From the Principal

Congratulations to Abbey, Mikaela, Dylan, and William who swam at last Fridays’ South Coast Swimming carnival and a huge congratulations to our PP5 relay team who will be competing in the State finals at Sydney Aquatic Centre, Homebush this month. A huge effort by all.

This week is a 4 week trial of across the school Maths groups. Children have been assessed against the numeracy continuum and placed in working groups of students with similar skills to further develop their numeracy skills. This week we are focussing on Early Arithmetical Strategies. Senior students are acting as peer tutors and group leaders during some of these sessions. Maths groups will take place at 11:40 each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Clare Pritchard

Netball and Basketball Trials—Years 5/6

Students in Years 5 and 6 who have strong experience and skills in Netball (Girls) or Soccer (Boys) may be interested in attending a trial to determine a Yass representative team in that sport to go to zone trials.

Conditions of the trials include high level skill and ability to travel to zone trials. Representatives from each public school in Yass are invited to attend. This is one pathway for our more talented athletes to participate in representative sport. Please contact Ms Pritchard to discuss this event.

Bowning P&C Association/Milo T20 Cricket Cup

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, text-books etc.

If you have any ideas for fund-raising activities please speak with one of the executive or leaders during some of these sessions. Maths groups will take place at 11:40 each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning)

The winners of our PBL last week were: Alysha & Lily

Congratulations Alysha & Lily

This week we are focussing on the value of Responsibility. We will be awarding raffle tickets to students we see taking and showing responsibility in the playground and classroom.

***Nut Aware School***

Please remember that our school is a nut aware school and students and families are asked to not bring foods containing nuts to school. Products labelled “May Contain Traces of Nuts” are suitable for school lunches.

Mrs Bush, Mr. Ashton and Mrs Manuatu will supervise the students on this excursion. Ms Pritchard will attend from lunch time following meetings.

Our successful PP5 Relay team. Congratulations Dylan, William, Mikaela & Abbey
This week we wish Happy Birthday to Daytona.

Text Books/Thank you/Shoe & Egg Cartons/ Resilience Doughnut

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. 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.

Thank you
A big thank you to the parents who have helped with tissue donations and to Nichole for making the play dough. Your help is very much appreciated.

Shoe Boxes and Egg Cartons
These items are needed for science and maths lessons. If you have some boxes or cartons available, please leave at the office.

Resilience Doughnut
Helena Painting will visit Bowning each Wednesday afternoon to deliver the Resilience Doughnut Program to students in Years 5 and 6. For more details about the Resilience Doughnut go to www.theresiliencedoughnut.com.au or contact the school to discuss the program with Helena or Ms Pritchard.

Scripture/Yass Show/District Cross Country

Scripture
Scripture classes are delivered once each term by community volunteers. Children attend scripture as indicated on their enrolment form.

Children who do not indicate a religion on their enrolment forms do not attend scripture and are supervised for alternative activities during that time. If you have any questions regarding scripture please contact the school.

Yass Show Artworks
Both our classes have prepared colourful displays of creative work on the theme “celebration” for the Yass Show. This activity had all our students working collaboratively and supportively. Well done!

Upper Division & Lower Division entries

District Cross Country Carnival – “CHANGE OF DATE”
All students 8 years old this year and above will take part in the cross country carnival at Gunning showground on WEDNESDAY 29TH April (Term 2, Week 2) from 9.30am to 2.30pm. On this day. Students will walk the course at 10.45am. When all children have walked the course the Cross Country will commence. A canteen will be available on the day.

Could parents please complete the new permission note and return it to school by Monday 30th March.
Landcare Photos

Community News/Attachments/Reminders

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Bookham Ag. Bureau Photo Competition
The Bookham Ag. Bureau Sheep Show is on Saturday April 11th. There is a photographic and art competition at this show and they would welcome entries from Bowning students. Entries need to be placed by Friday 10th April but will accept late entries up to 9.00am on the 11th April. Please contact Phil Cox on 62262372 for more information.

Yass Netball Clinic
Netball NSW—School Holidays Clinic will be held on Wednesday 15th April from 10am to 1pm at O’Connor Park, Yass for children aged 5—12 years. The clinic is 3 hours long with all activities targeted to be age specific and tailored to participant skill levels. Children can catch up with friends, try some new netball skills or learn what netball is all about, plus each participant will receive a Netball NSW goodie bag which includes a Gilbert netball. Registration is online only at: https://store.netballnsw.com/index.php/community/clinic/school-holiday-clinics/netball-nsw-school-holiday-clinic-yass-15042014.html

Registrations close Thursday 2 April 2015.

Movies in the Nest 20/03/2015
Featuring “The Lego Movie” (PG) starting at 5.30pm. Followed by “The Guardians of the Galaxy (M) starting at 7.30pm.

All children (U16) will be required to be signed in and out by an adult. Parents, why not drop your kids off and go out for dinner!

More Information:
Join Facebook Group: Eagles Nest Church Yass—Community Events
Contact Gary Jones on 0427 227 920

Reminders
District Cross Country permission notes due back at school by Monday 30th March.

Cake drive order form due back at school by Friday 20th March.

Attachments
• Bullying facts handout sheet
• District Cross Country permission note (change of date)
• Yass Valley Council flyer
• Dept. of Sport & Recreation flyers x 2
Succeeding in science
Encouraging your teen to ask questions and helping them find the answers is top of the list in helping them to succeed in science.

Facts about tutors
Private tutoring to give kids a helping hand in their schooling is a growing business. However, it’s also an area where parents can be vulnerable to bogus offers and misleading advertising.

Public speaking
Does your child suffer glossophobia? Fear of public speaking is common. Try creating opportunities for your child to present speeches to the family, without putting pressure on them to perform. Here are some tried and true tips to make your child’s next speech a success.

Science starters
Did humans live with dinosaurs? Does the moon disappear in the day? Kids love to know the answers to life’s mysteries but there are a few facts they often get wrong in the name of science.

A crash course in poetry appreciation
Understanding why an author uses certain words or structures in their poetry can help your teenager enjoy the English subject and give greater depth to their writing and language skills.

Year 10 subject selection
In Year 10 students are asked to select subjects for Years 11 and 12. Here are some tips to help your teen choose well.