Happy education week everyone!

The snow has disappeared, the skies are blue again and today looks like Spring is on its way, although I’m sure that’s just Mother Nature teasing us as the air temperatures are still quite brisk!

Week 3 of any term is usually the time when our heads our down, tails are up and we are working hard to make the most of our days. This week is no different.

Normally we would have a range of special activities happening at this time of year. This year, however, we have tried to reduce some of the interruptions to our learning programs by consolidating the ‘special occasions’ into the one week. Instead of celebrating ‘Education Week’, ‘Book Week’, ‘Literacy and Numeracy Week’ and ‘Science Week’ separately, we will celebrate all of these together during the official Book Week, which is in Week 7 this term (24 to 28 August). There will be a special assembly and open classrooms and maybe some other particular activities for our students in that week. We look forward to it being a fantastic celebration of our learning and achievements.

Healthy Harold and the Life Education Van visits us next week from Tuesday 4 August to teach our students about various ways of being healthy and safe. Healthy Harold only visits us once every two years and normally costs $10, however the school is subsidising the visit so that it only costs $5 per child. We do this because we believe that Healthy Harold lessons are so important to the growth and development of our students. Please support your child’s participation in the Life Education visit. Notes are due back this week.

The cold weather has certainly had an effect on our attendance. With the weather beginning to take a turn for the better, we are hoping to see every student every day. If your child is ill and needs to stay home, please contact the school and inform the staff. At the moment we have about 90% of our students here on any given day. We would love to see that figure climb above 95%. One day off each week amounts to 20% of school that they are missing so please make sure that you send your child every day to ensure that they have the best opportunity to receive a quality education that will benefit them for the rest of their lives.

You may have noticed that we have had flashing lights installed in both Park and Dalton Streets. These are a reminder that our children are about between certain hours and for us all to be careful when driving in the school zones.

Some things to look forward to this term! ‘I Am Jack’, a performance at the Civic Theatre in late August, plus the Father’s Day stall, Musica Viva concert and T-20 Cricket in early September.

Mr Mac
What’s on? - Term 3

CANTEEN CLOSED EACH WEDNESDAY

Clothing Pool is open every Friday from 8:45 – 9:30am in Sick Bay

Riding for the Disabled are holding an open day Wednesday 5 August cake and coffee will be available.

TERM 3

YEAR 6 PARENTS

YEAR 6 ENROLMENTS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE CANOBOLAS RURAL TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL ASAP

Week 4
Tuesday 4 August Healthy Harold

Week 5
Wednesday 12 August Touch Gala Day
Friday 14 August Dance Eisteddfod

Week 7
Friday 28 August Western Athletics

Week 8
Wednesday 2 September Book Week Dress up

Gotcha’s

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UPCOMING EVENTS TERM 3
We will be having two events that you might like to have advanced warning about.

The first is a visit from the Life Education Van in week 4; the dates are Tuesday 4 August to Friday 7 August 2015. This is a wonderful program with sessions arranged according to age appropriate topics like healthy food choices and cyber safety to the consequences of alcohol use and misuse. The cost will be $5 per student.

The next event will be a Musica Viva performance in early September and this will be a memorable experience for all students. There won’t be any travel involved as the concert will take place in our school hall.
NOTES FROM P&C

APOLOGY - THE AMENDED PIE DRIVE ORDER WILL BE ON BLUE PAPER, PLEASE DISREGARD THE ORIGINAL.

Father’s Day is nearly here and we are asking for donations of gifts to be sold at our Father’s Day stall. All donations gratefully received and can be left at the school office.

Our next meeting of the P & C will be held on Monday 3 August commencing at 2:00pm in the community room. The meeting for September will be held at NIGHT commencing at 6:00pm - put in your diary, all welcome.

Autism support meeting will be held on Tuesday 11 August commencing at 9:30am in the community room; all welcome.

If any parents are able to volunteer to help with the canteen could you please contact Kirsty Sheehan in the school office.

Tea towel fundraiser; order form attached to newsletter, please fill in and bring to the school office; great gift idea for grandparents or just as a keepsake for your children.

We are looking to have another family photo day and have a tentative date for Sunday 15 November; more information will be coming shortly.

LIKE US ON facebook
Orange City Council currently provides Out of School Hours Care (OOSH) from two venues including: Before and After School Care and Vacation Care from Calare Public School, and After School Care from Orange Public School.

Council will be opening an After School Care service in Spring Street Children’s Centre to provide more choices for families, including families whose children attend Bowen Public School, St Mary’s Catholic School and Orange East Public School.

