This is the penultimate newsletter for 2014. It is an incredibly busy time of the year with staff and students preparing for end of year celebrations, excursions and presentation assemblies. Our new school plan is being developed, students' reports are being written and teachers are preparing to pack up classrooms to move in preparation for the new school year. We are forming classes, cleaning up workspaces and engaging in professional learning ….. there is so much to do! This week we are holding our movie night .. I know that many families will be coming to it… and it will be a nice way to end the week. Thank you to the members of the P&C who are organising this fantastic evening.

**STUDENTS REPORTS**
Reports will be sent home on Monday 8 December. All parents are welcome to make a time to meet with your child’s class teacher to discuss the report. Your child's teacher can also provide you with information that clearly shows your child's achievement compared to their peer group. This information will show you the number of children in the group in each of the achievement levels.

**LEAVERS**
If you are leaving Bowral Public School in 2015, we would very much appreciate you letting us know. This is most helpful when planning classes for the new school year. Feel free to let your child’s class teacher, or our office staff know if you are intending to move. Thank you for your help.

**END OF FINANCIAL YEAR**
In public schools the end of our financial year is the 30 November. Our hardworking School Administration Manager, Mrs Linda Rice successfully “rolled over” our school finances this week. Mrs Rice works tirelessly behind the scenes, monitoring and administrating our school's budgets and ensuring that all of the school's administration tasks are kept up to date, supporting our many varied programs. Mrs Rice is the consummate professional and I thank her for all the work she does for our school. Mrs Rice is ably supported by our two Administration Officers, Ms Miettinen and Mrs Duryea.

*Wendy Buckley*
**PRINCIPAL**

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**STAGE 1 PRESENTATION DAY INVITATION**
Students and teachers from Year 1 and Year 2 will host a Stage 1 Presentation morning next Wednesday 10 December
Parents and family are cordially invited to attend. 9.40am in the School Hall

*Please refer to Diary Dates for all Presentation Ceremony dates and times*

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**LIBRARY BOOKS BACK PLEASE**
Dear Families, Would you please help the children to find and return their library books by the end of this week as it is stocktake time again. Each class has a list of books borrowed by students, however if individual students need a list printed they can come and see me. If anyone thinks that there is a mistake on their list please also come and see me as most problems can be sorted out pretty quickly. Children will still be able to read as class teachers will have the opportunity to borrow class sets of books if needed over the next couple of weeks.

Many Thanks
*Jenny Henderson, Teacher/Librarian*

**P&C MOVIE NIGHT & CHRISTMAS CAROLS**
This Friday is our annual P&C Movie night. We will now be showing ‘Elf’, another Christmas favourite. This event will go ahead rain, hail or shine. If it is inclement weather, we will move from the lower grassed area into the school hall. A sausage sizzle will commence at 6:30pm with choc top ice creams, popcorn and crisps available for sale. To set the festive spirit, a parent led Christmas Carol sing along will commence before the movie.

Please come along and join us for this fun family Christmas thank you from the P&C.

*Kay Paviour*
**P&C President**

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**REMINDER DIARY DATES**

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| Wednesday 10 December| Presentation times:  
|                    | St.1 (Years 1—2) 9:40am                                           |
|                    | E.St. 1 (Kindergarten) 11:20am                                      |
|                    | St.2 (Years 3—4) 2:00pm                                           |
| Thursday 11 December| Year 6 Dinner 6pm                                                   |
| Monday 15 December | Movies –E.St.1                                                      |
| Tuesday 16 December| Movies—St.1                                                          |
|                    | Jamberoo—St. 3                                                      |
|                    | Picnic / Ten Pin Bowling—St. 2                                       |
| Wednesday 17 December| Students last day                                                  |
Dear Families,

This week, on Friday 5 December it is Oxley's turn to run the Term 4 Self Help Day. Students from the red sporting house, K/1S and 1B will be organising food stalls and running games and competitions for the whole school to enjoy.

The dress up theme is Christmas Party so find all those silly or glittery Christmas hats!

Silly or Sweet Christmas Photos will be taken in the library on Friday. The Christmas tree will be the backdrop and children can pose for a silly or a sweet photo. The cost will be $2 per person and must be paid for at the time the photo is taken. Photos will be printed and distributed on the following Monday.

