THURSDAY 27 FEBRUARY 2014, WEEK 5 TERM 1 2014

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Dear Parents,

Mr Matthew Brown, Director of Schools (Rel), for the Queanbeyan Network visited our school last Monday and spent 3 ½ hours getting to know our school, students and staff. Our captains spent a lot of time giving Mr Brown a tour of our school and the staff had the opportunity to talk with Mr Brown during lunchtime. Mr Brown is looking forward to returning to complete his school tour with the captains, meet more of our students and find out about our teaching and learning programs and priorities for 2014. It is always a pleasure to showcase our school.

Once again our student’s behaviour was exemplary as they proudly represented our school at the District Swimming Carnival last Friday. Congratulations to all! ☺ A further congratulations must go to our 7 students who successfully competed to represent our school at the Regional level. They are:

- Gus: Breaststroke and 50m freestyle
- Jasmine: 50m Butterfly
- Chloe: 50m freestyle
- Alex: Breaststroke, 50m freestyle, 50m backstroke and Snr Girls relay
- Layla: Snr girls relay
- Mia: Snr Girls relay
- Riley: Snr Girls Relay

MULTILIT (Making Up For Lost Time) is a Reading Tutor Program that has been successfully used at Bungendore Primary for the last couple of years. It is a program which provides literacy instruction aiming to teach children the skills needed to become functional readers. MULTILIT is designed to be used with individual students, on a one-to-one basis. The successful implementation of this program at our school would not have been possible without the wonderful support of our parent volunteers. If you would like to be a part of this program, and are able to give half an hour of your time please email rebecca.rudd5@det.nsw.edu.au, or leave a message at the front office, advising of the days and times that you would be available and Mrs Rudd will contact you. For those volunteers not trained we will run training sessions on a date to be advised. Thank you in advance for any time you may be able to volunteer.

Around the school:

- Next Wednesday the 5th of March, Jacqueline Millard will be running two information sessions on “How Do Children Learn To Read”. The first session commences at 2.10pm with a repeat session commencing at 6.00pm. For further information please read the article in this newsletter.

- Our new Sports Shed is complete and we are now in the process of having shelving etc built to maximise the storage space. I’m getting very excited as the placement of the shed and effective storage units will provide easy access of equipment, in particular, during the children’s lunch break.

- We have had a huge response to our Ensemble ‘Have a go’ days and as a consequence will now run 2 groups. Unfortunately we still have too many students to implement a quality Ensemble program and therefore it is necessary to conduct formal auditions over the next 2 weeks. All children involved in the Ensemble will receive a note next
Monday in regards to the auditions. In addition to the 2 Ensemble groups there will also be a small group of children training to go to the State Instrumental Festival who perform at the Opera House.

- The Kindergarten children are settling in well and in addition to all their learning they are now participating in the APEEL program, teaching social skills that assist children with strategies for developing and maintaining friendships and effective relationships.

- A REPEAT REMINDER: All Year 6 students have received their 2015 Year 7 Expression of Interest Forms. Regardless of whether you are enrolling your child in a NSW or ACT private or public school every student must return their completed form by 25th March. Please return the form to your child’s teacher. Any enquiries to either Mrs Dabusti or myself on 62381317.

Finally, I am now able to officially congratulate Mrs Melisa Donaldson who was successful in gaining our Teacher Librarian position through a merit selection process. I know 5M will be a little sad to lose Mrs Donaldson but as I said recently, in a note to our 5M parents, now all children at our school will get to have Mrs Donaldson as their teacher each week in the Library. Congratulations Melisa! We are thrilled you are still part of our staff. 😊

Have an enjoyable and safe week.

Warm regards,
Ros Roworth 😊

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**Defence News**

As I mentioned in my letter at the beginning of the year, I may have to vary my working hours. Next week I will be attending a meeting with all the other DSTA’s/DTM’s in Canberra and the surrounding NSW areas. This usually occurs once a term and is happening next Wednesday (5/3/14). This will alter my working hours for next week. I will not be at the school on Wednesday and will be working a full day, from 8.30am to 3pm on Thursday. This will affect “Defence Club”, which will be held at lunchtime on Thursday just for next week. Please reassure the kids that it will happen, just on a different day and it’s only a temporary change.

Thanks,
Marina Pilicic
DSTA

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**P&C News**

**Next meeting**
Tuesday 18 March 2014
School Staff Room
7.00 pm    AGM
7.30 pm    Normal Meeting

All welcome to attend …
find out how parents and staff can work together to improve our children’s experience at school.
## “Coming Events”
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### DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL

On Friday 21st February 36 students represented Bungendore Public School at the District swimming carnival. Our new and younger competitors were in awe as they entered the AIS. Every student was well behaved and it was a pleasure to have such a mature, enthusiastic group showcasing our fantastic school.

