Quote for the Week

*Dream on... Dream until your dreams come true*
*Dream On, by Aerosmith*

Sincere thanks to all our parents and carers who have been involved in planning meetings for their children so far this term. It has been really exciting to hear about all the fantastic achievements that your children have been making so early in the year and the goals that have been set for the remainder of the year. Our staff continue to have very high expectations for your children and their potential for what can be achieved during 2016 and we thank you for your ongoing support, assistance and partnership in striving toward achieving these goals.

*You may say I'm a dreamer*

*But I'm not the only one*

*I hope someday you'll join us*

*And the world will live as one*

*Imagine by John Lennon*

Student Health

We have recently had several cases of Gastro in the school. Should your child show symptoms of vomiting, diarrhoea, headache or fever please keep them home from school. Students can return to school 24 hours after all symptoms have passed. Please remember to contact the school and let us know that your child will be away. Don’t forget that diligent hand washing with soap can greatly decrease the risk of passing germs to others.

2016 Calendar

**March**

16  P&C Meeting 10am  
20  Bunnings B.B.Q. - Sunday  
22  NDIS Information Sessions  
     2pm and 6:30pm at Bullimbal  
25  Good Friday  
28  Easter Monday

**April**

2  Family Fun Fair 5-8pm  
6  Family Assembly 10:30am  
6  P&C AGM 11am  
8  Last Day of Term 1  
25  ANZAC Day  
26  Staff Development Day  
27  Students Resume Term 2

**May**

2  Family Assembly 10:30am  
8  Bunnings Cake Stall - Sunday

**July**

17  Bunnings B.B.Q. - Sunday

**September**

4  Bunnings Cake Stall - Sunday
Meet Abbie the Yabbie and Bob the Craw-bob with Class 4

**Family Fun Fair**

It’s On Again!

**Family Fun Fair**

- Book a Stall
- Bring the Kids
- Come for BBQ
- Shop til you Drop
- Get a Bargain
- Get your Face Painted
- Go Wild in the Jumping Castle
- Be Entertained
- Something for Everyone

2 April 5-8pm

**Office Hours**

The office is manned from 8:30am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday. Office staff attend the morning communication meeting between 9am and 9:10am each morning and are not available to take your call unless it is an emergency. Please support us by calling either before 9am or after 9:10am.

**School Uniforms**

This term’s uniform order has been sent off and uniforms should be back in a couple of weeks. Come and see Tracey or Tanya in the office for all your uniform needs.

**P&C Day**

On Wednesday this week (2 March) it was P and C Day. It is the perfect time to acknowledge the outstanding contribution that our small but hard working P and C makes for our entire school community. For a number of years our dedicated group of P and C volunteers have donated considerable amounts of their time to support our school and the education of your children. Some of the areas that the P and C have provided support include fundraising; family events; fun runs; fun fairs; boot sales; and catering for school events. I would like to take the opportunity this week to sincerely thank our P and C and volunteers and acknowledge the great work they do in supporting our school and our students’ education. The close partnership that exists between our school and P and C is a very important one that results in numerous benefits for our students. I look forward to further developing this partnership in the future as our P and C continues its wonderful support. Any of our other parents, carers and friends that are interested in becoming a part of this outstanding group please come in and see our P and C president, Katrina Webb, or Tracey or Tanya at the office.

**Easter Raffle**

P&C will be sending home Easter Raffle Tickets early next week. Prizes will be Easter Egg Hampers. This raffle will be drawn at Muster on Thursday 24th March, just before the Easter Holiday. We are still accepting donations of Easter Eggs and/or Easter Bunnies.

**RDA Term 2**

RDA starts back next term for classes 1, 2 and 3. If your child will be participating make sure you have their RDA medical and consent forms returned to school at the start of next term so they don’t miss out.

**P&C Update**

**Action Required**

- Have you returned permission notes?

**Family Fun Fair Saturday 2 April 5-8pm**

**P&C Meeting**

16 March

**BUNNINGS BBQ**

20 March

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Class 5 enters the 2016 Tamworth Super Show Cooking Section

This year Class 5 have been baking biscuits, scones, muffins and banana bread to enter the Tamworth Super Show to be held for the last time at the old Tamworth Showground on Showground Road. Our class has one student, Lachlan who fits into the 13 years and under age grouping while each of our other students fit into the 17 years and under age grouping. Each student has made an item with help to enter the competition.

Making Planters with Class 6

Class 6 have been busy building planter boxes out of old pallets. We are ticking lots of boxes this week with recycling, being green and having lots of fun.
Best Employment to the rescue

We have recently enlisted the support of Best Employment who will soon provide a crew of workers to assist us in developing and maintaining our school grounds. This support from Best Employment will provide some much needed assistance in making our school grounds look as inviting and presentable as they can possibly be. As part of this project our crew of workers will: tidy and weed the school grounds; plant new plants and flowers; establish new garden beds in the vegetable garden; construct fencing for our chicken coup and provide some much needed care and attention for our orchard area. One of our parents, Belinda Taylor, has been volunteering her time to help out in the sensory garden and will soon organise for the rest of her fellow TAFE students to conduct an extensive garden redesign for us. Once this design has been created, Best employment will help Belinda and her team to turn this plan into reality. We look forward to seeing the progress of this project throughout the year. On behalf of our entire community I would like to sincerely thank Anna Cloake and Travis Dixon for assisting us in getting the project off the ground.

COSMIC is coming. If you loved CHAMBRE ROUGE, you will love COSMIC. Entertainment Works Australia will again be entertaining us with their wonderful Dancers and Singers in this Classic tribute to the 90’s, Vegas style show. This year ALL proceeds from this evening will go directly to Bullimbal School. We are raising funds to build an outdoor classroom to support our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program. Please put Friday night the 12th of August on your calendar, get your friends together. Tickets will be $46 each, and will be available from Wests Leagues Club very soon. We will keep you posted.

Anniversary T Towel
There are still some available only $5 while stocks last
Available from the office
Community Notice Board

Personal Helpers 7 Mentors Program

The Personal Helpers and Mentors Service will support people whose lives are significantly affected by a mental health issue.

For details regarding the Personal Helpers & Mentors Program, which is being run by Peel Valley Training and Employment, go to their website: www.pvte.com.au or phone on their free call 1800066992

You can also refer to the full brochure which has been included with this newsletter.

Employment Enablement Package

This program offers support to help you achieve your work goal.
If you are aged between 30 and 55 years, have an intellectual disability, have a work goal, have never had the opportunity to prepare for employment and are not currently being assisted through Disability Employment Service or accessing any formal process for achieving a work outcome, then this program may be for you.

For more information go to:
http://www.adhc.nsw.gov.au/?a=332326

An information package is available from the school office on request.

NDIS Information Session at Bullimbal

We have been very fortunate to be able to organise some NDIS information sessions for our families and staff. These sessions will be delivered by ADHC and will provide a great opportunity to find out more about NDIS and how it will affect your family and son/daughter. These information sessions will be held as follows:

Parent information sessions

Tuesday 22/3 @ 2pm and 6:30pm

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