FANTASTIC NEWS!!!!!!
The announcement was made in the state budget yesterday that our school will be the recipient of major works, involving new classrooms being built, to replace our existing demountable classrooms.
This is very good news! I will be meeting with Department officers very shortly to begin the process. I will, of course, keep the school community informed as we start this journey of improving our school further.

PUBLIC SPEAKING
Teaching staff reported to me this week that the standard of public speaking at our school has been raised to a new level. At recent in-school competitions, I am told that students excelled in their ability to speak clearly, articulately and to entertain. Well done to all students who have made a speech in their classroom or at an assembly in preceding weeks.

PAYMENTS AT SCHOOL
We have been exploring ways to streamline the way payments are made at school to support more parents, while at the same time, we are conscious of the hard-working office staff and their already very heavy workload. Thanks to Mrs Rice, our School Administration Manager, we will soon have an online payment option which will be accessed via our school website. I would encourage all parents to refer to our website regularly as we are trying to make it one of our primary methods of communication.

REPORTS TO PARENTS
Reports will be sent home on Friday. If you wish to discuss any aspect of your child’s report with their class teacher, you are welcome to make an appointment to do so. Our reports use word descriptors to describe a student’s achievement and effort levels. If a child is achieving at the expected level, then they should have an assessment level of “sound”.

Wendy Buckley
PRINCIPAL

DEBATING UPDATE
We continue our successful campaign in the 2014 Premier’s Debating Challenge. Last week the Bowral Red team visited Burrawang Public School to participate in Rounds 2 and 3 of the competition. Against fierce opposition, Bowral Reds won both debates. Our team, comprising Ava Lambie, Ruby Zupp, Jessica Tyrrell and Eleanor Swan represented our school with honour. In the first debate they took the affirmative side and proved that it would be beneficial to society if teachers were made to wear a school uniform! They provided very good reasons. The second debate concentrated on issues involving the media. Our team took the negative side in this debate and argued that celebrities depend on the media to promote their careers. Congratulations to our debaters and a big thank you to the parents and grandparents who demonstrated their support by travelling to Burrawang and watching the debates.
Virginia Pridham
DEBATING COACH

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
A special thank you to all the parent helpers that assisted with judging and timekeeping on the day; D.N. Solutions for acquiring and maintaining our generators; Little Athletics Bowral for the use of their High Jump equipment; the Beehive and families who donated food to keep us all going and all the teachers and students for making the day possible!

Paul Matthews

TERM 3 INVOICES & 2014 FAMILY CONTRIBUTIONS
This week all families will receive a family invoice and a 2014 family contribution to BUILDING FUND request. This is tax deductible and we are facilitating the option to pay this by mastercard / visa card this year. The Term 3 family invoice is a trial, in an attempt to streamline parental payments to our school.
We anticipate the parent online payment option via our website will be available by late August.

REMINDER DIARY DATES

Friday 20 June ◆ Self Help—Jellore
Thursday 26 June ◆ Mimosa Concert—Sydney Opera House, Stage 3
Friday 27 June ◆ Last Day Term 2
Tuesday 15 July ◆ Students return Term 3
Monday 21 July ◆ P&C meeting 6:30pm in the school library

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**STAGE THREE MULTICULTURAL PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION**

Last Friday, the Stage Three Multicultural Public Speaking Competition was held. Congratulations to the following students who took part in this competition which required a considerable amount of preparation at home.

- Olivia Tumanow
- James Doughty
- Eleanor Swan
- Alex Ta Me
- Mia Gillis
- Talitha Ward
- Michael Dowe
- Ruby Zupp
- Ava Lambie
- Ava Jones
- Max Farmer Beasley
- Emily Bow

The students all presented excellent speeches based on the topic of Multiculturalism to an enthusiastic audience. They all did a fantastic job and presented their speeches with confidence and really engaged the audience. After the prepared speeches all the students were expected to present an impromptu speech with only five minutes preparation time. This was a tough challenge but all the participants rose to the occasion and spoke with confidence on their given topic. Well done everyone!

The winner of the competition was Ava Lambie and runner up was Max Farmer Beasley. Highly commended awards were given to James Doughty and Mia Gillis.

Ava and Max will now represent Bowral Public School at the district finals to be held on Wednesday 25 June in our school hall. We wish them luck!

*Jane Bell*

**BOWRAL PUBLIC SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

On Monday 16 June 2014, Years 2 to 6 of Bowral Public School went to Eridge Park for our annual athletics carnival. It was a freezing and frosty day but it was very sunny! We sat in our coloured house areas. The four houses were: Gibraltar (yellow), Jellore (green), Joadja (blue) and Oxley (red).

Most students participated in some way. Some of the events included shot put run by Mr Jut, high jump run by Mrs Bell, discus run by Mr Tudor and long jump run by Mrs Oszurko. The running races included 800 metres (where we had to run around the whole oval twice!), 200 metres and the shortest race, the 100 metres. We had heats and finals. To start the races, Mr Cayzer shouted “Ready, set, BANG!!” and fired a very loud cap gun. Mrs Williams, Mr Matthews and some parent helpers timed all the students who ran. Every student who ran in a race got their house a point. Mrs Leicester announced the races. Mrs Henderson and Mrs Hordern did a fantastic job recording places and times. The Canteen parents made food for lunch orders and it was delicious! Dr Cotter signed out anyone going home early and was the first aid person.

On the bus ride home, everybody felt like sleeping and lying down because it had been a long day. Some students did sleep on the bus. 3S thought that the carnival was fun and awesome. We were very energetic and interactive.

*WRITTEN BY CLASS 3S*