Welcome to week 6! I’m sure everyone had a relaxing mid-term break and are ready to finish the 2014 school year. Thank you to those parents/carers who attended the Kinder Information evening. It was nice to have so many parents/carers attend and interested in Bourke Public School.

On Thursday 13th November our sporting houses will be voting for 2015 Sporting House Captains. Good Luck to all students that have nominated.

Don’t forget GRANDPARENTS DAY this Thursday! Classrooms will be open from 11.30am for Grandparents to visit and participate in a fun activity. Lunch will be provided at 1pm and all Grandparents are encouraged to stay for the Primary assembly in the afternoon.

The MC are going on an excursion to the Dubbo Zoo on Friday this week! They will all have a fantastic time.

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

Kylie Pennell

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Miss Budd
Wow week 6 already! I hope everyone had a wonderful mid-term break. This week KB will be learning the difference between a statement and a command. In Maths we have been learning about friends of 10 and will continue to focus on this. We will also continue to focus on subtraction and number patterns.

Miss Heaney
Welcome to week 6! I hope everyone had a wonderful Mid-Term Break and are refreshed and ready for a very busy end to the year. This week KH will be focusing on our handwriting and ensuring our letters are formed correctly when writing. In Maths we will continue to look at counting on and back to solve problems. Don’t forget swimming is for sport on Fridays so bring your swimmers, towel and a hat. Have a great week!

Early Stage 1 AP – Miss Budd
Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended the 2015 Kindergarten information night. The end of term is quickly approaching but there is still lots of fun and exciting events so you need to come every day so you don’t miss out.

Stage 1 News

Miss Bartley
1N have had a terrific mid-term break and are ready for the remainder of the year. In English we are going to be using our planning page to write an argument for why we think Edwina the dinosaur is NOT extinct. In Theme we are going to be learning about important places around our town.

Miss McKechnie
Welcome to week 6 everyone! I hope you all had a very safe and relaxing break over the weekend. This week in Literacy we are learning to recount significant events in stories. In Maths we are continuing to develop our knowledge of 3D shapes. This Friday we have swimming for sport so please remember to bring your 50c and a towel. Have a fabulous week!

Miss Duiz
I hope you all had an enjoyable mid-term break! This week in Literacy we are writing persuasive texts and continuing to try our best to increase our reading ability. In Maths we are looking at 2D shapes. Remember we are swimming again this Friday for sport so if you do not have a season ticket you need to bring in 50cents.

Stage 1 AP – Miss Bartley
This term Stage 1 are having an attendance reward party for those students who have missed less than 3 days of school at the Bourke Swimming pool, so come to school every day. Well done to those students who have made it to Platinum level, remember to keep handing in your bluey’s.

Canteen news:
Last Fortnight’s Canteen award goes to Wayne Orcher for always using beautiful manners.

P&C News:
P&C are looking for anyone that can help out at the BPS Fete on the 21st November. If you can lend a hand please contact Theresa on 0418 434 785 or Kelly @ the canteen.

2014 MERIT SYSTEM AWARDS

BRONZE
Riley Stingmore
Shane Lamb
Ava Locke
Alysha Orcher

SILVER
Sakai Ord
Makye Knight
Kiam McKellar
Kruz Ryan
Lance Gordon
Dougie Edwards-Smith
Baylie Reed
Shakyle Orcher

GOLD
Bernard Dixon
Dimetry Suckling
Destiny Middleton
Lydiaa Gillon

DIAMOND
Damon Brookman
Jarren Moore
Eliza Johnston
Blake Sutton
Toby Martin

PLATINUM
George Milgate
Aiden Gaffney
Harrison Tancred
Laura Hand
Ashlyn Stutsel
Jeremy Kane

The SRC cupcake day was a huge success last week!
Stage 2 News

Mrs Gaukroger & Miss Clark
Welcome to week 6! I hope you all had a relaxing mid-term break. This week students will be comparing our community to others around the world. 2G will be contacting students from a school in Scotland and asking them questions to learn about their community. Also this week students will be creating a Diwali lamp as part of the Indian festival celebrations. 2G has had brilliant attendance so keep up the fabulous work.

