DIARY DATES
Secondary Swimming for Sport will finish this week

Infants Swimming will finish week 8.

School Council AGM
10th March - Admin Building
Please consider joining this worthwhile school and community group. Nomination forms available at the front office

Primary League Tag/League Gala Day
Wednesday 20th March

Primary Cross Country
Friday, 27th March

SCHOOL FEES
All Elective fees must be paid by the end of Week 8. All other fees must be paid by the end of Term 1. Thank you.

Science and Engineering experts
Last week a group of year 10 science students came second to the 2014 NSW state winners in the Science and Engineering challenge. Again being placed ahead of larger regional schools our team was able to effectively solve a range of practical problems.

Facebook and Twitter
Our school has launched Facebook and Twitter pages to increase communication to parents. Regular postings about programs operating and student success will be generated each week. While not replacing the newsletter, this form of media will allow the school to share more photos and information about activities. Comments will be monitored in line with the Department of Education and Communities Social Media Policy and Procedures and laws governing use of social media.

Thank You P&C
Thank you to all members of the Parents and Citizens Association who stood for positions this year. President Kim Blomfield, Secretary Sharon Hinds, Treasurer Gail Grimson are the executive for 2015. The group approved a number of resources that will significantly assist students in class and for their recreation. As we receive these we will share them in the newsletter.

Working Bee
The P&C will be holding a Working Bee on Sunday the 22 March from 8 am. We will be tidying up the grounds preceding the Election following the completion of our canteen refurbishment. All are welcome.
Fun at the FETE

Our school Fete will be held on Saturday 28th March - State Election Day. There will be a selection of stalls for your enjoyment. Private stall holders are encouraged to attend at a $10.00 site fee.

The homemade cake stall is always a winner so please Mums and Dads, a donation of homemade cakes would be greatly appreciated. Please remember to list your ingredients to comply with government regulations. Also home made jams and pickles are most welcome. We all know how popular these are with everyone.

A donation of plants for our plant stall are again most welcome. Maybe our garden club members have some thoughts on this.

If you have any good ideas for a stall PLEASE feel free to share them with us. We are always open to new ways to increase the profit of our school fete.

Let’s not forget the children so we will need some great ideas for rides, games or stalls for the them.

A message from Anne Willis – Home School Liaison Officer

Family Holidays & Travel

From the beginning of 2015, families can no longer apply for an exemption from school for family holidays and travel. Parents/carers are asked to consult with the school about travel during term time and complete an Application for Extended Leave-Travel. The application must be completed before departure for travel.

If the application is approved you will be provided with a Certificate of Leave-Travel. An application form can be collected from the school office.

Application for Exemption From School

Parents and caregivers may still apply for exemption from school attendance due to exceptional circumstances e.g., health of child, employment in the entertainment industry and participation in elite arts or sporting events.

An exemption form can be collected from the school office.

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.
STAR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

NAME: Kirsten Piper
AGE: 5
CLASS: Kinder
FAVOURITE THING TO DO AT SCHOOL: painting
WHY I RECEIVED STUDENT OF THE WEEK: I was good and did hard work
WHAT I WANT TO BE WHEN I GROW UP? A doctor

NAME: Nate Hirsch
AGE: 7
CLASS: Year 1/2
FAVOURITE THING TO DO AT SCHOOL: Play games
WHY I RECEIVED STUDENT OF THE WEEK: I have been doing good reading
WHAT I WANT TO BE WHEN I GROW UP? A worker like my dad

NAME: Jade Moon-Anderson
AGE: 7
CLASS: Year 2/3
FAVOURITE THING TO DO AT SCHOOL: To do Art
WHY I RECEIVED STUDENT OF THE WEEK: Because I was working hard when Miss Downey always looked up
WHAT I WANT TO BE WHEN I GROW UP? A vet
Boorowa Remembers

Many new titles that relate to this important ‘Commemoration of Anzac’ year have been purchased to add to the library collection at Boorowa Central School. Over the next few weeks I will include reviews of these titles in to the newsletters and hope our students will enjoy reading these excellent books to help them gain an extra insight into some of the different experiences of war and remembrance relating to Australian in World War One.

Memorial by Cary Crew and Shaun Tan

To care, to remember, to respect. This is a story to help us all remember. ‘When soldiers return in 1918, a memorial tree is planted….Lest we forget. But generations later, what do those who pause in the shadows of the tree’s immense branches remember? The wartime recollections of three generations are centred on a memorial tree that is in danger of being destroyed by the local government. Told to the youngest member of the family, their experiences do not focus on the conflict or valour of war but its affect upon themselves and those in their community.

To the young boy, it becomes important that the living memorial be preserved from neglect and oblivion. Memorial is written by Gary Crew to serve as a reminder of the lessons to be gained from the past and examine the significance of conservation, respect, and remembrance.

Soldier Boy by Anthony Hill

On 28 June 1915, young James Martin sailed from Melbourne aboard the troopship Berrima – bound, ultimately, for Gallipoli. He was just fourteen years old. Soldier Boy is Jim's extraordinary true story, the story of a young and enthusiastic school boy who became Australia's youngest known Anzac. Four months after leaving his home country he would be numbered among the dead, just one of so many soldier boys who travelled halfway around the world for the chance of adventure. This is, however, just as much the story of Jim's mother, Amelia Martin. It is the heartbreaking tale of the mother who had to let him go, of his family who lost a son, a brother, an uncle, a friend. It is about Amelia's boy who, like so many others, just wanted to be in on the action.

