Week 5 is going to be a short but busy week!

An information night will be held this Wednesday night (Wednesday 5th November) at 6pm for all parents with students starting Kindergarten in 2015. This week we will be having House meetings to call for nominations for 2015 House captains. Students in year 5 and 6 in 2015 can nominate.

Stage one had a fantastic time in Dubbo last week on their excursion. A big thank you to Miss Bartley, Miss Duiz, Miss McKechnie, Troy Gordon, Mel Simmons and Matt Cannings for taking our students on the excursion.

Don’t forget the SRC Snowcone, cupcake and Melbourne Cup dress-up on Tuesday this week.

Our term 4 Mid-term break is this weekend. I’m sure everyone will have a relaxing weekend.

Check out our facebook page for up to date information about what is happening at Bourke Public School.

Kylie Pennell

Message from the Principal

PRINCIPAL’S AWARD
Term 4 Week 4 2014
Principal’s award goes to Kiam McKellar

Deputy Principal – Jenine Milgate

Please return signed notes for the intensive swimming program in weeks 7-9. This is a great opportunity to increase our students skills in the water to make them a more confident swimmer.

A big congratulations to all students as their effort in wearing school uniform is outstanding at the moment. Most days all students have their school shirts on which is great to see.

Have a great week!

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Highlights of the week:

Miss Budd

Last week KB learnt how to use the QR code app on the iPads. We had fun trying to find out what the secret words were. We are becoming very clever with our writing and are now trying to make our stories more interesting by adding descriptive words. Don’t forget the SRC fundraiser tomorrow where you can dress up in your fancy race day clothes and buy snow cones and cupcakes.

Miss Heaney

Week 5 already, the term is flying! Last week KH looked at abstract art and the artist Piet Mondrijen. We created our own versions of his artwork and they look fantastic hanging up in our room. A huge thank you to Lisa and Alicia for all they did on Word Teachers Day! I am very lucky!

This week we are continuing to learn new apps on the iPads and will be focusing on mastering our reading strategies and making sure we comprehend what we read. Have a wonderful week and a safe and relaxing Mid-Term Break.

Early Stage 1 AP – Miss Bartley

Stage 1 having a great time on their excursion – watching a movie at the cinema!

Early Stage 1 News

Miss Bartley

1N have finally finished our iguanas and we can’t wait for parents to come and see the fantastic job that was done by all.

In Theme we have been looking at the states that make up Australia, we also learned their abbreviations. In PDHPE 1N will be learning about medications and poisons, the lids that help protect us from opening them and the best place to store them in our homes.

Miss Duiz

What a fabulous week we had last week on our Stage One excursion to Dubbo. I think everyone’s favourite activity was going to the Zoo and seeing all the huge animals! 1D have a busy four days this week in Literacy and Numeracy groups. This week we have the Mid-term break so don’t forget that we have Friday off school. Have a lovely week and Mid-term break!

Stage 1 AP – Miss Bartley

A big thank you to Miss Duiz, Miss McKechnie, Troy Gordon, Mel Simmons and Matt Cannings for attending the Stage 1 excursion to Dubbo.

Also a big thank you to Margo, Pussy, Fiona and Penny for helping with organising all the notes, snacks and equipment for us to take on the excursion. A good time was had by everyone and our students loved every minute of the experience. We were lucky enough to visit the cinemas for a movie, we had a workshop at the zoo and we went to the kidszoo humongous play equipment. I am sure we all have lots of stories and experiences to share with you all throughout the rest of the week.

Canteen News

The P&C raffle will be drawn at the fete on Friday 21st November. Tickets can be purchased from committee members and the front office. The fete will be held on Friday 21st November at the school from 5.30pm to 8.30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Miss McKechnie

What an amazing time we had in Dubbo last week! It was very exciting to see all of the animals and watch a movie in the cinemas! This week in Literacy we are focusing on punctuation and grammar.

Remember we have no swimming this week as we have the Mid-term break on Friday. Have a great break everyone!

Stage 1 Kindergarten Information Night

This Wednesday, 5th November is our Kindergarten information night starting at 6pm. Any parents that have Kindergarten students starting school next year and would like to find out what BPS has to offer are encouraged to attend the night.

2014 MERIT SYSTEM AWARDS

BRONZE
Jaylan Doolan
Lylah Orcher
Niamh-Mane
Tanna Taylor
Sahra McKelley
Chequita Knight
Kylan Orcher
Kohen Lollback
Kyronne Mackay
Shariena Mann
Dreyshyan Nickellar
Stephen Wilson
Grace Midgate
Kerin Vincent
Karen Vincent

SILVER
James Brookman
Myah-Bose Edwards-Briscoll
Tiana Edwards
Shaun-Kelly
Chequita Knight
Aleshya Thompson
Kobie Lollback
Jeleall Sucklin
Sharika McKellar
Kiara Thompson
Maddison Willoughby
Grace Milgate
Jaimyn Moore
Kerin Vincent
Karen Vincent

