School Holidays commence  
Monday 14th April

School Resumes  
Staff Development Day  
Monday 28th April

Students return  
Tuesday 29th April

UP COMING EVENTS  
3rd April  
Primary Cross Country

Netball NSW Cup  
Year 5/6 & 7/8 Change of Date  
NOW Wednesday 7th May 2014  
Wednesday Term 2 Week 2

Thursday 29th May  
Secondary Athletics Carnival

Friday 30th May  
Primary Athletics Carnival

(Tront Barrett report and photos in next weeks newsletter)

WE ARE A  
’SUNSMART’  
’NO HAT NO PLAY’

Nut Aware  
The school would like to remind students and parents that our school is a nut aware school. Please be mindful of foods that contain and may contain nuts and refrain from packing them for recess and lunch. Thank you for your ongoing support and cooperation.

Important Information for the Community

If you are concerned for a child’s well being you may ring the Department of Community Services on 132 111 or the Police on 131 444. Both phone numbers operate 24 hours a day.
**Elective Fees**
School fee letters were originally sent home on February 4th 2014 and a follow-up letter with a payment plan pro-forma attached for outstanding elective fees. These were posted on 14th March.

As of today some students have not as yet paid their school elective fees. We wish to inform those students with outstanding fees that their elective subjects will be withdrawn tomorrow unless the option of either making a full payment, undertaking a payment plan or seeking student assistance is organised by Friday 28th March 2014.

Students were interviewed yesterday and a payment plan pro-forma was sent home with these students. We thank those parents who have today returned either made a payment or returned their plan.

**General Contributions**

$40 a year = $1 a week)

Whilst General Contributions are not compulsory these fees are used to cover the cost of text books across the school. As we have very few parents paying these contributions it has been difficult to cover the cost of providing texts to students. If no improvement is made in the payment of these fees by the conclusion of this year, we will be left with no alternative but to leave the purchase of texts for mandatory and elective courses up to parents. The cost for these texts range from $35 - $65 for different courses and year levels.

**Homework Centre**
Mrs Harpley wishes to advise parents and students that the homework centre will not operate on the last Wednesday of this term or the first Wednesday of term 2. The homework centre has been a terrific success this term. Most weeks the class is operating at maximum numbers and students are benefiting greatly from extra revision.

**Change of Date**
Please be advised that the Athletics Carnival dates advertised last week have changed. The secondary Athletics Carnival is Thursday 29th May and Primary Athletics Carnival is Friday 30th May. Notes requesting parent helpers will be distributed early next term.

**Anzac Day March**
Boorowa Central School students are asked to meet in full winter school uniform outside the Courthouse/Post Office at 10.15 am On Friday 25th April if they wish to march with the school in the town ANZAC Parade.

**Primary Assembly & Harmony Day**
The next Primary /Infants assembly will be held this Friday 28th March from 2.30pm – 3.00pm. Kindergarten and Years 2/3 will be presenting an item. All parents and friends are welcome to attend. Students can wear the colour orange, which is a symbol to celebrate Harmony Day. Donations are not required for this mufti day.
Star Students for Week 9

Kindergarten
Name: Audrey Daniels
Favourite Animal: Dolphin
Favourite Colour: Purple
Favourite Beverage: Water
Favourite Music: The songs we sing at school like 'Bob the Kel- pie'
I am Star Student of the Week because...I wear the school uniform.

Year 1/2
Name: Leila Cayfe
Favourite Animal: Pony
Favourite Colour: Pink
Favourite Beverage: Pink slushie
Favourite Music: I don’t like singing or music
I am Star Student of the Week because...I was being good in class.

Year 2/3
Name: Natasha Hagar
Favourite Animal: Dolphin
Favourite Colour: Purple
Favourite Beverage: Apple Juice
Favourite Music: Rock & Roll
I am Star Student of the Week because...I always do all my work.

TERM 1 - WEEK 9
PRIMARY/INFANTS AWARDS

FIRST STAR CARD
Grace Barker  Luke Dean

25 NIGHTS READING
Kaleb Watson  Amber Buckmaster

Bringing Valuables to School—The Department of Education and Communities’ policy is that valuables of any kind are brought to school at the owner’s own risk.
Friday 28th March – Week 9

ALL BCS STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO WEAR ORANGE CLOTHING on the day to raise awareness of this year’s theme: “What belonging really means to you”

A K-12 assembly will be held at 11.20 with a local guest speaker followed by harmony and inclusion activities for the Secondary School until lunch time. The Junior School will participate in in-class activities throughout the day. Secondary students “World Game” soccer match hosted by the SRC Harmony Project Team will be at 1pm.

