How exciting! Another week of great attendance…!

Last week our weekly attendance percentage was 93%. It is great to see that everyone is making a huge effort to come to school every day.

**Congratulations** to all students who swam at our District Swimming Carnival last Friday. You all did extremely well and should be proud of your efforts. 22 students have made it to the Regional Swimming Carnival on Friday 4th March in Dubbo.

Thank you to all parents who assisted at the carnival. Without your help the day would not have been so successful.

**Congratulations** to all students who received their Student Representative Council and Library Monitor badges this morning at our special assembly. I’m sure you will all be fantastic leaders and role models for our school.

Later this term students in years 4 to 6 will be participating in the ‘Tell Them for Me Survey’. All students in Years 4 to 6 received a note about the survey last week.

Our School photo’s are early this year (15th & 16th March). Please see all the details below on how to order photo’s.

School Photo’s – 15th & 16th March

Our school photo’s this year are on Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th March. An envelope was sent home last week attached to the newsletter or details are below for ordering online. Envelopes can be collected from the office for family photo’s.

Sports & Co-Curricular Photos Now Available For Online Purchase

4 Easy Steps to Online School Photo Ordering

Step 1: Go to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) and enter your school code N7C 83Q 1ZX

Step 2: Select “GROUPS” and choose the images you would like to purchase.

Step 3: Enter your student’s details (all orders will be returned to the school for collection).
Welcome to Week 5, already!
Congratulations to Shilah and Harrison who represented our class at the District Swimming carnival last week. This week 1M English class are focusing on the text ‘The Day the Crayons Quit’. Sharing, division and 2D shapes are what 1M Maths will be learning about this week. Don’t forget I have my PLP times today and tomorrow so if you haven’t yet booked a time to meet with me please do so now. Have a wonderful and safe Mid-term break.

PLP notes went out last week. Please make sure you return the note with preferred times or ring the office to make a time to meet with myself to discuss your child’s goals. This week in English we will be completing writing tasks based on the book ‘Click, Clack, Moo cows that type’. In Maths we are focusing on Multiplication and 2D shapes. In PE we will be discussing how to be a good friend and create a thank you card for a class member. Dream, believe, learn and achieve!

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 – 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/Careers or community members wanting the BPS newsletter emailed to them weekly please contact the school.
- FruitO – is still occurring daily at approximately 10am.
- Monday morning assembly – starts at 9.05am and all parents/carers and community members are welcome to attend.
Primary News

Miss Duiz
I cannot believe that it is Mid-term break already this Friday and next Monday! I hope you all enjoy the 4 day long weekend! Well done to those students who participated in the District Swimming Carnival last Friday. Everyone tried their hardest which is great to see! This week in English we are completing our recounts of the Bruce Wheatly story, ‘The Flood’. Please remember to bring back your PLP notes to secure a meeting with me on Monday and Tuesday of week 7. Have a nice week 😊

Mr Dewberry
Welcome to Week 5, this week is our Mid-Term break. Congratulations to everyone who represented Bourke Public School at the District Swimming Carnival last Friday. We will continue to develop our writing skills this week in English to write a Narrative. In Maths we will be focusing on fractions and decimals and looking at length in centimetres. Hope you all have an enjoyable week 😊

Miss Buckley
Welcome to week 5. This week 2B will be finishing our fabulous Great Barrier Reef artworks. In English, we will be continuing to write our recounts for the story ‘Flood’. Last week, 2B Maths made some fantastic 2D shape monsters. This week, we will label what shapes we used and display them around our room. Have a great week.

Stage 2 AP – Miss Gordon-Poole
Congratulations to all of the Stage 2 swimmers that represented Bourke Public School at the District Swimming Carnival on Friday. It has been lovely to see so many students wearing their school uniform with pride. Just a reminder that there is no school on Friday 26th and Monday 29th March as it is our Mid-Term Break. Have a great week of learning!

Stage 3 AP – Miss Milgate
3W and 3H were fantastic cooks in the kitchen last week, they are all very capable and I’m looking forward to trying lots of new recipes throughout the year. A reminder that girls need to have their hair pulled up of their face when in the kitchen and they need to wear covered in shoes at all times when at school.

Have a great week!

P&C News:
New P&C Committee are:
President – Lisa Rankmore
Vice President – Melanie Milgate
Treasurer – Natasha Milgate/Sarah-Jayne Bock
Secretary – Alicia Tancred/Theresa Johnston
Canteen Manager – Kelly Harrod
A fundraising meeting will be held at the Port of Bourke on Wednesday 9th March at 6pm.
Our next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 11th May at 6pm at Bourke Public School in the meeting room.
New members are always welcome!

Bourke Public School’s Motto for 2016
Diversity

PBL - WEEK 5
RESPECTFUL
Positive communication on the playground

The LC participating in a number of team building activities at the PCYC

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Wow! Half way through Term One already! Remember this week it is Mid-Term Break, so there is no school on Friday. This week I will be conducting PLP interviews for 3W if you haven’t booked an appointment and would like to, just call the office to arrange a time. In Science this week 3W will be continuing to look at how light travels through objects. In Art we will be looking at how to draw different textures using line. Congratulations to all those who swam in the District Swimming Carnival on Friday. Have a great week!

Miss Heaney
Term One always flies, it is Mid-Term Break already! Well done to all Bourke Public School students who represented us with pride at the District Swimming Carnival, you should be proud of your efforts. 3H will continue to develop our skills and language in writing persuasive texts based on Ned Kelly during English this week. In Maths we are looking at fractions and deciding which has a larger value. Well done to those students who have been returning weekly homework, it is great to see! Enjoy your long weekend! 😊
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Mrs Sagar

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Ms Topalov

Wow! What a great week 4 we had. In English the LC have really enjoyed learning about Ned Kelly and discussing whether we think he was a hero or villain. We used water colours to recreate our own Ned Kelly painting based on the artwork by Sidney Nolan. In History the LC are starting to study the unit Australia as a Nation. Have a fantastic week! 😊

Miss Nixon/Miss Bartley

This week has been a very busy week, we hope everyone remembers that our Mid-Term break is coming up at the end of the week. A few tips to encourage your child to write at home:

- Give your child their own diary to write down their ideas and thoughts.
- When your child draws pictures, ask your child to write what is happening in them.
- Have your child write the shopping list out.

Mrs Sagar

This week we visited the school’s wonderful vegetable garden. The MC students really enjoyed exploring the garden beds, wandering through the fruit trees and helping Corey with watering some of the plants. Checking the chook house for eggs was also a lot of fun! We are all really looking forward to preparing our own class vegetable bed and working in the garden every week!

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Instructional Leaders

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District Swimming Carnival Champions

| Jnr Boy  | Champion – Hunter Flick  |
| Jnr Girl | Champion – Emma Simmons  |
| 11Yr Boy | Champion – Karl Knight |
| 11Yr Girls | Champion – Grace Milgate  |
| Snr Boy  | Champion – Shayan Payne |
| Snr Girl | Champion – Claire Hand |

Runner up – Harrison Tancred
Runner up – Madeleine Nicholls & Mackenzie Smith
Runner up – Robert Smith
Runner up – Maddison Willoughby
Runner up – Jyl Waites
Runner up – Taylah Reid

Regional Swimming Carnival
Friday 4th March in Dubbo.
Notes will go out today for those students who made it to the next level. Notes need to be returned by Thursday 25th February to finalise accommodation and travel.