Here come the hens

Student of the Week
Mrs Corke’s class
Week 1 – James T – completing set tasks and a positive attitude.

Mr Faulkner’s class
Week 1 – Mabel B – showing initiative and a positive attitude.

Home Reading
25 nights – Dani K, Daryl G,
50 nights – Ethan B, Colby B, Austen B, Julia C.

Here come the hens.
Big thank you to Mr & Mrs Hoswell and to Mrs Alcom who have provided us with hens for our chook yard. The “ladies” took possession of their new apartments last week and are enjoying getting to know the Bbong kids and their new environment. The hens are just another part of our KARES (Kids Acting Responsibly for their Environment at School) that also includes our worm farm, paper product recycling program, compost station and the Tootie Fruity garden and kitchen. Prior to starting our KARES program we measured the waste that we collected each week and discovered that we were taking over 3 full large bins (900L) of rubbish to the tip each week. We now take just one 1 bin to the tip full of refuse we are unable to currently recycle.
P&C news

Jemalong Polo Dinner Fundraiser
As you know, the P&C catered for the Jemalong Polo Tournament dinner during the holidays. Thank you so much to everyone (families, grandparents and community members) who participated in making this dinner an excellent fundraiser for our school and kids. Thank you for the generous donations of ingredients/utensils, money and time, much appreciated.

Hot Food
Hot food will commence next Monday, 13th May. The same food will be on offer as has been in previous years. We ask that the students bring their orders in on Fridays, with money in a paper bag, so the orders are ready to go on Monday morning.

Pricing;
Small Pies: $1.00
Sausage Rolls: $2.00
Large Pies: $3.00

To enable hot food to be available this term, we are asking for parent help.
Please see roster below;

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Many thanks
Margot

BPS Cross Country
Congratulations to all of our kids who participated in our x-country trials last Friday. Although we used this event to select a squad to participate in the Lachlan District Carnival, we amended the course so that everyone was able to participate including some very eager Kindergarten students.
We conducted 400m, 2000m and 3000m events with the longer events being the selection trials. I’d like to make special mention of the following students who were successful and have now been nominated to compete in Forbes at the District Carnival on Friday 24th May. 8/9yrs 2000m- Ryan P, Sam S, Campbell R, Julia C, Charlotte B and Harriet P. 10yrs 2000m- Daniel S, Sean D, Jasmine P, Jacinta McM and Clementine S. 11yrs 3000m- Harry A, Laura P and Brooke McM. 12yrs 3000m Henry E and Mabel B. All the best to these kids as they represent our school in Forbes.
**Student Absences**
A reminder to parents that an absence note is required when your child is absent from school. The Education Act 1990 requires you to explain your child’s absences within seven days of their occurrence. If an extended or planned family event is planned you are able to apply for an exemption from Attendance at School. This is available for a limited number of days each year and does not count as an absence against your child.

**School Photos**
School photograph forms went home yesterday. This year there is the option for families to order online. Please refer to the form for details. If you are going to use the usual method and return the envelope with payment and details we would appreciate the forms being returned to school before 24th May so that we do not have to chase up forms on the day that the photos are due to be taken.

**ANZAC Day**
Thank you so much to those families who were able to support us commemorate ANZAC Day at the Forbes march. It’s great to see that we still have a commitment to this occasion that is such a large part of our community identity. It was also wonderful to have Julia and Will’s grandfather join us for the march - a very special opportunity for the kids.

**NAPLAN**
A reminder to parents that students in years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will sit the National Assessment Program in Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) next week. The event is conducted over 3 days from Tuesday to Thursday.

**Library News**
We still have some overdue library books from last term. Please check with your child to ensure they are regularly borrowing AND returning books from our library.

**School Disco**
It’s on again. Bedgerabong Public School will be hosting a small school disco on Tuesday 4th June at the Bedgerabong Hall from 6.30-8.30pm. Cost: $3 per child or $5 per family. This will cover entry, some light refreshments, and some treats as prizes for enthusiastic dancers. Entry is restricted to enrolled K-6 students from our small schools network. Please remember to fuel your kids up with some dinner before they come to the disco.

**Small Schools Sports**
An early reminder for everyone, especially our new families of the Forbes Small Schools Sports Day that will be held at Forbes Primary School on Friday June 7th. It caters for all students Kindi to year 6 and this year we’ll also have a preschooler race and try to reinstate the parent teacher relay. As with the swimming, parents are required to provide transport for their children to and from the event. Also a heads up in regards to parking restriction at the front (Lachlan St) side of Forbes Primary School- if you are parked there after 2pm you will get booked. Best to park across the road near the bowling club or to the lake end of Lachlan Street.

**Talent Quest**
Yes- it’s back. The 2013 Bedgerabong’s Got Talent will be held at school on Friday 28th June. In order to be able to manage the time we have available, this year we’re asking that students consider being in no more than 2 acts. There will be an audition day on Friday 14th June so that we can help the kids get ready for their performances. Have a chat with your child to see which one of their talents they would like to share with us on the day. Mums, Dads, brothers and sisters are welcome to be involved as well.
**Tootie Fruity**

Tootie Fruity commenced term 2 in full swing. The pricing structure will be the same as this term. If paid all at once it will be $54 for the term and if paid by the week it will be $8 per week. If you are having trouble early in the term paying the entire lot then pay by the week until week 4 and then pay the remaining $34 in week 4.

There are still chutneys available for sale at school.