Students may wear items of orange clothing (at no cost) but otherwise must be in school uniform as this is NOT a general mufti day. WH&S footwear applies.
BCS is celebrating and raising awareness for the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence in the Secondary School through RAGE in week 9. Students will be completing activities that reflect on their experiences and provide advice to their younger selves in a postcard format which will be anonymously displayed on the SRC noticeboard so students can learn and appreciate from each other. Additional activities such as viewing an anti-bullying dance video and learning about five strategies on how to support victims of bullying will also be completed.

Take a Stand Together in 2014.

Our school community is proud to Take a Stand Together for the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence.

Friday 21 March 2014

www.bullyingnoway.gov.au

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Two new series now available in your school library.

**Tomorrow Girls** by Eva Gray

In a terrifying future world, four girls must depend on each other if they want to survive. Louisa is nervous about being sent away to a boarding school -- but she's excited, too. And she has her best friend, Maddie, to keep her company. The girls have to pretend to be twin sisters, which Louisa thinks just adds to the adventure!

Country Manor School isn't all excitement, though. Louisa isn't sure how she feels about her new roommates: athletic but snobby Rosie and everything's-a-conspiracy Evelyn. Even Maddie seems different away from home, quiet and worried all the time.

Still, Louisa loves CMS -- the survival skills classes, the fresh air. She doesn't even miss not having a TV, or the internet, or any contact with home. It's for their own safety, after all. Or is it?

**Boy vs Beast** takes reading to young boys on their own terms.

Because it is like the cards they collect, the TV they watch and the games they play, Boy vs Beast will hook reluctant readers and build their reading skills – and their enjoyment of books.

The two creators, have hijacked the worlds of boys, favourite TV and gaming worlds to create a series of books that will engage and develop the young reader.

In Boy vs Beast, a 21st century boy takes on ancient beasts in battles to defend Earth. Kai Masters, 12 years old, is a Border Guard charged with protecting earth from the unruly beasts of Beastium who try to crash through the border wall. With the help of his robotic dog, BC, Kai learns to battle the beasts and keep Earth safe.

And, with the help of carefully planned pages and stories, our boys develop their reading skills while losing themselves in a story packed with action.

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**ROYAL EASTER SHOW**

Cowra Community Transport will be running a coach to Sydney for the Royal Easter Show on Tuesday 15th April. The only cost will be the show admittance.

The coach will be going via Boorowa and Yass and anyone in the outlying areas are most welcome to meet it at either town and join in. The coach will be leaving Cowra at approximately 6.15am and travelling to Boorowa (7.15am) with a morning tea at Mundoonan.(8.15am) for ½ hr. We will arrive at the Show at approximately 11.30am. The coach will then depart from the showground at 4.00pm dinner at the Goulburn Ex Services Club (approx. 1 hr) and arriving at Cowra approximately 10.30pm at the Cowra Bus Depot.

Costs for admittance to the Show are:
- Adult: $38.50
- Child: $23.50
- Concession: $25.60
- Family: $99.20

Bookings no later than 11th April. For further information contact Barbara or Kiara on 6342 4900 If anyone wishes to join our trip at either Boorowa or Yass we will determine a pick up point on request.

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**Boorowa Soccer Club** will be holding registration days at the Soccer Fields on:

Saturday 29th March from 10am-12pm

Thursday 3rd April from 3.30-5pm

Registrations will be open for all age groups from under 6 to under 17’s

Everyone is welcome to attend the Soccer club’s AGM on Wednesday 2nd April at the Boorowa Recreation Club at 7.30pm. As a community run sporting club it relies on a committee of volunteers to continue to operate so please support your local club and come along so we can keep our local Boorowa Teams. Registrations will also be taken at the AGM.
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In May 2014 the National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAP LAN) will be completed by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAP LAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across 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.

Background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student's right to privacy is maintained.

The NAP LAN tests will be conducted from 13 - 15 May 2014

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In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. In Years 7 and 9 there will be two Numeracy tests: one where a calculator is allowed and one where calculators are not to be used. For the calculator test, the student should use the calculator that they currently use at school.

In 2014, as in previous years, the Writing task will be a single common task for all students. The 2014 Writing test will require students to respond to either a persuasive or narrative Writing prompt. However, the genre of the prompt will not be disclosed prior to the test period.

Wherever possible, schools will organise for individual students who are absent at the time of testing to complete missed tests at another time during testing week. Individual students are not permitted to sit tests after Friday 16 May 2014.

Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if:
- they are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or
- they have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests. Disability adjustments which reflect the student's normal level of support in the classroom may be provided. Large print, Braille, coloured paper versions and electronic tests are available to meet the needs of individual students.

Access to disability adjustment or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school Principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed. Students may be withdrawn from NAP LAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents in consultation with the Principal. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests, a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Please make an appointment with the Principal of the school your child attends if you would like to discuss your child's participation in NAPLAN.

Additional information about NAP can be found at [www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/ParentCarersupport/index.html](http://www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/ParentCarersupport/index.html).