GOLD
Aleshya Thompson
Jordan Kane
Bonnie Martin
Bailey Harrod
Jeleali Suckling
Charles Vincent
Janaah Moore
Nabeera Khan
Sharika McKellar
Lachlan Lollback
Jamyna Moore
Claire Band
Maddison Willoughby
Fara Brookman
Caitlin Powell
Taylah Reid
Sophie Mathews
Lekeisha Orcher

DIAMOND
Aleshya Thompson
Jordan Kane
Bonnie Martin
Bailey Harrod
Jeleali Suckling
Charles Vincent
Janaah Moore
Nabeera Khan
Sharika McKellar
Lachlan Lollback
Jamyna Moore
Claire Band
Maddison Willoughby
Fara Brookman
Caitlin Powell
Taylah Reid
Sophie Mathews
Lekeisha Orcher

PLATINUM
Bradley Parmaby
Alara Thompson
Brannon-Leigh Norris
Stage 1 having a GREAT time at the KIDSzOO in Dubbo!

Stage 2 News

Mrs Gaukroger & Miss Clark
Welcome to Week 5! This week 2G will be looking at the events we celebrate within our community and the events that are celebrated in our wider community, different cultures and other countries. In art we will be creating cityscapes using different materials. Our portraits, community map and lettuce prints are looking great around our room. I hope you all have a happy and safe mid-term break.

Miss Mowbray
Welcome to Week 5! Last week 2M Literacy wrote some fantastic Diamante Poems and created brilliant posters about onomatopoeia! It is fantastic to see so many people at school everyday! 2M have had wonderful attendance in the past few weeks, keep it up! Remember Friday sport is swimming so bring your swimmers and 50c! Have a wonderful and safe Mid-Term Break!

Miss Buckley
Wow it’s Week 5 already, time flies when you’re having fun which 2B are certainly having lots of fun. 2B Literacy will be continuing their fabulous work creating different types of Poetry to make a class Poet-tree. This tree will display all our cool poems. Congratulations to those wonderful students who are bringing their homework back. Keep it up.

Stage 2 AP – Mrs Gaukroger
Stage 2 and 3 have been very busy with poetry. They have had their first recital and are busily learning their second poem for which they have to focus on confidently projecting their voice to the audience. As well as reciting poetry they have been writing their own free verse poems on animals and looking at pieces written by students from all over the Murray-Darling Basin.

Stage 3 News

Miss Dorrington
This week we are working on subtraction with trading and reading calendars. We will continue with narratives and problem solving skills. In English we are fine-tuning our use of punctuation in sentences – particularly focusing on commas. In theme we have been learning about man made structures and the importance of design.

Mr Porter
This week in 3P’s classroom we will be busy working on Subtraction in Numeracy groups. In our Literacy groups we are still working through our class novel ‘Indian in the Cupboard’. I would like to remind all Stage 3 students that we are still trying to improve our weekly attendance percentages. Have a great week.

Mrs Douglas
It’s hard to believe we’re going into the final mid-term break of the year! The last few weeks of term are going to be extremely busy, but huge fun for members of 3S. We will however, continue to study hard in Maths, English and the other KLA’s! Don’t forget Ice-cream Cupcake Day tomorrow! Have a good week and a pleasant break....

Stage 3 AP – Miss Griffiths
The vegetables we are harvesting in our garden at the moment are a credit to all who help with the garden. Stage 3 students last week used cauliflower to make a cauliflower and egg salad which was absolutely delicious! Our tomatoes are coming on nicely as is our corn!

PBL WEEK 5
Proud, Safe & Respectful - Cooperation

Stage 1 learn’t all about snakes while at the zoo.

Bourke Public School’s Motto for 2014
Make it Real
Miss Bradley

This week in the EYTC we will be having a Teddy Bears Picnic with Bourkie Bear. The Monday/Tuesday group will be having their’s on Tuesday and the Wednesday/Thursday group will be having their picnic on Wednesday. All of the students are invited to bring along their very favourite soft toy to join in the fun!

Ms Topalov

Wow! Week 5 already! Last week we delivered ‘Meals on Wheels’ around town. As a special surprise we picked roses from our garden and delivered them with the meal to the ladies. They really loved them! This week we will be doing some Descriptive Writing and our main focus will be describing people including Max 😊

Early Years Transition Centre News

Miss Nixon

Welcome to Week 5! Last week the MC had a fantastic week learning about lions and creating a lion mask. This week we will be learning more about zebras and the roles of Police Officers in the community. We will continue to work on our reading and writing skills, which are improving at a rapid rate.

Have a lovely mid-term break!

Instructional Leader News

Should you correct your child’s spelling?
First, encourage your child to check their work and find any mistakes. If they have made a mistake with a common word, ask them to try to fix it without your help. Be supportive. Remember that when your child is learning to write, they will not be able to accurately spell all the words they want to write 😊

All students who attended the Stage 1 excursion to Dubbo last week had a fantastic time! A big thank you to the staff and parents for organising and taking the students on the excursion!