



# BOWRAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

*Striving, Thinking, Learning*



## Newsletter

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Term 2 Week 8

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### Update on Building Programs

As you are no doubt aware, the government announced the successful schools in Round 2 of The Building Education Revolution (BER) program last week. At this stage, we are looking forward to Bowral Public School being included in Round 3 of BER. The state and regional personnel with BER responsibilities were at Bowral Public School last week and preliminary discussions have begun about the placement of a new school hall. We look forward to hearing more in the not too distant future.

We will soon receive a significant upgrading of school facilities through the National Pride Program (Commonwealth funding) and the Principal's Priority Program (State funding). Many of these improvements are well overdue and the students and staff at Bowral Public School will definitely benefit from this timely work.

### Investing in Our Schools Program

The funds that the school received under this program will be expended, to benefit the students at Bowral Public School in the near future. We look forward to an improved music strategy at school with the purchase of new musical instruments and a clear direction of where the school is moving with regard to expanding our already fabulous performing arts programme.

### Swine Flu Update

No changes have been made to the directives from DET. At this stage, if your school child visits greater metropolitan Melbourne or one of the 6 identified countries as advised last week, you should seek exemption to attend school from me. If you need clarification, or more information please ring school.

### Attendance

Yet another reminder that children who arrive late to school must be accompanied by an adult to the front office to be signed in. If children are away from school for more than 2 consecutive days the school must be informed as to the reason for the absence. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

### Cold Weather

Winter is definitely here! Even though the weather has been very cold, some children have been coming to school without warm clothes. Please make sure your child is suitably dressed in our school's winter uniform each day. Also, the school's lost property bin is overflowing with jumpers and jackets. If your child's uniform is clearly labelled they have a much better chance of having misplaced clothing returned to them.

### P&C

I attended my first P&C meeting at Bowral Public School this week. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Justine McKinley and her dedicated band of P&C volunteers who work so hard to make improvements to our school. It's thanks to the efforts of the P&C that we have additional resources that we would be unable to buy through normal school budget allowances.

### Cars in School Grounds

Please note that vehicles will no longer be permitted on school grounds whenever children are present. That means our gates will now be locked to prevent cars from driving onto areas where our students are playing or walking. Designated parking areas for staff only will be exempt from this rule. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Wendy Buckley**  
*Principal*

### Cinderella Performance

Last Thursday our school were treated to yet another wonderful performance of Cinderella, presented by OZ Opera (Opera Australia) in the Memorial Hall. The children were entertained through operatic voice of young professional and humorous drama. It was greatly enjoyed by all.

**Lisa Oszurko**



### REMINDER DIARY DATES

- **Friday 19 June** ♦ Jellore Self Help Day
- **Tuesday 23 June** ♦ Reminder to Parents and students of class 1B Breakfast in 1B classroom at 8:30am.
- **Wednesday 24 June** ♦ School Athletics Carnival  
(back-up date Wednesday 1 July)  
♦ Canteen closed at Bowral Public School
- **Friday 26 June** ♦ Mimosa Recorder Concert—Stage 3
- **Friday 10 July** ♦ Last Day of Term 2
- **Term 2** ♦ Canteen Open Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays



# Bowral Public School Parents & Citizens Association

## Family Contributions 2009

Dear Parents / Carers,

To assist our school to purchase up-to-date resources which support teaching and learning programs, the P&C raises money in a variety of ways. One significant method of fund raising is the Family Contribution Plan. This has been supported by parents who are unable to assist in the classroom or help with P&C activities.

Our target using your contribution for 2009 is \$10,000. These funds will be deposited into our building fund allowing us to continue to improve students learning environment, by installing air conditioning in our school library.

For your information:

- your contribution is tax deductible.
- your contribution will be paid into BPS building fund.
- you may pay instalments.
- you can pay more than the recommended amount.

Annual Contribution Rates	
Family	\$85.00
1 child	\$50.00

We appreciate and need your voluntary support.

Yours sincerely

Justine McKinlay  
P&C President

**Date of Notice:** 3 June 2009

**Date Due:** 30 June 2009

**To Help Us....**

*If you are sending a cheque, please make it payable to the **Bowral Public School Building Fund**. A receipt will be returned to you which you can use for taxation purposes..*



**Bowral Public School  
Building Fund Donation 2009**

Donation Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Cheque / Cash

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of eldest child in family at BPS \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

# Netball Report

Last week the Bowral Public School Netball Team participated in the NSW PSSA State Netball Knockout. We travelled to Berkeley to compete in a round robin which was organised for the fourteen South Coast schools in our section of the draw. We arrived at Berkeley expecting a lovely Wollongong day only to find conditions similar to Eridge Park, with a freezing cold, gale force wind blowing from the south west. We thought this might be an advantage as we were more used to such conditions, having trained in cold, damp conditions for most of the term.

Our first game was against Oak Flats which we won convincingly 31 to 3 with some great shooting from Maggie and excellent work in the centre third from Jess and Lauren.

After a short break we played the second round match against Dapto. We expected this to be a tougher game as this team had beaten Corrimal East in the first round. This was not the case. The girls overpowered their opposition from the opening whistle, with Taylah on fire in the goal circle. The girls displayed great team work and moved the ball down the court effortlessly, with some excellent intercepts and accurate feeding of the circle. The final result was an impressive victory 31 to 1. We used all eleven of our players in these first two games and all the girls played with great determination and outclassed their opposition in all areas of the court.

