Principals Message

Firstly, I would like to wish Mark Hurtz all the very best in his move to Alstonville Public School. Mark has been successful in obtaining an incentive transfer and will commence at his new school day one term two. Mark has been a great asset to the school and will be missed by all. Mark has been a positive influence to our school and community and his three years in Boomi have been positive ones. I would also like to welcome Gerri Oates to Boomi Public School as she has been successful in gaining her incentive transfer to Boomi. Gerri is joining us from Garah Public School and will be the K/1/2 teacher starting next term.

Our Bike Safety Day, Stranger Danger and Cyber Safety talks all went very well yesterday. The children really enjoyed the workshops, doing fingerprint samples, looking throughout and sitting in the police car as well as showing off their bikes. Many thanks to our local policeman Michael Woelk for coming to help out as well as Police Youth Liaison officer Megan Wynn from Moree. Megan made the comment before she left that without doubt Boomi PS is the best school she has been to in her role as Youth Liaison Officer she was very impressed with the manners, behaviour and enthusiasm. Some bikes went very close to be given ‘defect’ notices so no doubt some of you have heard from your children of what works needs to be done to make some of the bikes safe. We had around 35 bikes and scooters at school which is a great response and effort by all.
I encourage all students to attend the Boomi ANZAC Day Service on Friday the 25th April. Students are asked to wear full school uniform and meet at the telephone booth in the main street at 10.45 am ready to march. The children will have a variety of work on display for all to come and look at. This is a very important day and it would be great to see the majority of students in attendance. For any information about our students and ANZAC Day please contact the school. Particularly any new families to the school who may not be sure what takes place in Boomi for ANZAC Day.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a great holiday and Easter break. Friday will be the last day of term one and term two will commence on Tuesday the 29th April.

Please don’t hesitate to contact the school if you have any concerns. Kind Regards Mick Collins

GOODBYE
Farewell to Miss Thomas who will also be leaving this term. Thank you for your efforts over the past term.

Mark & Emma will be leaving on their new adventure this weekend >>> To say farewell to Mark & Emma come to the Hotel on Friday at 6.30pm and have a couple of drinks with them.

BOOK CONTRIBUTION The school supplies the majority of books, stationary etc. This is covered through the school book fee of $50 per child or $90 Family. It would be appreciated if this fee could be paid before the end of the term please.

 STEWART HOUSE DONATION DRIVE
All families have received an envelope for the Stewart House donation drive. This is a very worth while charity and the prize is a great one. Hundreds of NSW school kids benefit from this program every year. Please return this week.
SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY
The Boomi School Cross Country will take place on Friday the 9th May commencing at 2pm. Students selected to go on to the next level will be required to travel to Gravesend on the 23rd May.

GRIP LEADERSHIP COURSE YR. 6
Year 6 students will travel to Moree to attend a leadership course on the 7th May. More details will be sent home early next term.

OUTBACK SCRIPTURE
The annual visit from Outback Scripture will take place on the 6th May.

LIBRARY
Infants have library on Tuesdays and Primary have library on Wednesdays. As the end of term is nearly here could all library books please be returned. Borrowing will start again in Term 2

SCHOOL BANKING
Students are able to conduct school banking each week. This takes place on a Tuesday. If you would like to open a Commonwealth Bank Dollarmite account for your child please contact the school. Forms are available from the office. Please fill them out and return them to the office. A deposit book will be sent to your address from the Bank. The children can then start banking. A Bonus interest rate of 3.9% applies if you make just one deposit and no withdrawals each calendar month on top of the standard rate. There are no fees on these accounts.

The school gets commission from all new accounts opened as well as weekly banking. Deposits are banked direct to account through internet banking. To get the higher interest rate on these account children have to make one transaction a month.

SPELLING GROUPS
Congratulations to Jack Bornholt and Chantal Tuohy who have moved up spelling groups recently.
HOMEWORK/ HOME READERS
These are required back each Friday.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

PRIMARY
Congratulations to Lilly and James for always completing their set work each day.

INFANTS
Jasmine for always using her manners and Jett for making a big effort in Maths

COMING EVENTS 2014
TERM 1
End of Term Friday 11th April
TERM 2
Monday 28 April for teachers
Tuesday 29th for Students
End of Term Friday 27th June

TERM 3
Monday 14th July First day for Teachers
Tuesday 15th July first day for students
End of term Friday 19th September
TERM 4
First day of Term 7th October
end of Term 17th December for students.
Reminder notes

**SCHOOL FRIDGES**
The school has two fridges for students to use and put their lunch and recess in if required. I would really appreciate if you remind your child to put their lunch etc. in the fridge if they have food that requires refrigeration. *The school does not supply plates, spoons etc. so please send these in with your child if required.*

**UNIFORMS**
Anyone wishing to purchase uniforms please see Donna Adams 02 67535302. *Polo Shirt-$28, Jackets$40, Jumper $44, Library Bags $10*

**ABSENT NOTES**
If your child is away please remember we will need a note explaining the absence when returning to school. These notes can be sent to school in advance if you know they will be away before the event.

**BUS TRAVEL**
If your child is not catching the bus as per usual for some reason please let the school and bus driver know. This is particularly important if your child is going to the pool after school, has swimming lessons or dance lessons etc.

