Term 4 – Week 3

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School Garden – First Prize!

Our School garden has won First Prize in the Barham/Koondrook & District P.A. & H. Society Annual show. This is a fantastic achievement and we all deserve a pat on the back, well done!

Excursions

Our Sydney Excursion

Last week was an amazing experience for our Yr 5/6 students, who joined with Moulamein and Wakool/Burraboi on their Sydney excursion. It was a week jam packed with a variety of exciting opportunities, with many ‘firsts’ encountered along the way. For a significant number of our students it was a first aeroplane ride, a first multiple night stay away from home, a first visit to the ocean, a first ferry ride, experiencing the rough and smooth waters that such a ride has to offer, a first live theatre experience at The Sydney Opera House, an appearance on the Sunrise Morning Show for a few and on The Morning Show for many, first attempts at kayaking, a flying fox and the high ropes and all the fun of Luna Park to complete a jam packed week.

Each of the instructors at The Sydney Academy commented on the willingness ‘to have a go’ and the cooperative behaviour shown by our group. They learnt the value of team work in ensuring safety, encouragement of others to assist them in reaching their goal, and endurance – especially in reaching the top (of a wall, a rock face, a flight of stairs or a lighthouse walk).

The camp provided opportunities for all students to push themselves beyond their comfort zones and the pride felt following such achievements was very evident.

There were a multitude of photo opportunities along the way which will be shared.

A huge thank you to the accompanying staff: Mr Marsh, Miss Hughes, Miss Bitti, Mrs Brumby and Miss Smee (Barham High School Year 7 Year Adviser for 2015), for helping to make the excursion such a positive experience for all. It was a long and tiring week but a week made very worthwhile by the smiles, the ‘thank yous’ and the excited faces of our group. It was a great week.

Sue Radywonik

Borambola

The Year 3 and 4 excursion to Borambola is only 2 weeks away. Please complete and return any outstanding notes and money as soon as possible.

 NSW State Athletics

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Whilst in Sydney for the excursion, Tatum Boyd also participated in the 11 Years Shot Put event on Wednesday, 15th October. Tate threw a personal best and placed 23rd out of the 39 competitors from around the state in the event. Congratulations, Tate.

Write On competition

Congratulations to Matt Miller who has been awarded a Bronze Award in the WriteOn competition, which is the annual writing competition for NSW students in Years 1 to 6 run by the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards.

At the end of last term, experienced teachers on the WriteOn judging panel selected 17 gold, 14 silver and 19 bronze
winners from the 470 entries received from around the state. The names of the winners have been published on the WriteOn website at http://writeon.bos.nsw.edu.au/winners.html. An anthology of the students’ writing will be available early next year from the eBos Shop Online. Well done, Matt.

Year 6 Transition
Our Year 6 students will be participating in a 3 day Barham High School transition program this term. Mr Glenn Buchanan and Miss Fiona Smee have visited our school to outline the program, which will take place on Tuesday, 28th October, Tuesday, 4th November and Monday, 10th November. More details to follow.

Head Lice
There have been reports of head lice within the school and we remind parents to perform a comprehensive check of your children for signs of head lice. This includes all students, even those who have been away in Sydney on excursion.

Kindergarten Orientation
Kindergarten Orientation will be held in K/1 Red’s classroom on these dates;  
Tuesday 28th October from 9a.m. -11.30a.m.  
Tuesday 4th November from 11.30a.m. - 1.30p.m.  
Monday 10th November from 8.30a.m.-3p.m  
We look forward to welcoming all our 2015 kindergarten students.

P. & C.
The Parents and Citizens Annual General Meeting was held on October 14th at 7pm. The attendance at the AGM was disappointing and due to the low numbers, the executive positions remain largely unfilled. The P & C will hold another AGM on Tuesday 11th November at 7pm. Please support your children by supporting the P & C and come along on the 11th November.

First Aid-
Thank you to all the people who attended last week’s First Aid course. It was great to be able to run this with such great numbers.

Thank you to Julie Frankling & Brooke Hollins for organising the supper, and the families who made the wonderful food. It was much appreciated by the participants who hadn’t had a chance to eat dinner.

If there are still people who missed out and are keen to do the course, please let me know and I will see if we can run it again. Rich River First Aid offer a great continuous learning program so we’ll be all lining up next year to do our updates. Thank you for supporting the P & C

Melissa Boyd - 0400174513

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**Canteen Roster**

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**Koondrook Tennis Club - Juniors**

Tennis practice for Junior pennant players will start Wednesday 22nd at 6.00pm and for non pennant juniors it will commence Wednesday 29th at 5.00pm – 5.45pm.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact Helen Guerra on 0448147299.

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**Junior Netball**

Junior netball has been cancelled and will not be continuing due to summer sports starting up. See you all again next year.