



BOWRAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

Striving, Thinking, Learning



Newsletter

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Term 3 Week 4

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Late Arrivals

Parents, it is essential that students arrive at school on time every day. Class teachers establish routines and discuss the day ahead, social groups are formed by the children and plans made for the day ahead. If your child arrives late to school then they are missing out on this important time of the day. Much of the learning done will not be able to be caught up and so the late student is "behind the eight ball". Please help your child by ensuring that they arrive at school on time every day. If, because of an unavoidable appointment your child is late you must accompany them to school and sign them in, it is not acceptable for students to arrive late to school unaccompanied.

Trivia Night

Last Saturday night a very well organised trivia quiz evening was held in the school library. Thank you to the P&C organising committee who, dressed as pirates badgered and cajoled money from all of the participants. They need to be congratulated for their commitment and support of Bowral Public School.

The P & C meeting this week was filled with ideas to improve Bowral Public School, to make our school even better for all of our children. You are most welcome to attend and find out all of the good things that are happening in our school.

Primary Proms

Next Monday night a group of 30 students will go to the Hills Centre in Sydney, performing in a choral concert. I'm sure this will be a rewarding experience for all students concerned and I look forward to hearing and seeing them perform. Once again we need to thank the teachers who have given up so much time to prepare these boys and girls for this event. Thank you Mr Thompson, Miss Sheumack and Mrs Oszurko.

Kindergarten Enrolments

We are now accepting kindergarten enrolments for next year. If you have a younger child or know of a child wishing to enrol at Bowral in 2010, please obtain an enrolment form from our friendly office staff. Please note local enrolments will be accepted first and non local applications will be considered on an individual basis.

Student Welfare

Teachers are currently reviewing and revising our student welfare policy. Our bullying policy is being looked at and a bully register is being established. The revised policies will be presented to parents at an upcoming P&C Meeting for your information and feedback.

Cambodian students

Next week we are privileged to be hosting 2 student teachers from Cambodia. These students are currently visiting Bowral High School and will be observing and helping in some of our classrooms over the next few weeks. We are looking forward to their visit and we welcome Vathana and Chamnan to our school.

Wendy Buckley
Principal

Drama Group

Thanks to everyone who supported *The Impostors*, our fundraiser for Stewart House. Everyone had a great time during the shows, as did the cast and crew at the afterparty. We raised \$324.95 over the week. See you next time.

Michael Cotter, Coordinator, Drama Group

Kindergarten 2010

It is that time of year when schools commence their planning for the 2010 academic year. One of the most important steps is to identify Kindergarten students for the coming year. All families that reside in the school's drawing area (postcode 2576) are now invited to visit the school to collect enrolment forms and information for 2010. Students must turn 5 before 31 July 2010 to gain enrolment. As the term progresses, further information about the school's Kindergarten Orientation days will be shared with enrolling families. If further information is required, please contact the school to make an appointment.

Julie Flemming, Early Stage 1 Leader

CWA International Day

This week fifty five students from 6B, 6Z and 5/6E were involved in the CWA International Day celebrations. Bowral Public School students have supported the Country Women's Association's International Day for many years. This year the students were asked to research the country of Egypt and design a poster which highlighted some aspect or aspects of the country. The ladies from the CWA were delighted with the outstanding posters the students completed and congratulated them on their interest, enthusiasm and willingness to participate. Prizes were awarded to the best contributions which were judged according to the criteria of information, presentation and originality. Congratulations to the winners;

- First Place: Emily Bailey Hughes
- Equal Second Place: Makayla Hooper and Giorgi Jardine
Sophie McDonagh Rickles
- Equal Third Place: Isabella Malcolm, Lauren Dunlop.

All students who participated were presented with a certificate of appreciation. The afternoon concluded with a fun 'mummy' creating activity and afternoon tea.

Jane Bell

REMINDER DIARY DATES

- Thursday 20 August ♦ Year 6 Moving Into Teen Years
- Monday 24 August ♦ Primary Proms Concert
- Thursday 27 August ♦ NAIDOC Activity K-6
♦ Year 6 Moving Into Teen Years
- Friday 28 August ♦ District Athletics Carnival at Chevalier College
- Tuesday 8 September ♦ Year 6 Graduation Photograph
- 9-10 September ♦ Illustrator Visit—Anne Spudvilas, K-6
- Friday 18 September ♦ Self Help Day—Joadja (Date changed)
- Term 3 ♦ Canteen Open Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays



Thank you to everyone who made Saturday night's Trivia Night such a fantastic evening. It was a great turnout of both parents and teachers, and some amazing creativity was witnessed (I do have photographic evidence!). Everyone who helped on every step of the preparations through to the super fast pack up needs to be applauded. We are so lucky to have had the supreme talents of Michael Turkic and Robert Graham front of house again making sure our brains were tested and that

fun was had by all. Four of the best looking pirates around also spent the evening marking papers and flogging raffle tickets, something we are very grateful for.

A combination of ticket and raffle sales, fantastic Silent Auction bidding and that cheeky \$200 in gold thrown at a champagne bottle all helped to raise over \$5,000. This money will go towards a mobile interactive whiteboard that can be used in the library (which, by the way, proved to be a fantastic venue). Looking forward to next year.

Tulip Time is approaching and we are planning to enter a BPS float in the parade on 26 September. If you are able to provide a vehicle that would be suitable for the parade please contact myself (falshaw@intemode.on.net) or Wendy Buckley.