There will also be a sausage sizzle available on Friday. Years 3-6 can buy on the day. Years K-2 need to pre-order these. A note will come separately.

Oxley teachers wish to thank you and your child/children for your support and assistance in this once a year fundraising activity for our sporting house.

LAST DAYS FOR DONATIONS TO GIVING TREE!
The Salvation Army will attend our next whole school assembly on Monday December 8, where they will be presented with the wonderful donations of food items left in our Library. As can be seen from the picture, our school community has once again been very generous. We’d love all donations to be in by the end of this week or Monday morning at the latest please.

Thank you for your support.
Mrs Jenny Henderson and Mrs Bev Hordern.

NEWS WEEK
I went to the school disco last week at lunch time. I danced to the Happy song and Elsa’s song and the Gummy Bear song, it was fun. I danced with Katie, Ellie, Donilyn and Taneka. I also danced with Mrs Buckley, Mrs Neale, Ms Di Nora and Mrs Cox.

Thank you
Daisy

CANBERRA EXCURSION – PARLIAMENT AND CIVIC EDUCATION REBATE
Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributed funding of $20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate will be paid directly to the school.

BOWRAL & DISTRICT ART SOCIETY
The exhibition has many artworks completed by student’s across the district including over 40 from Bowral Public School. The prize winners:

Joy Young - Commended
Estelle Lewis - Most dynamic design
Tyler Hardy - Encouragement Award for best drawing
Class 3H - Commended for Picasso faces

Congratulations and well done!
The BDAS’ 16th Annual children’s art exhibition “Kids on Show” runs to Sunday 7 December.

*SUPPORT FOR EX FAMILY OF BOWRAL PUBLIC SCHOOL*
Some of you may remember Brett and Anne Harris and know their heartbreaking story. They were parents here at Bowral Public School last year with their two gorgeous children Lachlan and Tessa. Life has taken a turn for the worst for this lovely family and we are trying to help anyway we can. Please read their full story at the following link


Thank you
Sophie Mattick

*[Contact Information Redacted]*
Hello Everyone

Where has the year gone? I feel like I wrote something similar only a few months ago.

Well we have had yet another great year in the Beehive Canteen. We have given a lump sum of our profits back to the school for more resources for the children and teachers and we have managed to feed a lot of hungry children and staff!

Of course the above results would never happen without the help of our volunteers. We have had a great year with people putting up their hands on a regular basis and when we get a little worried there is no one available someone pops out of the woodwork. We have also been very lucky to have Page Coulson from the Bowral Markets donating 3 boxes of fruit/vegetables each market and the number of families that bring in donated vegetables or eggs etc is fantastic. Thank you to every single one of you. It is because we are such a strong school community that we have such an amazing canteen.

The other thankyous have to go to Justine McKinlay and Deanne Tiriamaqi who work on a day to day basis in the canteen, making sure our meal deals go out to the children on time while managing volunteers, ordering, preparing food and generally making the Beehive a great place to work, eat and play!! (Although most people would say there is not much time for playing) The ladies in the office also deserve a very large thank you for sending out all of our notes, making changes to menus, notifying the canteen of any activities within the school and generally helping us wherever is possible.

There is another body of people who also have to be thanked and that is the Canteen Committee. These ladies and one man, Matt Bow, are working endlessly to come up with new ideas or solutions for the Canteen to make sure we continue to offer new items to the students, make the processes we use easier, rostering (thanks Emma) and generally take care of general business to ensure the Canteen has everything it needs. A special mention needs to go to Sarah McMahon who has been on the committee for the last 2 years as she will be leaving us this year with her youngest son, James, heading off to High School. Sarah thankyou for your continued efforts and energy you have put into the canteen, we will miss you next year.

There are just a few house keeping things to mention before signing off for the year. As we break up for the year on Wednesday 17 December, we will be having

Monday 15 December and Tuesday 16 December - OVER THE COUNTER SALES ONLY
Wednesday 17 December - CLOSED

For Term 1 2015, we will be returning on Wednesday 28 January 2015

Wednesday 28 January - OVER THE COUNTER SALES ONLY
Thursday 29 January - NORMAL MEAL DEALS RESUME

Please take note of some amendments to the menu overleaf.

