Bowning Public School Newsletter

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From the Principal

Education Week
Next week is Education Week, a time in the year to celebrate the teaching and learning taking place in and around our school.

On Thursday 6th August, our school will take part in a special excursion to celebrate education week. All students K-6 will visit Brungle Aboriginal Environmental Education Centre to take part in a day of indigenous studies and cultural activities. There will be lessons on traditional story, dance, bush tucker and boomerang throwing. Transport will be by Bush’s bus. The bus will leave school at 8:20am and return to school by 3:30pm. Students who travel to and from school by bus will maintain their usual arrangements.

Sporting Schools
The sporting schools program has been launched to replace the Active After Schools Communities program. We are pleased to announce that our school has been successful in obtaining funding through the Sporting Schools program to provide additional sporting activities for our students, before, during or after school.

Our first program will be 5 weeks of Yoga lessons beginning this Friday. All students are able to take part. Skye Regan from ‘Yoga with Skye’ will lead Yoga lessons specifically designed for children.

Lessons for our K/1/2 children will start at 8:20am and finish at 9:50am. Lessons for 3/4/5/6 will take place between 8:50 and 9:20am. Please complete the participation slip attached to this bulletin and return it to school tomorrow, Thursday 23rd July.

Training for Teachers
During Term 3 the staff will continue training in new ways of working in Literacy and Numeracy. On Monday Miss Robertson and Ms Pritchard will work with our Instructional leader to develop new early numeracy programs for the K/1/2 room. Mrs Manuatu continues her L3 training while Ms Pritchard continues a comprehension course.

P&C Manure Drive/P&C Meeting/School Social/New Enrolments/PBL

Bowning P&C Association Manure Drive
A huge thank you to Kylie, Oliver, William, Debbie, Ross, Darcy, Marnie, Brett, Alarna, Flynn, Rod & Desnee for their help in bagging sheep manure last Saturday. A total of 430 bags were filled.

New Meeting Date
The postponed Term 3 meeting of the P&C is now scheduled for 3:15pm on Monday 27th July. We hope many of you will join us. We will be pleased to present the plan for further developing our school grounds and “Growing Bowning” project. This is a great opportunity to get involved with school.

School Social Event
Afternoon Tea and a movie will be screened while the P&C meeting is taking place. Miss Robertson will provide supervision. This is a great opportunity for children to share a social occasion. It will also provide care for the children of all parents who are attending the meeting.

An RSVP is attached to this bulletin and should be returned to school by Friday 24th July for catering purposes.

New Enrolments for 2016
If you know of any children who will be enrolling at Bowning Public School in 2016, please advise the office so enrolment forms can be distributed.

PBL Awards
The winners of our PBL for last week were: Zane & William.

Calendar of Events
Friday 24th July—Yoga classes
Monday 27th July to Friday 31st July—Education Week.
Thursday 6th August—Excursion to Brungle Aborig. Educ. Centre
Friday 21st August—Regional Athletics at the AIS.
Thursday 27th August—Environment Workshop
Friday 11th September—Arabin Cup at Binalong
Friday 18th September—Last Day of Term 3.

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Town families are able to allow for time changes on that day. Students are asked to dress in full sports uniform—including blue school tracksuit. Beanies and coats may be worn for warmth. Students are to take their water bottle, morning tea and lunch. Please sign the permission note attached to this bulletin and return it to school by Monday 27th July. The cost of this excursion will be covered by the school.
“Knowing what you can’t do is more important than knowing what you can.”

Earn and Learn/Rostrum Public Speaking Competition

Earn and Learn
Anyone from the school community—staff, parents and friends who shop at Woolworths, can collect stickers to place on sticker cards (cards are now available from school). They’ll get one sticker for every $10 they spend. Once completed the sticker cards can be placed in a collection box, at either the school or the local Woolies. The program concludes on Tuesday 8th September.

CWA/Rostrum Public Speaking Competition
Talkfest will be held at Berinba Public School on Thursday 13th August at 6.30pm for Yrs. 2 and 7.30pm for Yrs. 4 and 6 and Friday 14th August at 7.00pm for Years 3 & 5.