Before we know it Hoe Down will also be upon us. It would be great to have some people who have experienced the event involved in its organisation. A couple of ex students have already put their hands up, but it would be wonderful to have some more input. Again, please contact me on the above email if you can help.

Please note the list of businesses who supported our Trivia Night with prizes for the Raffle and Silent Auction. We have again been extremely fortunate to have such support within our community.

Justine McKinlay

From the Uniform Shop . . .

- Well, it's been a slow start to the term, which has given us time to rearrange things in the Uniform Shop and get the computer running on a permanent basis. Thanks to all the volunteers that have contributed especially Marion.
- We now have in stock "Red Robin" boys' grey socks (3pk) and girls' navy stockings. These are selling for \$12.
NB – sports shorts are now \$18 not \$15.
- Despite the new location, "Lost Property" is still overflowing. Encourage your children to look for lost items before the end of Week 5 when it will be sorted. Make sure all clothing is clearly labelled – if there is not a clear name in an obvious place, any proper uniform will be taken to the Uniform Shop and sold for \$1, and non-official pieces will be put in the charity clothing bin.
- Thank you to all those who have been surveyed, it has been great to have so much valuable input about the uniform. For those we haven't reached yet, it would be very helpful if you would fill out the survey attached and return it to school (preferably with your child's surname). The more people who give us feedback, the better we can make decisions about the uniform.

See you in the Uniform Shop!
The Uniform Shop Committee

COMMUNITY NEWS



CHRISTMAS BOXES

Boxes are provided at the school office for anyone who would like to fill to send to a needy child overseas. Every box is very much appreciated. For more information contact Jillian Campbell 4861 4409

BOWRAL LITTLE ATHLETICS SEASON 2009/2010

Registration Days Saturday 28 August 10am –1pm
Market Place Mittagong
Saturday 26 September 10am—1pm Springetts Arcade Bowral
Information thewhippys@bigpond.com ph 4889 4503

BOWRAL UNITED CRICKET CLUB

Junior Registrations at the Bradman Oval Pavilion, Saturday 5/9/09 11-1pm
Wednesday 9/9/09 3:30—5pm, Sunday 13/9/09 11-1pm,
Wednesday 16/9/09 3:30-5pm
Ph Chris 0403 995 694, Steve 0438 190 506, Scott 0411 224 243

BLUE LIGHT DISCO

Saturday 29 August, Mittagong RSL Club
Juniors 4pm—6pm
Seniors 7:30pm—10:30pm

BOWRAL PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIFORM SURVEY

(Circle your response)

1. Are you happy with the boys' summer uniform? (grey shorts, sky blue polo shirt) YES NO DON'T CARE

Comments/Suggestions _____

2. Are you happy with the boys' winter uniform? (grey pants, long sleeved polo) YES NO DON'T CARE

Comments/Suggestions _____

3. Are you happy with the girls' summer uniform? (summer dress and culottes & polo shirt) YES NO DON'T CARE

Comments/Suggestions _____

4. With the introduction of the unisex sports shorts (only worn on sports days), do you think we still need the culottes? YES NO DON'T CARE

Comments/Suggestions _____

5. Are you happy with the girls' winter uniform? (navy skirt and stockings or bootleg pants with long-sleeved polo shirt) YES NO DON'T CARE

Comments/Suggestions _____

6. Would you like to see the re-introduction of a tunic? With a check in it? (princess line or pinafore that buttons off to a skirt for the older girls) YES NO DON'T CARE

Comments/Suggestions _____

7. Would you like to see a "skort", (shorts that look like a skirt from the front) replace the culottes in summer AND the skirt in winter? YES NO DON'T CARE

Comments/Suggestions _____

8. Would you like see a winter Peter-pan shirt/unisex shirt/skivvy/ as an alternative to the polo shirt? YES NO DON'T CARE

Comments/Suggestions _____

9. Would you like to comment on any other pieces of uniform?

Polar fleece jumper _____

Vest _____

Polar fleece-lined rain jacket _____

School hat (would you like to see it with a crest?) _____

Beanie _____

Sports uniform _____

Thank you
Clothing Shop Committee

CHILD'S SURNAME: _____ Return to school office by 26 August 2009



Bowral Public School Uniform List 2009

SUMMER UNIFORM

Girls K-6

- ✦ blue and white check dress
- ✦ navy shorts
- ✦ short sleeve sky blue polo shirt with crest
- *white socks, black leather shoes or black joggers

Boys K-6

- ✦ grey shorts
- ✦ short sleeve sky blue polo shirt with crest
- *grey short socks, black leather shoes or black joggers

WINTER UNIFORM

Girls K-6

- ✦ navy skirt
- ✦ navy bootleg pants
- ✦ long sleeve sky blue polo shirt with crest
- *white socks, black leather shoes or black joggers

Boys K-6

- ✦ grey pant
- ✦ long sleeve sky blue polo shirt with crest
- *grey socks, black leather shoes or black joggers

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

- ✦ navy tracksuit jacket with crest
 - ✦ navy tracksuit pants
 - ✦ navy polar fleece vest with crest
 - ✦ navy polar fleece jumper with crest
- navy polar fleece/waterproof jacket with BOWRAL embroidered

HATS ARE COMPULSORY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR FOR ALL CHILDREN

- ✦ summer hat (term 1 and term 4) – wide brim navy hat
- winter hat (term 2 and 3) – polar fleece beanie or fleecy lined navy hat

All items listed (*except socks and shoes) are sold through the Bowral Public School Uniform Shop. Order forms are available at the school office or via the newsletter each term. The Uniform Shop is located in 'The Residence'.