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Bowning P&C/Harmony Day/ X Country Carnival

Bowning P&C Association
On Friday 28th March Bowning School will be hosting 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 and return it to school by Wednesday 26th March.

Small Schools Athletics
Our Annual Small Schools Athletics Carnival will be held on Friday 2nd May (Term 2).
This week we wish Happy Birthday to Ms Cindy Davis.

“Character consists of what you do on the third and fourth tries”

EOI/Plastic Jars

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 if you will be able to join us on the night. We look forward to a great night!

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 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
On Thursday afternoons from 2 to 3 pm Helena Painting 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.

Tuckshop this Friday 7th March
Our 1st tuckshop for 2014 will take place this Friday 7th March. Thank you Natalie for organising this event.

Donations of items for sale at our tuckshop from Lower Division parents would be greatly appreciated.

Please remember that we are a nut aware 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.

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

Attachments:
- Trivia night flyer and note
- Harmony Day permission note and lunch order
- Cross Country permission note (8 years and older only)
- NAPLAN letter to parents

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WEBSITE PROBLEM
A technical issue with our website service is currently preventing images from being visible. I am advised
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 multi-tasking
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