PINK DAY AT BOWRAL PUBLIC SCHOOL
Wow! Congratulations Bowral Public School. It was a day of pinkness and our school community once again showed why we are so wonderful. Together we raised $1901 which will be donated to The McGrath Foundation. It is on occasions such as this that I feel honoured to be the principal of such an amazing school community.
Well done all.

BUILDING UPDATE
I have been informed that a builder has been chosen and that they will be on site within the next week...good news indeed! It will be exciting to see the building finally begin and the end result of 8 new classrooms plus more play space will be a real bonus.

SCHOOL YEARBOOK
Don’t forget to order your Yearbook as soon as possible. We know that this will be a wonderful keepsake, particularly for our Year 6 students.
The Yearbook will be a snapshot of the year’s events at our school and will include every class photo. Sporting highlights as well as excursions and student achievements will be featured. The Yearbook will cost $20 and must be pre-paid and ordered in advance. The order form can be found in this week’s newsletter.

PAPER PLANES...the movie AND the competition
Next Friday, 13 November we will be holding our family movie night (the movie is Paper Planes). As an exciting precursor to the movie, there will be a paper plane competition. All students who attend the movie are welcome to enter. Planes must be constructed from an A4 size piece of paper. There are some fantastic templates available, on sites such as http://www.funpaperairplanes.com. Why not have some fun and make a paper plane to fly at our movie night. The plane which travels the furthest will be announced the winner on the night.
Parents please note, children MUST be accompanied by an adult at our movie night.

CLASSES IN 2016
Thank you to those parents who have informed us of their intentions for 2016. It is essential for class placements that we know now. If you will be leaving Bowral Public School at the end of this year we would appreciate you letting us know as soon as possible so that we have as accurate a picture as possible of enrolment numbers for 2016.
This year I am once again asking parents to trust the professional judgement of our teachers with regards information of your children, their friendships and who they should and shouldn’t be placed with.
Our teachers will spend a considerable amount of time discussing placements and when parents make special requests that process can be compromised, confused and made complicated.
If you have information about your child that is new information or any concerns or issues that you haven’t raised with us before, then you are welcome to let us know.
Please do not request specific teachers as those requests are almost always impossible to accommodate.
Thank you for your help with this incredibly complex process.
Wendy Buckley, PRINCIPAL

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DREAM CRICKET
On Friday 30 October, 4 very excited Bowral Public School students walked to Bradman Oval to participate in a full day of Dream Cricket. Brodie Pullan, Anik Singh and Adam and Lachlan Albrighton along with over 100 students from other schools as far as Campbelltown to the South Coast joined with the fun and games. All students had a fantastic day of modified cricket activities and it was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Some comments from the boys who attended.
Brodie: My brother Josh from Bowral High School came to help with Dream Cricket and it was the best day of my life! 
Anik: I had the best time at Bradman Oval playing cricket.
Adam: I had so much fun, especially batting practice where you had to hit the ball between two cones.
Lachlan: My second year at Dream Cricket and I had the time of my life!
Many thanks to the Rotary Clubs of the Southern Highlands and the high schools from our local area for making Dream Cricket 2015 such a fun and memorable day.
Kim Faulkner

HOUSE LEADERS 2016
The process of electing the 2016 house leaders has commenced. All Year 5 students have attended a meeting in which the responsibilities, expectations and the process involved will be outlined and discussed. Students who are interested in nominating for these positions will be asked to do so on Thursday 5 November. They will then complete an application form at school on Monday 9 November. These applications will be sent home to be endorsed and signed by parents and must be returned by Friday 13 November 2015. The applications will then be independently reviewed by the principal and the sport committee. The candidates who are endorsed by the majority of the panel will become the candidates for the positions of house leader.
The students chosen as the candidates for the positions of house leader will then be required to present a brief speech to their respective house group on Tuesday 1 December.
Students and teachers in each house will then vote to elect the 2016 house leaders. The preferential voting system will be used to determine the house leaders for 2016. The house leaders will be inducted at the Stage 3 Presentation Evening on Monday 7 December 2015. Students who have been elected as school leaders cannot also be house leaders.
The following are important dates in regard to this process:

 Monday 9 November – Application forms completed at school.
 Friday 13 November – Application forms endorsed and signed by parents and returned to Mrs Bell
 Friday 27 November – Candidates for house leaders announced
 Tuesday 1 December – Candidates will present a brief speech to the members of their house group.
 Monday 7 December – House Leaders announced at Stage Three Presentation Night.

Jane Bell

HELP SAVE THE GORILLAS!

Last week, the SRC launched the “Answer the Call” program to help save the world's gorillas that are on the endangered list. The program is about recycling mobile phones, MP3 players and Tablets. There is a rare mineral called Coltan used in mobile phones that is mined in Congo and Central Africa within the endangered gorillas habitat. Miners are digging up the land to get Coltan, which means lots of gorilla habitats are being reduced dramatically. Recycling mobile phones reduces the need to mine Coltan. Plus for every phone recycled, $2 is donated by Phone Cycle to the Gorilla Doctors, who provide on the ground, life saving medical care, saving Gorillas, one patient at a time.

If you have an old or broken mobile phone, MP3, Tablet or even chargers and headphones sitting around at home, we would love them! If you could drop it into the Gorilla box in the front office, we will do the rest. If you have any questions please ask your class SRC rep, your class teacher or Mrs Canute.
**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**GIRL GUIDES BOWRAL**

- **Fundraising Event** — **BOOK FAIR**
  - Saturday 14 November 8am—1pm
  - Girl Guides Hall, 44 Boolwey St, Bowral

**NRL PLAY TIME**

- **3 WEEK PROGRAM FOR BOYS AND GIRLS BETWEEN THE AGES 3 AND 5**
  - To register: http://bit.ly/1RIfWQt or visit PLAYNRL.com
  - Scott Borg: M: 0409 814 873

**Bowral Public School**

- **P&C Outdoor Movie Night** Friday 13 November, from **5.30pm**
  - Sausage sandwiches, drinks, popcorn and choc tops available for purchase

  This year's movie will be **PAPER PLANES**

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  Meredith Wakeman, P&C PRESIDENT

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- Last week Camp Australia held a big Halloween party. Both children and educators dressed up for the festivities. The educators created a spooky party with spider webs, carved pumpkin and the children helped to make decorations and signs throughout the week.

  We made some spooky food such as jack-o-lantern mandarins, eyeball jelly, rabbit poo sultanas, cucumber mummies and banana ghosts and witch finger sandwiches. Everyone had a great afternoon filled with spooky games and lots of frights.

  If you have any questions come and see our friendly staff during before and after school care.

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The program, ‘LINK AND PLAY CLUB’ will cater to children between 5 –12 years with an Intellectual Disability and/or Developmental Delay.

  Every second Saturday from 9:30am to 3:30pm during the school term. Program commencing 21 November at Mittagong

  Book Now—places are limited! Ph 8713 7700 (Gissell or Cassandra). Email diability@creatinglinks.org.au

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Pre ordering of "The Schoolhouse" Yearbook closes this Friday 6 November. Please have money and order forms to the office by the end of this week to avoid disappointment. Return this slip along with payment to your child’s class teacher.

‘The Schoolhouse’ Pre-order form:

I ____________________________ (child’s name) of class __________ wish to purchase

___________ (no. of copies) @ $20 each. Total amount payable $___________.

Payment made by cash / cheque / credit card / POP via school website (Please circle one)

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