I hope everyone had a nice Mid-Term break and enjoyed the rain we have received. The remainder of the term is jam packed with many excursions and educational experiences. All classes are working extremely hard on their performance night items and are starting to gather their costumes. **Our Performance night is Tuesday 16th September.**

**Congratulations to all students** that competed at the District Athletics last week. The Regional Athletics Carnival will be held in Dubbo on Friday 29th August. Permission notes will be sent home this week. **Thank you** to Miss Nixon for running the carnival and also to Mel Simmons and Fiona Rankmore for doing the scoring. Thank you also to all parents, staff and Community members who assisted on the day.

**Congratulations to all students who participated in the Ricky Walford & Jenny Wright shield last week in Walgett.** All students had a fantastic day and displayed great sportsmanship. **Unfortunately, the Legends of League Carnival in Sydney this week has been postponed due to wet weather.** We will have more information over the next few days about the new dates.

**Kylie Pennell**

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**Deputy Principal – Jenine Milgate**

Welcome to Week 6, I hope everyone had a great Mid-Term break and are all ready to kick back into a busy week. Our PBL lesson for this week is learning how to safely walk on the cement. Students will be focussing on how to be Proud, Safe and Respectful on the walkways. A reminder that all students are expected to follow all safety rules and not ride bikes and scooters on the school grounds.

Have a great week.
Miss Budd
I hope everyone had a lovely Mid-Term Break and are ready to focus and learn a lot in the last few weeks of school. This week we will finish writing and publishing our personal diaries in English. In PE we will continue to learn about healthy living. Remember it is important to try and bring a piece of fruit to eat each day.

Miss Heaney
Week 6! The term is flying by! I hope everyone had a relaxing Mid-Term Break and are ready for a busy five weeks! KH have been visiting the train with KB to use the computers. This week we will look at the keyboard and learn how to write a capital letter! It has been great to see homework flying in, so keep it up!

Early Stage 1 AP – Miss Budd
Congratulations to all the students who competed in the District Athletics Carnival. Well done on your achievements.

Remember the performance night is quickly approaching and Kindergarten are practising very hard. Please send in your child’s costume. A note has gone home but if you are not sure what to send in or need some assistance, please see your child’s teacher.

Early Stage 1 News
Miss Bartley
1N hopes everyone had a fantastic Mid-Term Break. In Technology this week 1N will be learning about keyboards and how we use the letters to type. We will be practising our typing using a fun online game. Stage One will also be continuing to learn their dances for our Frozen performance. Notes will go out soon to let everyone know about costumes.

Cheers Miss B

Miss Duiz
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Stage 1 AP – Miss Bartley
Well done to all our eight year olds who participated in the district carnival, we hope you had a good day. A big thank you to the Variety Bash for helping Stage One to fundraise for their excursion. The money we received as donations will help with our travel and going to the zoo. I hope everyone had a great Mid-Term Break.

Literacy and Numeracy Week
Literacy and Numeracy Week is being held from 25th-31st August 2014. Bourke Public School students will celebrate by participating in some fun activities in class. The theme this year is ‘Explore’.

Miss McKechnie
Welcome to week 6! I hope you all had a very relaxing Mid Term Break. This week in Literacy we are focusing on using conjunctions and adjectives in our writing. In Maths we are focusing on counting on and counting back when using 2 digit numbers.

Stage One are also practising our magnificent dances and are beginning to create costumes for our performance night in week 9!

Have a great week! Cheers, Miss M 😊

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2014 MERIT SYSTEM AWARDS

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Harrison Simmons
Shakylee Orcher
Samuel Ord
Matthew Griffiths
Siara Kelly
Eric Dixon

Silver
Izaac O’Shannessy
Nicholas Bates
Charmaine Johnson
Brittany Robb
Shannon Bates
Sharelle Brown
Michael McKay
Karleasha Barker
Georgia Wood
Harisinth Hutchinson
Leahsha Robb
Lillian Milgate
Leithan Orcher
Landon Barford
Antwon Fernando
Eliza Johnston

Gold
Laura Hand
Ashlyn Stutsel
Madeleine Nichols
Jack Reid

AEO Caught Being Good Award
Andi Ibbotson & Mason Orcher
**Miss Mowbray**

Welcome to Week 6! I hope everyone had a safe and happy Mid-Term Break. A big thank you to everyone that helped and supported the Southern Stars dancers at the Big Brekkie last week! We can’t wait to head down to Wollongong next week and perform! 2M Literacy are still hard at work with their instructional writing texts and this week 2M Numeracy are focussing on number and position. Don’t forget it is Primary Assembly this week!

