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**Message from the Deputy Principal**

Miss Milgate

Please remember to complete and return the intensive swimming note that went home last week and if you have lost yours then you can get another copy from the office. This is a great opportunity for all students to improve their swimming skills as the summer approaches.

ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE – please remember that it is vital for your child’s learning to attend school every day and ALL day. In the next few weeks we will be finalising our list of students attending our annual attendance excursions for those students with outstanding attendance during the year.

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**Week 2**

**Attendance Goal**

**OUR GOAL**

**92%**

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**Miss Buckley & 2B**
**Infants News**

**Miss Clark**
Week 3 has arrived! In Literacy this week we will continue our writing unit on Bravery. We will be reading the book ‘The Honey Bear who was afraid of bees’. The focus this week will be on identifying the who, when, why, what and where aspects in their writing. In the afternoon session KC will be learning about the weather in Science and in PDHPE we will be identifying what to do in unsafe situations. I hope you all have a great week.

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**Have a wonderful week! 😊**

**Early Stage 1 AP – Miss Griffiths**
Bourke Public School Rose Garden has won more awards in the Bourke and District Garden Club Rose and Spring Collection. We received 2 firsts, 2 seconds and 2 thirds. A huge thank you to Greg Gaffney for helping out and looking after this garden. Week 3 sees Stage 2 back into the Kitchen and Garden. All students have been enjoying the mulberries and salads.

Please remember students need to wear enclosed shoes when walking to and from the pool for sport. This is for safety reasons. Have a great week everyone!

**Miss Mowbray**
Welcome to week 3! Last week 1B Literacy started learning about a wordless text called Journey by Aaron Becker. This week we will be writing our own narratives to go with the illustrations from the text. 1B Numeracy will be working on multiplication and volume and capacity. Our home class is really excited about Grandparents Day on Thursday and we hope to see many grandparents for our open classroom and to come along to Infants Assembly in the afternoon. Have a great week! 😊

**Miss McKechnie**
Welcome to week 3 everyone! This week in Literacy 1M are going to be constructing and deconstructing the structure of a variety of persuasive texts. In Maths we are learning to compare and order objects based on capacity and volume measured using informal units.

This Thursday is Grandparents Day and we will be having open classrooms in the middle session. Thursday is also our week to run assembly and we would love for you to come along to watch our performance! Have a wonderful week!

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**Messages**

- Parents/carers are reminded that the Early Years Transition Centre opens at 8.40am each morning. Students are not to be dropped off prior to this time.
- Bike shed – we have changed the lock on the bike shed starting this term. Only staff will have keys to unlock the bike shed. The bike shed will be opened each morning at 8.30am and locked at 9am for the day. The bike shed will be opened again at 3pm.
- Parents are reminded not to park in the bus zone at the front of the school. The police will be monitoring this at bell times on a regular basis.
- Website – Bourke Public School has an active website that provides up to date information. Check out our website today!
- Facebook - Bourke Public School has a very active Facebook page. Like our page so you can follow all the exciting things that are happening at our school.
- Any Parents/Carers or community members wanting the BPS newsletter emailed to them weekly please contact the school.
- Fruitio – is still occurring daily at approximately 10am.

**AEO Caught Being Good Award**

Jayarna Payne & Jarryn Moore
Miss Hudson & Miss Bartley
Welcome to week 3! Last week 2N started their ‘Still Life’ art unit. We had lots of fun drawing fruit but the best part was eating all the fruit afterwards!!! This week we will continue watching Charlotte’s Web and start acting out some of the script. Remember to keep up the attendance as we are going to the pool for a reward. Have a great week.

Miss Wade
Welcome to week 3! Last week 2D continued their Drama unit on Charlotte’s Web by creating artworks based on the book for our class display. In Mathematics we have been learning about the compensation strategy with addition and subtraction. In HSIE we have begun looking at People and Their Beliefs. Have an awesome week!

Miss Buckley
Welcome to Week 3. This week 2B will be creating some amazing artworks for our Drama unit on Charlotte’s Web. Good luck to the mixed soccer team that plays against St Ignatius on Wednesday. Remember to try your best and have fun. Also a reminder that this Thursday is Grandparent’s Day and we are having open classrooms after recess. Have a nice week!

Stage 2 AP – Miss Bartley
Just a reminder that it’s starting to really heat up, so it’s a great idea to bring a water bottle to school to make sure we all stay hydrated throughout the hot days. A reminder also to students in stage 2, for your chance to attend the Pool Attendance Reward Party, you need to come everyday and miss no more than 3 days of school. If you would like to guess the mystery picture at assembly remember to write your ideas down and give them to Miss Bartley or Miss Dorrington.

PBL – WEEK 3
WHERE DOES BULLYING HAPPEN?

Miss Dorrington
The students have been learning Acrostic and Haiku poems using descriptive language. This week we will begin cinquain poems and other forms of poems. We are continuing to work on various operations with fractions and decimals. The unit on earthquakes is proving to be very interesting.

Stage 3 AP – Miss Dorrington
Year Six enjoyed another great week at High School Transition and I believe it was action packed at the Ag plot for some. Next week the students will enjoy Art and cooking. The year six farewell organisation is underway and everyone will be advised of venue and cost shortly. Remember no thongs to be worn to swimming on Fridays.

Mr Porter
Year 5 students have started preparing for 2016 captains speeches while Year 6 students are transitioning to the high school. In literacy groups we are very busy annotating poetry and will start publishing our own poetry. This week we also have grandparents day. Hope to see you then.

P&C News:
The next P&C meeting is on Wednesday 21st October at 6pm at Bourke Public School in the meeting room.
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A reminder that all lunch orders need to be made by 10am.

Bourke Public School’s Motto for 2015
Relationships
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Have a lovely week.

Mrs Roe/Mrs Aquilina

**BLUEY STAR OF THE WEEK**
2D - Mackenzie Smith
2B - Nabeera Khan
2N - Lylah Orcher
3P - Bailee Waller
3D - Chequita Knight

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**Early Years Transition Centre News**

Miss Bradley

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**Instructional Leaders News**

Mrs Roe/Mrs Aquilina

Ideas for helping your child with counting at Home:

- Count with your child the number of buttons as you do up a cardigan or shirt.
- Encourage your child to count the number of pegs used to hang out the washing.
- Count the number of steps from the front door to the letterbox.
- Count the number of eggs in a carton and again after some have been removed.
- Count the number of times you and your child can throw a ball to each other without dropping it.

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**Rubby League at Brewarrina**