Dear Parents

Succeeding in science
Encouraging your teen to ask questions and helping them find the answers is top of the list in helping them to succeed in science.

Facts about tutors
Private tutoring to give kids a helping hand in their schooling is a growing business. However, it's also an area where parents can be vulnerable to bogus offers and misleading advertising.

Primary school
Public speaking
Does your child suffer glossophobia? Fear of public speaking is common. Try creating opportunities for your child to present speeches to the family, without putting pressure on them to perform. Here are some tried and true tips to make your child’s next speech a success.

Science starters
Did humans live with dinosaurs? Does the moon disappear in the day? Kids love to know the answers to life's mysteries but there are a few facts they often get wrong in the name of science.

Canteen & P&C News
Our school canteen is up and running again for each day!! Thanks so much to those wonderful new volunteers that came forward to help. A new roster will be decided upon after the Annual General Meeting of the P&C in the school staffroom at 6pm tonight. All welcome!!

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2013
In May 2013 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by all students on Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in all government and non-government schools. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy learning of students in all Australian schools.
The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child’s level of achievement. Each student’s level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard. A letter addressed to parents in Years 3 & 5 from the Board of Studies will further explain the NAPLAN tests and give the dates that your child will be sitting for them.

Expressions of Interest for High School 2014
Today our Year 6 students will come home with their information guide and Expression of Interest form for High School next year. These have been partially filled in by office staff indicating your High School zone. Please fill in the remainder and return to the school office before Friday March 22. This is very important as it gives both the High School and Bowen Public School time to plan for your child’s attendance and invite them to Orientation sessions and parent meetings. Applications for enrolment into High School will be sent out at a later date and are not to be confused with this form.

Bowen Public School-inspiring leaders in primary education
**GOTCHA!!** Congratulations to these people - Devlin K/1D, L’kye Schuler KK, Matilda Vincent KK, Sean Flemming KK, Jessica Leutton Crump 4/5J.

Meet the staff:

**Miss Erin Taylor**
Class Teacher of 3-6T
Bowen Public School

I have lived in Orange for just over a year, and worked at Glenroi Heights Public School last year. I enjoy playing netball and travelling. I am getting married this year! I love my new job at Bowen, The kids and staff are great.

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**Community News**

**SMALL SCHOOLS INSTRUMENTAL PROGRAM**

*Vacancies* exist in this Wednesday afternoon program at the Orange Regional Conservatorium in:
- **Brass**: trumpet, trombone, euphonium (Years 3-6)
- **Percussion**: kit, auxiliary and pitched percussion (Years 3-6)

Enrolments will close for the 2013 program on Wednesday 13th March. No enrolments will be received after this date.

Inquiries to Donna Riles, keyboard@orangecon.org.au

**A Week in Harmony**

Join a fabulous opportunity to be in five 3 hour workshops, held daily 18-22 March with a concert on 23 March 2013. Participation is free with a commitment to attend all sessions.

Workshops are either:
- African Djembe drumming
- Multicultural choir,
- Indian percussion and Indian dance,
- Chinese piano/vocal mixed instrument group or Aboriginal group

Contact Donna on 6361 7974 at Orange Regional Conservatorium or Anni or Carmel at Migrant Support Service on 6393 8625

**HOCKEY**

Orange City Junior Hockey are looking for boys and girls to play in 2013 from 5 – 13 years of age fees are $40.00 if under 9 for the season and $70.00 if over 9 plus weekly turf fees. If you are interested in playing please contact Amarlie Dent on 0400309951

**Stewart House**

Bowen Public School is a supporter of the Stewart program. This year Stewart House is raising money selling ‘High Bounce’ handballs. The balls cost $3 each and would be particularly suitable for students to use for handball games at break times during the day. An order form has been sent home, if you need another please come to the school office.

**ORANGE BACKYARD LEAGUE PROGRAM**

Register now to play on Thursday March 14, March 21, March 28, April 4, April 11. Held at Max Stewart Oval, Sieben Drive, from 4:30 - 5:30pm. Queries Phone Wade Judd 0428 439 998

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