Have a safe and happy Christmas break and we look forward to another great year in 2015. Please remember if you haven’t already had a go at volunteering, to come along in 2015 and see what all the fun is about!

Shelly Davis-Rice
Canteen Committee Convenor
2 December 2014
Everyday – over the counter:

**RECESS:**

A selection of:
- Freshly baked muffins – small ......... 0.50
- Freshly baked cookies ......... 0.50
- Freshly popped popcorn – bag ......... 0.50
- Freshly prepared garlic or pizza bread ......... 0.50
- Seasonal fruit – market price
- Poppers – Apple, Apple & Blackcurrant, Orange or Orange & Mango ......... 1.00
- Soup of the day – cup ......... 1.00
- Moove Milk 300ml Chocolate, Strawberry ......... 1.50

**LUNCH:**

As above + ICE-CREAM TREATS:
- Icy Pole ......... 1.20
- Vanilla Ice-cream Cup ......... 1.00
- Frozen Fruit Yoghurts – Mango, Strawberry, Raspberry ......... 1.50
- Frozen Fruit Cups –
  - Apple, Orange, Apple & Blackcurrant ......... 0.50
- Frozen Juicities – Tropical, Wild Berry ......... 0.50
- Frozen oranges – quarter ......... 0.10

**LUNCH ORDERS ONLY:**

Choice of any item listed below or: Meal Deal of the Day

NB: Garlic and Pizza Bread are not available for lunch orders.

**LUNCHES:**

Freshly made sandwiches made with Bakers Delight High Fibre / Low GI bread or rolls. NB: Rolls extra 20c

- Ham ......... 3.00
- Ham & Cheese ......... 3.50
- Ham & Salad ......... 4.00
- Ham, Cheese & Salad ......... 4.50
- Tuna ......... 2.50
- Tuna & Salad ......... 3.50
- Poached Chicken ......... 3.00
- Poached Chicken & Cheese ......... 3.50
- Poached Chicken & Salad ......... 4.00
- Poached Chicken & Salad & Cheese ......... 4.50
- Salad (lettuce, tomato, cucumber, beetroot, carrot) ......... 3.00
- Cheese ......... 2.00
- Vegemite ......... 1.50
- Egg or Curried Egg ......... 2.50
- Egg & Lettuce & Mayonnaise ......... 3.00
- Egg & Salad ......... 3.50
  (Mayonnaise available)

**LUNCH-TIME MEAL DEALS:**

**MONDAY: $5.00**

Pizza
Freshly made thin pizzas with home-made passata, ham & cheese.
- Mini freshly baked treat
- Frozen Fruit Cup

**TUESDAY: $5.00**

Highland’s Chicken Burger
Chicken mince and vegetable pattie with lettuce and mayonnaise on a fresh turkish bread roll.
- Mini freshly baked treat
- Frozen Fruit Cup

**WEDNESDAY: $5.00**

Pasta
Warm pasta served with the Beehive’s famous tomato based passata, topped with parmesan and fresh basil.
- Mini freshly baked treat
- Fruit Juice Popper

NB: There are no Frozen Fruit Cup available in this meal deal.

**THURSDAY: $5.00**

Cheeseburger
Homemade beef pattie, slice of cheese, lettuce and tomato sauce.
- Mini freshly baked treat
- Frozen Fruit Cup

**FRIDAY: $5.00**

Rice Paper Rolls (*Gluten Free Day*)
2 large rice paper rolls filled with poached chicken, shredded lettuce, shredded carrot, vermicelli rice noodles with a gluten free soy sauce and sweet chili sauce (mild in flavor)
- Popcorn
- Frozen Fruit Cup

* This meal deal is Gluten Free. The sauce will be made in the canteen.

Re-usable lunch bags for sale from the canteen are $10, available in pink, blue, grey, red, purple or yellow.

From time to time we will provide recess and lunch “specials”. Where possible, we will advertise them in the newsletter. Daily specials will be written on the chalkboard outside the canteen.