This public competition is open to all students from Yrs. 2-6. As a school we are keen to support this annual event and look forward to as many entries as possible. It is evident from our own public speaking competition, that we have a number of talented speakers who are encouraged to take part. Teachers will support all students with their public speaking efforts. Entry donation is $5.00 per family (payable at the door not school).

Entry forms attached should be returned to school by Friday 31st July.

We appreciate your support and encouragement of our children in developing public speaking skills.

CWA Poster Competition/AEDC/Arabin Cup

CWA Poster Competition
Finished CWA posters were handed to the CWA representatives last Monday. Notification of results will take place on Thursday 23rd July and morning tea and presentation for winners will take place in the CWA Rooms, Banjo Paterson Park on Thursday 30th July commencing at 10.30am. Winning students and their parents are invited to attend.

A permission note will be forwarded home to winning students by Friday 24th July. Notes will be due to school by Monday 27th July.

Thank you to all students who completed this work and submitted a project.

Australian Early Development Census (Kindergarten Students)
Every three years, teachers of children in the first year of full-time school are asked to complete a series of Early Development Instrument questions, based on their knowledge and observations of each child in their class. Children are not required to be present and the Early Development Instrument is completed online using a secure web-based data entry system. Parents of kindergarten are asked to support this important survey which provides evidence to support policy, planning and action for health, education and community support. Please see the note attached to your bulletin.

Parents wishing to “opt out” of the survey are asked to return the response sheet to school by Friday 24th July. Please contact the school if you require more information.

YOGA LESSONS BEGIN THIS FRIDAY MORNING!
8:20am K/1/2
8:50 am 3/4/5/6

In the School Library

Arabin Cup
Students K-6 have been invited to participate in the Annual Arabin Cup T-ball competition at Binalong Golf Club, Binalong on Friday 11th September. More information will be sent home when it becomes available.
Community Events/Reminders

Week 2 Playground Photos

Community Helpers
Parents and community members are invited to assist the Lower Division class during Maths (10—11am) or Literacy (11:40—12:40) sessions on Wednesday or Friday during Term 3. Please contact the office if you wish to be involved.

Ballet in Bowning
Ballet in Bowning will take place in Bowning Hall each Sunday afternoon at 2pm. There is no cost involved and all ages are welcome to attend. For enquiries please phone Cecile after 5pm on 62276456.

Attachments
- CWA Rostrum Public Speaking entry form
- Binalong Community fundraising flyer
- Yass Netball flyer
- GKR karate flyer
- Brungle Excursion permission note (K-6)
- Yoga Permission note
- AEDC letter
- Yass Historical Society flyer

Reminders
- Textbook payments are now due, notes will be sent home regarding amounts due
- Upper Division diaries must be signed over the weekend and returned on Mondays
- Public Speaking entry forms to be returned to school by Friday 7th August

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Immunisation
When enrolling a child, parents will be asked to provide an Immunisation History Statement. Parents can request an Immunisation History Statement by contacting the Australian Childhood Immunisation Register on 1800 653 809.

Primary schools record the immunisation status of students on enrolment. They keep the statement (or photocopy the original statement) for three years after the student has left primary school. If a student changes primary schools the Immunisation statement (or a copy) is forwarded to the new school. A child without an Immunisation History Statement will not be prevented from enrolling in primary school. Under the NSW Public Health Act 2010, however, children without proof of immunisation may be asked by Public Health Officials to stay at home during an outbreak of vaccine preventable disease.

Road Safety for Primary Students
As parents, we have a responsibility to keep our children safe when travelling to and from school. Ensure you share road safety advice with family members and other carers who may help you transport your children. Most importantly, we all should be good road safety role models.

Driving and Parking Safely Near Schools
- Stick to the 40km/h speed limit in a school zone. Children are about and can be unpredictable.
- Most 40km/h school zones operate between 8.00am and 9.30am and from 2.30pm till 4pm on all gazetted school days. This includes student free days.
- Watch out for buses pulling out—be alert to the wig-wag lights on the back of the bus.
- Always park and turn legally around schools. Don’t make dangerous manoeuvres like U-turns and three-point turns.
- Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.
- Drop off and pick up your child in a pre-organised spot. Avoid calling them from across the road.
- It’s safest for you child to get out of the car on the footpath side of the road.