Dear parents, carers, staff, students & extended family members,

A quick newsletter this week. Enjoy the read!

Many thanks to our mums, dads and grandparents, boys and girls who have given generously to our Easter raffle already. Thanks! All money raised from this activity will pay for internet licences for students—such as Scholastic online reading programs; reading eggs; maths, science and touch typing programs. If you do not like raffle tickets return them to school—no problems. We ask you to return them so that we can recycle them for the next raffle. Donations of chocolate Easter eggs will be gratefully accepted by Mrs Compton in the library. We rely on your wonderful donations of Easter eggs, cellophane, baskets and ribbons and will be gratefully accepted. Thank you for your anticipated support of this event. We look forward to another great Easter raffle.

As is the tradition at Bargo Public School, we would like to extend an invitation to all grandparents (and grand friends) to attend our Easter Hat Parade and Cross Country Carnival. Reserve this date on your calendar!

Easter Hat Parade (9.30am) and Cross Country Carnival (12 noon) Thursday, 2nd April

Start thinking about hats both for the children and for yourself- come along in the spirit of the day!

With Mr Kellaway moving on to a new school, you may feel that you are not hearing enough about our sporting achievements and planned activities. This week at Monday’s assembly, new members of the Bargo Swimming Team received their caps. Congratulations!

Parents, did you know that from year to year, we have a number of sporting agencies approach us to try their sport. This year we have been approached by Country Rugby League and we have accepted their generous offer. Mr Hockey, via the classroom teachers, has invited seven girls and seven boys from each grade 3-6 to play in the Razorback Legends 7-a-side. Razorback Legends is the name Country Rugby League is using for this tournament. It is not related to Razorback PSSA sport. I think we might have some confused students with the use of the Razorback name, hence my explanation.

Gala day notes will be coming home for other sports soon. Our Gala day sports this year are: Netball, soccer, AFL, and possibly hockey, T-ball and touch. Razorback PSSA never runs a rugby league competition as there is too much red tape. Congratulations to all students who have already commenced work on completing this year’s reading challenges - as over-all administrator I can see who is reading and who is not. As discussed in last week’s newsletters all students are encouraged to participate in the Premier’s Reading Challenge which is coordinated by Mrs. Compton in the library. Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 parents sit back and rest as the class teacher does all of the reading and logging on for you and your children. You just need to listen to your children reading their home reader each night, (it might be the same book for a few days because we want them to practice their reading so it sounds like they are talking). The reader should be easy to read, because your job is to support the love of loving to read. At school the students are reading harder books because it is our job to teach them to read. Enjoy building a love of reading each night.

Year 3, year 4, year 5 and year 6 parents sit back and monitor what is happening with regard to your child reading and logging on. Mrs Compton will teach your children how to log on to PRC via the DEC portal and how to log the book they have read. This can be done from home or school. There is a list of books students are encouraged to read for each grade and they are available from our library. You just need to check your children are reading each night, (it might be the same book for a few days because they are reading novel), a good skill to learn now in preparation for High School. Enjoy building the skill of perseverance of reading each and every night.

At our school we also encourage students to participate in our MAD (Mum and Dad) Reading program, which the P and C supports each year. (Mums and dads there is a little bit of doubling up with these two reading programs, but in the end any thing which works to encourage children to read is worth having a go at.) We also encourage parents to listen to students reading for the first ten minutes of each day. Pick a class, any class, knock and enter, at 9.15 to hear a student reading. Remember to sign in as you can win morning tea on us.

This month’s in school MAD (Mum and Dad) Reading program, winning parents are:

❖ Mrs Coughlan
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See what happens when you read at Bargo School ;)

Teachers, Parents & Community Caring for Children, Educating for Life”
All heads were checked last week by me for head lice as head lice has been causing enormous concern & frustration for some parents and teachers alike. I am pleased to say that you are starting to win the war. I handed out notes to children with active head lice & to children with old dead head lice for a final clean up. Thank you for working with us & for doing your best to eradicate this pesky bugs. I will conduct another blitz on HEAD LICE this term. Remember it is as easy 1.2.3.

Step 1: Every Tuesday night parents stop & check each child's hair for lice, from the baby to the adults in the family.
Step 2: Should you find head lice…. PLEASE treat your family's hair, brushes, combs & bed linen on Tuesday night.
Step 3: Notify the school on Wednesday morning, so that I can advise all families to take extra precautions.

Some simple solutions include:

♦ tie your child's hair up — both boys & girls
♦ spraying your child's hair with hairspray, making it much harder for the nit to attach to the hair shaft
♦ spraying Tea Tree oil in the lining of the school cap—nits don't like the smell.

Have you checked your children's hair today?

You are winning another war, that is the Lost Property war. When I checked the lost property box this week, we had 12 drink bottles and 1 coloured sloppy joe and 4 lunch boxes. Sadly, they did not have names on them or had an ex-students name on it. Every other item did. YEAH!! All clothing made their way home to their families!!!! I also checked every hat in the school and everyone was wearing their own. YEAH!!

Please help us to help you! by ensuring that everything your child brings to school is clearly labeled with the family name. Pre-loved items need to be relabeled with your family name. Those items with no form of identification are placed on the Lost Property Box in the canteen area.

Mums, dads, grandparents and friends we are currently asking for donations for year 6 students who are planning to create some pencil tin holders for their first fund raising event. The monies raised will go towards their farewell.

♦ empty, washed tin cans
♦ bric brac such as fabric offcuts, lace, ribbon, beads, fancy threads, found in your craft supplies or available from the $2 shop

On behalf of year 6, thank you in anticipation of your support!

Parents of year 6 students it is important that all ‘Expression of Interest High School 2016’ is completed and returned asap, whether they are seeking placement in a public school or a private school in 2016. If you do not return the paperwork, year 6 students will be without a place for year 7.

Finally, a few reminders for students who travel on the bus. Again, on the whole most children travel carefully while on the bus. However, a few do not. Please remind your children that they MUST sit down for the entire journey. They must keep their bags and feet on the floor. Children are not permitted to change seats, to poke, hit or tease other students from our school or other schools who travel with us.

Enjoy the term ahead, aim to learn something new every day and be as active as you can be in our school! Please chat with your children on a daily basis about notes relating to information about meetings, curriculum, excursions, school events, sport, welfare issues or celebrations of success!

Anne Bunga
Principal

Notes to be returned via the silver collection tin

Please look for these notes which have been sent home & return as soon as possible, placing the correct money (if necessary) in the envelope & place it in the silver security tin at the rear of the administration block on a Monday, Wednesday or Friday morning.

♦ 2016—2018 Kindergarten enrolments
♦ Spare, unused glasses for our charity this term

Notes are also available from the Bargo Public School's website.

JUST google Bargo Public School & open the calendar tab after reading the front page for the details of where to find the note.

Notes are also available from SCHOOL STREAM—free phone app.

Go to forms> select FORMS> complete the detail & select the permission note form the drop down menu. > submit & phone credit details through.

Cheques should be made out to Bargo Public School. EFTPOS is also available. Please refer to the note for details about making payments.

Thursday is banking day

Last week the banking mums were delighted as they had 78 students bankers. Now they are aiming for 100 banking students.

Are you banking at school? Don't forget to submit your tokens for some really cool prizes!
Each year we run workshops to meet the needs of parents with strategies to enhance parents’ current understanding of education. This year we are asking you to tell us what you want to learn more about. We need at least 10 parents to attend to run the course.

Tick the topics or add to the list any topics you would attend either during the day or of an evening:

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Please return this survey to the silver tin!