Welcome back to a busy Term 1, 2016. We hope you had an enjoyable and safe holiday with your children.

We welcomed the great weather yesterday for our inaugural Burrinjuck Learning Community Swimming Carnival. It was wonderful to see the children getting in and “having a go”, whether competing or enjoying the novelty events. Mrs Wilson tells me the lower division children participated in some fun activities at Gunning pool and at the school. This was a great opportunity for our small school to interact with students from other schools. There will be more opportunities later in the year.

Tracey Leggett
(Relieving Principal)

We also welcome our 4 new kindergarten students of Bailey, Todd, Declan and Flynn. We hope you have a great 2016.

***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 Nuts” are suitable for school lunches.

The next meeting of the Bowning P&C Association is our AGM which will be held next Monday 8th February at 3.15pm.

At the AGM all executive positions are declared open and nominations are called for and voted on. During the 1st meeting we plan fundraising and social events for the new year. Your input is very welcome. Please come along. We look forward to working closely with you to make 2016 a great year.

2016 Daily timetable is as follows:

- 9.00-11.00—Literacy
- 11.00-11.40—Lunch
- 11.40-1.15—Literacy/ Numeracy
- 1.15-1.30 Afternoon recess
- 1.30-2.10 Other KLAs
- 2.10-2.20-Fruit break
- 2.20-3.00—Other KLAs
- 3.00—Home

No Personal Property at School Please

We ask that children do not bring their toys to school for play. We have plenty of activities at school and we encourage the students to keep personal property at home. Any item brought to school is done so at the child’s own risk. Special news items may be brought and left with the teacher until required.

Permission Notes

Could families please complete the Scripture Lessons, Excursion Within the Village and Authority to Publish permission notes for 2016 and return them to school as soon as possible. Thank you.
“Mistakes are a fact of life. It is the response to the error that counts”.

**Textbooks/Student Requirements**

**Textbooks**
Maths workbooks and journals have arrived and been issued to students to support teacher programs throughout the year.

Costs are as follows:
- Go Maths: Kinder $18.00 each
- Go Maths Mentals:
  - Yrs. 1,2,3,4,5,6 $11.00 each
- Go Maths Journals:
  - Yrs. 1,2,3,4,5,6 $18.00 each
- Spelling Mastery Yr. 2 only, $21.00 each

**Lower Division**
The school will provide all stationery items required by Lower Division—this includes pencils, colours and exercise books. Each student will also be issued with a home reading diary and folder for home activities.

**Upper Division**
It is customary for Upper Division students to bring their own stationery items to school. This will include lead pencils, coloured pencils/textas, a ruler, a red pen, a blue or black pen, a glue stick, a pair of scissors, pencil sharpener and eraser.

All these items are also available in the Upper Division room as required by students. Supplies are kept for those who do not have their own stationery supplies at school for any reason.

The school will provide exercise books, a home reading diary and homework folder. Handwriting workbooks, Maths mentals and student journals have been issued. The cost of these items is outlined above.

**BLC Swimming Carnival/Photos**

**BLC Swimming Carnival**
Congratulations to all our participants at the Burrinjuck Learning Community inaugural swimming carnival at Yass Pool yesterday. The weather was ideal and all the students participated with enthusiasm and good sportsmanship.

Congratulations also to:
- Jonah Allen—Junior Boy Champion
- William Kimpton—Senior Boy Champion
- Spencer Allen—11yrs. Boy Runner Up
- Dakotah Williams—11 Yrs. Girl Champion
Bowning Hall AGM
Parents and Community members are invited to attend the Annual General meeting of the Bowning Hall Association to be held on **Tuesday 1st March 2016 commencing at 7.00.** Please come and support the Hall committee in maintain this historical building.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
The Catholic Parish of St. Augustin’s Yass invites children baptised in the Catholic tradition, Yr. 3 or older, to continue their journey in faith by preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for their 1st Holy Communion. If you believe your child is ready please enrol at St. Augustine’s Presbytery on Wednesday 10th February or Thursday 11th February between 5-6pm. Further information please contact Diane Carey 0419276889.

Attachments
- Federation of the P& C welcome back flyer
- 2016 Excursion within the Village, Scripture Lessons & Authority to Publish permission notes
- Head lice flyer
- Yass Valley Council flyer
- Yass Football Club flyer
- School Attendance flyer
- Electronic newsletter advice note

Head Lice
There has been reported cases of head lice at our school. Could parents please check their child/ren’s hair and treat accordingly. Please see information sheet attached.

Presentation Night Photos

Community Events/Reminders/Photos
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