From the Principal
Our first assembly will be held this Friday 27th February at 2:20pm. Following the assembly families are invited to join the teachers and students in the COLA for light refreshments between 2:45 and 3:15. We look forward to seeing as many of you as can attend. Please RSVP if you can stay to assist with catering. A note is attached to this bulletin.

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA - SCHOOLS DAY
FRIDAY 27th February
This Friday morning, Mr Ashton and the K/1/2 students will work to clean up around our school grounds. Upper Division will send out to clean up around the Bowning Hall. We are always so grateful for the use of such a lovely hall for our school events.

Children will need their school hats, water bottles and sunscreen. Gardening Gloves or similar is recommended. Normal sports uniform is to be worn.

We will carry out our work between 9 and 11am. If you and your family would like to take part in Clean Up Australia 2015 on Sunday - check their website for more details or see attached the Yass Valley Council flyer.

I will begin training in a new approach to developing comprehension skills - Focus 3-6. The first two days of training for this 12 month course will be held next Monday and Tuesday.

Clare Pritchard

Bowning P&C Association/Clean Up Australia

The next meeting of the Bowning P&C Association will be held on Tuesday 31st March, 2015 (please note change of day due to the importance of organising the Small Schools Athletics carnival).

Voluntary contributions have remained at $30 per year and may be paid at the school office. These funds help with the purchases of resources such as pens, pencils, textbooks etc.

If you have any ideas for fund-raising activities please speak with one of the executive or once again to Kath and Marie from Landcare.
Textbooks
Maths workbooks and journals have arrived and been issued to students to support teacher programs throughout the year.

Costs are as follows:
- Kinder, Yr. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 Maths Journals: $17.95
- Yrs. 3, 4, 5 & 6 Maths Mental workbooks: $10.95
- Spelling Mastery workbooks have arrived and will be issued to students as required. Parents will be notified if their child/ren need these books. Cost for Yrs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 will be $26.95 each. Could payment for these textbooks be forwarded to school. Thank you.

Fruit Donations
Students are asked to provide one extra piece of fruit that will be cut up for all students to share at fruit break during the term. Thank you.

Tissues Needed
Each year we ask our families to donate one box of tissues for use in their child’s classroom. This is a classroom consumable in high demand and we appreciate your support in this matter.

Play dough Required
Supplies of play dough are required in the K/1 classroom. If any parents could make some it would be very much appreciated. A copy of a recipe taken from the ABC’s Playschool page is attached to this bulletin for your information. Thank you.

PSSA District Swimming Carnival/District Cross Country

Yass District PSSA Swimming Carnival
Bowring School was very well represented at the Yass PSSA carnival last Friday achieving exceptional results. Mikaela began the day with a powerful swim in the 200m IM placing 2nd in a strong field. She continued with her great form additionally coming 3rd in the 100m free, 3rd in the 50m back and 2nd in the 50m fly. Abbey swam an amazing PB in the 50m breaststroke and was rewarded with a 2nd placing while Dru swam a beautiful 50m butterfly race and finished the race in 3rd place. Dylan had an exceptional day as he placed 2nd in the 50m free, 3rd in the 50m back and 1st in the 50m fly. He was rewarded for his efforts as he was the R/U champion for 11 year boys for the carnival. Elissa swam her first ever 50m free race at district and swam a great race while William and Ben gave their best in many events throughout the day. Our PP5 relay, which consisted of William, Abbey, Mikaela and Dylan, swam the race of their lives only to be pipped at the post by long time rivals Gunning to take out 2nd place. Dylan, Mikaela and Abbey will represent Yass PSSA at the South Coast regional carnival in individual events and the PP5 relay in addition to William who will be representing Yass PSSA in the PP5 relay. Thank you to all parents who assisted on the day. Sherree Bush.

District Cross Country Carnival
All students 8 years old this year and above will take part in the cross country carnival at Gunning showground on Friday March 20th from 9.30am to 2.30pm. Bowring P&C will pay for the bus on this day. Students will walk the course at 10.45am. When all children have walked the course the Cross Country will commence. Could parents please complete the permission note and return it to school by Monday 9th March. Training has commenced for this event.
Landcare Photos

Community News

2015 District Swimming Carnival Photos

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Bowning Hall AGM
Parents and Community members are invited to attend the Annual General meeting of Bowning Hall Association to be held on Tuesday 3rd March, 2015 commencing at 7pm. Please come and support the Hall committee.

Attachments
- Bullying facts handout sheet
- Yass Junior Rugby Club flyer
- YVC flyers x 2
- RSVP assembly catering
- Playdough recipe

Reminders
District Cross Country permission notes due back at school by Monday 9th March.
Helping your Kindy kid succeed at school
A great way to kick off your child’s formal education is to understand the school culture and what your child is doing in the classroom.

Speech problems
All kids learn how to talk and listen at different rates but did you know there’s a general pattern to your child’s language development?

Friendships to boost your child’s learning
If children are happy socially they tend to be more engaged in their learning. So teaching your child about the importance of making friends is as vital as learning their ABCs.

Assignment starters for the arts
Videos are great resources for getting kids enthused about their assignments. These pages on cubism, percussion and critical studies provide key points to help them get started and links to useful sites to assist with further research.

Year 10 Subject Selection
How can you help your teen decide on subjects for Years 11 and 12? These tips talk about balancing choices based on your teen’s strengths, while keeping their options open.

Vocational education
Many kids now use Year 11 and 12 to get a head start on a traineeship or an apprenticeship, or gain other valuable industry experience.