PINK DAY AT BOWRAL PUBLIC SCHOOL
Next Tuesday is Pink Day at Bowral Public School.
All children should wear pink mufti clothes on the day.
The canteen will be selling strawberry milkshakes and watermelon...milk 50c/watermelon 50c.
At lunchtime Fairy Floss will be for sale $1 per packet.
We would love families to donate a “pink” banknote...$5 note. Alternatively, a gold coin
donation is also great. All of the money we raise on pink day will be donated to The McGrath
Foundation.
Parents, please don’t colour hair pink, or wear pink zinc.....pink attire will be sufficient.
We look forward to a fun day of pinkness at Bowral Public School.

CONGRATULATIONS
Congratulations to the president of our school council, Nicole Smith who was the most worthy
recipient of a Department of Education award last night at the Ultimo Operational Directorate
awards ceremony. Nicole won her award in the category of “Parent and community Members
Awards”. The category of this award acknowledges the contribution of Parents and Community
members within our public schools. Nicole’s work on our school's Project Reference Group (the
group guiding the building process of our new classrooms) and her leadership of the school
council are two examples of the time and effort she puts in to supporting Bowral Public school.
Thank you for all that you do for our school Nicole and once again, congratulations!

BUILDING UPDATE
You may have noticed that the fence that was around the demountables has also now been removed. As soon as the
builder begins work a new fence will be erected. There are so many positives about our new building.
Here are a few:
   > We will end up with 8 brand new beautiful classrooms
   > There will be more play area because the footprint of the new two-storey building will be significantly smaller
     than the demountable footprint of 7 classrooms.
   > There will be practical activities areas, inside and outside with break-out rooms and plenty of storage areas.

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.

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATION PROCESS FOR 2017
Any parents who are thinking about applying for a selective high school for their child in 2017 need to go online and
begin the application process.
Important information:
  • Parents must apply online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement
  • Applications for entry in 2017 can be made online between 13 October 2015 and 16 November 2015.
    Applications will not be accepted after 16 November 2015.
  • All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 10 March
    2016.
  • For detailed information, click on this link:
CLASSES IN 2016
It is the time of the year when we are beginning the process of forming classes for 2016. 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

STUDENT LEADERS 2016
The process of electing the 2016 student leaders commenced this week. 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 29 October. They will then complete an application form at school on Monday 2 November. These applications will be sent home to be endorsed and signed by parents and must be returned by Friday 6 November 2015. The applications will then be independently reviewed by the principal, the deputy principal and a panel of teachers. The candidates who are endorsed by the majority of the panel will become the candidates for the positions of student leader. The students chosen as the candidates for the positions of student leader will then be required to present an election speech. Students from Years Two to Six will then vote to elect the 2016 leadership team. The preferential system will be used to count the votes. The eight school leaders for 2016 will be inducted at Stage Three Presentation Night on Monday 7 December 2015 and the school captains and vice captains announced. The following are important dates in regard to this process:

Monday 2 November – Application forms completed at school.
Friday 6 November – Application forms endorsed and signed by parents and returned to Mrs Bell
Monday 16 November – Candidates for school leaders announced at the Assembly
Tuesday 24 November – Candidates (boys) will present an election speech to the whole school commencing at 2pm
Wednesday 25 November – Candidates (girls) will present an election speech to the whole school commencing at 2pm
Monday 7 December – School Leaders announced at Stage Three Presentation Night.

Jane Bell

EARLY STAGE 1 EXCURSION
What an exciting time was had by all! Last Wednesday the Kindergarten students participated in their very first excursion at ‘big school’. We rode on a bus to Fitzroy Falls where we had lessons from two fabulous Aboriginal rangers, Deidre and Jacob. The children enjoyed a bush walk and learnt about bush tucker and other ways in which the Aboriginal people used plants. Jacob talked about ‘men’s business’ and showed the students some traditional hunting weapons. We were then treated to an amazing didgeridoo performance. This excursion consolidated concepts taught in the Term 3 Human Society and its Environment unit ‘Places We Know’. The children were wonderful representatives of their school and both Deidre and Jacob commented on the polite and respectful way in which they listened and followed instructions. Well done, Kindergarten children.