The weather had improved significantly by the time we played our third round match and independent umpires were brought in as the competition became more serious. This game was against Minamurra who had also breezed through the first two rounds. This was to be a much closer affair and it was much harder to get the ball into the shooters who were faced with very tight defence. After an easy start to the day, the defence of Grace, Holly and Eliza were forced to work extremely hard in this game and managed to keep the opposition's goal scoring to a minimum. Eliza took some fantastic intercepts and did a fantastic job as goal keeper all day. The tight defence and tireless work of the centre court players gave the shooters enough of the ball to ensure we maintained the lead and see us run out winners 15 to 11.

This win led us into the final for the day, and a right to a place in the South Coast final. Our opposition in this final was Figtree Heights, who were an athletic looking team who had also easily progressed to round four with some big wins. We expected a tight contest and we were not disappointed. The game was closely contested for the whole forty minutes with both teams playing some great netball. Scoring was very tight with the lead changing several times. With five minutes to go the scores were level and the game could have gone either way. Unfortunately, our opposition lifted in the final minutes of the game and scored a couple of quick goals which sealed our fate. The final score was 16 to 13, the biggest margin of the game.

I would like to congratulate all the girls involved in the netball team this year, Maggie, Taylah, Lauren, Jess, Holly, Grace, Eliza, Maddy, Emma, Sophie and Caroline. They represented their school with pride, always gave their best and were a delight to coach. I am sure they have many years of success in their chosen sport and look forward to hearing of their achievements as they move into high school. A special mention must be made to the other girls who regularly came to training and developed their skills but were not chosen in the team this year.

I would also like to thank all the parents who ensured their daughters were at school early every week for training and to Tim Patston, Nicole Edwards and Meggie O'Toole who transported the students to Berkeley and who gave great support to the team throughout the day.

**Jane Bell**

Bowral Public School



Thanks to everyone who attended Monday evening's meeting. It was great to hear Wendy Buckley discuss the many issues that are on the minds of parents right now.

We also discussed social events for the next term and decided that rather than attempt a fete, we might hark back to the grand old days of a 'Hoe Down'. Not really sure what one is, but I am assured by those in the know that it is a wonderful night for the whole family, so it will be great to experience one this

year. A trivia night for parents will also be arranged. As soon as dates are decided I will let you know.

As we are averaging a Working Bee a term, it would be great if you could place Sunday 12 July in your diaries. Those who volunteer in the canteen will know that it REALLY needs some brightening up, so this will be the area of focus. Further details will follow.

**Justine McKinlay**

## CANTEEN REMINDER

The Athletics carnival will be held Wednesday 24 June 2009.  
A canteen will operate at the carnival offering food and drinks as detailed on the menu.  
Canteen will not be open at Bowral Public School on this day.

### Bowral Public School Canteen: Athletics Menu

<p><b>Pre- Order Meal Deal \$4.00</b></p> <p>Sausage Sizzle Fruit Juice Popper 200ml various flavours Lolly Surprise</p>	<b>Sandwiches and Snacks</b>		<b>Cost</b>
	Home made Soup <small>with roll NB</small>		\$2.00
	Red Rock Deli & Smiths Chips (various flavours)		\$1.00
	Watermelon Slices		\$0.50
	Jumpys (various flavours)		\$0.70
	Home Made Cake or slices <sup>NB</sup>		\$0.30 – \$0.50
<b>Frozen Treats</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Cold Drinks</b>	
Sunny Boys (Orange, Cola, Raspberry)	\$1.00	Fruit Juice Poppers 250ml	\$1.20
		Water 375ml	\$1.10
		Water 600ml	\$1.60
<b>Confectionary</b>		<b>Hot Drinks</b>	
Bag Jelly Snakes (3 in bag)	\$0.50	Hot Chocolate	\$1.00
Bag Frogs (3 in bag)	\$0.50	Tea	\$2.00
Ovalteenies	\$0.80	Coffee	\$2.00
Killer Pythons	\$1.00		

NB: Home made soup and Mini Muffins are being made by members of the Canteen Committee. Accordingly, they have NOT been prepared in a nut free/gluten free environment. Ingredients may include dairy and gluten products.

Slices will also be provided by members of the Canteen Committee for parent and carers that are attending the event!

To assist in catering for the Athletics Carnival, please pre-order your Meal Deal by completing the note below and returning it together with the required money to your class teacher on or before Friday 19 June. In the event the Athletics Carnival is cancelled due to poor weather, Pre-ordered Meal Deals will be issued from the Canteen on the day.



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**Athletics Carnival Canteen pre-order Meal Deal by Friday 19 June 2009**

Name of Student:..... Class:.....

Please order ..... Sausage Sizzle Meal Deal @ \$4.00 per Meal Deal. Total \$.....



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**ATHLETICS CARNIVAL FRIDAY 19 JUNE  
CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WITH CANTEEN DUTIES**

**Contact Donna email: [dma08538@bigpond.net.au](mailto:dma08538@bigpond.net.au) or complete the slip below and return to school office**

Name of Volunteer:.....

Phone number: .....