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### Skoolbag app is up and running!

Go to the App Store on your mobile phone and search “Bungendore” to find it!

Skoolbag will keep you up to date with everything happening at BPS, as well as delivering the full newsletter to your phone each week.

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### P&C Welcome to 2016 Family BBQ

Friday 26 Feb 4.00pm—6.00pm
Pre Order Dinner
Notes coming today
**All Welcome!!**

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### SAFETY ISSUE

We would appreciate parents NOT parking in the school grounds when dropping off or picking up their children from after school care.

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Good luck to our 39 swimmers who are going on to represent BPS at the District PSSA Swimming Carnival at the AIS on Monday 22nd February.
**Welcome BBQ Friday 26th February 4-6pm**

The P&C are hosting a Welcome BBQ on Friday 26th February under the tree outside the Year 6 classrooms. We would like to invite you all to come along and meet each other, discuss the happenings at the school and find out information about our school community.

Sausage sizzle order forms are due back to the office on Monday 22 February. We will also be selling a selection of cold drinks on the night. Year 6 will commence their fundraising efforts in earnest at their Spider Stall. Our SRC will also hold a stall so they can raise some funds before the end of summer.

If you would like to volunteer to assist on the night, please contact Sam via email - bungendorepspandc@gmail.com or via a message on our Facebook page.

**P&C Update**

Our P&C is very active in supporting the school, students and families in our school community. Whether we are raising money for the playground project, subsidising school excursions or purchasing new music or literacy resources for our school, or manning a BBQ when we all come together, we can make magic happen. P&C meetings are an opportunity to see what is happening at the school and become involved in discussions and decisions regarding supporting our school community. We welcome any parent or citizen in our community to come along and help us make a difference.

**2016 AGM**

Our AGM will be held in the staff room at 7 pm in the staff room on Tuesday 15th March 2016. Please note that all office bearer positions will be declared vacant, nominations taken and a ballot held at the AGM. Financial members will have the opportunity to be nominated and vote for positions.

Positions that will be declared vacant on the night are;
- President
- Vice President x2
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Four non-executive committee members including - publicity officer & fundraising officer.

The P&C will also elect representatives for; the Fundraising Group, Garden Group, Uniform Shop and Council Hall Committee

If you would like any further information, please contact Natalie at bungendorepspandc@gmail.com or on 0408 023 824.

Alternatively, come along to the Welcome BBQ and have a chat about how you would like to be involved there.
Welcome BBQ Sausage Sizzle

The Bungendore Parents and Citizens Association (P&C) are very excited to invite all of our Bungendore Families to our Welcome BBQ on Friday February 26th 2016. This event will run from 4 - 6pm and will be held outside the Year 6 classrooms. The BBQ will be a fantastic way to catch up with friends as well as welcome new families to our community.

During the event we will be running a sausage sizzle (preorder only) and we will have drinks for sale on the night. Also, our Year 6 students will be selling their famous ‘Spider’ drinks and our SRC will have a stall on the night.

If you would like to order a sausage sandwich please complete the form below and return to school by Monday 22nd February. Please note we will not be cooking to order on the day, so please include orders for nans and pops, mums and dads with your family order.

Each sausage sandwich will cost $1.50. Please note this is not a pack. Drinks and spiders may be purchased on the night.

All notes and monies need to be handed to your child’s class teacher. Please do not send them to the office.

Thank you for your support
Mrs Howarth

Welcome BBQ Sausage Sizzle
Friday 26th February 2016

Name: ____________________________ Class: __________

Number of Sausage Sandwiches ________________ @ $1.50 each

Total enclosed $ ___________
Defence News

Defence Club has now started, with 24 kids attending last week. We made some craft items for Valentine’s Day, which the kids were extremely excited to take home for mums and dads. I hope you all enjoyed your gifts. Today we had free play with a few games and colouring for the children to enjoy. Next week we will be starting craft for Easter for those kids who would like to come along and bring a friend.

Unfortunately, our Welcome BBQ afternoon at Bungendore Pool was cancelled due to the forecast of inclement weather. However, I would like to invite all defence parents to come along to the P & C welcome BBQ next Friday 26th February. I will be there helping along with other members from the P & C and would love to see you there. Get your money in for your sausages by Monday at the latest (see note that came home with your child yesterday).

Our Thursday coffee morning for Defence mums is now in full swing. Feel free to come along after the morning bell in my office next to the staffroom.

Have a great week...

