Last week we celebrated a special birthday at Bourke Public School. We celebrated our 40th birthday on our current site. The celebrations included signing Happy Birthday, cutting a cake and burying a time capsule.

Congratulations to all year 5 students who presented a speech to the school community last week at the 2016 Leaders Assembly. All students did a terrific job and should be proud of their efforts.

Intensive swimming continues this week. Infants will be this week and next week (a note was sent home with those students involved).

Congratulations to all year 6 students who have now graduated from Primary school. The Year 6 Farewell was a fantastic night celebrating the achievements of our Year 6 students. Thank you to Miss Dorrington and all staff for organising the night.

The Minister of Education, Mr Adrian Piccoli will be visiting Bourke Public School on Tuesday 1st December. It will be an excellent opportunity for our school to showcase our programs and achievements.

During week 9 & 10 we are holding a Book Fair in the library. We are encouraging reading over the Christmas holidays by promoting a deal to buy one book and get a second book free (for the same price).

Don’t forget Presentation Night is coming up on Tuesday 8th December starting at 6pm in the High School hall. Have a super week!

Kylie Pennell
Welcome to week 8! In Literacy this week we will be reading the book ‘The owl who was afraid of the dark’. We will be focusing on re-reading our writing to make sure it makes sense. In Maths we will be learning about fractions, and how to divide shapes and groups of objects in half. If your child is participating in the Intensive Swimming program, it began today and will run for 2 weeks. They will need their swimmers, a towel, and a hat each day. Please remember to return your homework and home readers each Friday. Have a fantastic week!

Welcome to week 8! 1M Literacy class had a fantastic time debating last week and had some very convincing arguments! 1M home class enjoyed learning about Chinese New Year and created a fantastic Chinese lantern display. This week in Maths we are continuing to develop our skills in telling the time on analog and digital clocks. If you are participating in Intensive swimming, please remember to pack your swimmers and wear your uniform to school. Have a fabulous week everyone! 😊

Intensive Swimming continues this week for infants students. If your child is participating in these lessons, please ensure they have swimmers, a towel and a hat each day. It is getting very close to our Term 4 Attendance party also being held at the swimming pool. Remember you can only be away 3 or less days to be able to attend and this includes late days. Have a great week 8 everyone!

This week in English we will be looking at fractions. There will be fun in the form of recipes and choosing the best recipe. Numeracy class enjoyed learning all about division last week as we learnt about sharing through the book ‘The Doorbell Rang’. 1B Home class are continuing with their fantastic celebrations work in HSIE. We have created some amazing Chinese lanterns and we discovered our animals through the Chinese Zodiac. Don’t forget about Infants Intensive swimming this week! Have a wonderful week! 😊

Stage 1 AP – Miss Budd

Intensive swimming for infants students has started today and will be running for the next 2 weeks. Please remember to bring your swimmers, a towel and sunscreen every day. Coming up next Friday is the infant’s excursion to the Cobar pool. Students will find out soon if they are eligible to attend the excursion. On the 10th December is the Stage 1 pool party. More information will be provided early next week.

Have a fantastic afternoon with lots of dancing. This fantastic afternoon with lots of dancing. This week Stage 1 students with no more than 3 days away were able to attend a Stage One disco. We all had a fantastic afternoon with lots of dancing. This week in English we will begin looking at the book ‘Hey, little ant’. Students will write an exclamation on if the boy should or shouldn’t squish the ant and give reasons why. In HSIE this week we will be looking at birthdays and designing our own celebration to have in the class.

The EYTC will finish in Week 10 this term – the dates for the last days are: Monday & Tuesday group - Tuesday 8th December and Wednesday & Thursday group - Thursday 10th December.

This afternoon 1T the best place to be!

