 TERM 1, WEEK 4, 18th February 2015

PRINCIPAL: Malcolm McFarlane

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B.C.S. SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL 2015

Front: Anneeka Edwards, Rinoa Dice, Aaron Sheldon, Toby James
Middle: Maleeka Darcy, Simon Walker, Jonah del a Hunty, Kira Goodwin, Bree-Anna Harte, Kye Grace, Damian Cross
Back: Shaun James, Brody Silvia, Callen Summerville, Bryce Sisa, Martikka Hunter, Brodie Shields, Breanna Greenup, Liam Madden, Jack Sullivan, Ryan Grace
**PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE**

*Student Leadership*

Congratulations to Mr Joel Mason and to all involved in this morning’s Student Representative Council Investiture Assembly. It is a wonderful thing to each year have our first formal gathering as a school community devoted to student leadership. Thank you to the parents and carers who were able to join us on this occasion. It is a wonderful tradition of Bowraville Central School that family members are recognised for their support of our new leaders, pinning on the badges and taking an oath of continued assistance. What a great way to commence our year.

I took the opportunity to again outline our school planning strategies for 2015 (as outlined in last week’s newsletter). Students have been a part of our evaluations last year that have contributed to our new plan, and so I stressed that I look forward to working with this new leadership team to make sure that the voice of students is heard in our discussions as a school community about the school’s most powerful next steps.

Every student who nominated to be a leader this year should feel proud of themselves for wanting to make a positive difference in the continual improvement of Bowraville Central School. Not everyone can be elected however, and to those who have now formally filled those positions for 2015 – well done. You have volunteered to help others, and as a result of the leadership journey you are embarking upon, your school and each of you individually will be enriched.

Have a great week.

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**SCHOOL NEWS**

*Positive Behaviour Learning Update # 4*

The team would like to thank everyone for their effort and expertise in 2014. What we have achieved and remember we only started in June!!

So far:

1. We convened the team together, established roles and decided on meeting times.
2. We gained Executive staff and whole school support and endorsement – we are seen as representatives of the whole school.
3. We surveyed all staff, all students, a large proportion of parents to gain support for possible reforms to the Welfare and Discipline Policy.
4. We have collected and summarised existing school data around discipline. We have scrutinised the existing Welfare Policy.
5. We have established school wide expectations and values. We have consulted widely and thoroughly.
6. We have given students opportunities to have input into writing the expectations.
7. We have surveyed students on what works for them in the present system
8. We are co-creating a fairer and better system.
9. We have prepared budget requests

In 2015 we have already completed a Draft Whole School Matrix. Next, we need to co-ordinate signage, explicitly teach the values, and decide on a mascot!

The team meets every Wednesday morning at 8.15am. Everyone is encouraged to come along and join in.

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**INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS**

The competitions below are available to students and are highly recommended by the school. Should you require any further information please contact Marian Williamson, Head Teacher.

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**Vaccination Program for Secondary Students**

Each year NSW Health works in partnership with schools to offer the vaccines recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) for adolescents as part of the school vaccination program.

In 2015 the following vaccines will be offered:

**Year 7 students**
- dTpa vaccine (Diphtheria, Tetanus & Pertussis (whooping cough) as a single dose
- Varicella vaccine (chickenpox) as a single dose; and
- Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine in a 3-dose schedule at 0, 2 and 6 months (students who commence HPV vaccination in Year 7 but do not complete the course may be offered catch-up doses at school in Year 8)

**Year 11-12**
- Measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine as a single dose as part of a catch-up vaccination program for students who are not fully protected.

*The Parent Information Kits contain a consent form, information sheet and privacy statement that details how personal information will be collected, stored and utilised.*

Parent Information Kits will be sent home to parents/guardians today. To consent to the vaccination of their child, parents/guardians are advised to:
- Read all the information provided
- Complete the consent form, including signing their name next to the vaccine/s they would like their child to receive
- Return the completed consent form to their child’s school
- Ensure that their child eats breakfast on the day of the school vaccination clinic.

Parents/guardians who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by writing to the school Principal or phoning the school.

Please note that for HPV vaccine only, parents/guardians must record their Medicare Number (all 10 digits and the 11th number beside the child’s name) on the consent form, as this is required to record the student’s information on the National HPV Vaccination Register and (for female students only) link to the National or State Cervical Screening Program.