**Curried Sausages**

12 thin sausages, 1 onion – sliced, 2 carrots – chopped, 2 potatoes – diced, 1 tbs Worcestershire sauce, 1 tbs tomato paste, 1 tbs massaman curry paste, 1 cup pumpkin soup, 1 cup coconut milk
2 cups frozen peas/com mix

Method

Slice cooked sausages. Cook carrot, onion and potato for 2 minutes. Add curry paste, Worcestershire sauce and tomato paste. Cook 2 minutes, add pumpkin soup and coconut milk. Add sausages and peas and corn. Simmer for 15 minutes. Serve with rice

**ANZAC slice**

1 cup (90g) rolled oats, 1 cup (220g) brown sugar, 3/4 cup (65g) coconut, 1/2 cup (110g) plain flour, 1/2 cup (110g) self-raising flour, 125g butter, 2 tblsp golden syrup, 1/4 cup (15g) shredded coconut

Method

Preheat oven to 180°C. Lightly grease an 18cm x 28cm slice pan. In a large bowl, combine oats, sugar, coconut and sifted flours. Heat butter and golden syrup in a small saucepan on low heat for 1-2 minutes, until butter has melted and mixture is well combined. Make a well in centre of dry ingredients. Add butter mixture and combine well. Press firmly into prepared pan using base of a glass. Sprinkle with coconut. Bake for 20-25 minutes, until golden. Sprinkle with coconut. Cool completely in pan and cut into slices when cold.

**Creamy Chicken and Pumpkin Pasta**

300g butternut pumpkin, peeled, cut into 3cm pieces, 250g cherry tomatoes, halved, 160g penne pasta, 2 tsp olive oil, 250g lean chicken breast fillets, fat trimmed, thinly sliced, 1 medium red onion, thinly sliced, 1 garlic clove, crushed, 1 tbs cornflour, 375ml can evaporated skim milk, ¼ cup (20g) finely grated parmesan cheese

Method

Preheat oven to 220°C or 200°C fan-forced. Line a baking tray with baking paper. Place pumpkin on prepared tray and lightly spray with oil. Bake for 20 minutes. Add tomatoes and bake for 10 minutes or until pumpkin is lightly browned and tomatoes soften.

Meanwhile, cook the pasta in a medium saucepan of boiling salted water, following packet instructions, or until just tender. Drain.

Heat oil in a non-stick frying pan over medium-high heat. Add chicken and cook, stirring, for 5 minutes or until lightly browned. Transfer to a plate. Add onion and garlic and cook, stirring, for 5 minutes or until softened. Return chicken to pan.

Blend cornflour and a little evaporated milk in a jug. Stir in remaining milk. Add milk mixture to pan and bring to the boil. Reduce heat to low and simmer, stirring occasionally, for 3 minutes or until sauce thickens slightly.

Add the pasta, olives and roasted pumpkin and tomatoes to the sauce. Toss gently to combine. Serve pasta sprinkled with cheese

**Crunch’n’Nut Brownie**

Melt 125g butter and 1 cup sugar in a saucepan or microwave till thick and bubbly. Remove from heat add 1/3 cup cocoa and beat well, cool slightly. Add 2 eggs, ¾ cup SR Flour, 1 tsp vanilla essence and ¼ cup walnuts, fold until combined. Pour into pan. Bake in moderate oven (180°C) for 20 minutes. Ready when just firm in the centre. Cool and cut into squares.
**Bedgerabong Rec Grounds Trust**
A Trivia night is planned for Saturday 18th May 2013. $10 per head, table bookings of eight or single tickets to be put on a combined table are available. Fundraising for Hall, Show and Race Club to help offset Power accounts. More information phone Ian Simmonds 6857 2129.

**Bedgerabong Show meeting**
Next Show meeting Thursday 16th May at 7pm in the Hall. Thank you, Nina

**National Families Week**
Free Movie Night to be held on Friday 17th May. First Movie “Rise of the Guardians” will commence at 6.00pm with “The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel” screening at 8.00pm in recognition of National Families and Volunteers Week.

**Bedgerabong playgroup**
Playgroup will begin this Monday 13th May from 10.00am to 12 midday. Contact Anita Cantwell for more information on 68964281

**Bbong Alive**
The next Bbong Alive will be Tuesday 28th May.

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FREAKY FACTS

“The Muppet Show” was banned in Saudi Arabia because one of its stars was a pig.
Virginia Woolf wrote all her books standing up.
Before the 1960’s, men with long hair were not allowed to enter Disneyland.
The King of Hearts is the only king in a deck of cards with a moustache.

Giggle Spot

Q: How do you make a banana milkshake? A: Jump out and yell, BOO to the banana

Q: What did the lettuce say to the celery? A: Quit stalking me.

Q: What did the apple say to the bug? A: Stop bugging me!!!!!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“We are what we believe we are.” - C. S. Lewis

Happy Birthday to these recent and up coming party goers.

2 May  Dani K
19 May  Jack J
12 May  Emily T
25 May  Ethan B

Upcoming Dates for your Diary

14 May 2013  NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5
15 May 2013  NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5
16 May 2013  NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5
22 May 2013  Cowra Eisteddfod
23 May 2013  LCCC- Starlight Bbong Hall
24 May 2013  Lachlan PSSA x-Country
29 May 2013  School Photos
28 May 2013  Bbong Alive
4 June 2013  Small Schools Disco
7 June 2013  Forbes Small School Athletics Carnival

2013 school term dates

Term 1  29-1-13 - 12-4-13  Term 2  01-5-13 - 28-6-13
Term 3  15-7-13 - 20-9-13  Term 4  8-10-13 - 20-12-13

Mr Faulkner
8 May 2013