Stage 1 AP – Miss Griffiths

Weekly News

− The EYTC will finish in Week 10 this term – the dates for the last days are: Monday & Tuesday group - Tuesday 8th December and Wednesday & Thursday group - Thursday 10th December.
− Last day of school for 2015 – Wednesday 16th December.
− 2016 Students in Year 1 to Year 6 return to school in 2016 – Thursday 4th February.
− 2016 EYTC students start – Monday 8th February.
− 2016 Kindergarten students complete their Best Start Assessments – Thursday 4th February, Friday 5th February and Monday 8th February.
− 2016 Kindergarten start school – Tuesday 9th February.
− 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.
− 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.
Welcome to Week 8! Intensive swimming continues this week as well as swimming for Sport on Friday. 2N enjoyed having Aunty Margo come into our classroom last week and tell us some dreaming stories. This week we will be looking at the Aboriginal belief system in HSIE. This Thursday is our last Primary Assembly for the school year.

Have a fantastic week.

Miss Buckley

Wow, week 8 already! Congratulations to Year 6 who looked absolutely fabulous at their farewell last week. This week 2B will be spending time on their fictions and discussing different scenarios. We will also further investigate earthquakes. Students will list different values and beliefs around Australia. This is quite topical as we have been following the recent events in the news.

Mr Porter

Congratulations to all of the year 5 students that were involved in our 2016 School Captain speeches. You should be very proud of your efforts. The weather has certainly warmed up and in our bag room we have lots of hats with no names. If you are missing a hat please make sure you check the bag room this week. Have a great week.

Stage 3 AP – Miss Dorrington

I am sure everyone will agree the Year Six Farewell was a lovely evening. The year six students all looked fantastic in their beautiful dresses and smart shirts. It was lovely seeing families come together to celebrate their child’s achievements. Year six will soon be having their first full day at High School. Students will be required to go straight to the high school that morning. There are various activities organised for them during the day.

P&C News:

Uniforms are still for sale! It is the perfect time to be buying uniforms for the 2016 school year. Look out for uniform packs coming soon!

The canteen will be open on Wednesday 3rd February (day before school starts) from 10am to 2pm for parents/carers to purchase uniforms.

The P&C Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 17th February, 2016 at 6pm in meeting room at Bourke Public School. Everyone welcome!

This week’s Canteen award goes to Nebeera Khan

Bourke Public School’s Motto for 2015

Relationships

Miss Wade

Where has the Term gone? Week 8 already! The week in Science 2D will be creating their own sun dials to take home as a part of our experiments with shadows. In 2D Literacy we are learning about plurals of nouns... During HSIE we will be continuing to look at Dreamtime stories and Aboriginal belief systems and will have a special visit from Aunty Margo. Don’t forget to bring your swimmers on Fridays for sport. Have a great week!

Stage 2 AP – Miss Bartley

Remember that the Stage 2 pool party reward for great attendance is coming up on the 7th December. To attend you have to have missed no more than 3 days of school, do make sure you come everyday to school! Also a reminder that this Thursday is Primary students last assembly for the year, it would be great to see everyone there as I think we have a special visitor.

PBL – WEEK 8

SAFE – BUILDING CONFIDENCE

MERIT SYSTEM

BRONZE

Rory Smith

SILVER

Deshawn Morris

GOLD

Kenneth Johnson

Haley O’ Sullivan

Shantaya Mackay

Jimiona McKellar

Emma Simmons

Khal Sullivan-Knight

Adrian Gorsbach

Henry Scallon

Jaydiah-Marine Thomas

Samuel Ord

Toby Martin

Hayle Roed

Douglas Edwards-Smith

Maikey Knight

DIAMOND

Jamehia Gibbs

Shannon Bates

Riley Stringmore

Blake Sutton

Ella Brown

Tina Gibbs

Keehan Lovett

Charmaine Johnson

Takaylah Dixon

PLATINUM

Hallie Cummins

Queneshia Orcher

Ekonere Stuttad

Oscar Seiler

Ella-Grace Hatch

Alex Hopkins

Connor McKay

George Milgate

Sakai Ord

Jack Reid

Lacey Rowland

Lillian Milgate
Who can believe we only have three weeks left?! This week in the EYTC the students will be looking towards the sky and studying the stars! Students will learn how the stars can be used to help figure out the direction you need to be going when you are on a long journey!

We will also be looking at the planets in our solar systems and creating some amazing artworks! It is getting very hot at the moment so just a reminder that if you would like to you can send money to school with your child to buy an ice block at lunchtime from the canteen!

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