Dear Parents

We have made a great start to the 2015 Intensive Swimming Program. We are grateful to the P&C for their financial support in paying for the bus.

Every student was tested last Monday and any student in Years 2-6 who are unable to swim 25 metres freestyle or who are still developing style and competence will be placed in the DEC learn to swim program.

Students in Kindergarten and Year 1 will work with an austswim trained instructor and supervised by school staff. Students in 2-6 who are stronger swimmers will be supervised in drill and training activities by Mrs. Bush.

Parents who are able to attend are asked to assist our groups “on the deck” watching the groups and assisting any child needing to leave the pool for any reason.

Children are able to bring spending money to the pool on Friday to purchase a small item from the canteen. Please remember, no drinks or hot food and only a small amount of money for a sweet or packet of chips etc.

Reminder: Bus leaves school at 9am and returns by 10.45am

Tracey Leggett
(Relieving Principal)

Elections

School Captains 2016
Voting for School Captain and Vice Captains took place today. The winners will be announced on Presentation Night.

From the Principal

Bowning P&C Association
Year 6 Orientation Day/Kinder 2016 Orientation/Crazy Hair & Opposite Day

Bowning P&C Association
Raffle tickets for our Term 4 fundraiser are $2 each and will be drawn at Presentation Night on Monday 14th December. If you require more tickets please contact the office.

It was decided to have a hamper raffle to be also drawn at Presentation Night. Could donations of food items be forwarded to school for this raffle. Your help with these raffles would be very much appreciated.

Year 6 Orientation Day
Thursday 3rd December

(Week 9) 4 Year 6 students will attend Yass High School for a full day orientation program. Transport to and from the High School is by private arrangements. Please complete the permission note attached and return it to school.

Kinder 2016 - Orientation Day
I had the pleasure of teaching the new 2016 kindergarten students last week. They are excited about starting school next year but were all very tired after their first full day at school. We look forward to seeing them on Thursday 28th January, 2016.

Crazy Hair & Opposite Day
On Monday 7th December Year 6 are holding a Crazy Hair and Opposite Day. Spray it, curl it, tease it, be as crazy as you can. Wear your pyjamas during the day, dress up as an adult, wear a skirt if you normally wear shorts. You do need to be sun safe, wear something that covers your shoulders and don’t forget your hat (maybe that could be crazy too) and wear sensible shoes. Have fun!!!!
This week we wish Happy Birthday to: Chase and Hunter.

“Kindness is a language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see”.

**Yr. 6 Parent Help/Payments Due/Library Books**

**Year 6 Parents Help Required**
It is our tradition to ask the families of Year 6 students to help us decorate the hall for presentation night. This will take place from 10am on Monday 14th December. Year 6 parents are also asked to serve the supper on Presentation evening. Please indicate if you can help on the slip attached and return it to school by Tuesday 8th December.

**Payments Due**
Families with money owing e.g. textbooks, major excursion and uniforms, are asked to forward this to school as soon as possible unless prior arrangements have been made. Families who would like to pay by instalment are asked to do so by arrangement with the Principal. Parents are also welcome to make payments at anytime.

We thank you for your prompt response in this matter.

**Library Books**
All library books are to be returned to school as soon as possible. There will be no more borrowing until 2016. Thank you.

**Book Prize Donations/Swimming/ Carols**

**Book Prize Donations**
An invitation is issued to members of the school community to donate money to be spent on book prizes that will be awarded on Presentation Night, Monday 14th December.

Books generally cost between $15 and $30 but donations of $10 are most welcome as they can be combined with others to fund a prize. Donations sent to the office will be gratefully received.

**Daily Routine for Swimming School**
Students are to wear their swimmers under their school uniform each day to school. They are to pack dry underwear, a towel and goggles in a strong plastic bag or tote bag.

At the pool, students place their school uniform into their bag while they swim. After each lesson, students will change into their uniform and place swimmers, towel and goggles into the bag.

Wet swimming gear will be taken home each day to be prepared for the next. Please ensure every item (including undies) are labelled with your child/ren’s name or initials.

**Entry to the pool (payable to the school) is $1.20 per child per day for 10 days ($12.00), unless families have a season ticket.**

**Community Christmas Carols**
Bowning Community Christmas carols will be held at St. James Church on Tuesday 15th December.

Bowning students K-6 are invited to take part in the carols and nativity. Please indicate if your child is attending by completing the attendance slip and return it to school by Wednesday 9th December.
Mini Fete—Photo Booth Photos

The ‘Rollonin Café’ has cherries for sale. Prices are: $20.00 a box or $10.00 a packet. Please contact the Rollonin on 62276507 if you wish to purchase.

Community Events/Swimming Photos/Reminders

Attachments
- Healthy Flyer
- Yr. 6 Orientation Day permission note
- Parent help attendance note

Intensive Swimming Scheme Photos

Reminder
- Report folders are now due
- Carols attendance note due Wednesday 9th December
- Donations of food items for raffle due 12th December
- Raffle tickets due by Friday 11th December
Min Fete—Photo Booth Photos