Congratulations to Abbey, Ben, Alarna, James & Shyenne in representing our school and district at the Regional Schools swimming carnival last Friday.

Assembly
Our first assembly for 2014 will be held this Friday 14th March from 2:30pm in the school library. All are welcome to attend.

Afternoon Safety
Students and parents are reminded that all students are asked to remain seated in the COLA each afternoon until parents or teacher on duty are ready. If parents would like their children to be on the equipment they must provide active supervision. Thank you.

Harmony Day at Binalong
Bowring School has been invited to participate in Harmony Day at Binalong Public School on Friday 21st March. A canteen will be available on the day for students who have already ordered.

Transport will be by O’Mara’s bus at a cost of $4.00 per head or $8.00 per family. Could parents please complete the excursion permission note attached to last weeks newsletter and return it to school by Monday 17th March.

Upper Division Homework Reminder
Homework is issued each Monday and collected each Friday. Tasks are spelling, tables, reading and problem solving. Please contact Ms Pritchard if you have any questions.

Bowning P&C/ X Country Carnival
Bowring P&C Association
On Friday 28th March Bowring 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 contact Natalie Allen on 0478201369. Any help would be appreciated.

District Cross Country
All students 8 years old this year and above will take part in the cross country carnival on Friday 4th April.

Could parents please complete the Cross Country note attached to last weeks newsletter and return it to school by Wednesday 26th March.

Cricket Blitz TOMORROW!
Students and parents are reminded that we will enjoy a cricket workshop and organised games at school on Thursday 13th when members of the ACT cricket association and the Sydney Thunder visit our school.

All students are asked to wear blue sports uniform and ensure they have their hat for a day of outdoor learning. Parents are welcome to join us at the end of day around 2:45pm.
This week we wish Happy Birthday to Olive and Mrs Wilson.

Students moving into Year 7, 2015
Could “Expression of Interest” forms for children of year 6 entering into High School in 2015 please be returned to Bowning School by Wednesday 19th March. Thank you.

Trivia Night RSVP Required
The school trivia night will take place on Thursday 27th March commencing with supper at 5.00pm. Bring along your family, friends and a plate of food to share. The evening will be full of prizes, fun and laughter. Could parents/students please indicate on the note attached to last weeks newsletter, if you will be able to join us on the night. We look forward to a great night!

Textbooks/Voluntary Contributions/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 work books 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
Tomorrow, Thursday 13th March, there will be no mini music, but will resume next Thursday afternoon from 2 to 3 pm. Helena will 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.

PBS
At Bowning Public School we are respectful, responsible and safe. The winners of our PBS raffles this week were Emmily-Rose and Shyenne.

Congratulations. Shyenne & Emmily-Rose.

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.
Poetry Finalists—Yass Show 2014

The bloke who learnt to shoot
There once was a bloke who wanted to shoot,
He loaded up the gun and pulled the trigger,
BANG!
He shot his boot.
He loaded up the gun once more,
He took a shot at the kitchen door.
He tried again,
He hit a fox,
He put that poor fox in the box
And buried it.
He was the bloke who learnt to shoot,
who would drive to town in a rusty ute.

By Selina Smith Year 5

Sunflowers
A yellow flower in a field of green,
The most beautiful thing you’ve ever seen.
Up above the sky so blue,
I wonder what those sunflowers knew.
Facing the light until the sun is gone,
Sunflower life will go on and on.
By Mikaela Allen Year 5

The Bush
The bush is windy and wild,
I know why no one likes the bush right now,
The wild and windy bush.
There is a change so bad now the grass gets no water
and the bush is dying in this hot summer drought.
There are no flowers for the bees,
It is bare everywhere.
By Abbey Selwyn Year 5

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.

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.

Attachments:
- Hume Hey Day flyer
- Red Cross flyer
- Canberra’s Child magazine
- Active After-School Communities flyer

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Bowning Recipe Books for Sale
$15.00
Available for purchase from the School Office
Great books for tweens to read
Favourite books from the Premier's Reading Challenge team that will inspire kids aged between nine and 13 to read read read!


Developing resilience
We often hear complaints of "That's not fair!" from our kids when things don't go their way. Teachers talk about how you can help your child develop the skills to bounce back from everyday disappointments.


When older kids struggle with reading
If your child is struggling with reading, it's important to act on it immediately. Find out what you can do to help.


2014 homework planner
The best homework help you can give your child is to teach them to be organised. Print out the 2014 homework and study calendar, which includes key dates and school holidays. Stick them on the fridge and above their desk.


Maths A to Z
Brush up on some of the maths terms your child uses in the classroom. The Maths A to Z glossary provides straightforward explanations and illustrated examples.


Science assignment starters
Not sure where to go to help your child find out about electricity, natural disasters, the solar system or other science projects? Have a look at our project starters.