It’s week 4 already! Time flies by quick these days… WOW! Our attendance for last week was FANTASTIC! Let’s see if we can keep it above the weekly target of 92%.

Next week students in years 4, 5 and 6 will be participating in a students survey called ‘Tell them from me’. An opt out permission note was sent home last week, along with an information sheet.

Congratulations to all students in year 3 and Year 5 who participated in NAPLAN last week. All students tried their best and should be proud of their efforts.

Congratulations to our PSSA Rugby League team who defeated Cobar last Friday. The team now progresses to the 2nd round and will play Gilgandra in the next couple of weeks in Bourke.

Come along and join Bourke Public School this week for a cuppa to celebrate Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea. It will be a unique site to see 250 students and 50 staff all sitting and having morning tea together.

The term 2 Mid-term break is fast approaching and will be on the weekend of Friday 30th May to Monday 2nd June.

Have a fantastic week of learning!

Kylie Pennell

Monday, 19th May 2014, Term 2 Week 4

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Early Stage 1 & P&C/Canteen News

**Miss Budd**
This term is going by quickly but KB are learning lots. Last week KB enjoyed joining with KH and doing cooperative play in the EYTC. This week in English we are learning the sounds ‘y,x,ch’ and the tricky words ‘red, yellow and blue’. In Maths we are beginning to learn about groups. Have a great week.

**Miss Heaney**
Welcome to week 4! KH are looking forward to having a dentist talk this week and learning how to look after and care for our teeth. During class time KH will be working on miming in drama and learning some fun moves in dance. Remember it is important to come to school every day, especially on time so that you don’t miss any valuable learning time! Have a great week!

**Early Stage 1 AP – Miss Budd**
To receive a bluey sticker you need to demonstrate the school expectations - proud, safe and respectful. Remember when Bluey becomes completely covered in stickers the whole school will receive a reward. This week the PBL focus is lining up.

**P&C/Canteen**
Tastes of the world destination: Australia
- Mini Burgers $3.00
- Lamingtons $2.00

Last Fortnight’s Canteen award goes to ‘Keelhan Lovett’ for always using beautiful manners.

P&C Meeting: Monday 19th May, 6pm in the library.

Stage 1 News

**Miss Bartley**
Last week 1N had a fabulous week and to top it off we even won Bourkey Bear at assembly. We all can’t wait to celebrate by having a class party with Bourkey Bear and spending some learning time with him. In Theme we have been learning about the jobs people in our community carry out to meet our needs and wants.

**Miss McKechnie**
Last week 1M were interested in using technology on many occasions during English, Maths and in Theme! We will continue to use the Ipad this week in our groups while focusing on comprehension and punctuation in English and reading, ordering and representing two digit numbers in Maths. Have a fantastic week!

**Stage 1 AP – Miss Bartley**
Just a reminder that it’s your last week to make your order for picture products. Please help infants out with fundraising by being part of this wonderful event. Remember to come to school every day to have a chance to attend stage ones Disco Reward Party!

**Miss Duiz**
In Literacy we are improving our reading skills by reading every day with Miss Duiz and reading our sight words with Sarah. We all wrote compound sentences on what we do after school too! This week in Maths we are reading, ordering and representing two digit numbers. Have a great week.

2014 MERIT SYSTEM AWARDS

**Bronze**
- Rasheda Smith-Orcher
- Amelia Suckling
- Hailey O’Sullivan
- Blake Sutton
- Michael McKay
- Marikki Smith
- Tahliyah Sullivan-Nean
- Dominic O’Sullivan
- Henry Scanlon
- Jacob Clarke
- Jeremy Kane
- Landon Burford
- Kyriesha McKellar
- Madeleine Nicholls
- Jamilia Smith

**Silver**
- Keelhan Lovett
- Ashlyn Stutsel
- Klaneoush Knight
- Harrison Tancred
- Aiden Gaffney
- George Milgate

AEO Caught Being Good Award

Grace Milgate & Aisha Benek-Sutton
Stage 2 News

Mrs Gaukroger & Miss Clark
What a fantastic week we had last week in 2G! Well done to everyone for coming to school every day. We are all receiving plenty of money to spend in our class “shop”. This week we are continuing our study of how Australia has changed over the years and we will be using the iPads to help us find lots more interesting information. Keep up the great work 2G!