A record of Vaccination will be provided to each student vaccinated at each clinic. Parents/guardians should ensure that this record is kept for future reference and should not assume that their child has been vaccinated if they do not receive this Record of Vaccination.

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**Adolescent Vaccination Program**

**Year 7 male and female Students**

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**The Tell Them From Me student feedback survey**

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many others in the state, will participate in a Department of Education and Communities initiative: the Tell Them From Me student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.


The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide our school with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the Tell Them From Me survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential and school staff will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 9 March and 2 April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you do not want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by Friday 27 February. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from the website above.
**Basketball Report**

Even Michael Jordan lost a few games during his career, so when the B.C.S. Opens Boys Basketball team travelled to Port Macquarie last Thursday for the Zone Knockout Competition they knew it was not the end result that was important. The boys behaved responsibly both on and off the court and showed great respect for their opposition, some of whom were 2 or 3 years their senior. Unfortunately, they were knocked out in the first round of the competition but this did not stop them from regrouping and playing a competitive friendly later in the day. Congratulations B.C.S. Opens Basketball team for your great teamwork and resilience in the face of a huge challenge!

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

**P&C MEETING**

The next meeting will be 26 February 2015
Plan to join us!

We need to have adequate numbers to facilitate any financial decisions and keep our school canteen open and uniforms available. Please make a special effort to come along.

More members urgently needed!

Agenda items to go to the front office to be put in the “P&C Mail”

Everyone Welcome!

**MULTI-2015 FUNDRAISER**

This year’s fundraising is combined in one easy order form. Don’t miss out on your chance to win in any of our ten prize draws this year. Fill it in today!

Please support the P&C Fundraising

**CENTRELINK - APPROVED VOLUNTEERS**

If you need to have Centrelink approved volunteer hours... our P&C-run canteen can provide this!

Our Canteen Manager, Alyson Grace, would love your assistance!

**PRE-LOVED UNIFORMS**

Second-hand uniforms are available from the front office at $5 a piece!
If you have current uniforms that are no longer needed especially Secondary uniforms, please donate them to the front office. (No old items or white shirts that are being phased out)

Thank you for your support!
**Canteen News** “Eat Healthy Stay Happy”

**Canteen Term 1**

**Meal Deal Special $4.50**

**Meal**
- Chicken & Cheese sandwich / toasted
- Ham & Cheese sandwich / toasted
- Wrap - Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo

**Drink**
- Water
- Fruit Popper apple / orange

**Treat**
- Alfie Pop
- Canteen made snack

**Fruit**
- A piece of in season fruit

**Tick:**

**Day:**
- Monday
- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Thursday

**Tick:**

**Frequency:**
- Weekly
- Fortnightly
- Monthly

Please return to the school canteen. Thank you.

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**Canteen Volunteers**

Yes I can volunteer!

Name: _________________
Phone Number: _________________

Please tick what is appropriate for you:

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**Canteen is having a Spider Day**

Date Friday 27th February. Cost is $2.50

Name………………………………… Class…………………………

I would like to order………a spider(s) and enclosed $……………

I would like (please circle) Orange Cola Lemonade

Orders in by Thursday 26th February.
The spiders will be available at 1.15 after students have had lunch.

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**Don’t Forget Your Manners!**

And treat others in line with respect!
Bowraville Theatre
In February 1965 a group of Sydney University students including our own local, Gary Williams organised a route to see firsthand the poor state of Aboriginal health, education and housing, namely in Walgett, Gulargamba, Kempsey, Bowraville, and Moree. Students were shocked to find Aboriginals were barred from swimming pools, and refused service in bars and cafe’s. Gary then met up with Charles Perkins, an Arrente man, and Jim Spigelman, who later became Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of New South Wales. They wanted to highlight the discrimination people were feeling in towns, Gary said, so he walked into the top pub in Bowraville and ordered a beer, for the first time Gary was served.

It is now the 50th Anniversary of the first Freedom Ride and students again from Sydney University will follow the same route, where a big celebration will be held in Kempsey with performances by Troy Cassar-Daley and Paul Kelly. Then on the 21st February at midday these young people will come to Bowraville and be welcomed to our Theatre where they will watch the film ‘Blood Brothers, Freedom Ride’ and we do hope they enjoy Bowraville as much as we look forward to their visit.

