From the Principal’s Desk

Almost unbelievably, the holidays are upon us.

I would like to begin this week with a huge thank you to all of our wonderful students for making the most of their learning this term. You have all done an amazing job in so many areas and participated in so many wonderful events, like Bike Day today, that you have all learned and grown in ways that may not be able to be measured with a set of numbers, but that your parents and teachers can certainly see.

Also a huge thank you must go to all of our wonderful parents who have supported our school this term. Sewing eisteddfod costumes, working in the canteen, donating goods for stalls, participating in the community courses, making sure that your child is at school every day are very valuable contributions to our school community and are worthy of recognition. Thank you.

The next thank you goes to our brilliant staff. Without their hard work, dedication and care for our kids, Bowen would not be the amazing place that it has grown to be. Our staff is huge. We have 11 dedicated class teachers, another 10 temporary and casual teachers, a small army of Student Learning and Support Officers and an incredible number of volunteers who all combine as a well-oiled machine to ensure that our students receive the best opportunities to learn in the broadest possible context. That is our job and the team at Bowen do it extremely well. Thank you all.

A special mention needs to go to Mrs Tracey Graves who leaves Bowen next term to take up a position as relieving Principal at Eugowra Public School. Mrs Graves has been an integral part of our Bowen family. Her expert knowledge, skills in Special Education and leadership will be greatly missed by all of us. We wish her all the best in her new position and hope that she will come back to visit us from time to time. Mrs Johnstone will relieve in Mrs Graves’ role for the period that she is away.

Finally, it is holiday time and the weather is warming up. Please ensure that your children are prepared for school next term with the appropriate school uniform and hat. We are also encouraging students to slap on some sunscreen before they leave home to help protect them from the sun this summer.

Road safety is another area that we have focused on this term and this has culminated in Bike Day this week. Please remind your children throughout the holidays to be alert and aware when they are near roads and encourage them to cross roads safely. Look Right, Look Left, Look Right again. If there is no traffic, then cross. Sounds easy but our little ones are precious and often need that reminder.

Have a safe and happy holiday and we look forward to seeing everyone again on Tuesday 7 October for the beginning of Term 4.

Mr Mac
**Year 7 2015**
Reminder to all Year 6 parents/caregivers; Please ensure that enrolment forms are returned to your local high school ASAP please. If you have any enquiries please contact the school office or your local high school.

**Kindergarten Orientation Parent Information**
Kindergarten orientation parent information session will be held on Monday 13 October 2014 at 5.30pm, further information to follow in upcoming newsletters.

**Second Hand Uniforms**
If any families have any unwanted second hand uniforms they can be dropped into the school office at any time, all donations welcome. There will be a second hand clothing pool commencing on Friday 10 October – please come to the school office.

**Head Lice**
We have had a number of reported cases of head lice at school recently, could all parents or caregivers please check their child’s hair and if you find any eggs or lice please seek advice from your local chemist or the school office and commence treatment as recommended.

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**What’s On? - Term 4**

**Week 1**
School returns on Tuesday 7 October
Clothing Pool will be open every Friday starting from Term 4 8.45 – 9.30am in the school office.

**Week 2**
Kindergarten Orientation starts Monday 13th October.
9.30am to 10.30am
Parent Information for kinder is on Monday 13 October at 5.30pm
NAIDOC 13 October
NAIROC 15 October

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**Gotcha’s**
Daniel 1D
Charlie 2/3C
Eve 2/3C
Virginia 6C

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**Guessing Competition**

How many Loom bands?

How many smarties?

Come and guess at the canteen at break times

$1.00 for 1 guess
Or
$2.00 for 3 guesses

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Bowen Public School – Quality teaching and caring community
Highlights of our Book Parade
Bowen Public School is taking enrolments now for 2015

Enquiries at our office
Come in or call
63623655
The Supported Play Group
is coming to
Bowen Public School

Families come together for:
- Developmental Play
- Music
- Singing
- Dance
- Story Time
- Cooking
- Outdoor Play
- Cultural Learning
- Shared Morning Tea
- Lots of Yarning.

If you have children aged 0-5, come along have a cuppa, meet some other parents from our school, and have a nice morning.
Friday Mornings, 9am to 11am in our Community Room.

For more information please phone:
Kelly Birch, Supported Playgroup Coordinator, on 6393 8600
Or our School Office on 6362 3655

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Department of Prime Minister & Cabinet
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Orange City Council
Saturday 25th October 2014
HEARTKIDS Rugby Cup & Clinic
Time: 10am - 12.30pm
Cost: $40
Venue: Emus Rugby Club,
Woodward Street Orange NSW
All registrations must be submitted by 3rd October 2014
Suitable for children aged between 5-15yrs and
caters for all abilities
For more details or a registration form
contact Mardi on 0416 112 885
or email samantha@life-studio.com.au
All money raise goes to 'HEARTKIDS'
supporting children born with heart disease
Exhibition match between Deadwood Rugby Club & Central West Invitational Players
Time: 3.30pm
Admission: $5

THE BEST HOLIDAYS HAPPEN AT CAMP
Choose from over 30 exhilarating camps at
10 locations across NSW these school holidays.
Our Sport and Recreation Centres offer over 40
activities for kids aged 5 to 16 years. Try your hand
at fishing, mountain biking, kayaking, abseiling,
crafts, cooking or flying fox. You’re sure to find a
camp the kids will love.