Infants Easter Hat Parade

Yes it’s that exciting time of the year again – it’s the Easter Hat Parade!
This year our Parade will be held on Thursday 24th March at 9.30am.
We ask that all children have a go at making a hat at home that they can bring to school on the day to parade for friends and family.
The children will also be performing some Easter songs and a poem.
If you would like any ideas on what your child could create please ask your class teacher.
Family and friends are all welcome to come along to this fun event!
Kind Regards
Emily Howarth, on behalf of the Stage 1 team.
School Attendance

Parents/Caregivers are reminded

- That children aged between 6 and 17 must attend school on every school day unless they have a reasonable excuse for being away, such as illness. Visiting family, being tired and staying home on birthdays is not acceptable reasons to be away from school. An explanation for absence must be provided to the school within 7 days from the first day of any period of an absence.
- Attendance every day at school is important for your child’s progress. It helps build friendships, life-long work habits and makes sure learning takes place.
- Wherever possible, holidays, dental and medical appointments should be made out of school hours. If a holiday is during school you must first apply to the Principal for approval and it is up to their discretion if it a Certificate of Leave is granted.

It’s not OK to be away
It’s not great to be late

A reminder that schools commences at 9.10am and finishes at 3.10pm.

Tips to help your child to succeed at school.

1. Pack your school bag the night before.
2. Go to bed at a set time every night, read or listen to soft music for half an hour and then go to sleep. Do not use electronic devices for at least an hour before bedtime. Research indicates that children who receive sufficient sleep are more likely to be alert and resilient.
3. Eat Well, Learn Well - Breakfast is the most important meal of the day. It is well known that children who eat breakfast everyday are more receptive to learning.

Can your child tie their shoelaces?  
It might be time to practise!!
Queanbeyan High School

Invitation

Year 7 2017 Information Night

All Year 4, 5 and 6 parents and friends of our community who are considering sending their child to Queanbeyan High School in 2017, 2018 and / or 2019 are invited to attend our school on **Wednesday 9 March 2016, meet at 6pm at the school hall.**

**Agenda**

- **Meet the A/Principal: Ms Safija Bristina**
  
  Introduction to Key Staff. Share our school vision that includes the Personal Best Class; Bonus PB Program; Innovative teaching strategies and College 3+3 program.

- **Meet The R/Deputy Principal: Mrs Tina Pratt**
  
  Staff and student expectations.
  Safety, Uniform; The Raise Responsibility System; and SRC.

- **Meet the Student Advisor for Year 7 2017: Ms. J. Borg**
  
  Student Advisors welfare role and responsibility.

**School Prospectus distributed on the night**

**School Tours 6:00pm-6:45pm**

**Assembly in hall at 6:45pm for a 7pm start**

**Further Information**

R/Deputy Principal
Tina Pratt
P: 6297 2088
F: 6299 4285

**Queanbeyan High School**

**Personal Best – Respect – Responsibility**

**Hot & cold drinks provided by Hospitality students at Café Delish!**
St Mary’s is running a preparation program for the sacrament of Reconciliation for baptised Catholic children in Year Three or above. Parent/child info night - Wed 9th March 6:30pm, St Mary’s Church and Hall, 28 Turallo Tce, Bungendore. Preparation sessions for children during Sunday Mass 8:30am 13th, 20th March. The sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated in St Mary’s Church on Wed 23rd March at 6:30pm.

More details and enrolment forms.
http://www.stgregorysparishqueanbeyan.com/sacred-room/sacraments-at-bungendore/
or phone 6238 1247 (11-5 Wed)
email: bungendore@cg.org.au
Bungendore Children’s Choir

A new children’s choir is starting up on Mondays after school for children in grade 2 and older. We will sing a range of musical styles, including simple part songs and rounds and learn about singing technique, and music skills along the way. This opportunity is only open to children from Bungendore Public School.

There will be an initial registration fee of $10 to cover music printing costs throughout the year, and a weekly fee of $5, invoiced every term.

**Our first rehearsal will be on Monday 7th March from 3.20-4.20 in Mrs Coffee’s room, 2C.**

Tracy Bourne will be the choir leader, and has taught singing over 20 years, from beginning to professional singers. She was the Lecturer in Singing at the University of Ballarat (now Federation University) for ten years, and many of her previous students have gone on to work professionally in shows such as Strictly Ballroom, Billy Elliott, Wicked, Cats (Touring production), West Side Story, and others. She has worked with choirs at all levels of age and experience and recently submitted a PhD on music theatre vocal techniques through Sydney Conservatorium.

For more information about Tracy’s experience check out: [www.tracybourne.com](http://www.tracybourne.com).

If your child is interested in joining the choir, or you’d like more information please contact Tracy on 0431 449 692 or Belinda Hughes on 0412 317 447.

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Queanbeyan Sports Expo 2016

The Queanbeyan sporting clubs present the inaugural Queanbeyan Sports Expo.

This unique event brings together all of our Queanbeyan sporting clubs and associations in one venue to allow you to come, try and learn more about what’s on offer in our community. You can even register to join your favourite club on the day.

Being healthy, meeting new people, learning new skills and having fun are just some of the benefits of joining a sporting club. Come along and be part of something great in 2016.

Don’t miss it!
**Date:** 20 February 2016  
**Time:** 10am to 2pm  
**Venue:** Town Park  
**Food and drinks available**