### NAIDOC Commemorations

This year, the particular focus of NAIDOC commemorations has been remembering the contributions of indigenous people in the armed forces and their service in conflicts in which Australia has fought. Our secondary students were privileged to have a visit from Chaplain Ivan Grant, one of the chaplains to the Australian Army. Chaplain Grant, a Wiradjuri man, spoke of growing up in Griffith and the twists and turns his life had taken since leaving school when he felt very directionless and lost. He urged students to take all the opportunities that were offered to them and to work as hard as possible with opportunities. He also advised them to have faith in themselves but also to surround themselves with people who would support them in their endeavours. His was an inspiring story and I am sure that all the students would have gained several important lessons from his speech.

An outstanding feature of the assembly that was held to observe NAIDOC week was the participation of our indigenous language group in a clearing dance and the Welcome to Country in Wiradjuri and English. This group, under the tutelage of Ron Simpson, has worked very hard over a number of months to broaden their knowledge of indigenous culture and language and they undertook their duties last Tuesday with confidence.

Mr Simpson was pleased to be able to inform the secondary students this morning that Chaplain Grant had been extremely impressed with their behaviour during the assembly and with the school as a whole. It is always gratifying to get this sort of feedback from a visitor to the school. Congratulations to our secondary students!

### Education Week/Book Week

Our celebrations for these two events will be combined again this year, during week 4. On Tuesday 5 August, an assembly will be held, to which all parents are warmly invited. The Book Week character parade will be one aspect of this assembly. All students, K – 12, are encouraged to dress up as a book character for the day. 7 - 12 students do not have to participate in the parade. Costumes should comply with our rules regarding modesty and safety. If students are not dressed as a book character, they should be in full school uniform.
UCan Reach University of Canberra Preparation Course

We have recently provided information about this course which may be of interest to some of our readers. *(See later in newsletter)* Two of our former students have just completed the course, which provides them with an ATAR equivalent and the capacity to enrol in a course at UC. I have just learned that Kylie Halls was the dux of her course and earned an ATAR equivalent only 2 marks under the highest possible mark. This is an outstanding result, given that Kylie has been working as well as studying and it has been a number of years since she has undertaken any study of this type. Congratulations, Kylie!

“I completed the “UCan Reach” University preparation course at Young in the first semester of this year. The 14 week course was very enjoyable and gave me an insight of what tertiary study in like. While working through the course I gained confidence and useful skills that I will need to help me at University. I highly recommend this course to anyone who is interested in or unsure about going to University. This is a great place to start”.

Kylie Halls

Students Experience UC Life

Yesterday 40 students from Years 7—10 went to UC to experience life at University and to investigate the available courses.

Students had a great day and were involved in the faculty sessions with UC staff and Aspiration agents. They were able to view the brand new accommodation so life at university looks very inviting.

Trial HSC Exams

Our Year 12 students will complete their Trial HSC exams next week. We wish them all the best of luck at this important stage of the HSC process.

Subject Selection Night

Parents of Years 8, 9 & 10 are reminded about the subject selection evening, to be held in the school library next Tuesday evening. Parents of Years 8 & 9 should attend at 6 p.m. and Year 10 parents at 7 p.m. Students are encouraged to attend. If parents are not able to be with us on this evening and have questions about the subjects and the RoSA and HSC, please contact the school so that we can give you information.

Eligibility and Nominations for Primary School Captains/Vice Captains.

Students in Year 5 will receive a copy of the ‘Boorowa Central School conditions of Eligibility for School Captain/Vice Captains’. Students who are planning to nominate for school captain/vice-captain roles need to read this carefully with their parents and consider the conditions for taking on these important leadership roles within our school. If you have enquiries please do not hesitate to contact Ms Mahoney.

Primary Excursion to Katoomba in Week 10

A number of students in Years 3-6 expressed an interest to attend the Primary Excursion to Katoomba on 17th, 18th, and 19th September. The itinerary looks fantastic; the cost has reduced and will be attached to the final permission note that will be distributed shortly. If parents would like to start paying off the remaining amount of the excursion during the upcoming weeks they are more than welcome and should speak with Ms Wales about a payment plan.

