



# BOURKE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Monday 5th December 2016, Term 4 Week 9

## **BPS** **Calendar of** **Events**

- ❖ **Intensive Swimming** – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December.  
- Infants this week
- ❖ **Kangaroo's EYTC Graduation** – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December.
- ❖ **Presentation Night** – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December.
- ❖ **Crocodiles EYTC Graduation** – Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December.
- ❖ **Merit System, Lunch with the Principal** – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December.
- ❖ **Merit System Primary Movie afternoon** – Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December.
- ❖ **Merit System Infants Movie afternoon** – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December.
- ❖ **3-6B Excursion to Dubbo** – Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December.
- ❖ **Last day of school for 2016** – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December.
- ❖ **First day of school for 2017** – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February.

## Message from the Principal

The 2016 school days are quickly disappearing. We have two busy weeks left of school with many end of year activities still to be held.

Our semester 2 student reports can be collected by parents on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December after 3pm from the school office.

Intensive Swimming continues this week for Infants students.

The Attendance Gold Coast excursion last week was a huge hit! All students had a fantastic time and thoroughly enjoyed a variety of experiences. A big thank you to Scott Parnaby, Troy Gordon, Sarah-Jayne Bock, Lisa Rankmore & Miss Gordon.

Final preparations are happening today for our Presentation Night on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December. Presentation night starts at 6pm and will be approximately two hours long.

Don't forget to book an appointment to see your child/children's teacher/s for our 3-way interviews which will be held over two nights. Our 3-Way interviews are on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December at Bourke Public School.

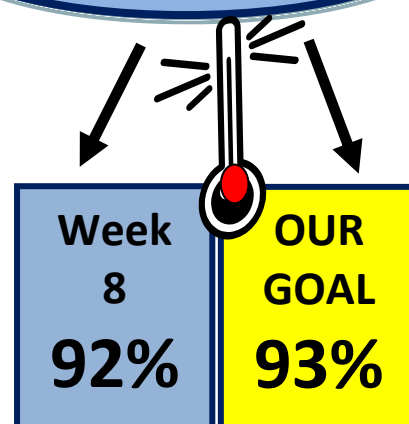
Kylie Pennell

## PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Term 4 Week 8 2016  
Principal's award goes to  
**Denton Johnson**



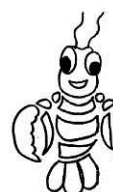
## Attendance Goal



## PRESENTATION NIGHT

Bourke Public School Presentation Night is on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2016. Our Presentation night will be held in the High School hall and will start at 6pm sharp. It is a very special occasion for all students to celebrate the achievements throughout 2016. We welcome and invite all parents, carers, family members and community members to this wonderful night. Students are to wear full school uniform and arrive at the High School hall at 5.45pm, to be seated for the night. There will be no canteen available on the night. We hope to see you there!

Weekly  
Attendance  
award



**KG & Miss Griffiths**



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# Infants News

## Early Stage 1 AP – Miss Griffiths

Well done again to every student who achieved exceptional attendance this year and had the opportunity to attend the Bourke Public School Gold Coast Excursion. Looking at the smiling faces on our Facebook page they have all had an exceptional week. I look forward to hearing the stories about everything they had the chance to experience. Please remember this week is Infants Intensive Swimming lessons again. Students need to bring their swimmers, towel, a hat and a water bottle.

## KC - Miss Clark

This week is going to be very busy! Tomorrow night at 6pm is our Presentation Night. Please arrive at 5:45pm. This term we are recognising our students achievements on the school merit system. This week the students who reached Platinum are invited to a special lunch with Miss Pennell. There will also be a movie afternoon for students who reached Diamond level in week 10. Well done to those students. As the weather is quite hot, please ensure your child brings a hat to school. I hope you all have a fantastic week!

## KG - Miss Griffiths

Tomorrow at 6pm is our Bourke Public School Presentation Night where we recognise outstanding achievements this year from our students. This week in English we are continuing to focus on our 'I Can' statements in writing. We continue with our Guided Reading and word work which is improving each day. In Mathematics we are looking at whole numbers and counting back.



## 100% Attendance Excursion

## Messages

- **Infants and Primary Sport (Swimming)** is every Friday for Infants and Primary students.
- **Breakfast Club** operates every morning from 8am to 8.50am.
- **Facebook** - Bourke Public School has a very active facebook page. Like our page so you can follow all the exciting things that are happening at our school.
- **Monday Morning Assembly** - Starts at 9am every Monday morning. Everyone welcome to attend.
- **Website** - Bourke Public School has an active website that provides up to date information.
- **Parents/Carers or community members** are reminded that there is an open invitation to attend our cooking classes in the kitchen. Please contact Miss Milgate to arrange a time.
- **Scripture and assembly** is now finished for this year.
- **Any Parents/Carers or community members** wanting the BPS newsletter emailed to them weekly please contact the school.

