Week 9 Term 4 is upon us! With the hot weather continuing parents/carers are encouraged to pack a water bottle for all students. Students are encouraged to drink plenty of water each day. Infants intensive swimming continues this week. Students are reminded to bring their swimmers, a hat, a towel and sunscreen.

We will be holding two graduation afternoons for our Early Years Transition Centre students this week. Please come along and join in the celebration.

It was great to see some many people attend our helpers morning tea last Friday. Many people support Bourke Public School throughout the year and this was a small token of our appreciation. Without your help Bourke Public School wouldn’t be what it is today.

Welcome to Matthew Knight (past student) who is doing work experience with us this week.

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

Kylie Pennell

**Principal’s Award**

Term 4 Week 8 2014

Principal’s award goes to

**TAHLIYAH SULLIVAN-NEAN**

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**Deputy Principal - Jenine Milgate**

A reminder to those primary students who received a note for the Primary Attendance excursion that they need to return their notes by tomorrow if they want to go to Dubbo on Thursday and Friday for two fun filled days because they have had 92% or better attendance in 2014. Well done and I’m sure they will have a great time.

Infants are continuing with their Intensive swimming program this week. Have a wonderful week!
Miss Budd
KB enjoyed combining with the EYTC students for an afternoon of fun activities. This week in English we will be writing about our favourite Christmas memories and writing letters to Santa. In Technology we will learn how to use the app ‘i-movie’ and create a small movie of our favourite thing to do in the classroom.

Miss Heaney
Welcome to week 9! This is the last week we have together for Maths so we will be revising all the key strategies learnt over the year and celebrating together on Thursday. KH put the Christmas tree up together this afternoon and are getting excited as Christmas is near. In Literacy we are focusing on editing our work and correcting spelling in writing. Don’t forget intensive swimming is still on this week—bring your hat, sunscreen, swimmers and towel! Enjoy your week everyone!

Canteen news:
The canteen will continue to be open until the last day of school (Wednesday 17th December). Now is a great time to buy school uniforms for Christmas presents or for the start of school in 2015.

Miss Bartley
This week 1N will be learning about traffic lights and how to use the pedestrian crossing when traffic lights are involved. We will be learning about the don’t walk and walk colours and words. In Mathematics we will be learning about tessellating patterns and the types of shapes that are best at tessalating. In Creative Arts we are going to start our Christmas art by making a Christmas tree.

Miss McKechnie
Welcome to Week 9 everyone! This is our last week of Literacy and Maths groups for the year and we will be working hard to consolidate the skills we have learnt in reading, writing and number sense. This week in Creative Arts we are beginning to make our Christmas craft to take home to our families! Have a fantastic week.

Stage 1 AP – Miss Bartley
Remember our attendance splashathon is coming up for students who have missed no more than 3 days in term 4. These students will be going to the pool for lunch and a swim, so make sure you are coming everyday to school to have a chance to go to our reward afternoon. This week we also have our infants last assembly so please if you can make it come and celebrate the afternoon with us! Enjoy your week!

Stage 1 News
Miss Duiz
Can you believe this is the last week of Literacy and Maths groups for the year? In Literacy this week we will complete our recounts of the story ‘Babushka’s Doll’. In Maths we are looking at 3D objects and adding and subtracting three digits. In afternoon sessions this week we are completing out PDHPE unit on keeping safe around town. Have a fabulous week!

AEO Caught Being Good Award
Chad Lollback & Shilah Orcher

2014 MERIT SYSTEM AWARDS
SILVER
Bailey Dixon
Matthew Edwards
Zane McKellar
GOLD
Ryley Bates
Mason Orcher
Mitchell Harvey
DIAMOND
Dakota Lovett
Grace Milgate
Blake Barker
Braith Fernando
Estelle Edwards
Andi Ibbotson
Nikyra Suckling
Ben Vincent
PLATINUM
Claire Hand
Zali Reed
Aleshya Thompson
Caitlin Powell
Taylah Reid
Shakayla Dennis
**Stage 2 News**

**Mrs Gaukroger & Miss Clark**

Welcome to week 9! This term has flown by and 2G have been very busy! This week 2G will be continuing their study of Mini Worlds in our science unit. In Drama they will be rehearsing a play of “Charlottes Web” which they will perform at the end of the term. It is important to come to school every day and please remember to bring your hat as the weather is very hot. Have a great week!