**Bourke Amatuer Swimming Club AGM**

Time: 6pm
When: Wednesday, 3rd September, 2014
Where: Port of Bourke

**Mrs Gaukroger & Miss Clark**

I hope you all had a safe and enjoyable Mid-Term Break. Well done to all those students who represented our school at the District athletics carnival last Thursday. This week we will be finishing our study of British Colonisation. We have learnt lots of interesting information about early Australia. Our item for performance night is coming together very nicely and it’s great to see everyone working together.

**Miss Buckley**

Welcome back! I hope you had a relaxing Mid-Term Break and are ready for another week of learning. This week we are continuing our fabulous work on Procedures. In Numeracy we will be focusing on Position. This week is 2B’s assembly item so make sure you come to Assembly on Thursday.

Have a fantastic week!

**Miss Atkins**

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable break. Congratulations to all the students who participated in our District Athletics carnival last week. In our home class, 3D are continuing to learn about Bali and their Hindu beliefs. In Literacy, 3D are starting to publish their information reports on tortoises. In Numeracy, we are working on quick recall of addition facts. Have a fantastic week!

**Mr Porter**

What a busy Week 6 we have in the 3P classroom. In our home class we are continuing to develop our own Animoto presentations. We will be looking at how to insert our own photos, videos and soundtracks. In Numeracy groups we will be looking at subtraction and position. Have a great week!

**Stage 2 AP – Mrs Gaukroger**

In literacy we are focussing on writing to instruct. The students are busy writing procedures on how to efficiently access different programs on the computer to assist their younger peers.

This week 2B will be presenting an item at assembly. Hope to see you all there!

**Stage 2 News**

**Stage 3 News**

3S has a busy few weeks ahead! We have finalised our dance routine for Performance Night and now need to think about our costumes! We are looking forward to Thursday afternoon when members of Bourke PCYC will be coming to visit our class. This week in Maths 3S will be working on Measurement and in Literacy, we will continue enjoying Danny Champion of the World by Roald Dahl. Have a great week Mrs Douglas

**Mrs Douglas**

I hope everyone has had a fantastic Mid-Term Break and is ready for a busy second half of Term 3. Stage 2 are in the Kitchen this week and as promised, will be having a go at the dessert recipes. Stage 3 please remember our end of term Attendance party ‘My Kitchen Rules’. If you miss no more than 2 days you will be able to attend this fabulous afternoon. Have a great week everyone.

**Godooga Games**

**Stage 3 AP – Miss Griffiths**

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**PBL - WEEK 5**

**PROUD, SAFE & RESPECTFUL - Walking on cement**

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

**Make it Real**
**Bourke Junior Cricket AGM**

**Time:** 6pm  
**When:** Wednesday, 27th August 2014  
**Where:** Port of Bourke

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**Early Years Transition Centre News**

**Miss Bradley**

Week Six and Performance Night is almost here! We will all need costumes for the night so please send a Disney costume in with your child as soon as possible - remember your child can dress up as anything they like princess, toy or animals it’s their choice!

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**Instructional Leader News**

**Mrs Roe:**

It is easy to support your child’s development of reading and writing at home. To develop spelling and vocabulary for writing, play word games such as ‘I spy’, Scrabble, Boggle, Scattergories and do crossword puzzles.

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**Ms Topalov**

Wow! What a fabulous time we had last week. Congratulations to the boys and girls that attended the Ricky Warford and George Rose shield. All teams did extremely well! The Big Breakfast was great fun! Mr Stutsel and Penny did a fantastic job cooking delicious pancakes and bacon and egg rolls. This week we are attending the Outback Show again. Have a great week! Ms T, Max and the LC boys.

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**Miss Nixon**

Welcome to Week 6! I hope that everyone had an enjoyable Mid-Term break! Last week the MC loved going to the outback show and having lunch at Diggers. We loved sitting in the dining room! This week we are looking forward to learning more about horses as a part of the Community Engagement Program. Congratulations to Ben who participated well in district athletics carnival.

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**Bluey Star of the Week**

KB- Vanessa Vincent  
KH- Blake Sutton  
1M- Marcia Orcher  
1N- Cooper Tiffen  
1D- Georgia Wood  
MC- Makye Knight