Kids’ Camps
from $45 per day

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**Orange Junior Cricket Association**

**2014/2015 Season**

**REGISTRATION DAYS**

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- Includes INZ Cricket, T20 Blast and all age groups
- All Orange clubs will be in attendance

Contact Person: Nick Cooper phone 0408 925 613

Find your local club at: playcricket.com.au

**NEW MILO T20 BLAST CENTRE IN ORANGE!!!**

It’s a fast, fun and exciting program for 8-10 year olds, with music, lots of big hits, classic catches and everyone gets an equal go. You wear the colours of the Sydney Thunder Big Bash Team and with all your friends playing matches on the one oval at the one time. It creates an action packed, fun atmosphere where everyone is involved. Instead of sitting waiting to bat, there is a skills zone with fun games and activities to help you improve your cricket skills

For more information, visit t20blast.com.au
SIZZLING SPRING SEVENS CAMP

Rugby 7’s is making its Olympic debut in Rio in 2016 and this camp is an ideal place to learn the basics of seven-a-side rugby in a fun, safe environment. Each participant will receive a 7’s hat, 7’s towel and experienced coaching from NSW Participation staff.

www.nswrugby.com.au

REGISTER NOW

UPCOMING EVENTS
NEW ENGLAND MUTUAL NATIONAL RUGBY CAMP
www.nationalrugbycamps.com.au
January 11th - 14th 2015 Armidale NSW

SIZZLING SPRING SEVENS CAMP

AGE GROUPS: U7s-U12s
LOCATION: Jubilee Sportsground
Monchin St, Mudgee
DATE: 25th September
COSTS: $70

www.nswrugby.com.au

REGISTER NOW

UPCOMING EVENTS
NEW ENGLAND MUTUAL NATIONAL RUGBY CAMP
www.nationalrugbycamps.com.au
January 11th - 14th 2015 Armidale NSW
Term 3 School Holidays

Orange City Centre are hosting **Kindifarm** a mobile farm animal zoo. This event is free and a great opportunity for children to meet and feed the baby animals.
WE WELCOME EVERYONE TO JOIN US IN THE NAIDOC MARCH 2014!!!

WHERE: THE MARCH WILL START AT SALE STREET ACROSS FROM NEWEY’S DRY CLEANERS, IT WILL CONTINUE DOWN SUMMER STREET AND LEFT UP MCNAMARA LANE, FINISHING AT THE FRONT OF THE CIVIC THEATRE FOR THE FLAG RAISING.

WHEN: MONDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2014

TIME: 9.50AM GATHERING FOR 10.20AM START.

AFTER THE MARCH THE SCHOOL AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED IN ROBERTSON PARK, FOLLOWED BY THE SERVICE PROVIDERS DAY AND A FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!!!!
**HIPPY Orange** starts at Marang Gunya in Orange 2014. There is no charge to attend.

**Hippy Orange** is open to families who live in Orange, have a child about 4 years old and who would like to:-
- spend time together with their child learning and having fun
- support their child to start school confidently
- connect with other local families

To find out more about please contact the Hippy Coordinator
Sally Thomas 0429 653 475
sally.thomas@cw.org.au
More Book Parade Photos
IT'S TIME FOR SUMMER HOCKEY
COME AND TRY IT OUT!
8WKS OF FUN AND GAMES
STARTS WEDNESDAY 22ND
OCTOBER IN ORANGE
4pm till 5pm - One off fee of $40

Under 9s and Under 12's

In addition to the one off fee you can purchase an Australian Hockey startup kit for $30 - includes a Stick, ball, mouth guard, shin pads, training shirt & height chart.

Come along every Wednesday afternoon and join in on the fun! Please wear appropriate clothing including joggers. You must wear shin pads and mouth guards to play the games, if not you will need to play with plastic sticks and tennis balls in the practice area. There will be sticks available to borrow each week.
The last week (10th December) will end with a BBQ and handing out of certificates so please bring your family along.

Please call Kate on 0447 186 494 if you have any enquiries.

Just turn up on the day
No need to have a team, just bring along a friend if you like
You will learn some new skills as well as play other kids your age
You will be hooked into hockey by the end of 8wks!

Orange Hockey Centre,
Moad St
(turn off near KFC)

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Kate Pulbrook
0447 186 494
kate.p@hockeynsw.com.au
**BOWEN PUBLIC SCHOOL**

**LAMINGTON DRIVE**

PLEASE RETURN ALL ORDERS AND MONEY TO THE OFFICE BY THE 10/10/2014

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