Welcome to another exciting week at Bourke Public School.

NAPLAN is this week (Tuesday 13th, Wednesday 14th & Thursday 15th May). All students in year 3 and year 5 are encouraged to attend school on these days.

Congratulations to all students who competed at the ‘Outback Challenge’ last week. Our girls team was successful in winning the girls competition and the boys team were beaten in the grandfinal by Nyngan. Thank you to Margaret Gordon for organising the event. Thank you also to all BPS staff, parents and community members who assisted on the day. Next year we will celebrate 10 years of running the ‘Outback Challenge’, it is sure to be a big event!

Congratulations to all students who competed at our annual Cross Country last Friday. All students ran extremely well and many students have made it to the District X-Country. Notes will be given out this week to the students who were successful in making it to the next level.

Good Luck to our PSSA Rugby League team who play their first game this Friday in Cobar.

Next Monday our School Leaders will be attending the GRIP conference in Dubbo. This conference is a great opportunity for our leaders to further develop their leadership skills.

Have a great week!

Kylie Pennell

Deputy Principal – Jenine Milgate

Congratulations to all students for their fantastic participation in the Cross Country last Friday. It was wonderful to see all students trying their best and participating for their house team.

Please remember that we are asking all students to wear blue and yellow and donate a gold coin for Bourke’s Biggest Morning Tea day on Thursday 22nd May. All students will have morning tea together on the top quad on this day. Have a great week!

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Monday 12th May 2014, Term 2 Week 3

PRINCIPAL’S AWARD
Week 2 Term 2 2014
Principal’s award goes to Georgia Wood
Early Stage 1 & P&C/Canteen News

Miss Budd
Week 3 already. KB had a lot of fun participating in Cross Country last Friday. KB’s home readers have been sent home. Please start reading every night and return the books on Friday for a new reader. This week in Maths we will be completing an assessment. Have a wonderful week everyone.

P&C/Canteen
Wow! Who tried the Canadian pancakes from the canteen last week? They were fabulous….

The next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 19th May at 6pm at Bourke Public School. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Stage 1 News

Miss Bartley
1N hopes every mum had a lovely Mothers Day and enjoyed receiving the special paper weights we made out of clay and paddle pop sticks. In Theme 1N have been discussing the jobs our parents do and the jobs that we have at home. It was interesting to learn about the different jobs students complete at home. Have a super week!

Miss Duiz
Well done to all those students who participated in the Cross Country last Friday! This week in Literacy 1D are focusing on the story ‘The Hungry Caterpillar’ and writing sentences on what special things we do each day of the week. Remember to bring in a school coloured jumper on those cold mornings. Have a wonderful week!

Miss McKechnie
1M has made a fabulous start to term two and have continued to demonstrate how to be proud, safe and respectful members of Bourke Public School. This week we will be focusing on using punctuation when writing and learning about the role of different workers in the community. We will also be using technology more regularly in the classroom by introducing iPads into many of our activities. Please remember that although it is getting cooler, we still need to wear our hats each day to protect ourselves from the sun.

Stage 1 AP – Miss Bartley
More information is attached to the newsletter about picture products. Please support our fundraising buy purchasing a product.

Well done to everyone who ran in the Cross Country last Friday, everyone had a great day and enjoyed themselves. It was great to see everyone running in their school uniform.

AEO Caught Being Good Award

Henry Scalon & Jimeara Mckellar

2014 MERIT SYSTEM AWARDS

Bronze
Nabeera Khan
Janayah Moore
Tayissa Dixon
Hunter Flick
Duane Kelly
Dakota Lovett
Lacey Davis
Claire Hand
Kobie Lollback
Adam Edwards
Lachlan Lollback
Tara Brookman
Myah-Rose Edwards-Driscoll
Charli Ibbotson
Ryley Bales
Brock Davis
Chequita Knight
Nikyra Suckling
Lleyton Dennis
Jordan Kane
Braith Kelly
Lekeisha Orcher
Jaxson Tiffen

Silver
Zali Reed
Braxton-Leigh Norris
Shakayla Dennis
Kiara Thompson
Miss Mowbray
Welcome to Week 3! Congratulations to the students in 2M who participated in the Cross Country last Friday. This week is a very important week for Year 3, NAPLAN tests are on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Good Luck to the Stage 2 students completing these tests. I know you will try your best! Well done to 2M for such fantastic attendance last week, we had two days of 100%, let’s keep it up!!! Have a wonderful week!! 