**Miss Mowbray**

Welcome to Week 9! 2M Literacy have been working really well on their poetry and last week we had the opportunity to publish our poems. 2M Home Class have created some fantastic Powerpoint slideshows based on our community in Bourke. This week 2M Numeracy are focusing on 2D shapes and fractions. Well done to 2M for such wonderful attendance in the last few weeks! Have a fantastic week! 😊

**Miss Buckley**

Wow week 9 already! This week, 2B Literacy are reading and analysing some interesting books. We are also focusing really hard on our spelling by practising our spelling rules daily. In Numeracy, we will be continuing our fabulous work on remembering all our times tables which is very important for us to know. 2B are also excited Christmas is upon us soon and we will be making lots of wonderful decorations. Have a great week!

**Stage 2 AP – Mrs Gaukroger**

This week in Literacy and Numeracy we will be having our final ‘cookoff’. The teams will be competing for the most creative lunch menus. They will need to use their procedure and persuasive writing skills to create the recipes and then marketing them. They will also need to ensure they use their knowledge of measurement, time and fractions effectively.

**Stage 3 News**

**Miss Dorrington**

This week is our last week of English and Maths groups. We will be revisiting many concepts and using the smartboard and interactive games to make learning fun. In class we will be designing paper aeroplanes and having a competition to assess which design is the most successful. It will be interesting to see what is important to make them fly a greater distance.

**Mr Porter**

Welcome to week 9! This week in literacy groups we will be working hard to finish off our class novel. In maths groups we will be looking at crazy number facts that occur in nature. While in home class we will be starting some of our paddle pop craft activities. Have a fantastic week!

**Mrs Douglas**

This is the last week of the term for Literacy and Numeracy groups! 3S is on schedule to finish reading Indian in the Cupboard and will hopefully watch the movie in week 10. In numeracy we will be completing an assessment of all we have learned in Term 4. Congratulations to all those students who have earned a place on the overnight attendance excursion to Dubbo this Thursday. Have a great week...

**Stage 3 AP – Miss Griffiths**

This week should be a fantastic week. Thursday and Friday the Primary students are having their attendance excursion in Dubbo. Stage 2 is in the Kitchen and Garden this week. We have lots to do in the garden including weeding, watering and harvesting our vegetables. In the Kitchen we are cooking a Roasted Red Capsicum and Garlic Salad and also a Tuna and Macaroni Pasta. These are beautiful dishes, I’m sure the students would love to help you cook at home! Have a great week everyone.

**Playground fun & friendships!**

**Bourke Public School’s Motto for 2014**

*Make it Real*
Congratulations to all the Early Years students who are graduating this week!!! The Monday and Tuesday group are graduating on Tuesday 2nd December at 1:30pm in the hall and the Wednesday and Thursday group graduation is on Wednesday 3rd December at 1:30pm in the hall.

Last week we had Miss Hudson in the EYTC. We had lots of fun singing and dancing. We practised our graduation song and did lots of painting on our props. The last day for the EYTC will be on Thursday 11th December.

Ms Topalov
Wow! Week 9! Last week we were busy helping make a big yellow ute for the EYTC Christmas performance this week. Hopefully they will have some fun playing in it during the week. Please remember to return the LC boys camp notes as soon as possible. We are planning some fun activities for our camp and are really looking forward to going. Have a great week.

Welcome to Week 7! What a busy week we had last week. We enjoyed practising and improving our writing in Literacy sessions. In Mathematics, we learnt about area. We were also lucky enough to have a visit from Miss Nixon’s Mum and made Christmas decorations with her. Don’t forget about the Christmas Assembly on Thursday. Have a lovely week! 😊

Mrs Roe
Using the Internet requires skills and knowledge that are different from those found in books and other printed materials. These skills include such things as links, images, icons and searching. The Internet is a wonderful resource for knowledge gathering, information using to support your child’s literacy development.

THANK YOU to everyone who has helped and supported Bourke Public School in 2014! We look forward to working with you again in 2015!