Welcome back or welcome to Bourke Public School. This year will be a super fun-filled year of learning and extra curricula activities. I look forward to working with everyone again this year and ensuring our students have every opportunity to succeed.

A HUGE welcome to our 30 Kindergarten students who started school today. I’m sure you all had a great first day.

Welcome to our new transition students who started today and also later in the week. There were many smiling faces this morning arriving at our new transition centre.

Welcome to our new teachers and staff. They have all had a smooth transition to Bourke Public School.

Attendance will continue to be a focus for Bourke Public School this year. IT’S NOT OK TO BE AWAY!

Positive Behaviour for Learning will also be a focus again this year for Bourke Public School. Our annual Swimming Carnival is this Friday (14th February). Anyone that can assist on the day, please contact Mr Marshall.

Have a fantastic week! Kylie Pennell

Welcome back for 2014! It is great to see all students returning with lots of enthusiasm and keen for another year at Bourke Public School. A big welcome to our new students starting their education with us this year in Kindergarten and the Early Year Transition Centre. Don’t forget our swimming carnival is on this Friday starting at 9.30am at the Bourke Pool. We need helpers on the day, please contact the school if you can assist in anyway. Have a great week!
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Welcome back to 2014! Our first P&C Meeting will be Tuesday 18th February at 6pm in the school library. Everyone is welcome. Welcome to our new Kindergarten students and their parents.

A new canteen menu is attached to the newsletter.

Eliza Johnston & Riley Parnaby

Messages

- Primary Sport – Friday afternoons (1.30pm to 3pm).
- Infants Sport - Friday middle afternoon (11.30am to 12.30pm).
- Infants & Primary Scripture – Held on Monday & Thursday’s at 8.15am to 9am.
- Infants & Primary Assemblies – Held on Thursday’s (alternate weeks) at 1.30pm to 2pm.
- Early Years Transition Centre started today!
- Breakdancing is welcome to all the Kindergarten students starting their first day! I am very excited for another fun year with KH.
- We are starting off the year with a busy week, learning new sounds and tricky words and looking at numbers and counting in maths. We also have the swimming carnival on Friday which will be lots of fun for all! Have a great week!

- School Library – Everyone welcome to attend.
- Kitchen/Garden helpers – Parents are welcome to assist in the kitchen and garden lessons or visit and check out the program.
- Breakfast Club – Held on Monday’s, Wednesday’s & Friday’s in the kitchen from 8.15am to 9am.
- Active After School Care – Held on Monday & Wednesday afternoons at the school from 3pm to 5pm.
- FruitJuice – Held every day in the morning session about 10am. The school provides the fruit.
- Homework Centre – Held every Thursday from 8am to 8.45am in the library.

Assistant Principal’s News

Early Stage 1 AP – Miss Budd
I would like to welcome Kindergarten to their first official day of ‘big school’. This year will be full of fun, new experiences and lots of learning. A bundle of notes have been sent home today. Please read and sign these and return them all as soon as possible. The swimming carnival is on this Friday. Have a fantastic week.

Assistant Principal’s News

Early Stage 1 AP – Miss Bartley
Welcome back to 2014, it has been so exciting seeing all the students again and how much everyone has grown. It was fantastic to see almost everyone return to school. Just a reminder that we have our Swimming Carnival on Friday 14th February, so remember to bring your swimmers, towel, hat, sunscreen and water bottle.

Assistant Principal’s News

Stage 1 & P&C/Canteen News

Miss Duiz
Welcome back to 2014! It is wonderful to hear that you all had a fantastic holiday and are ready to get back into some school work. This week we will begin Literacy and Numeracy groups and we are looking forward to writing our holiday recount. Have a great week.

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AEO Caught Being Good Award
Eliza Johnston & Riley Parnaby
School Leaders 2014
Captains: Lekeisha Orcher & Mitchell Harvey
Vice Captains: Sophie Matthews & Jaxson Tiffen
Prefects: Kiara Thompson, Kasey Willoughby, Dominic Abbo & Darcy Martin
House Captains: Darling: Jaxson Tiffen & Maddi Hembrow
Sturt: Dominic Abbo & Charli Ibbotson
Oxley: Mason Orcher & Lekeisha Orcher
Mitchell: Royce Mackay & Sophie Matthews

Mrs Gaukroger & Miss Clarke
2G had a fantastic start to the year. We have made our class expectations and will place these on the website so that you can read them. 2G started the year getting to know each other and beginning our art unit based on Australia. You will have to come and see the excellent work. This week we will start our HSIE unit “Australia you’re standing in it!” Have a great week!

Miss Mowbray
Welcome back to 2014! I hope everyone had a wonderful and safe holiday and are ready for another fun year at school! This Friday is our swimming carnival so please ensure your child is ready to compete and have a fun day. Please remember to return all notes to school this week. Go Oxley!! Have a wonderful week!