Miss Mowbray
Welcome to Week 6! I hope you all had a happy and safe Mid-Term Break! 2M Literacy will continue to develop our knowledge on different types of poetry this week, we have created some fantastic acrostic and diamante poems so far! 2M Numeracy will continue with their great work with number and addition and subtraction strategies. 2M Home class will finish their unit on ‘Living in Communities’ and will complete their great cityscapes artworks. Have a wonderful week!

Stage 2 AP – Mrs Gaukroger
This week 2G literacy will be starting a literature study of illustrators. We will be looking at books by Shaun Tan, John Hall and Isabell Carmody. Stage 2 and 3 continue to learn their second poem which they will recite at the end of this week. In Numeracy we will be focusing on problems involving money and chance.

Miss Buckley
Welcome back to Week 6. I’m sure you all had a great Mid-Term Break. This week 2B will be finishing their amazing cityscapes. 2B Literacy will be creating alliteration posters which will help us create much more interesting poetry. Remember to come to school everyday. Have a great week.

Stage 3 News

Miss Dorrington
Welcome to another short week. We will be focusing on composing our own imaginative text after watching Dust Echoes. The students are working on including descriptive text. In maths we are looking at transformation – flip, turn, slide actions with objects. In theme we will construct paper aeroplanes and investigate which design is best.

Mr Porter
Hopefully everybody had a fantastic mid-term break. In literacy class we are continuing our class novel Indian in the Cupboard. We will be creating a procedure on how to make a shelter for the Indian from natural materials. In our home class we are finishing our bridge pencil sketches.

Mrs Douglas
I hope everyone had a pleasant mid-term break. Today, the Year 6 students attended the high school as part of the Transition Program and on Wednesday, there will be a Puberty Talk in the afternoon. All grandparents are invited into the classroom from 11:30am on Thursday and are then invited to a BBQ lunch. A huge thank you to all the parents who kindly made cupcakes for the SRC fundraiser...we managed to raise approximately $550. Have a great week.

Stage 3 AP – Miss Griffiths
Nominations close this Friday for Bourke Public School Captains and Prefects for 2015. We would like to encourage all year 5 students to nominate as we have many students in year 5 who would make great role models for their peers. All students wishing to nominate for these school leadership roles in 2015 will be given time to write and practice speeches at school with assistance from their teacher. However it would be great if families could help their child at home produce a speech that promotes their individual qualities as a school leader. The students will present their speeches at a special assembly on Monday 17th November at 9am. All parents and caregivers are encouraged to attend.

PBL - WEEK 6
PROUD, SAFE & RESPECTFUL - COOPERATION

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

After such a big week last week the children in the EYTC will be revisiting the letter ‘n’, the number ‘1’ and Tommy Triangle! We have also decorated our kitchen with the teddy bears we made last week – why not come and have a look at them?

Ms Topalov

We hope you all had a great long weekend. Last Thursday we had lots of fun doing “Random Acts of Kindness” to a variety of services in town. Cath Robinson came with us to visit JIRT, DoCS, the Post Office and the Mens Shed. We baked cupcakes and decorated them with our Bluey’s, Proud, Safe and Respectful. When we left the Post Office we also offered cakes to people at the Taxi Rank and others walking down the street. Beware! You may be surprised next!!!

Miss Nixon

Welcome to Week 6! I hope that you all had an enjoyable break. Last week we loved learning about zebras and turtles and this week we will learn more about lions. This week the MC are looking forward to going to Dubbo Zoo. Please remember to be at school early (ready to leave at 6.30am). Don’t forget your hat and closed in shoes!

The LC & Ms Topalov’s Work Samples!

Bluey Star of the Week

KB – Shyaleigh Morris
KH – Lantz Brown
1D – Samuel Cannings
1M – Ullaylah Payne
1N – Latoya Orcher
MC - Lance Gordon

Should you let your child use a spellchecker?

Yes, Spell checkers can be useful, but remind your child that they still need to be thinking when they use it. Your child will need your support when the word is spelt correctly but it is not the right word, eg ‘shore’ and ‘sure’, when the computer gives suggestions but your child still doesn’t know which word is correct and when the computer uses American spellings.

The LC had a great time out in the Community last Friday! They go out in to the community do ‘Random Acts of Kindness’.