Principal's Message

A great start
Welcome to the 2013 school year! If the first few days are any kind of indication, we can look forward to a fabulous year of learning at Bowraville Central School. I sensed a very positive atmosphere from the very first day last week as students returned and many more new friends joined us. Our youngest treasures – Kindergarten – are also off to a great start, having their first day together last Friday.

We also welcome back two very important staff members after their leave during 2012: Mrs Kerri Argent and Mr Richard Clarke. It is great to have you back on the team after your exciting respective experiences over the last twelve months.

Many thanks to the hard work put in over the break by Garry Dietrich, our General Assistant, and our cleaners, Jim Barrie and Judith Barber. Despite the extreme weather during the last few days of the holidays, students and staff returned to a remarkably clean and safe school – well done.

Thank you once again to all staff for your participation in our two days of learning last Monday and Tuesday (28 & 29 January 2013). Relinquishing a public holiday and braving wild weather so that we could set up a great year as a whole team for our students makes me feel both very grateful and very proud. Our work was in collaboration with the Growing Respect team, and it was terrific to be able to welcome also staff from Bowraville Community Pre-School, Stuarts Point Public School, and St Mary’s Primary, Bowraville.

Our P&C volunteers, canteen staff and the Bowraville Lions Club have won great praise for their beautiful catering for our two days of professional learning. Many thanks for a job well done.
Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Swimming Carnival this Wednesday 6th February.
Have a great week,
Malcolm McFarlane

Please note: We will this term trial a fortnightly newsletter to be sent home on Wednesday afternoon of Weeks 2, 4, 6, 8 & 10.

Kindergarten 2013
Back Row: Anneeka Edwards; Bren-nita Buchanan; Amethyst Grace; Dakota Cook; Sian Singleton; Ally Handley; Isabelle Roberts Garnsey; Mrs Lee Luck
Front Row: Zac Noble; Johnnie Turner; Finn Manton; Charlie Wilson; Drake Dorling; Jaiden Howden; Noah Laird; Aden Hillery-Whalen
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**NOTES SENT HOME**

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**SCHOOL NEWS**

**Kindergarten**
A big welcome to all our beautiful Kindergarten students. They all look fantastic in their uniforms and are settling in very quickly. Just a reminder that students are required to wear a blue bucket hat as part of their uniform, but in the meantime, any kind of hat will do for the first couple of weeks if they don’t have the correct hat.

Monday morning was our first attempt at lining up with “the big kids” (K-6) for the morning assembly in the Gym. This is where we will line up every morning when the bell goes. Children can be delivered to the shelter shed, where they can have supervised play from 8.30 until bell time.

It has been lovely to meet all the new parents. A big welcome to you and please remember I am available before and after school for any questions. A letter will come home soon asking parents to consider some positive qualities you think I should know about your child, so start thinking!

Mrs. Luck – (Kinder Teacher)

**Swimming Carnival**
Our School Swimming Carnival for **8 years and older** will be held this Wednesday. Parents are most welcome to join us, the buses will leave 9am from school and return by 3.30.

**Hats**
All students require a hat at times they are in the play ground.

**Valentines Day**
Year 9 will be selling cakes and roses next week on Valentines Day. Notes will be out this week to order for those close to your heart.

Mr. Briggs

**Year 7**
Welcome to all our Year 7 students and congratulations for your organisation and enthusiasm last week. “A great start”. Upcoming event – Yr 7 & 8 camp Week 6. Details to follow.

Mrs. Kete

**Peer Support**
Our new Year 10 students completed a Leadership Course during a camp in the last weeks of 2012. They are now keen to lead our Year 7 students through a series of peer support lessons. These are designed to help students get used to high school and to work together. The first lesson will be on Friday morning, these lessons will continue for 6 weeks.

Mr Symonds

**Mobile Phones.**
Students are not to bring mobile phones to school unless for the purposes of emergency contacts with parents/work outside school hours of 8.30am to 3.30pm. On these occasions, in the interest of security, student welfare and disruption to student learning, phones should be switched off and kept out of sight. Students are not permitted to use a camera phone at school unless under the direction of a teacher for educational purposes.

**Bowraville Central School Uniform**
Unforms can be purchased or made to order from the P & C Uniform pool. Second hand uniforms are also available. Please contact the school for details. The current uniforms are:

**K-6**

**Summer**

**Girls**   Check dress, shorts or skirt, white socks and black shoes or joggers. White shirt with skirt or shorts
**Boys**    Royal blue short sleeved shirt, grey shorts, grey or white socks and black shoes or joggers.