My Fathers’s War

Annie's Dad has been away for two years fighting on the Somme battlefields in northern France. For months there has been no word from him, no letters or postcards. Annie and her mother are sick with worry so they decide to stop waiting and travel to France to try to find out what has happened to him. This is one of our very popular novel collections in the My Australian Story series.

The Gallipoli Story

takes young people on an unforgettable and tough journey deep into the heart of war. The author digs past the myths to explore the lives and choices of the men- soldiers, politicians and generals alike who found themselves caught up in a battle fought far from home.

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SCHOOL CLOTHING POOL DONATIONS NEEDED

Our school clothing pool is in need of replenishment particularly sizes 6 to 10. If you have any of these sizes no longer of any use to your child and are in reasonably good condition please consider our school clothing pool as an alternate solution.

P&C AGM REPORT

On Tuesday night we held our AGM & am very pleased to announce we have some new members our 2015 committee consists of -

President: Kim Blomfield
Vice-President: Teresa Campbell
Secretary: Sharon Hinds
Treasurer: Gail Grimson
Fundraising co-ordinator: Janine Hagar
Catering co-ordinator: Gail Grimson & Janine Hagar
Canteen co-ordinator: Sue Wales
Canteen Supervisor: Samantha Pye

We will be selling show bags at the Boorowa Show this Saturday so come along and support by buying one for your child or coming to help sell them for an hour at the show, the show bags are a great hit at the show and more workers make it a more enjoyable day for everyone, contact Sam on 0447096114 if you can come help!

Also we have decided to have a "working bee" on Sunday the 22nd March from 8am meeting at the outside basketball courts at the school, I encourage all parents, grandparents, students to come along with gloves, where barrows, shovels, whipper snippers and secateurs, we would like to tidy up some garden beds spread some mulch and do some edging and freshen the school up so PLEASE ... ... give a couple of hours to give a hand, there will be light refreshments provided! If you are available please contact the office on 63853009 or myself on 0408696104 or just turn up!!

Don’t forget the mini fete on Election Day at the school Saturday 28th March there will be many stalls to look at and things to buy if your interested in having your own stall all it costs is $10 for a spot and contact Sam on 0447096114 to secure you a place!!

And lastly the P&C decided on what to purchase for the school with the "wish list" we are happy to say everything that was asked for has been granted!!!

Here is a brief outline to show you what the P&C will be purchasing for your children’s school.

#The Electronic Information
Sign
# numeracy kits
# printing on honour boards
# hockey sticks
# Ipad tech tubs
# readers for k-2
# flower tables for infants
# merit scheme vouchers for students

# k-2 new chairs
# senior study chairs
# greenhouse for ag plot
# softfall for playground
# sand for sandpit
# mulch for gardens
This totals approx $20,000 we will be spending

We also made a decision that each Year 12 class will be given $150 from P&C to purchase decorations, invitations, cake etc., for their formal so students don’t need to worry about fundraising and can concentrate on their studies, the P&C have a great range of table decorations, lights and chair cover combinations so that each Year 12 can have a beautifully decorated formal!

Next meeting Tuesday May 5th 7pm. Hope to see you there.

Kim Blomfield President P&C


**Boorowa Anglican Debutante**

Ball is to be held Saturday 16th May 2015 All interested debs please contact Jody Robinson 0429853260 or Greta Campbell 63853368 A.S.A.P.

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**Boorowa Bushrangers Junior Rugby League**

Registrations for the 2015 season can now be done online (returning players).

You will shortly be receiving an email from our club containing a link to register.

Cost is $60 for the season... AND if more than one person in your family joins you get a $5 discount per person.

For more details contact:
Ange Canellis- 0417744615 or
Leah Wales- 0400323059

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**Stephanie Alexander Garden Recipe Book**

Thank you to the parents who sent in recipes to go into the proposed Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Scheme Cook Book.

Unfortunately we did not receive enough recipes to compile a cook book. We will endeavour to publish the recipes we received in the newsletter throughout the year.

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**Cricket Information**

Under/11’s
Boorowa Gold v Boorowa Green at St Joseph’s school ground this Saturday at 8.30am

Under/14’s
Will play at Rec Ground at 8.30am

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**Issue No.2 Scholastic Book Club**

Orders due back to the school office no later than **Monday 16th March, 2015**.

Catalogues have been given out this week to all Primary classes. There are some wonderful books in the catalogues and at times they have great prices as well. If you would like to order books as a gift for a child for Christmas and do not want your child to collect your order please attach a note to your order and we will contact you when the books arrive.

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To help minimise our costs we hope that you will choose to have your newsletter emailed instead of being sent home in paper copy form. Please fill in the attached request form with your name and email address if you are happy to receive your newsletter in this format.

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**PLEASE EMAIL MY NEWSLETTER REQUEST FORM**

Name: ________________________________ Class: ________________________________

Email Address: ________________________________

Signature: ________________________________ Date: ________________________________