Principal’s Message:

Dear Parents

**Holidays**
I hope everyone has had a fantastic holiday and all students are ready to hit the books again. This term promises to be very busy with camp, cricket and the start of some new programs.

**Focus for the Term**
We will continue to focus on the three main areas of our improvement agenda, Reading, Attendance and Community Engagement. A forth area has started but will come into play in 2015, Behaviour.

We need to make sure every child is attending school every day, as there is a direct correlation between attendance and student results.

Reading has been highlighted through the NAPLAN results as an area we need to move on. The reading results of students are not consistent with other areas. As time progresses this term, you will be hearing about the school reading program. This is not a quick fix, but a long term approach that has shown results over time, get involved.

The start of the Kitchen Garden program, championed by Stephanie Alexander, has started. The initial stages will be working out a final goal, and stepping toward this. We will need help, this is a big program, which needs help from the community to succeed. Volunteers will be needed to help with cooking, gardening and supporting the development of the program. Anyone interested please let us know.

Behaviour, our great kids need to be rewarded for this, but in a way that is consistent with the school policy and school communities understanding. The 3 Be’s are the core of our behaviour practice and will drive the system. The students have started work on the behaviour matrix, and we hope to expand on this over the term.

**Our School**
We are continually putting forward the positives this school has to offer. The small school environment is one that offers many rewards for students. The closeness with which family and school operate is one such benefit. If you feel that you know of someone whose children would benefit from this supportive environment, and believe their child should have a rich curriculum, encourage them to enrol at Bowenville SS.

**Pre-prep**
The dates will be finalised soon for the pre-prep program. We are looking at 4 mornings in November with a strong focus on involvement, and information.

Michael Sutton.

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**Soccer/Netball Carnival**

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P-3 News:

Welcome back!

Hopefully we are all well rested and ready for the last stretch of the year. It will be a VERY busy term with loads of fun learning to come. We will be working hard to get all assessments finished for our report cards at the end of the semester.

In English, we have been looking at character descriptions in poems, including their personal and visual representations, attitudes, feelings and values.

In maths, we are still looking at time but will continue revising counting, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division as warm-ups each lesson.

No homework for this first week of school!
Have a great week!

Ronel and Kim

Playgroup:

PLAYGROUP THIS WEEK—Playgroup on Wednesday 8th October. 9am-11am. Please bring a piece of fruit to share. Please remember to send in your orders from the Parent Direct or Chalk Catalogues. We will be sending these this week.

Thanks Kim.

P & C News:

It’s hard to believe we are now already on the last run home. I hope everyone had a safe and refreshing break, and are looking forward to a successful term.

We have been asked to help at the Brymaroo Campdraft in the canteen this coming Sunday morning 6.00am to 10am. We will receive $400 to the P&C for our efforts. In the past, the Brymaroo Rodeo Committee has been very generous in letting us run the chip van at the Easter Rodeo. So this time, to assist them, and our school, please let me know if you can help.

Our major fundraiser for the year, running the food stall at TADOMS (old machinery) rally at Oakey is less than three weeks away, starting Friday evening 24th, Saturday 25th and Sunday 26 October. Set up will be on Friday morning. Part of the funds from this will help subsidise the cost of students attending Tallebudgera camp. The stall has in the past been very profitable and is a big commitment. We will need all parents, carers, and supporting community members to help out over the week end. There are jobs for everyone including serving, taking money, preparing food, cooking BBQ and chips, restocking fridges and supplies and running for more stock, plus having fun working as a team for the benefit of our students. Please keep this weekend free and consider how you can help. There will be a commitment form sent home soon.

If anyone can help with coaching the students for the Cricket Carnival on 7th November please see Michael or myself - Have a good week.

John Hensel 0429 92 42 92
P & C President

TUCKSHOP:

NO SPECIAL THIS WEEK
Thursday 19th October—
NEW—Banana flavoured milk

Tami Mears—Tuckshop Convenor 0428 385122
PITTSWORTH 10TH ANNUAL CRAFT & FINE FOOD SPECTACULAR

BUS TRIP

Saturday 11th October 2014

Also visiting local gardens, the heritage museum and McKinlay’s Nursery

Departs: Thomas Jack Park Dalby 7.30am
with pickups at Bowenville, Jondaryan & Oakey

Cost: $50 includes morning tea, museum entry and comfortable coach travel

Lucky seat prizes, raffles and competitions. Fundraising for the Bowenville Park History and Heritage Association.

Bookings by 6th October to:
Karen on 0407 765646
Bridget on 0407 922186

BOOK EARLY... DON’T MISS OUT!
Dear School families,

Coming up soon is the P&C’s major fundraiser – catering for the Toowoomba and District Old Machine Society (TADOMS) rally at Oakley Showgrounds from 24-26th October. Funds raised by the P&C provide resources and opportunities for YOUR children, and this year funds will be put towards covering the majority of costs associated with students in Years 5-7 attending Tallebudgera camp.

Your support of the P&C’s efforts is valued and greatly appreciated. Please indicate how you can help and return form to school by **Friday 17th October**.

For more information please contact Karen Smith on 0407 765646

THANKYOU!

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**FAMILY NAME:** __________________  **CONTACT No.** __________________

We can provide the following homebake:

(eg slice, cake, scones, biscuits. Notes: do not need to be wrapped. Please supply ingredient list.)

We can help with preparing and serving food at the following times (please tick when available):

**Friday:**
- Setup from 1pm:  □ No. of persons ____ (3-4 helpers needed)
- Evening meal:  □ No. of persons ____ (3-4 helpers needed)

**Saturday:**
- Breakfast  □ No. of persons ____ (3-4 helpers needed)
- 8am to 11am  □ No. of persons ____ (6-7 helpers needed)
- 11am – 2pm  □ No. of persons ____ (6-7 helpers needed)
- 2pm – close  □ No. of persons ____ (4-5 helpers needed)

**Sunday:**
- Breakfast  □ No. of persons ____ (3-4 helpers needed)
- 8am to 11am  □ No. of persons ____ (6-7 helpers needed)
- 11am – 2pm  □ No. of persons ____ (5-6 helpers needed)
- 2pm – packup  □ No. of persons ____ (5-6 helpers needed)

**Donating items** we will use is an alternative way to show your support if you can’t help in other ways. Items needed include: 2L bottle tomato sauce; 2L bottle bbq sauce; 1 small pkt gravox; 2 jars of strawberry jam; chux wipes; bottle spray and wipe; bottle of dishwashing detergent; cans softdrink. Please indicate here items you could donate __________________
Junior Cricketers & Parents.

NOMINATION FORM 2014/2015 CRICKET SEASON.

Once again cricket season is fast approaching with plans underway to have the first fixture game after the school holidays on October 18th.

To arrange teams, nomination forms must be completed & this year we are holding a Sign on at the Dalby Cricket Grounds at Owen Street on Saturday 11th October from 9.30am to 11:00am. Come along & sign up on the day or confirm your interest in playing.

Nomination fees of $50 per player include all costs including ground, insurance & ball fees. Discounts for Families

All players are graded so requests for children to play down is given consideration in all cases.

Junior cricket is for all players enjoyment so every endeavor is made to give everyone equal opportunities. Parents are also welcome to become involved & enjoy a Saturday morning with their children.

For More Information please call Scott Cosgrove on 0447 177 678 or Tim Hart on 0408 910 557 or Visit the Sportfirst Store in Dalby

All welcome – So see you at the Sign On 11th October.