Primary District Athletics

Students selected to represent the school at the District Athletics Carnival in Cowra on the 8th August 2014 have received their permission note and the events that they have been nominated in. The children have had some training sessions during Sport on Fridays (weather permitting) and will continue for the next few weeks. Parents are also encouraged to help students train in their event after school. Travel details are currently being prepared and a canteen list will be distributed when available. Further information can be obtained from Ms Mahoney.

Queanbeyan Arts Festival

Mrs Harpley, Ms Anna Barker and the dance group have been rehearsing diligently to prepare for this dance festival, which is rapidly approaching. Students are congratulated for their perseverance and commitment to this activity and parents are thanked for their ongoing support to after school rehearsals. The group will travel to Canberra on the 31st July and 1st August. If you have any enquiries regarding this excursion please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Harpley.

SMART N DRAMA Evening

This special night will be upon us before we know it. The date is Wednesday 3rd September, which is only 6 weeks away. Staff and students are busily practising their items. Please make a note on your calendar and keep this evening free.

Primary Homework

Homework has recommenced this week for term 3. Students will receive homework each week in some format, for example, stencils, spelling words, speeches, posters or research that needs to be submitted to their classroom teacher at regular times. It is encouraged that you ask your child for their homework so they are reminded to attend to it. Students also have the option to attend the homework centre on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs Harpley.

Secondary Western Athletics Championships

GOOD LUCK to those students competing at the Secondary Western Athletics Championships tomorrow in Bathurst despite weather forecast the carnival will still go ahead.
**REMINDER TO PARENTS**

**MEDICAL INFORMATION FOR SCHOOL RECORDS**

It is imperative that our school records on a child’s medical condition be kept up to date. If your child has been diagnosed with a severe medical condition that could impact on their wellbeing whilst at school than please inform the school admin office immediately so as a suitable response plan can be initiated.

**SAVE THE DATE**

On Wednesday 27th August an evening of information and guest speakers to learn more about and discuss the treatment of bleeding disorders in the Boorowa district and surrounding communities will be held at the Boorowa Ex-Services & Citizens Club. The meeting will commence at 5.30pm for a 6.00pm start through to 8.00pm. For more information please contact James Slade Bleeding Disorders Coordinator The Canberra Hospital on 0481 013 323

**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.

**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.

**WE ARE A ‘SUNSMART’ SCHOOL**

‘NO HAT NO PLAY’

**Want to be an advocate for YOUR COMMUNITY?**

**Want to develop your LEADERSHIP SKILLS?**

**Want to learn about PARLIAMENT?**

If you’re between 12—15 years. You could be a JMP in YMCA NSW JUNIOR PARLIAMENT

Get involved in 2014! Email: shishi.luo@ymca.org.au

Youth & Government

It changes everything
Star Students of the Week

Star Students of the Week - Week 1

Kindergarten

Name: Mylee Taylor
Age: 5
If you were a dinosaur, which one would you be? Tyrannosaurus Rex
What are the 3 things that children like the most? Playgrounds, friends and games.
What will you be doing when you are 20 years old? I'll be at home drinking a cup of tea.
If a genie gave you 3 wishes, what would you wish for? A horse, a toy and a music box.

Year 1/2

Name: Tristen Pye
Age: 7
If you were a dinosaur, which one would you be? Tyrannosaurus Rex
What are the 3 things that children like the most? Art, playgrounds and Christmas!
What will you be doing when you are 20 years old? I will be a zookeeper.
If a genie gave you 3 wishes, what would you wish for? No homework, a pet bunny and lots of Lego.

Year 2/3

Name: Amber Buckmaster
Age: 8
If you were a dinosaur, which one would you be? The one with really fast legs...
What are the 3 things that children like the most? Art, no homework and Easter.
What will you be doing when you are 20 years old? I will be a zookeeper.
If a genie gave you 3 wishes, what would you wish for? A pet dragon, a pet kitten that never grows up and a best friend who is just like me.