Mrs Gaukroger & Miss Clark
Welcome to another great week! Firstly well done to all the students who participated in the Outback Challenge and the school cross country last week. This week we will be continuing to look at how our surrounding communities have changed over the years. Our Drama skills are improving each week and we look forward to learning new games and plays to perform. Remember to come to school everyday so you don’t miss out!

Miss Pullman
Welcome to week 3! Year 3 have the Numeracy and Literacy (NAPLAN) tests on this week. All of our students are encouraged to have a go and try their best. Year 4 will also be working hard doing assessments themselves. 2P showed off their energetic and dramatic acting skills last week and we are looking forward to continuing this great work! ☺

Stage 2 AP – Mrs Gaukroger
Well done to to everyone for a brilliant effort in the cross country! Year 3 and 5 will have some big days this week. Plenty of sleep and a big breakfast will help them to be best prepared for the NAPLAN tests on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Good luck to the boys who are competing in Cobar on Friday. Have a great week!

Stage 3 News
Miss Dorrington
This week our year 5 students will be participating in NAPLAN. Well done to all stage 3 students who participated in our cross country. We look forward to hearing who will qualify for the District Cross Country. Congratulations to our football teams who played in the Outback challenge. Hoping all mums had a happy Mothers Day.

Mr Porter
I would like to welcome Mr Tier to our classroom. Mr Tier is a prac student from the University of Sydney and he will be with us for the next four weeks. Congratulations to those students that participated in our assembly item last Thursday. Please remember to bring in your home readers every week. Have great week.

Mrs Douglas
3S had a very busy, physical week last week with some very sore students on Thursday after the Outback Challenge on Wednesday! In addition, everyone put in a tremendous effort in the cross country on Friday. This week Year 5 will participate in NAPLAN on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday so please continue being punctual. Have a great week.

Stage 3 AP – Miss Griffiths
Next Monday our 8 student leaders will be participating in the GRIP Student Leadership conference in Dubbo. Our students will meet with other student leaders and gain a clear vision, a solid understanding and many ideas pertaining to school leaders. Stage 3 will be gardening and cooking up a storm this week. Have a nice week!

Dance Classes
Toddler (ages 2-5)
Monday 9am @ PCYC
Thursday 3:45 - 4:30 Bourke High School Hall
Junior (ages 6-10)
Thursday 4:30 - 5:30 Bourke High School Hall
Senior (ages 11-17)
Thursday 5:30 - 6:30 Bourke High School Hall

Cost: $5 per session
Questions please call or SMS Kelly @ 0408238553

NAPLAN 2014
Students in Year 3 and Year 5 will be participating in National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy on the 13th, 14th, 15th May 2014.

Bourke Public School’s Motto for 2014
Make it Real
**Early Years Transition Centre News**

**Miss Bradley**
It is all about fishing and camping in the Early Years Transition Centre this week!!! The children will be learning about the importance of keeping our National Parks clean when camping while having fun participating in lots of different activities both inside and outside the classroom – we are even going to go for a nature walk around the school to see what we can find!

**Ms Topalov**
Congratulations to our talented Bourke Public School football teams for their outstanding efforts at the Outback Challenge last Wednesday. This week the LC boys are going to the PCYC for a fitness test and some boxing activities – and at the end of six weeks they are going to have their fitness tested again to see how much they have improved. We will let you know the results! Sometime this week we will perform another “Random Act of Kindness”. Last week we visited one of the students Nan’s homes and dropped off a bunch of roses that were grown at school and a handmade birthday card.

The Bourke girls took out the competition winning 4 games and drawing 1. Lekeisha Orcher got best and fairest girl of the day.

Well done girls!!

**1D & Miss Duiz Work Samples**

**Instructional Leader News**

**Mrs Roe**

**NAPLAN Schedule**

**Tuesday:** Language conventions
Weating

**Wednesday:** Reading

**Thursday:** Numeracy

**Friday:** Catch up day

Please ensure students in Yr 3 and Y5 are at school on time.

**Premier’s Reading Challenge**

The Premier’s reading Challenge has started again. If you would like to participate, please ask for a permission note from your class teacher and one will be sent home. The Premier’s Reading Challenge is an excellent way for children to explore new and exciting books.

**Home Readers Program**

A new student record and reward booklet has been designed for students to encourage them to read. It involves counting the number of nights the student reads and as they achieve the reading goals, awards may be signed by students teachers to recognise the students achievement. You will also find a Bluey metre at the front which allows you to keep track of a students accomplishments. Helpful hints and word banks have also been included throughout to assist parents and students.