Virgina Pridham

REMINDER DIARY DATES

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### Community News

**LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM AT BOWRAL AND MITTAGONG POOL**

2015-2016 Swimming Season
For more information ph Swim School Coordinator 0409 930 645
Bowral Swimming Centre 4861 2598

**WORLD EDUCATION PROGRAM (WEP)**
Host overseas exchange student in 2016.
Information ph 1300 884 733 Email: info@wep.org.au

**SMALL CHANGE BIG DIFFERENCE CHRISTMAS LIGHT SPECTACULAR FUNDRAISER**
Saturday 14 November 4.30pm-8.30pm, 65 Renwick Dr, Renwick
Funds raised will assist The Children’s Hospital at Westmead in making sick kids better. Information Maryanne 0437 039 833

**SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS RELAY FOR LIFE**
2 & 3 April 2016
Moss Vale Showground, Moss Vale.
To register ph 4223 0200 or relayforlife.org.au

**21ST CENTURY CLASSROOM EXPO**
Wednesday 11 November, 2pm at Hill Top Public School
Parents welcome

**ILLAWARRA FAMILY REFERRAL SERVICE (Barnardos Australia)**
The Family Referral Service can help link young people and families to the appropriate services in your local area.
Intake # 1800 663 863
Bowral Office 24 Bendooley St, Bowral. Ph 4861 7500
Email: familyreferral@barnardos.org.au Website: www.barnardos.org.au

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### Canteen Roster Term 4, 2015

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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**
A paper plane flying competition will be held prior to the beginning of the movie
At approximately 7.30pm. More details to follow next week.

This is an imaginative children’s film about a young Australian boy’s passion for flight and his challenge to make it to the regional competition in Sydney, and then to the World Paper Plane Championships in Japan. It has a running time of 96 minutes, is rated PG and was released in early 2015. We are looking forward to a balmy evening for this night which is provided free to our school community as a way of saying thank you for all the support that our events, fundraisers, canteen and uniform shop have received throughout the year. Food will be available for purchase, or a picnic dinner may be brought from home. Families are encouraged to bring along a rug, pillows, blankets or chairs and set up a picnic on the grassed area at the front of the school where the outdoor screen will be set up. This is an alcohol free event and all children must be accompanied by an adult.

*Meredith Wakeman, P&C President*

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Last week at Camp Australia we started to celebrate Halloween, we had a Halloween Pumpkin Art Competition. The winners are Caelin, Connor and Genivieve for Stage 2. Luka, Lucy H and Lucy R Well done! We had pumpkin carving, costume making and decoration making to help get ready for our big Halloween Party on Friday.

Last Friday we also had a special visit from a veterinarian who spoke to the children about being safe around unknown dogs, and how to care for animals at home.

If you have any questions come and see our friendly staff during before and after school care.
21 October 2015

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

We are excited to announce the inaugural Bowral Public School Yearbook for 2015. This yearbook is a collection of photos, events, activities and reports from throughout the year and will be known as ‘The Schoolhouse’.

We hope you will join us in celebrating the launch of ‘The Schoolhouse’ by preordering your copy. Orders will be available for collection towards the end of this term.

The cost of ‘The Schoolhouse’ is $20. If you would like to purchase one for your child as a memory of their year at Bowral Public School in 2015 orders need to be finalised by Friday 6 November 2015. Please complete the order form below along with payment. Payment is also available through the school website. Only a limited number of copies will be available to be purchased after this date...... so pre-order now!

We are looking forward to an even bigger and better ‘Schoolhouse’ in 2016.

Regards,

Mrs Molly Ayling
Rel. Stage 2 Leader

Mrs Wendy Buckley
Principal

‘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)

Return this slip along with payment to your child’s class teacher no later than Friday 6 November 2015

PAYMENT BY (Please tick appropriate box) □ Mastercard □ Visa Card

Card Number ____________________________

Card Holder Name (in block letters) ____________________________

Card Holder Address __________________________________________

Date of expiry _______ / _________ Amount of payment $ ________________

Cardholders Signature ____________________________