**SCHOOL HATS**
*It is a requirement that students wear a wide brimmed hat to school. Each child has had their name put in the hat. We will not be giving any more free hats out. Any hats required from now on will need to be purchased from Donna Adams for $10.*

Narrabri West Public School Horse sports day
Friday 13th June
P&C RAFFLES
Thankyou to all who donated prizes and to those who came along on Friday night.
It was a great night and raised approx. $750 to help subsidise the excursion.
Ruth Hickson

CONGRATULATIONS
Congratulations Mark on getting your transfer to Alstonville, I would like to wish you and Emma all the very best. It is with much excitement that I have also received my incentive transfer to Boomi as of the start of Term 2. I am looking forward to working with the staff, students and wider school community of Boomi. Have a great break over the school holidays and I shall see you next term.
Cheers
Gerri Oates

CHILDRENS TENNIS LESSONS
We have been fortunate enough to be able to secure a 4 week block of tennis lessons with Connor Sloss at the beginning of next term depending on numbers. These would take place on a Thursday with a cost of $20 per lesson to be paid up front. If anyone is interested in their children having tennis lessons please ring Gerri Oates on 0428535276 or email her on oatsie8@bigpond.com.

Thank you to Mick and Mark for allowing the children this opportunity during school hours.

EASTER POOL Hours
Sunday 6th April the pool will be closing at 5:00pm due to Daylight Savings finishing.
Winter hours at this stage will start Monday 28th April.
Winter hours will be 9:00am to 12:00pm then 2:00pm to 5:00pm.
BOOMI CO-OP NEWS
The Boomi Store will now be open between 11am and 5pm on Saturday and Sunday commencing this weekend.
CLOSED FOR EASTER – FRIDAY 18TH, 19TH, 20TH
REOPEN MONDAY 21ST at 11AM to 5PM
Tanya and the Shop Staff Wish a Happy Easter to all customers.

MOTHERS DAY TENNIS AND AGM
Sunday 11th May 11am for AGM and tennis.
Bring lunch, cook mum a BBQ to say Happy Mother’s Day and have some fun playing a game or two of tennis.
All Welcome. Sam Hickson

ANZAC DAY
March
The Boomi ANZAC Day March will commence at 11am. All those marching including school students are asked to assemble at the post office at 10.45am. Could children please wear their school uniform.
Catering
Boomi has an outstanding reputation for its catering on ANZAC Day thanks to the wonderful food donated each year. Again this year we ask all those attending to please bring a plate of sliced meat, a salad and slice to contribute to our wonderful banquet. Children’s food will be provided. As always it is greatly appreciated!!
Working Bee
We will have our working bee on Thursday 24th April @ 9am to set up the hall.
A clean-up will be held the following day @ 9am. Any help on either or both days is greatly appreciated. EVERYONE WELCOME!!
Any enquiries please phone Sam Hickson 67535314 or Laurie Carrigan 67535230

BATS 2014
Presents: ONCE UPON A CRIME
Friday August 22nd  Saturday August 23rd
Friday August 29th  Saturday 30th
Friday September 5th  Saturday September 6th
Ticket Bookings for cast Sunday 28th July
Open to public Monday 28th July at 9am
**WANTED TO BUY**
One adults second hand pushbike in good condition
(It will be ridden on the road). If you have one you are not
using anymore and wish to sell it please call
Gerri on 0428 535276.

**ANGLICAN CHURCH**
Church of England Easter Service
Thursday - 17th April at 3pm
All very welcome

**CATHOLIC CHURCH**
There will be no Mass at Boomi on the second Sunday April 13\(^{\text{th}}\) 2014.
Following is the Easter times for Mungindi, Boomi and Garah

**HOLY WEEK / EASTER CEREMONIES**
**ST JOSEPH'S PARISH MUNGINDI**
(together with St Patrick’s Boomi and Our Lady Help of Christians Garah)

- **HOLY THURSDAY** – evening MASS (of the Lord’s Supper) at 6PM

- **GOOD FRIDAY** – CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S PASSION at 3PM
  (STATIONS OF THE CROSS - BOOMI AT 10:30 AM)

- **HOLY SATURDAY** – EASTER VIGIL at 6PM (Mungindi)

Easter Sunday Mass at Boomi and Garah will be at the usual Sunday Mass Time
BOOMI at 8.00AM - Garah at 10.00AM

If you wish to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation you can do so after Mass on Holy Thursday
- before and after the Good Friday Service
- before Easter Vigil Mass if necessary (from around 5.30 – 5.50pm)
Boomi and Garah people will have the opportunity before Mass on Easter Sunday.

**THANK YOU**
Thank you to Rick & Di and everyone who supported the
raffles held on 28\(^{\text{th}}\) for the Boomi Catholic Church.
We are attempting to raise funds to paint outside of the church
and to do some re stumping. Thank you once again the Boomi Catholic Church community
MOREE ON A PLATE
One of our region’s premier family days out, Moree on a Plate is this year turning 10, and to celebrate there is a huge range of entertainment and fun for the whole family to enjoy.
For the little ones Kids Korner will again be a stand out, featuring an animal petting zoo, craft stations, face painting and plenty of fun and dancing.
Bubble Muffin will be a special guest at this year’s event. All the way from Melbourne these children’s performers will conduct a number of energetic and fun interactive cooking demonstrations, highlighting the benefits of healthy eating.
Advocating healthy eating in a fun and entertaining way, this Melbourne duo has performed Australia-wide and we are very excited to welcome them to the Moree community.
The day will of course also feature a range of entertainment for the big kids too, with Celebrity Chef Alastair McLeod conducting cooking demonstrations, live entertainment, a Blokes on the Barbie local cook-off and of course delicious food by producers from across the North West.
Don’t miss this great day out, Saturday May 3, Moree Secondary College, Albert Street, 10am – 4pm. $2 entry fee.

Ladies, come and be spoiled- join us for
HIGH TEA at “Barra”

On Sunday the 18th May at 10 am

- RSVP Annette 12th May 0267535326

Children welcome

Cost-$20 'All proceeds will aid in buying supplies for an Australian regional Medical Team which will be travelling to Uganda later this year to work in Villages and Watoto Orphanages.'