Miss Pullman
Welcome back everyone! How was I fortunate enough to get such a wonderful class? We have had a fantastic first week back getting to know each other. Remember this week the swimming carnival is on Friday! Please bring a hat, wear sunscreen and wear your house colours.

Stage 2 News

Stage 2 AP – Mrs Gaukroger
Welcome to 2014! Stage 2 had a brilliant start to the term. Lots of notes have been handed out already so please try to get them back as soon as possible. This year each class in Stage Two will be having their own attendance shop so make sure you ask your student all about how they can earn their attendance money. Have a great week!

Stage 3 News

Miss Dorrington
Welcome everyone to 2014! I hope everyone had a lovely break and are ready for the year ahead. We spent the first week getting to know each other and getting into our school routine. We are all looking forward to the year together as a class.

Mr Porter
Hello and welcome to 2014. I hope everyone had a wonderful and safe holiday and are ready for a productive and fun year in 3P. This year we have decided to run a class competition for those that attend school every day with a class incentive each week. We will start this week.

Mrs Douglas
What a fabulous start to the new school year. Mrs Douglas doesn’t know what she’s done to deserve such a beautiful class! It’s going to be another great year in 3S! Our new classroom is looking good and is now ready for some excellent student work to adorn the walls! Please feel free to come and browse our classroom or to pop in and say hello. Have a great week.

Stage 3 AP – Miss Griffiths
Welcome back everyone! I hope you all had a very relaxing Christmas holiday! A huge year ahead of us this year. Today Stage 3 is in the Kitchen and Garden. We have many jobs that need completing to start our year in the garden including some weeding, planting and harvesting.

PBL- Week 3 – Safe Bus & walkers

Active After School Care
Active After School Care will start on Monday 17th February and finish on Wednesday 9th April. All permission notes need to be returned prior to your child/children participating in the program. Afternoon tea and teacher supervision will be provided each afternoon. Children are to be picked up by 5pm or please give permission for your child/children to walk home.

Any parents/carers, community members or agencies wanting to support this program in any way please contact the school.

Swimming Carnival
This Friday!
Remember to bring swimmers, towel, sunscreen, drink, hat, googles, food or money

Bourke Public School’s Motto for 2014
Make it Real
Mrs Roe
What an exciting year we have ahead of us! In 2014 I will be working closely with students in Kindergarten, Year One and Year Two. My aim will be improving student achievement in Literacy and Numeracy with a special focus on Writing. Have a great week everyone and welcome back!

Miss Bradley
Welcome to 2014! I hope everyone is ready for a brand new experience at Bourke Public School (student and parent alike)! This week is all about getting to know each other in the Transition Centre and exploring the school grounds. From both Monique and myself a huge welcome and here’s to a fantastic first year of the Early Years Transition Centre!}

Ms Topalov
I hope you all had a wonderful break. A big welcome to Max Robinson who will be working in the LC this year. We are all keen to start our Literacy and Numeracy lessons today. Last week we did a lot of activities on ourselves and have learnt a lot about each other. Have a great week.

KB – Miss Budd
KH – Miss Heaney
ID – Miss Duiz
1N – Miss Bartley
IM – Miss McKechnie
2P – Miss Pullman
2G – Mrs Gaukroger & Miss Clarke
2M – Miss Mowbray
3D – Ms Dorrington
3S – Mrs Douglas
3P – Mr Porter
LC – Ms Topalov
MC – Miss Nixon

Early Years Transition Centre – Miss Bradley, Monique Driscoll & Bob Stutsel
RFF – PDHPE & Technology – Mr Marshall
RFF – Kitchen & Garden – Miss Griffiths
RFF – Early Stage 1 - Miss Griffiths & Mrs Gordon-Poole
RFF – Stage 1 – Mrs Suzor
Reading Recovery & STLA – Miss Boshier
STLA - Ms Johnson
Focus Programs – Mrs Marsh, Mrs Ryder & Mrs Underhill
Home School Liaison Officer – Kevin Handsaker
Assistant Principal’s – Miss Budd, Miss Bartley, Mrs Griffiths & Mrs Gaukroger
Deputy Principal – Miss Milgate
Instructional Leader – Mrs Roe
Senior Leader Community Engagement – Troy Gordon
School Administration Manager – Melba Stutsel
School Administration Officer – Fiona Rankmore
Aboriginal Education Officer’s – Margo Grimes & Priscilla Grimes
School Learning Support Officer’s – Penny Bartley, Anne-Maree Riches, Max Robinson & Kristie Martin
Teacher Aides – Andrea Thiele, Josh Beer, Shane Edwards Thomasina Beau-Champ, Ellie-May Milgate & Lisa Rankmore
General Assistant’s – Phil Lawson, Cheryl Napier, Corey Brooks & Greg Gaffney
School Counsellor’s – Wanda Whitmill & April Motton
Canteen Manager – Kelly Harrod
Cleaners – Karen Ashton, Trish Taylor & Emma Shanahan