## Stage 1 AP – Miss Budd

Our Presentation night is on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December at the High School MPC. Make sure you come along and support all those students who have worked hard throughout the year and celebrate their success. Next Monday students who have achieved Diamond level or higher in our Merit System will be rewarded with a movie afternoon.

## Miss Bradley

Who can believe that it is possibly Week 9 already?! This is our last week in English and Mathematics classes! In English the students are all writing about the elf that they would be with Santa Claus in the North Pole. We have been reading lots of stories about different elves and have even watching little clips from some great Christmas movies! Have a super week everyone! Don't forget Presentation night!

## Miss Mowbray

Wow, it's Week 9 already! This week is our last week of English and Maths groups and 1M English class will be completing their final writing piece about the text 'I Wanna Iguana'. The students will be publishing their persuasive letters to Miss Mowbray arguing why they should get a pet of their own. In Maths we will be focusing on Addition and Subtraction and 3D objects. Don't forget our Stage One Christmas Party at the pool is coming up quick on the 14<sup>th</sup> December. This Friday is our Attendance Disco for Stage One students who have not missed more than 3 days of school this term. Have a wonderful week. ☺

## Miss Budd

Last week 1B had a wonderful time at Diggers, where we had lunch for wonderful attendance throughout the term. We also had a wonderful time pretending to be like the artist Alexander Calder and making a face out of wire. This week in English we will be writing a persuasive piece about why 'Miss Budd should buy us an ice-cream'. In PE we will be learning about the importance of wearing a seatbelt.

**Dream, believe, Learn and Achieve**

## AEO Caught Being Good Award

**Edie Crain & Rasheda Orcher-Smith**





## MERIT SYSTEM

### BRONZE

Kryzt Bye  
Dakota Edwards  
Brae Orcher-Knight  
Danika Nean  
Jordan Dennis  
Les Shillingsworth  
Lance Gordon  
Makye Knight  
Adam Edwards  
Tyrall Edwards  
Stephen Wilson

### SILVER

Jeddah Smith  
Jaquan Ord  
Jeleall Suckling  
Kruz Ryan

### GOLD

Amelia Nicholls  
Marikki Smith  
Breanna Smith  
Destiny Middleton  
Lylah Orcher  
Kyirone Mackay  
Brody Walsh  
Kiam McKellar  
Shane Lamb  
Joshua Mintern

## Primary News

### Miss Duiz

Congratulations to the seven students in 2D who attended the Gold Coast excursion last week. They were Ashlyn, Salome, Tiona, Hunter, Dimetry, Riley and Quaylan. I'm sure they all had a well deserved break and enjoyed the theme parks. This week is the last week of English and Maths groups for the year ☺ In Maths we are focusing on angles and multiplication again and in English finalising our Christmas writing.

### Miss Buckley

Wow, welcome to week 9! This week we will be finalising and consolidating what we have learnt in English and Mathematics this year. This week 2B will be creating lots of amazing Christmas art and craft to make our classroom look very inviting for our Parent/Teacher interviews next week. Well done to all students who will be going to the Diamond Movie afternoon this Thursday. Have a fantastic week.

### Mr Dewberry

The end of the year is near, I can't believe that it is week 9! This week is our last week for English and Maths groups. In English we will be writing about 'Santa is coming to my house' and will be writing about what we would wish for as a present. In Maths we will be consolidating what we have learnt and doing some Christmas Maths. This week 2T will be doing a lot of Christmas craft in the afternoons. Congratulations to all the students who will be going to the Diamond Movie afternoon. Have a great week ☺

### Stage 2 AP – Miss Gordon-Poole

Welcome to Week 9. Congratulations to all of the students who received their merit awards at Primary assembly. I was extremely proud to see you all on the stage. Our Presentation Night is on Tuesday night at 6pm. Please come along and celebrate the achievements of our students. The Stage 2 Christmas Party will be held Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December all students will be attending this event to celebrate the wonderful year we have had.



**PBL**  
**SCHOOL EXPECTATIONS**  
**PROUD, SAFE, RESPECTFUL**



### Miss Wade

Wow Week 9 already! This term has flown by. This week 3W will be completing our Science unit of work on Earthquakes by reviewing all the exciting facts and terminology we have learnt throughout Semester 2. In HSIE we will be completing our final lesson on 'Developing the Australian Colonies', we will be learning about where the first colonies were developed and why. In Art, we have begun our Christmas craft and will be creating our own special decorations to take home for the Christmas Tree.

