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### School Assemblies

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### 3 Way Conversations/ Parent Teacher Interviews

- **Tuesday 14th** *(1.00pm finish for students on this day)*
- & **Wednesday 15th** June

Bookings will be open Friday 27th May @ 9am.

### Funds Raised through Music on the Mount

With all bills paid, we can now announce that the Music on the Mount event has raised just over $11,000. This is a fantastic result and once again we thank all those who played a role in organising or supporting the event in any way.

So how do we intend to utilise these funds? The bulk of the money will be used to purchase a stage. This is something we would use for special events such as the Story of Buninyong performance, concert practice, Music on the Mount, Japanese Festival Day performances, the School Fete & some assemblies. We will also use some of the funds to purchase a class set of guitars at Buninyong and assorted instruments at Scotsburn.

### End of Day Arrangements

At the end of each day we have teachers on duty outside to supervise until 3:45pm. Students who have not been collected by 3:45pm are asked to come into the office foyer to wait for their parents. This is purely for the safety of these students and we trust that parents who are running late won’t mind coming to the office to collect their children.

### 2017 ENROLMENTS

Enrolments are now open for 2017.
If your child has a younger sibling that you wish to enrol for 2017, please call into the office for an enrolment form.

Enrolments close on June 24th.
Whole School Assembly
This Friday we have a whole school assembly at the Buninyong campus. Students will meet in the courtyard at the start of the day.

Casserole Dinner – Save The Date
We would like to invite all families to bring along a casserole to share on Tuesday 21st June from 5.30pm. These nights are always supported wonderfully well and enjoyed by all. This evening will also be a great opportunity to wish Mrs Murphy well as she makes her way towards motherhood.

Quantum Excursion
Our excursion to Quantum is on Friday June 3rd. As we are required to be there by 10am, the bus will be leaving at 8am. We will be returning to school by 3.15pm.

Prep Surveys
A friendly reminder to please return the Prep surveys. The last day is this Friday.

Wood For Sale
We recently had some trees cut down around the school grounds. The trees have been cut up to various sizes and will be great for next year’s firewood. Please see Shaun if you would like to bring in your 6x4 trailer to fill it up for $60.

Thank you
Two of our parents, Sarah and Trudy, again generously gave up their time and shared their expertise with our Grade 5+6 students in the recently completed H&HR program. In true style and organisation, the ladies successfully delivered the program to very excited students. Well done to everyone involved in the program and to those who survived being ‘egg parents’ for a week. Many thanks goes to Sarah and Trudy!

ABC Awards
P/1 – Riley Turner
2/3 – Ivy Kirby

Grade 5 Camp
The Grade 5’s had the most brilliant time at camp last week. They participated in activities such as the high ropes, archery, initiative games and much more. Special thanks to Ms Morris who also attended the camp with the students. I’m sure they all enjoyed a good night sleep when they returned!

Gymnastics
The P-2 Gymnastics Program has now finished. The students had a wonderful time learning new skills and being active. Special thanks to Mrs Murphy for all of the organisation and the many parents that supported the children throughout.

One Door Needed
If anyone has a spare sturdy and lockable door that we could have to put on the rotunda it would be greatly appreciated. Please see Shaun if you do.

Lost Property
There are quite a few unnamed jumpers in the old building. If you are missing one, please drop in and collect it this week. On Friday they will all be taken down to the Buninyong campus and added to the second hand clothing pile.

Monday Rotations
Our next rotation for the term will be on the 30th May. Our groups will be doing the following:

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<td>Group 2 Naomi/Moore</td>
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Term 2 - Lunch Order Roster
Lunch orders need to be collected from The Buninyong campus at 12.40pm.

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Term 2 - Important Dates & Extra-Curricular Events
Buninyong Kinder Visit – 30th & 31st May
Grade P-6 Quantum Excursion – 3rd June
Ambulance In Schools Program – 9th June
Reports go home – 9th June
Queen’s Birthday Holiday – 13th June
3 Way Conversations – 14th & 15th June
Scotsburn Working Bee – 19th June (10am)
Official Opening of Shed – 20th June (9am)
Scotsburn Casserole Dinner - 21st June (5.30pm)
Term 2 Finishes – 24th June
Term 3 Starts – 11th July

Cooking Donations
If anyone has an Electric frypan, tea towels or spare aprons our cooking program would benefit greatly from them.
**Reporting and Parent Teacher Interviews Process – Term 2 2016**

At the conclusion of Term 2 all students will receive a written report on achievement followed by an opportunity for families to be involved in a 3 Way Conversation for students in Yrs 3-6 and Parent Teacher Interviews for students in Foundation – Yr 2, which provides a chance to reflect on learning goals and plan for the future.

**Reports go Home-**
Thursday 9th June

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**Parking**

A friendly reminder when picking up and dropping off students. Please be careful to always park in appropriate and safe parking spaces. Be courteous by not parking in driveways, bus zones or footpaths. The school has been notified by City Council that they will be monitoring school parking and issuing traffic infringement notices.

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**Illegal Parking Around Schools Endangers Young Lives**

Don’t double-park, or stop in pedestrian zones, bus zones or on footpaths.

North Sydney Council supports this Pedestrian Council school safety initiative.
General Information
After spending a fantastic week on camp with the Grade 5’s I’ve realised how important camps are. Our kids were amazing and seeing them grow in confidence, support each other during challenging activities and using their manners (without being asked) was simply amazing! Thanks to the parents, integration aides and parents for their help and organisation. Since then I’ve been thinking about the impact of anxiety and how it can cripple even the most confident of children. Please see info below....

Link of the week

Community Support
Calling for anyone with tinned goods to help support the Ballarat Soup Van. If you can donate tinned fruit, vegetables and / or soup with a pull ring you can leave them in Josh’s office and we will donate to the soup van for their winter appeal.

