Last week Hal Canute represented our school at the state final of the Stage 2 NSW Multicultural speaking competition in Sydney. All of the other competitors were in Year 4, with Hal being the only Year 3 student. Hal did a fabulous job and represented our school with aplomb. We are very proud of Hal and congratulate him on this wonderful achievement.

Michael Dowe, our school captain made a speech to Sachin Tendulkar last Thursday at Bradman Oval. With the media spotlight on him, Michael spoke confidently and represented our school with pride.

**REPORTS**

Teachers are busily preparing to write student reports, which will be sent home in Week 9 this term. Students have been doing both class and stage based assessments, while teachers are ensuring that the information given to parents is reflective of your child's abilities.

**HATS AT SCHOOL**

I was extremely pleased one day last week to note that most students had their hats on at school. The few who didn't have hats remained in the shade during playtime. Thank you parents for helping children remember to bring hats to school. Being sun safe and protecting young skin from the harsh UV rays of the sun is most important.

**EMERGENCY DRILL**

In coming weeks we will hold an emergency drill at school. It is a DEC requirement that a drill be held each semester. All members of the school community in attendance at the time will participate in the drill.

**Wendy Buckley**

**PRINCIPAL**

**WELL DONE**

Congratulations to Mrs Wendy Buckley, our school Principal who deservedly received a Principal, Public Schools NSW Award for the Wollondilly Network at a ‘celebration of excellence’ ceremony entitled Come Together at Sydney Town Hall on Tuesday 5 November. The award, presented by our Director, Margaret Turner is for Wendy's outstanding contribution to Public School Education.

**Jan Christie**

**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL**

- Stage 3 Performance Evening
- TriSkills K—Yr 2
- Swim School
- Stage 2 Performance Evening
- Oxley Self Help
- P & C Meeting 6:30pm in Library.
- P & C Movie Night

On behalf of the parents of children at BPS, I am writing to say how thrilled, and PROUD - and somehow at the same time not at all surprised – to hear of Wendy’s Principal’s Award last night in Sydney. In the three years that we have had the pleasure of sending our children to Bowal Public School, Wendy has been outstanding in her leadership, wisdom, decisiveness, generosity and humour. She shows extraordinary commitment to our children's welfare and future, and has an amazing ability to find the resources for just about any eventuality. If I had known there was such an award for principals I would have nominated her myself, however I am obviously not alone in thinking so highly of her as someone else has already done it!

The main reason that BPS is such a fantastic school is because of it's teachers but I think it's probably fair to say that many a good sailor has gone aground on a rocky shore without good leadership and Wendy’s leadership and charisma is what drew us to this school. CONGRATULATIONS WENDY! and may we keep you here for as long as we possibly can!

**Lucy Nias**
Sachin Tendulkar Visits Bowral

On Thursday 30 October 2014 Bowral Public School visited Bradman Oval to see the famous Sachin (he scored more runs than Don Bradman but did not use the same techniques).

Students and teachers walked down to the oval at 10.45am and hoped to see the helicopter carrying ‘The Little Master’ however it landed earlier than we expected. Five classes, including 3S were lucky enough to see it land on the fantastic oval known as the home of Sir Donald.

He greeted the special guests including Bowral Public School’s cricket team. He requested to see the boys from Bradman’s old school as he had previously met ‘The Don’ on his 90th birthday.

Sachin gave a speech to the waiting crowd and the world media before ‘high fiving’ and giving autographs to the very excited students waiting behind the fence.

The ‘Little Master’ had just been inducted into the International Cricket Hall of Fame located in Bowral. During his long career as an awesome batsman for the Indian cricket team, he scored more runs than Donald Bradman. After an exhausting (but amazing – even epic) half an hour students came back to their normal routine, however The ‘Little Master’ stayed on for a magnificent (maybe intriguing) but definitely fantastically awesome game of cricket with the boys from Bowral Public School cricket team.

Written by Katiarna, Kysha, Emma, Alicia, Lila, Phoebe, Ben, Annelise in 3S

MILO T20 Blast School Cup State Final

Last Wednesday 29 October 2014 the BPS Boy’s Cricket team travelled to the International Sports park at Blacktown to attend the MILO T20 Blast School Cup State Final. The day was hot and sunny and involved the boys playing against other boys cricket teams from across NSW in a round robin format. The entire team had a fabulous day filled with great music and lots of great cricket. In addition to the round robin games there was a high catching competition and a guest appearance from the Sydney 6ers and Sydney Thunder mascots. The boys also met a Sydney Thunder team member Gurinder Sandhu.

Thank you to all the parents who assisted with transport to and from the venue. Your support makes such fabulous days like these possible. It was a pleasure to take the boys to the game and I was very proud of their sportsmanship and good manners on and off the field. Well done boys!

Alex Halbert
BPS Boy’s Cricket Team Manager

Thank you!!
Many thanks to the people who baked for last weeks Kindergarten Orientation. Our future parents were impressed with the generosity of the school community. A cup of tea and piece of slice helped ease some anxiety.

Movie Night
Our annual P&C ‘thankyou’ movie night will be held on Friday 5 December. We are still choosing a family favourite for you to enjoy whilst sitting in the lower grassed area, munching on a sausage sizzle and choc top ice cream.

Further details to follow.

Kay Paviour, P&C President