Dorothy Evans. Publicity, Bowraville Theatre.

Get off your screen - try Scouts!
Parents – do you want your son or daughter to get away from a screen and be more active? If so, talk to them about joining our local Scout group. Scouts meet each Tuesday during term time from 6.30pm to 8.30pm at the Scout Hall in Partridge Street, Macksville. Scouts do lots of fun things like camping, canoeing, hiking, map reading, first aid, cooking and craft.

Why not contact us now to find out how to get started - we offer a four week try out period for a single payment of $30 (which provides insurance cover).

Scouts is for kids aged 10 ½ to 15 years. If you are younger you can come join the Cubs section (aged 7 ½ to 11 years, who meet on Thursdays from 5.30pm to 7.30pm) or if older, the Venturers section (aged 14 ½ to 18 years, who meet on Wednesdays from 6.30pm to 8.30pm).

Want to know more? Call our Group Leader Anissa Ruitenberg 6569 6157 (ah) or 0417 448 204 Visit www.nambuccavalleyscouts.org.au for more info!

When lunch comes home ... Again
Almost nine out of 10 Australian parents say children's resistance is a major obstacle in their efforts to provide a healthy diet, and in many cases school lunches are one of the battlegrounds. But it's a battle families can do without and there are some simple steps to help avoid it.

Find out more: http://bit.ly/K7IoJD

Friendships to boost your child’s learning
If children are happy socially they tend to be more engaged in their learning. So teaching your child about the importance of making friends is as vital as learning their ABCs.
50th ANNIVERSARY

BOWRAVILLE

11:30am - 1pm
Bowral Picture Theatre
Free Film Session

BLOOD BROTHERS
FREEDOM RIDE

Rachel Perkins 1999

1:15pm
Freedom Ride buses arrive
The University of Sydney
Past & Present Students

1:20pm
Welcome to Country & Smoking Ceremony

1:30pm - 2:30pm
Assemble inside the Picture Theatre

Introduction by
Ms Diana Randers
Chairperson
Bowral LALC

Rosemary Batesman
President
Bowral Arts Council
Welcome Presentation

Traditional Owners
Auntie Ann Edwards
Uncle Larry Kelly
& Rhonda Hoban
Nambucca Shire Mayor

Rachel Perkins
Perkins Family

Peter Smith
Councillor - NSW AJC

Shane Houston
The University of Sydney

Everyone Welcome

A Tribute to Charlie and the Students

KEMPSEY

3:30am - 5pm
Kempsey Pool

Community & Freedom Ride
Students assemble outside of Kempsey Pool

Welcome to Country & Smoking Ceremony

Introduction by:
Peter Smith
Councillor - NSW ALG

Traditional Owners
Auntie Shirley Kelly
& Aunty Betty Smith

Liz Campbell
Kempsey Mayor

Rachel Perkins
Perkins Family

Shane Houston
The University of Sydney

6:00pm - 8:00pm
Kempsey Showground

Free Community BBQ

LIVE MUSIC
FEATURING

Tony Cassar Daley
Paul Kelly

1965 FREEDOM RIDE 2015
DUBBO . WALGETT . MOREE . BOWRAVILLE . KEMPSEY

For further information contact Bowral LALC on 65647812 or Councillor Peter Smith NSW ALG on 0407469954
BOWRAVILLE THEATRE –  
FEBRUARY AND MARCH, 2015.  
Saturday 28th February at 6pm the Film society are delighted to the have new Committee screen ‘Best Exotic Marigold Hotel’ earlier than the date previously given. Please come along and support this warm and funny film.

Sunday March 15th at 2pm the Theatre is proud to present a live show called ‘Dead Men Talking’ starring well known actors Max Cullen and Warren Fahey and comprises of conversations between Henry Lawson and Banjo Patterson. Tickets are $25.00 concession and students $20.00. Doors open at 1pm.

Resuming their School term the Bowraville Hospitality Students will once again be delighting the public with their expertise in the Theatre Cafe on the last Thursday of each month, so do call in and support them, they will be happy to welcome you.

Thank You, Dorothy Evans.

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