Miss Mowbray
Well done to our Year 3 students on such a great week with NAPLAN last week. This week 2M Literacy are beginning their exciting new writing unit on Fairy tales. This week is my last week at school for a little while and 2M will have another teacher for the next four weeks. I can’t wait to get back and hear all about what they have been learning about and share some stories from my adventure too. Have a great week.

Stage 2 AP – Mrs Gaukroger
This week is the Stage 2 and 3 assembly. Everyone is welcome to come and share primary’s successes over the last two weeks. 2P will be presenting their item. Well done to Stage two for their great attendance, it looks like there will be a lot of people at the week 5 dance party! Keep up the great work!

Stage 3 News

Miss Dorrington
Welcome to week 4. This week we have dentist talks which should be very interesting. We will begin looking at various fossils and how they are formed. We will be looking at identifying 3d shapes and learning properties about them. We will continue developing our writing skills by writing our own narratives.

Mr Porter
Who can believe it is week 4 already. This week in our literacy class we will be starting our new unit. We will be looking at a book by Jeannie Baker called Mirror. Each part tells a story of a family, one from inner city Sydney and the other from a remote village in Morroco. We are also looking at what shapes our values and identity in HSIE.

Mrs Douglas
3S have an exciting week ahead. In Maths we will be continuing our work on Patterns and Algebra and in English we will be concentrating on homophones and prefixes. In Art we shall be attempting to make fossils using plaster of paris to complete our unit on ‘An Ancient Land’. On Thursday, the Clontarf team will be coming into class to offer support and assistance to the students. Have a great week.

Stage 3 AP – Miss Griffiths
With the cooler weather that has arrived we are starting to explore different types of healthy soups and dishes that can not only warm us up, but they can also help prevent us from getting sick! This week Stage 2 are cooking a very healthy Cauliflower Soup, Vegetable Stir Fry, Cabbage Stir Fry and Apple and Sultana Cup cakes.

Congratulations to our Boys PSSA football team who are through to the next round after beating Cobar

We will be looking to advance again when we take on Gilgandra at home in the next round. Good Luck boys!

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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

World’s Biggest morning Tea
Come and share morning tea with our students on Thursday to help with cancer research awareness.
We had such a fantastic week in the EYTC last week camping and fishing that we are doing it all over again!!! We have also been doing such a good job using our recycling station, that the students want to visit the school playground and make sure the ‘big kids’ are keeping their areas clean!

Miss Bradley
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Ms Topalov
Wow! Week 4 already! This week we are going to the PCYC for another boxing and fitness session. The boys really enjoyed last week’s class. Bailey enjoyed his trip to Cobar with the school football team. The boys won the competition – great effort! Have a super week.

Miss Nixon
Welcome to week 4! Last Friday our super star rugby league player, Ben, went to Cobar and won his game. Last week in Maths we focused on the days of the week and months of the year. We also looked at mass and hefted objects to determine which was the heaviest/ lightest. This week we will be focusing on the letters s, t, u, v, w and x. Have a great week everyone.

Our Breakfast Club still runs every Monday, Wednesday and Friday Our students have been enjoying lots of great breakfast meals!

LC and MC News

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.

Early Years Transition Centre News

Instructional Leader News

LC and MC News

Bluey Star of the Week
KB – Bernard Dixon
KH – Leonard Doolan
1N – Shontaya MacKay
1M – Jacob Clarke
1D – Adrian Gersback
MC – Haylie Reed

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