Thanks to Amber Coleman for kick starting this process!

B+ Program Fortnightly Theme—OPTIMISM
This fortnight we have been concentrating on OPTIMISM. The next family group assembly on the 27th May will focus on being OPTIMISTIC. Mindfulness sessions in the BER at lunchtime Fridays everyone welcome!
Japanese Question of the Week:
Term 2...week 7

Name this Japanese cartoon character:

Place your entry in the box at the office with your NAME & GRADE
(we are getting lots of entries with no details, you must include these so we can enter you in the weekly draw, and mark your name to see if you enter 10 times or more for the year)
REMEMBER: anyone who enters 10 or more times for the year will receive a prize!

LAST WEEK’S WINNERS:
Design your own Tokyo 2020 Olympic Logo:
SPENCER STEWART 1RS & GRACE DAVIDSON 6BB
Federation University students pass on their Sports Skills

On the 3rd and 12th of May, over 60 students from Federation University passed on their sports skills with many of our students. The 2nd and 4th year Sports Coaching students focused on the development of fundamental motor skills within common sports. The coaches worked with small groups, rotating every ten minutes, to expose our students to a range of sports.

The range of skills taught were from many indoor and outdoor sports, including: basketball, netball, football, soccer and tennis. It was a pleasure to observe our students learn, develop and have fun with capable and experienced coaches. It is a credit to the coaches and the Fed Uni lecturers as they were well prepared, provided clear instructions, gave specific feedback, allowed ample practice opportunities and set challenges. Their professional conduct was admirable.

Buninyong PS thanks Federation University for their continued support and Nev Down, lecturer in Sports Coaching, for co-ordinating the successful program.

Mr Morgan

Kid’s Play # 4 by Dr Barbara Chancellor

“Developing, delivering and maintaining innovative natural play spaces within public open spaces enables children to make connections with nature.”

Barbara is a Lecturer and Researcher at the RMIT University School of Education specialising in early childhood education and development. You can hear her speak at the Friends of Buninyong Botanic Gardens annual Winter Luncheon on 18th June. Information and booking enquiries to info@buninyongbotanicgardensfriends.org.au or contact Karen Hulston on 5341 3947.
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*Reports go Home* – Thursday 9th June

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**BOOK COVERING**

We are desperately in need of some help to cover library books and will be holding a Coffee and Cake morning in the staffroom for anyone who would like to help. We are unable to keep up with the many books and are desperately in need of some help, and we also have boxes of books that haven’t been catalogued yet.

No experience necessary, Kath will give a short “How to” lesson.

All contact has been cut to size for each book.

If you are unable to attend but would still like to cover some books please contact Kath in the Library.

**COFFEE AND CAKE MORNING**

*When:* Tuesday 31st May

*Where:* In the Staffroom

*What time:* between 9.00am and 11.30am
ICAS Testing – One Last Chance

A number of parents have approached the school hoping to get a late entry into the ICAS testing program. We have decided to open entries for one more week. Entries must close on Friday 27th May.

Please complete and return with correct money by Friday 27th May.

THE ICAS BOOKING SHEET IS ON THE LAST PAGE OF THIS NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents

Learning is lifelong. However, now is the time your child most needs you to help them learn, grow and reach their full potential, and ICAS can help you do this.

The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) is an independent, quality skills-based assessment program which rewards and recognises achievement. ICAS gives you broad insights into your child’s performance across English, Mathematics, Science, Digital Technologies, Spelling and Writing. ICAS (sometimes referred to as the UNSW assessments) has been developed by Educational Assessment Australia (EAA) since 1981.

When your child takes part in ICAS assessments, we can track their learning as they progress from year to year. It also helps us to focus our teaching more purposefully to ensure all students achieve their best.

Each student receives:
- an engaging and challenging full-colour test booklet
- an individual diagnostic report highlighting strengths and weaknesses and year to year progression
- login details to access their online results which can be analysed and downloaded
- a High Distinction, Distinction, Credit, Merit or Participation Certificate acknowledging their level of achievement
- the chance to receive an individually-engraved UNSW medal for the highest scoring student in each year level for each subject.

Help your young ‘spelling bee’ succeed

The early years set the stage for lifelong learning. From 2016, Year 2 students will be able to sit an ICAS Introductory Spelling paper. This paper will help your little ‘spelling bee’ succeed by measuring their spelling ability and, importantly, identifying very early in their schooling where your child may need some extra help. This paper is the only Spelling paper available in advance of Year 3 NAPLAN testing.

The decision to introduce a Year 2 Spelling paper is based on 30 years’ experience in school assessments, which have allowed EAA to identify some common difficulties that children face in Year 3. This paper will help every child get the best start.

You can learn more about common spelling problems faced by Year 3 students and the new ICAS Year 2 Spelling Paper at: www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas/spelling-introductory-paper

To learn more about ICAS go to www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas/about Remember, EAA has some very helpful tools to help your child prepare. You can access practice assessments at www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas/preparation

To enrol your child in ICAS, please complete the registration form overleaf and return it, with your entry fees, to the school no later than:

FRIDAY 27th MAY.

Kind regards,

David Young
Assistant Principal – Teaching and Learning
2016 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)

Permission Form

Please return this form to your child's school

I give permission for my child, __________________________ of __________________________

Child's name  Class

to participate in the following 2016 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS).

Please select the subjects you would like your child to enter:

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**TOTAL**

Students must sit on the official sitting date for each subject to be eligible for UNSW medals. However, your school may choose to sit at another time to fit in with other school activities and routines.

Please find enclosed total entry fee. __________________________

Amount

Name of Parent/Guardian __________________________  Date __________________________

Signature of Parent/Guardian __________________________