BOOK CLUB REMINDER

ALL ORDERS AND PAYMENTS ARE DUE NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 1ST AUGUST

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## July/August 2014

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### Boorowa Bushrangers Junior Rugby League

**Major Fundraiser for 2014**

Would you like the opportunity to win?:

* 4 nights at the world famous Sea World Resort & Water Park on the Gold Coast for two (2) adults and two (2) children.
* unlimited entry to Sea World, Warner Bros Movie World and Wet 'n' Wild Water World,
  * a $200 Caltex Cash Card
* $100 credit for food and beverages at Sea World Resort and Water Park (the winner will have 12 months to use the prize and it can be used over the school holidays!)

For tickets ($2 each) call Marg Abbey on 63851394

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### Canteen Roster

**TERM 3 WEEK 3 2014**

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### State Water Wyangala Dam Fitting and Machining Apprenticeship

see Mrs Sue Dwyer for more details
Dear Parents,

The Active After-School Communities program is a national initiative that provides primary school children with access to free sport and other structured physical activity programs in the after-school time slot of 3.30pm to 4.30pm.

The program aims to engage traditionally inactive children in sport and other structured physical activities and through a positive and fun experience, develop a love of sport that inspires them to join a local sporting club.

**WHAT IS OFFERED:**
- Primary aged children are invited to participate in one hour of physical activity at Boorowa Central School Hall on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays commencing **Week 2 Term 3 2014**, continuing until **Week 9**.
- Free afternoon tea for all children who participate in this structured physical activity
- Registered and highly trained coaches
- Fully Supervised by a Teacher from Boorowa Central School

**COST:** $0 no cost involved

**ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE:**

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If you are interested in your child/children participating in such a fantastic opportunity please fill out the permission slip below and return to Boorowa Central School.

*Please note that children are to be picked up promptly at 4.30pm from the Boorowa Central School Hall. In addition please indicate any medical issues that need to be forwarded to supervising staff on permission note below*

**Active After Schools Community**

I, .................................... give permission for my child/children, .......................................................... to participate in the Active After Schools Community to be held weekly at Boorowa Central School Hall.

**CHOOSE ONE**
- I will pick-up my child at 4.30pm
- OR    My child has permission to walk home after

My child/children will attend (Please Circle):

- Monday session
- Tuesday session
- Wednesday session

Please indicate any medical issues that staff need to know in the space provided:

Signed ………………………………………………………   Date ……………………………………….
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AFS Bathurst Student Exchange Open Day
Saturday August 2nd
Interested students and their families are invited to attend on Saturday 2nd August from 11.00am at the Bathurst Public Library to find out more about the different AFS exchange programs.
An AFS student exchange is all about excitement. New countries. New friends. There are heaps of countries to choose from. If you want to experience something new, take the leap and join the hundreds of young Aussies who head overseas with AFS every year. Interested students will be given the chance to meet overseas AFS exchange students volunteers and AFS returnees.

Saturday 2nd August
11.00am-1.00pm
Bathurst Public Library
70-78 Keppel Street Bathurst

Want to gain access to University?
Free for Australian Citizens, New Zealand citizens and Australian permanent residents.*

As a follow-up to last weeks notice we wish to advise that classes will commence on Tuesday 5th August 2014. Past students have had great success by gaining entry to University through this path. For information on classes and courses or how to apply either by distance education or online please contact the University of Canberra College on the contacts listed below.

Contact: University of Canberra College
Email: ucanreach@canberra.edu.au
Phone: 02 6201 2961

*Excluding the Student Services Amenities Fee (SSAF): www.canberra.edu.au/student-services/fees/ssaf

Enjoy a Night at the Theatre
Boorowa Central School Canteen Roster
Term 3 2014

Can’t do a day? Please organize a replacement
Parents who wish to volunteer for canteen duty please contact either
the school office or Marie Martin or Samantha Pye in the school canteen.

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