Congratulations to Willow Crebert who has been selected to attend State Music Camp and Ashton Keyes who this week has attended State Dance Camp. Both of these workshops are held in Sydney, go over a few days and are hotly contested. I know that Willow and Ashton will be fine representatives of Bowral Public School.

Our friendship tree continues to grow in popularity. Our wonderful SRC students are doing a terrific job ensuring that no student in our school need be lonely or have no friends. Well done Bowral Public School.

Over the last two weeks we have had parents attend our School Council, P &C and Canteen Committee meetings, work in The Beehive and Clothing Shop, help out in classrooms and with sporting teams, teach Religious Education classes and now this week we have some amazing parents who have trained in their own time so that our students can be involved in Ethics classes. Thank you, thank you to every parent who helps in any way at our school, big or small, it is very much appreciated.

Our new Ethics teachers are: Kindergarten—Melissa Moss, Year 1—Jaimie Woolley, Year 2—Jane Boadle, Years 3 & 4 – Loraine Dartnell, Years 5 & 6– Jaimie Woolley.

Wendy Buckley
PRINCIPAL

Representative Sport Update
Rugby Union
Last week, Hugo Fay represented Bowral Public School and the Tablelands Zone at the Regional Rugby Union Trials in Goulburn. Hugo played some great rugby alongside players from the South Coast region, showing great sportsmanship and representing our school with pride. Hugo caught the eye of the selectors and was successful in gaining a place in the South Coast Rugby Union Team. He will compete in the State Championships at Warringah in Sydney in August and we wish him great success at the next level. Well done, Hugo!

Jane Bell

Student Representative Council (SRC)
DRESS-UP NEPAL FUNDRAISER: CRAZY COLOUR DAY 26 MAY
We have been hearing about the earthquake’s devastation in Nepal. The images we’ve been seeing in the media are upsetting and make us grateful for the simple things we often take for granted. People all over the world have gathered to help. Children of our SRC are keen to do their bit to help the people of Nepal, so we will be holding a special fundraiser day on Tuesday 26 May. All children are invited to come to school in as many colours of the rainbow as they can. In return they will be asked to contribute a gold coin donation to the Red Cross Appeal for Nepal.

2015 ICAS ‘UNIVERSITY TESTING’
Due to unforeseen circumstances dates for these tests have changed slightly. Please refer to the calendar in our newsletter for new dates.

REMINDER DIARY DATES
Thursday 21 May • School Photographs
Sunday 24 May • Working Bee 10am-12noon
Tuesday 26 May • SRC Crazy Colour Day
Monday 1 June • ICAS Science Test
Wednesday 3 June • Yrs 2—6 Athletics Carnival
Monday 15 June • P&C meeting

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Last Monday’s P&C meeting was well attended and informative. Thank you to everyone who attended. Our next meeting will be held on Monday 15 June.

As I write this news, the rain is again falling and looks set to continue. However, we will continue to plan towards our new Autumn Working Bee date of this Sunday 24 May from 10am to 12 noon. As before, the main tasks to be completed will be repainting playground markings which were not resurfaced during the holiday break, and general gardening tasks such as planting, weeding, pruning, hedging, and some raking. We would love to see as many helpers as possible to brighten up our outdoor spaces before Winter sets in. Bring along your (named) gardening tools and stay for a sausage sizzle at the conclusion. If you are able to make it, please let me know on meredithwakeman@hotmail.com. The Working Bee will be cancelled if raining.

On a more positive note, if the rain continues, we now have Bowral Public School umbrellas for sale. The umbrellas are intended for family use and not as a part of the children’s uniform, great for wet Saturdays beside sports fields. These are a fundraiser for the P&C and can be purchased at the uniform shop at a price of $20. If you would like to have a look, there is one displayed in the front office area.

Meredith Wakeman
P&C President

Camp Australia Before and After School Care

This week in OSHC at Camp Australia we have expanded on the School Friendship Tree by creating our own! Similar to the SRC, we have our own BFF (Best Friends Forever) Committee that are in charge of the system. Each day the BFF Committee will set up chairs and experiences under our sustainability tree, welcoming children to come and play. This is a beautiful incentive showing leadership, as well as fostering caring, empathetic and respectful relationships. Thank you to Olivia F, Georgia and Ella who are our first members, guarding over the tree on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons.

Camp Australia is run in the school hall, before school from 7am, and after school until 6pm. If you have any enquiries please call 0450 259 031 and speak to Ziena or Eloise.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Macarthur Children’s Developmental Clinic
Speech Pathologists are offering free screening service.
Ph 4648 0837  Email: admin@macarthurcdc.com.au

WELL BEING CONFERENCE - FREE COMMUNITY EVENT
Mittagong RSL, Wednesday 27 May. Bookings Essential
Phone Katie on 4621 8400 or Email: www.eventbrite.com.au

CAMELBAK SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS CHALLENGE
Sunday 30 August 2015
Runs for everyone. Enquires www.southernhighlandschallenge.com

Student Exchange is looking for host families across Australia to welcome overseas students into their home.
www.studentexchange.org.au ph 1300 135 331

TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER
Host an International student at www.scce.com.au, email scceaustr@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501.

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The simplest way ...

... to add healthy snacks to lunch boxes

Kids have little tummies and need small amounts of food often. Try these simple + healthy snack ideas in your child’s lunch box:

- Plain air-popped popcorn (without salt or butter) mixed with sultanas + dried apple
- Dried fruit snack packs: buy them ready made, or make your own at home in reusable containers
- Fruit salads: buy small tubs of diced fruit in natural juice, or cut up small pieces of fruit + make your own!
- Crackers + veg: Slice up some avocado or tomato + send with some rice crackers
- Little vegie bags: cherry tomatoes, capsicum, carrot and celery sticks
- Frozen fruit bags: freeze grapes, orange quarters or strawberries + then send to school!

Remember: kids love small portions, so cutting up fruit + veg will help make sure they don’t bring it home at the end of the day!