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Winter
Girls  As for summer, royal blue tracksuit
Boys  Royal blue shirt, royal blue jumper or tracksuit.

Sports Girls/Boys  Royal blue/gold shirt with royal shorts, white socks and joggers.

7-10
Summer
Girls  Navy skirt/shorts, white/navy BCS shirt, white socks and joggers
Boys  Grey/navy shorts, navy/white BCS shirt, white socks and joggers.*

Winter
Girls  As for summer with navy joey/zipper jumper, navy tracksuit BCS pants
Boys  As for summer with navy joey/zipper jumper, navy tracksuit BCS pants.

Sports
Girls/Boys  White/royal stripe shirts, navy BCS shorts, white socks and joggers.

11-12
Girls  Year shirt/jersey with school logo and colours
Boys  White shirt, grey shorts, navy jumper.

* White shirt for Year 10 boys

NOTE: GIRLS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO WEAR TIGHTS UNLESS COVERED WITH SHORTS OR A SKIRT.

MANY THANKS to Mr David Bruce for the superb framing on two glass pictures (fused mosaics) for the school.

YEAR 12 STUDENT KIRSTY PARKINS SELECTED FOR INTERNSHIP AT THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL MARITIME MUSEUM

Having worked as a volunteer at The Frank Partridge Military Museum in Bowraville for some time now, I was offered an opportunity to gain a valuable internship at the Australian National Maritime Museum at Darling Harbour in December last year. I was thrilled when I was informed that my application had been successful and that I could be accompanied by my mum, with accommodation provided for us close to the museum.

When we arrived, we had a tour of the museum and the ships. I especially enjoyed going on Kay Cottee’s yacht, “Blackmore’s First Lady”. I just couldn’t believe how small it was.

On Monday, Jonathon, the head of Conservation, showed me around the Museum stores. I then worked with Julie, Textile Conservator for the next two days to cover coat hangers and learn how to make a hat stand. Now I have these skills, I can use them to construct these necessary items to preserve clothing at our local Military Museum.

I also worked with Caroline, Paper Conservator, and learnt how to store negatives and photographs. I learnt how to correctly store photographs in Mylar to stop them from fading. It was interesting to learn about the Nitrate negatives and how if they aren’t stored correctly, they can catch fire. I was also shown how to use the suction table to clean water colours.

Sue Frost showed me how to display flags properly as we have a flag at the Frank Partridge VC Military Museum in the WWI1 room that has a bullet hole in it.

On Wednesday I started digitizing a P&O photographic archive for Registration. This involved scanning photographs and numbering them on the computer. I also took dimensions of these photographs and entered them into the database.

On Wednesday afternoon we went on a tour of the Powerhouse Museum to look at their collection stores. I especially loved the Egyptian stuff and mum liked the old dresses.

I had a very good time and learnt lots about how to preserve delicate artefacts and I will use this information back at the Frank Partridge VC Museum.
**BCS Students Shine**

Once again BCS had reason to be very proud of their students at the Carols at the Theatre performance on 16th December 2012.

I received so many congratulations and praises for their enthusiasm, happiness, musicality and “youth”!

They added a different and interesting flavor to the day with the Ukuleles, percussion instruments and solos from Jacob Bruce, Joshua Lill and Ryan Grace.

A big thank you to the parents who brought them in on a busy Sunday. I was so proud of them all. Also to Mrs Luck for assisting me.

The participating students were: Toria Kete, Beau Davidson, Emily Carlton, Makayla Cook, Jacob Bruce, Kira Goodwin, Delaney Boorer, Joshua Lill, Chris Lill, Ryan Grace, India Walker and Lennie, McIntyre. Keep Singing!

We have decided to award these students with a Community Service for 2013! So they are already on their way to Diamond in 2013!

*Wendy Ritchie*

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**P & C NEWS “JUST DOING IT FOR OUR KIDS”**

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**Canteen News**

**Canteen Roster**

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Welcome back to 2013 I hope everyone had a great holiday. We look forward to cooking up a treat this year. **Canteen will be CLOSED on Wednesday 6th February due to the swimming carnival.** This term’s menu is attached to this newsletter.

**Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day)** is next Tuesday 12th Feb. 10” each starting at breakfast until sold out.

Last year’s Fruit a Thon was such a success we are doing it again this year. There will be different fruit pictures for the students to place a sticker on. At the end, we hope to create a big fruit basket when students buy a piece of fruit or they bring their apples down to be ‘slinkied’. We will see if we can beat last year’s number.

*Keep an eye out in the canteen for Alyson & Veronica’s yummy specials. Prices start from $0.50.*

Alyson & Veronica

**Community News**

**Bowralville Theatre February/March**

**Sunday the 10th March** at 2pm the Theatre is proud to present the breathtaking film ‘LA TRAVIATA’, the opera will be shown with surround sound on blue ray with a shimmering stage afloat on Sydney Harbour. This is a must for all keen opera goers and for those who will enjoy this beautiful music for the first time. Please join us on this special occasion. Our doors will be open at 1pm for you to have coffee, tea, snacks, cold drinks and choc tops.

Admission is $22.00 or concession $20.00

**Saturday 26th February** at 7pm the Film Society will be screening ‘Saturday Too Far Away’ (1975 Australia). This is a drama somewhere in the mid-fifties in outback Australia, over the six weeks of a shearing season. The lives of three shearers (a Gun at his peak; an adolescent roustabout on his first job and an old hand, burnt out, past it) intersect and mirror each other’s past and likely futures. Starring Jack Thompson, this is an ideal film for Australia Day. Do come along and join us, doors will open at 6pm.

**Saturday the 23rd February** at 7.30 pm and again on **Sunday 24th February** at 2pm the Valley Performers will be presenting ‘A Tristram Trio’ at the Nambucca Entertainment Centre and on Friday the 1st March at Stuarts Point Community Hall at 7.30pm.

**Saturday 23rd February** 7.30 pm the Valley Performers will present the ‘Tristram Trio’ at our own Bowralville Theatre, and again on Sunday 3rd March at 2pm. Atristram Trio consists of three plays, namely ‘Joining the Club’, ‘Whats for Pudding’, and ‘Last Tango’. Doors will open an hour before the show, and the Café will be open. The Performers will then take their production to Dorrigo Theatre on 9th March at 8pm.

**Saturday 10th March** we are delighted to again present ‘Duellin Pianos’ which was such a great success last year, watch the advertising outside the Theatre for times and entry charges. This is published to keep you aware of what is happening in the Theatre and to mark it on your Calendar.

**The Stuarts Point Players Youth Workshops in 2013**

The Stuarts Point Players, with the assistance of funding from Macleay Valley Communities for Children Plus, will be running dance and singing workshops in 2013 for students aged 8 to 16 years of age.

These will be held in the Stuarts Point Community Hall on Monday and Thursday afternoons from 5:30pm until 6:30pm. There will be twenty workshops in total with places available for 20 students in each.

Titled Performance Choir, the workshops will encompass singing, dance, acting, costumes and make up techniques.

The enrolment date for both the Monday and Thursday Workshops will be Thursday 31st January between 5:30pm and 6:30pm in the Stuarts Point Community Hall. This date is in the first week of Term One. There will be a performance on Friday evening 12th April for parents and any interested community members to attend to see the achievements of their child. The cost of these workshops will be $15 which includes membership to Macleay Valley Arts Council and The Stuarts Point Players. For further inquiries phone 65690210.

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MACKSVILLE SOCCER CLUB
Macksville Soccer Club is holding its registration days for 2013 season on Saturdays 9th, 16th & 23rd February at the North Macksville Playing Fields from 9.00am to 12.00pm

We welcome new players of all ages so please come and join us for what promises to be a very exciting year!

All registrations are now taken online through www.myfootballclub.com.au If you need assistance registering online, please see us on one of the registration days where we can assist you.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Registrar David George on 569 0159 or by email macksvillesc@gmail.com

GIRL GUIDES
Girl Guides invites girls 5 – 14 years to come and join this World ‘s largest organisation for girls and women. We meet on Tuesdays at Macksville Guide Hall, and offer the opportunity to camp, learn life skills, meet other girls with similar interests and have lots of fun.
Enquiries to Leenie Holley 65687013

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Palms Family Chinese Restaurant

Tues. 5:30pm to 7:30pm

Wed. Sun. Lunch: 11:30am to 2:00pm

Dinner: 5:30pm to 8:30pm

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