COMING EVENTS:

APRIL
Thurs 2nd—Bowenville SS Cross Country
Tues 21st—P&C Meeting
Thurs 23rd—Quinalow & District Cross Country

MAY
Fri 1st—Softball Carnival
Fri 8th—Bunya Cross Country
12/13/14 NAPLAN
Mon 25– Eisteddfod
Tues 26 - Eisteddfod

JUNE
Tues 16th-School Photos
Fri 26th—Bowenville SS Athletics Day

JULY
Fri 7th—Bunya Athletics
Thurs 20th—Touch Football Carnival in Dalby

AUGUST
Fri 17th—Netball/Soccer at Quinalow

SEPTEMBER
Fri 30th—Cricket Carnival

Principal’s Message:

End of Term 1
We have ended our first term as a one teacher school and we are in good stead for the rest of the year. The P&C and parents have been very supportive and the great atmosphere at the school continues on. The new students and parents to the school have only positive comments to make about the school, and the great students we have.

We are on a journey this year to implement a few new strategies, and as this term has been setting the ground work we will be calling on people to help get things moving in term 2. The big focus will be reading, with a call out to parents and community members to read with students before school, and work with students in reading groups during the mornings. The second is that we will take some time to develop and put together the Kitchen garden. This program is a fantastic opportunity, and now that all staff are trained in the program we will be able to set some clear targets for progress. Again we will need help to run the program although the focus is on students learning to grow and prepare healthy meals. We need the expertise that exists within the community to back the program and support the garden or kitchen parts. I have it on good authority that there are a few parents and members of the community that know how to cook, and grow things, so it will be a big learning curve for students and me also.

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Our school team is working extremely well. We have all been busy developing and implementing some of the new strategies for this year. Kim has been flat out with ekindy, and Kitchen Garden training as well as doing her usual work and playgroup. With the advent of new programs, we have had staff pick up other jobs, Pete has started to help plan for the kitchen garden, Tami will be starting on the footpaths to help with painting and Amanda has taken over the gardening, Kim’s expertise that exists within the community to back the program and support the garden or kitchen parts. I have it on good authority that there are a few parents and members of the community that know how to cook, and grow things, so it will be a big learning curve for students and me also.

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Cross Country
Don’t forget the cross country is scheduled for April the 2nd at 9:00 am to start. We hope that all can be there and will need a few people to help with manning posts and supporting the event. It is a normal school day and with the weather unusually warmer or possibly wetter than expected it may be an idea to plan for any eventualities. Thanks to Karen for the tuckshop again, and all those who will be helping out on the day.

Softball Carnival
The softball carnival was cancelled due to the rain on Thursday night. The fields would have been too wet to start the day, but did dry out over the course of the day. We will be rescheduling the Softball carnival for the 2nd of May, the second week of term 2. This is a great event and it would be a shame to drop the day off the 2015 school calendar. Thanks P&C for catering again.

Tuckshop
I would like to take the time to thank Karen Smith for putting on tuckshop last week. She gave up her day to provide lunches for the students at Bowenville. It is the selfless commitment to the school like this that makes this a great place to work and a fantastic place to send your child. Thank you Karen.

See you back on Monday 20th April.

Michael Sutton.

This week’s students of the week have shown a high level of behaviour and are incorporating the ideals of Respect, Safety and Learner into their weekly lives at school. Kelly for Respect, Emerson for being a Learner and Stella for Safe play.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS:

Playgroup:

Playgroup will recommence Wednesday 22nd April. Please bring a piece of fruit to share and a hat. Gold coin donation. All enquiries to Kim Welke—kwell4@eq.edu.au

Book Club:

Thankyou to everyone who has ordered Book Club.

eKindy:

P & C News:

More help is still needed to run the chip van at the Brymaroo Rodeo on Easter Saturday evening. Thanks to those who have already offered their time. Main help is needed from 5.00pm to 9.00 pm. If you can help, please contact me on the number below.

Thanks to Karen and Brianna for running tuckshop last Friday and Tomorrow in response to the Softball carnival being postponed. Please contact Karen 0407 765646 or me if you feel you would like Tuckshop to continue this year and can commit some time to help out.

Please note the change in P & C meeting dates. They will now be held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be held on 21st April at 7.00pm.

(Note winter start time)

Have a happy and safe Easter.

John Hensel 0429 92 42 92  jdhensel@bigpond.com

P & C President

THANKYOU

Thankyou to Irene McCaffrey for her lovely donation of Easter Eggs for the students.

TENNIS LESSONS
Tennis Lessons in 2015
At the Bowenville SS
Lessons for all ages & standards
Friday mornings before school
Contact Club Professional
Ben Campbell
M: 0414 645 916
(enrolment form attached)
e: faultless@samford.net
If you would like to sponsor our Newsletter for 2015 please contact the school office or email amorg140@eq.edu.au

Our sponsorship helps with the publication of our end of year school magazine.

The Bowenville Rural Fire Brigade will be having TRAINING NIGHTS on FIRST WEDNESDAY of EACH MONTH commencing at 6pm going for about an hour, just to REFRESH members and fire fighters with various procedures and equipment. This first Training Night is on 4th MARCH at the Fire Shed at 6pm. Come in your work clothes as you may get dirty. This one is about RADIO procedures and will also check out the fire truck. Any interested Community persons and Bowenville Residents are most welcome to come along and see what happens and how things work, it’s YOUR FIRE BRIGADE. If you wish Contact Mat Finch 1st Officer and Training Officer on 0418 194696.