The service will commence on 3 August 2015, and will operate from 3.00pm to 6.30pm on Mondays to Fridays during school term, except on public holidays.

Bus 5 (Panda) will drop students on the corner of Spring Street & Jilba Street at 3.20pm, where they will be met by the After School Care Educator to supervise their walk into the Spring Street Children’s Centre. The bus collects school children at the following times:
- 3.10pm - Bowen Public School
- 3.13pm - St Mary’s Catholic School
- 3.16pm - Orange East Public School

For more information about enrolments and fees, please call 6393 8700 or email springstreetchildren@orange.nsw.gov.au

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20% OFF PRE-ORDERED COSTUMES FOR BOOK WEEK 2015

All Book Week costumes ordered before Monday 3rd August will receive 20% off total price.
Phone: 02 6361 9177, Email: sales@balloonsaswell.com.au or find us on Facebook to discuss your costume options.

Expires: August 03, 2015

Balloons As Well The Party Shop
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ORANGE, NSW 2800
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Supported Playgroup and Bush Babies

- Do you have children aged birth to 5 years?
- Are you at home wondering what activities to do with your children?
- Would you like to meet new families that have children of a similar age?
- Would you like to have a yarn and a cuppa whilst the children play?

If you answer yes the Orange Supported playgroups and Bush Babies is for you

TUESDAYS:
Glenroy Grasshoppers
Marang Gunya – The Good House, 8 Oxley Place 9:30am – 11:00am

THURSDAYS:
Bush Babies Playgroup
The Carriage Cottage – 145 Spring Street 10:30 – 12:30pm

FRIDAYS:
Bowen Supported Playgroup
Bowen Public School 1:00pm – 3:00pm
CHANGES TO LIBRARY TIMES FOR K – 6

2/3L - Tuesday odd week – 11.08 – 25.08 – 08.09 – 06.10 – 20.10 – 03.11 – 17.11 – 01.12

KB/KG/1K/2C – Wednesday odd week – 12.08 – 26.08 - 09.09 – 07.10 – 21.10 – 04.11 – 18.11 – 02.12


3-6E TO BE ADVISED

456J – Every Friday in class borrowing (no library bag required)

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!

- Junior age 4-16 Male & Female.
- Registrations close 4th September 2015
- Cost $60 per person

- Season Commences Wednesday 7th October 2015
- Season Concludes 24th February 2016

For all info visit: www.orangetouch.com.au

If you have any questions please contact Tracee Honeyman on 0431 393 240
or email orangetouch触覚@yahoo.com.au
Dear Parents and Guardians,

Bowen Public School is holding a tea towel fundraiser. The children have the opportunity to draw a picture of themselves for a school tea towel and help raise funds. The tea towels are made from 100% white cotton (50cm x 70 cm) and are fully washable.

These would make great gift for Christmas, Mother’s day, birthdays, Grandparents, friends and keepsakes.

To have a look at an example one will be kept in the school Office.

There is also a saving on multiple orders.

1 x tea towel = $15.00 each
2 x tea towel = $25.00
3 x tea towel = $37.50
4 x tea towel = $50.00

To order simply fill in order sheet and place in envelope with your Cash with Child’s name and class.

RETURN TO SCHOOL

__________________________________________________________________

CHILD’S NAME: ____________________________

CLASS: ________________________________

NUMBER OF TEA TOWEL’S: _______________________

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _________________________
DISABILITY

The Central West Autism and Asperger’s Support Group will be hosting a talk on

Ability Links and Early Links

These programs are delivered in the Central West by Carewest

This talk is for anyone aged between 0-64 with Asperger’s or Autism (and their parents/carers) who are looking to:

- Set goals and plan for the future
- Look at new ways they can participate in and be part of their community

And parents of children that have or are suspected of having autism or asperger’s who would like extra support or assistance and to work with you to plan the services and support that is just right for your family.

Where: Orange Community Information & Services Centre, Rear Kite St.

When: Thursday 24th September 6:30pm

For enquiries and bookings please call/text Ben on 0428 609 413. Please leave a voicemail message if unanswered.

The Central West Autism and Asperger’s Support Group will be hosting a talk on

Self-Esteem and Motivation

By Katharine Annear

This talk is for anyone with Asperger’s or Autism that is looking to boost their self-esteem and increase their motivation to achieve their goals.

Where: Orange Community Information & Services Centre, Rear Kite St.

When: Thursday 27th August 6:30pm

For enquiries and bookings please call/text Ben on: 0428 609 413. Please leave a voicemail message if unanswered.