There were many highlights to the day, including our Senior Girls relay team (Mia, Alex, Riley and Layla) finishing second, two of our new competitors (Chloe and Jasmine) qualifying for the Regional Carnival at Dapto, Gus coming equal first in the 50m freestyle and Alex being successful in the Freestyle, Backstroke and Breaststroke. Well done!

Congratulations to all the students who competed. I would also like to say a very big thank you to all the parents who were able to attend and cheer for our students.

Mark Wyatt
Assistant Principal
UNIFORM NEWS TERM 1 2014

The uniform shop will be open every Friday from 2.45 to 3.45pm. This time slot may change throughout the year; check the school newsletter for any changes.

For those that cannot make it into the uniform shop, orders can be placed at the front office. Order forms are available on the school website, as well as in the front office or at the uniform shop. Please allow a few days for us to fill your order.

We have a large selection of second hand uniforms for sale and we will gladly accept donations of good quality second hand goods.

Thanks, the Uniform Shop team.

HOW DO CHILDREN LEARN TO READ

Wednesday 5th March 2014

I would like to invite parents to an information session/discussion on how children learn to read.

This would be valuable to anyone who has a child learning to read or is helping with reading as a volunteer in the classroom.

I would also like to give the parents some useful ideas for helping at home with reading and to answer questions regarding reading and homework.

As always please remember if you have any concerns about your child’s progress please make an appointment to see your child’s teacher.

There will be two sessions:

Wednesday 5th March 2.10pm -3.10pm. in the school library.

Wednesday 5th March 6.00pm -7.00pm. in the Teachers staffroom.

Could you please RSVP to the office to help with organisation.

Thank you,
Jacqueline Millard
Reading Recovery Teacher

THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to all the generous people who have volunteered to cover library books this year. We have had over 40 new books covered already and on the shelves for the children to borrow.

Thank you
Patrice Coffee

DON’T FORGET OUR NEW PAYPOP FACILITY ATTACHED TO OUR WEBSITE!
BUNGENDORE ANGLICAN CHURCH
Will facilitate
The Alpha Parenting Children Course
The Alpha Parenting Children Course provides tools and long term strategies for building healthy families for everyone who cares for children aged 0 - 10 years. The course is designed to assist parents and carers, whether they consider themselves to have strong parenting skills or are struggling.

Topics cover:
1. Building strong foundations
2. Meeting our children's needs
3. Setting boundaries
4. Teaching healthy relationships, and
5. Our long-term aim.

Bungendore Anglican Church will facilitate the course which consists of five sessions. Each session starts with a shared meal, then DVD presentations followed by small group discussions and exercises. This course begins Saturday 15th March 2014, from 7.00 - 9.30pm at the Bungendore Community Centre. Cost for the 5 weeks is $50 singles, $80 couples. Health Care cardholder concessions apply. More information is available at http://www.bungendoreanglican.org.au/Parenting.html and http://www.relationshipcentral.org.

Bookings are essential - please contact us on 62381251 or alpha@bungendoreanglican.org.au.

Braidwood Redbacks Rugby Club Inc.
PO Box 404, Braidwood, NSW, 2622
2014 Junior Registration Day
Friday 28th February 2014
At The Braidwood Services Club
Registration @ 5.00pm + Sausage Sizzle @ 6.00pm
Fielding Junior Teams in U 6s, U 8s, U 10s, U 12s Fizzy Reds Competition in Goulburn on Friday nights from 5.30pm

2013 Redbacks U12s Undefeated Premiers
Training on Thursday afternoons 4.00pm - 5.30pm commencing on 3rd April 2014 at the Braidwood Rec Ground. Car pools TBA for the Friday night games, commencing May.

Registration includes jersey, shorts, socks, cap & Season Pass to the Brumbies.

All Welcome. For further information: Please contact Sair Gordon 4842 7177

Fun and exercise this netball season
With the start of the 2014 netball just around the corner, Bungendore Netball Club is gearing up for registrations.

There will be two opportunities to sign up for the 2014 season.

For those a little unsure of what netball is all about, there will be a 'Come and Try" afternoon at the hall at Bungendore Primary School from 1pm to 3pm on Saturday, 22nd March. There will be drinks and a sausage sandwich.

Registrations will also be taken on Wednesday, 19th March, from 3.15-5.00pm in the courtyard at Bungendore Primary School.

BNC games are played at Queanbeyan on Saturday mornings from April to September, with teams starting at age 8 and going through to seniors. There is also a fun skills-based program for girls aged 5-7 years.

For more information, contact Emily Blacka, President, on 0421 283 391 or emily.blacka@ecowise-services.com.au