### Miss Heaney

Welcome to week 9! Congratulations to all students who went to the Gold Coast, I'm sure you enjoyed every moment. Week 9 is the last week of English and Maths groups for the year. During this time we will be revising key concepts learnt throughout the year and completing some Christmas based activities. Please don't forget to return home readers as soon as possible. Our 2016 Presentation Night is on tomorrow night. Have a wonderful week! ☺

### Stage 3 AP – Miss Milgate

Year 6 students had a great day at Bourke High School last Wednesday, they got to experience a full day at the school and finished their day off at the pool with staff and students. Stage 3 will be having their Xmas party at Diggers on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 12.30pm. Please come along to our Presentation night this Tuesday at the High School hall. Have a great week!

### P&C News

Don't forget we always need helpers in the canteen. Anyone that can assist please contact Kelly our canteen manager. Now is the time to start thinking about uniforms for 2017. We have a range of uniforms ready to sell! What a great Christmas present. Our canteen will be open right up to the school holidays (Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December).

## MERIT SYSTEM

### DIAMOND

Rory Smith  
Selwyn Kelly  
Mataya Edwards  
Shanorah Smith  
Kaleb Cummins  
Shontaya Mackay  
Jimeara McKellar  
Lyata Gillon  
Kh'tia McKellar  
Adrian Gersbach  
Dominic O'Sullivan  
Chad Lollback  
Josef Norris  
Rhian Lollback  
Sharika McKellar  
Karen Vincent  
Aisha Benek-Sutton  
Caitlin Powell  
Cameron Peddle  
Kobie Lollback

**Bourke Public School's Motto for 2016**

*Diversity*



## Support Classes News

### Miss Cook

Welcome to week 9. Intensive swimming is on again this week. Don't forget to bring your swimmers. This week in English the students will be exposed to a range of books and activities focused around Christmas. In Mathematics the students will explore the topics Money and 3D objects. This week the students will continue to learn about the weather during their science lessons. Parent teacher interviews will be held next Tuesday and Wednesday evening if you would like to discuss your child's development this semester.

### Ms Bond

We will be on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December, Week 10. We will be visiting Sportsworld, Dubbo Zoo, Aquatic Centre and the Japanese Gardens. The students are busy planning and preparing the itinerary. They have been working hard researching prices, addresses, contact details and pricing. The cost is \$50 per student. The students are very excited. Please return the notes and money to the office. Thank you. Have a great week.

## BLUEY STAR OF THE WEEK

2D – Mataya Edwards  
2T- Douglas Dutton  
2B- Jamilla Smith  
3H – Awais Ahmad  
3W – Taylah Reid

### Support Classes AP - Miss Nixon

Welcome to week 9! This term is flying past! I hope to see everyone at Presentation Night on Tuesday at the Bourke High School Hall. Last week 2-6N enjoyed completing some cooking and their dot painting fish artworks. This week we will be setting up our Christmas tree and decorating our classroom. We will also be preparing for our class Christmas Party. Please remember to call the office if you would like a Parent Teacher Interview.

# MISS MILGATE RFF WORK SAMPLES!

## Early Years Transition Centre News

### Miss McKechnie

Welcome to week 9 in the EYTC. This is an exciting time for our students as the Kangaroos' and Crocodiles' Graduations are being held this week. The Kangaroos graduated was this afternoon and it was fantastic to see so many supportive families there to cheer on our students. The Crocodiles graduation is being held on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December in the BPS school hall and will commence at 1:30pm. Have a good week! ☺

## Instructional Leaders News

### Mrs Roe/Miss Bartley

There are many ways you can support your child's mathematical skills and understanding at home. **Try hard to use mathematical words** when you describe things. For example, instead of saying "the big red bucket" you might say, "the 10 Litre bucket". Instead of saying "the large packet of rice", you might say, "the 2kg packet of rice". In this way, children get to hear the quantities being stated as an everyday way of describing things.



### MERIT SYSTEM

#### PLATINUM

Emma Simmons  
Jamilla Smith  
Jarryn Moore  
Neil Johnson  
Tiona Gibbs  
Lillian Milgate  
Sienna Peddle  
Madeleine Nicholls  
Ashlyn Stutzel  
Quaylan Orcher  
Laura Hand  
Eliza Johnston  
Mackenzie Smith  
Zali Reed  
Janayah Moore  
Taylah Reid