 3: Sheep Manure
Term 4: Christmas Raffle

We are also pleased to be planning some social events throughout the year for students and their families.

Term 1: Trivia Night
Term 2: Games Night
Term 3: Talent Quest
Term 4: Disco

If you have any ideas for fundraising activities please speak with one of the executive or join us at our meetings. All parents and community members are warmly invited to attend these social meetings.

District Cross Country/ Athletics Training
All students 8 years old this year and above will take part in the cross country carnival on Friday 4th April. Parents able to assist are asked to contact the office.

Claim the Date
Our Annual Small Schools Athletics Carnival will be held on Friday 2nd May (Term 2).
This week we wish Happy Birthday to Ben, Emmily-Rose, and Hunter Conroy Allen.

Choir/EIOI/Family Photos/Plastic Jars

Choir
Mrs Wilson will continue to lead our school choir. Choir is held each THURSDAY afternoon from 3.10pm to 3.40pm.

Students moving into Year 7, 2015
Attached to this newsletter are 'Expression of Interest' forms for children of year 6 entering into High School in 2015.

Could parents please complete the 2015 EOI forms and return them to Bowning School by Wednesday 19th March.

Family Photo Needed
Upper Division will be creating artworks for the Yass Show on the theme of 'family'. Students are asked to bring a photo or copy of a photo of a family portrait or favourite family photo to use as inspiration for their work. Photos should be brought to school this Friday and will be returned on same day. Thank you.

Plastic Jars Required
We need each student in our school to have a plastic container/jar such as a vegemite jar of about 455g size in which to collect their own PBS tickets for our weekly raffle. This means we are seeking 42 recycled jars! All donations welcome—preferably well washed and with labels removed. Thanks for your help.

Textbooks/Voluntary Contributions/Tuckshop/Mini-Music

Textbooks
Spelling and Maths books have arrived and been issued to students of Years 3/4/5/6 to support teacher programs throughout the year.

Costs are as follows:
Maths $12.00
Spelling Conventions: $11.20
Spelling Mastery: $24.50

Only some students require a new spelling mastery book and have been notified.

Spelling workbooks have also arrived and been distributed to Years 1/2
Cost of these workbooks are $10.50.

Payment for these textbooks is now due, please forward this amount to school. Thank you.

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 P&C Association at our 2014 AGM and is payable to the school.

Mini-Music for Parents/Community
Helena Painting will once again be coming to our school as a Community Worker. On Thursday afternoons from 2 to 3 pm she will also be holding a fun and informal get together for mothers and children 0-5 years. This group will meet for coffee, chat, play and musical activities. All are welcome.

Tuckshop next Friday 7th March
Our 1st tuckshop for 2014 will take place next Friday 7th March. Items available:

- Bowl of spaghetti bolognaise @ $5.00
- Nachos @ $5.00
- Fruit juice @ $1.00 each

Please return the attached bag and money to school by Wednesday 5th March.

Donations of items for sale at our tuckshop from Lower Division parents would be greatly appreciated. Please remember that we are a nut free school.
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.
Email: ginosveg@bigpond.com
Ph: 69454076 Mob: 0422078724
Fax: 69454136

Drum Lessons ‘come to you’ service including rural areas. Ages 6 & up. Student success in performance, exams & eisteddfods.
Drums supplied during session if required. Phone Gerard 0408 622 819.

Seniors Week Inter School “Bingo Bash”
Gunning District & Community Health will be hosting a “Bingo Bash” and sausage sizzle at the Gunning Shire Hall on Wednesday 19th March. All grandparents, parents & neighbours are invited for a great fun day.

Zumba Classes
DO YOU WANT TO GET FIT AND HAVE FUN AT THE SAME TIME!!
ZUMBA CLASSES have begun in Bowning.
WHEN: TUESDAY AND THURSDAY NIGHTS
LOCATION: BOWNING HALL
TIME: 7.00PM—8.00PM
COST: $10.00
EVERYONE WELCOME. FOR MORE INFORMATION PHONE KRISTIE ON: 043242117

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

Attachments:
• Expression of Interest forms (Year 6 only)
• Tuckshop bag
• Clean Up Australia Day Flyer

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WEBSITE PROBLEM
A technical issue with our website service is currently preventing images from being visible. I am advised the bug will be fixed soon.
Homework help
Do you struggle to understand your child's homework? Does your child need to practise their spelling and times tables? Are you looking for inspiration for projects and assignments? The free School A to Z app has been created by the Department of Education and Communities to help parents and their school-aged children, wherever and whenever they have homework and study questions. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications/school-a-to-z

Homework and multitasking
Somewhere along the line we seemed to have absorbed the idea that teenagers can multi-task perfectly because they're digital natives. Can kids really do their homework and multi-task? Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/using-technology/homework-and-multitasking-can-it-be-done

When lunch comes home again – uneaten
Almost nine out of 10 Australian parents say children's resistance is a major obstacle in their efforts to provide a healthy diet, and in many cases school lunches are one of the battlegrounds. But it's a battle families can do without and there are some simple steps to help avoid it. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/food/when-lunch-comes-homeagain

Help with English
Does your child need help with spelling or writing? Here are some resources that may help. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english

Maths
Struggling to remember everything you learnt in maths? If you need a refresher course, here are some tips and tools to help you to help your child. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/mathematics