Welcome to Week 3!

We are off to a great start this year and the corridors are humming with happy students!

It was pleasing to see so many parents/carers attend both our Meet & Greet last week and the P & C Meeting on Tuesday night.

Today is the last day of our swimming school and thank you to our staff co-ordinating this important opportunity for our students. A big thank you too to Elita Ayre for supporting our school with her professional instruction to our students. Due to the end of a busy year last year, it was decided to host the swimming school early this term. It has been very successful with lots of students achieving personal goals. The students’ effort will be seen in the water tonight!

We look forward to joining our families to hear the war cries from Laver Bradman and Fraser at the Twilight Swimming Carnival tonight. For supervision and safety reasons, it is important that students are marked on and off their roll with their class teacher / year advisor. This is a Year 3-12 swimming carnival and all students are encouraged to wear their house colours. Senior students must also wear appropriate swim wear and t-shirts – NO SINGLETS. The P & C will be hosting a BBQ and drinks are available at the kiosk. Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 ONLY will have normal classes tomorrow.

If you haven’t already seen it – call into the school office and take a look at our new school entry and corridor and the updated signs placed around the school – they look great!

*Jennifer Bird*
Here we are almost at the end of week three, the school term is flying by! The secondary students have remained settled and are continuing to work hard. The middle school students are starting to take ownership over their rooms and have been slowly decorating them.

Most students are now organised and have bought all their equipment needed for each subject. If you are struggling to find any equipment needed for a subject, please don’t hesitate to contact your child’s subject teacher. If your child is away from school for any reason it is their responsibility to catch up on work missed. It is important for students to stay on top of their workloads as it may have a huge impact on their overall academic results come exam time.

A reminder to all students and parents the schools twilight swimming carnival is on tonight starting at 4pm. All students are required to attend the swimming carnival to be eligible for the day off on Friday. If students do not attend the carnival this afternoon and do not attend school on Friday they will be marked as absent and a note on their lack of attendance will be required. There will only be minimal staff supervision for secondary students at school on Friday.

Students are also reminded that Bingara Central School caps are the only hats to be worn to school. Any other forms of caps worn to school will not be permitted in the playground and those students will have to miss out on any outdoors activities. All students from years 8 – 12 were provided with free school caps last year, so there should be no excuses. If your child has lost their hat, are in year 7 or are new to the school, these hats can be purchased at the front office for $15.

Students are reminded all electives must be finalised at the beginning of week 4. After week 4 students will no longer be able to swap electives. If you or your child has any concerns about elective choices please see Gary Hansen. Fees for these subjects can now be paid at the front office. As of week 5 any students who haven’t paid their fees will not be able to participate in practical lessons. We understand some parents have more than one child at school, if you need to set up a payment plan please do not hesitate to contact the front office.

BCS buys the rights for all students to participate in the mathletics program. All students will be given a log-in and password so they can access their personal mathletics page. There are plenty of activities students can do at home, both as revision or extra homework.

Last week students took home a sheet to update student information for the office / schools records. If this could be returned as soon as possible it would be greatly appreciated.

Shelley Turnbull & Annette Mavin
Relieving Head Teachers

Hospitality Students
Hospitality students hard at work in the kitchen making fresh pasta!
# Secondary Homework / Assessments

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Fundraising
Bingara Central School wristbands are available for purchase for $3.00 each. All money raised will go toward resources to support learning in the Primary School.

Swimming School and Water Safety Program Years 3-8
Students participating in Swimming School have made wonderful progress in the learn to swim groups, learning lots of new skills and refining their strokes for safety in the water. This is a school based program designed by the Department of Education to promote water safety and is not related to squad swimming. Swimming School is now complete for 2016, no Swimming School will happen on Friday 12th February due to the Twilight Swimming Carnival.

Twilight Swimming Carnival
Students in Year 2 who have turned 8 or will turn 8 years old in 2016 AND can swim 50 metres unaided are invited to compete to qualify for Zone competition. All students in Years 3-12 will participate in the swimming carnival as a compulsory school event. The Swimming Carnival will be held tonight Thursday 11th February at Bingara Swimming Pool from 4pm. Students who attend the carnival in the evening will not be expected to attend school on Friday 12th February. All Kindergarten, Year 1 and 2 (those not competing in the Swimming Carnival) will attend school on Friday 12th February, minimal supervision will be provided on the day for any other students needing to attend. The Zone Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday 19th February.

Whole School Assembly
A Whole School Assembly will be held next Thursday 18th February. We look forward to seeing many families and friends attending.

Alison Johnson & Simone McIntyre
Assistant Principals
It is great to be back at school and working towards some big projects this year.

Gwydir Band rehearsals started last Monday and we are busy learning new pieces for the Bingara Central School musical, Phantom of the Roxy which will be performed in the Roxy in Bingara in the first week of June.

Applications for the Regional Vocal Workshop and Regional Instrumental Camp are now open. These are to be sent directly to Di Hall. It would be great if our whole band could attend! Closing date for applications for Regional Instrumental Camp is 11th March 2016. Closing date for applications for Vocal Camp is 27th February 2016.

Application forms are available from the office.

We are very fortunate to have wonderful tutors involved in the music program this year. If you would like to have lessons with either Wendy Champion (woodwind) Helen Robinson (piano) or David (drums) please contact them immediately as there are only limited timeslots available.

Please contact me if you have any concerns or queries.

For your information, here is a list of creative arts events and dates for 2016:

**Dates for 2016**

21 – 24 March – Vocal Camp at Lake Keepit

29-31 March – Drumming Workshops – Venues to be decided

3 – 8 April – Instrumental Camp at Lake Keepit

11-12 May – Vocal Performance workshop – Rob McDougall

27th May – 3rd June- Phantom of the Roxy – Bingara Central musical involving the Gwydir Concert Band

16 – 21 July – State Junior Music Camp

17-18 August – Vocal performance Workshop

17-21 October – Indigenous Arts Camp – Lake Keepit

7-11 November – Drama Camp – Lake Keepit

29 November – 1 December – Bandlink Narrabri

Robyn Conway
Music Teacher

Warialda High School
Bingara Central School (Thursdays)
NSW SCHOOL VACCINATION PROGRAM

Each year NSW Health works in partnership with schools to offer the vaccines recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) for adolescents as part of the school vaccination program.

In 2016 the following vaccines will be offered:

Year 7 students*
- dTPa vaccine (Diphtheria, Tetanus & Pertussis (whooping cough)) as a single dose
- varicella vaccine (chickenpox) as a single dose; and
- human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine in a 3-dose schedule at 0, 2 and 6 months (students who commence HPV vaccination in Year 7 but do not complete the course may be offered catch-up doses at school in Year 8)

* The Parent Information Kits contain a consent form, information sheet and privacy statement that details how personal information will be collected, stored and utilised.

Consent form kits will be sent home to parents/guardians. To consent to the vaccination of their child, parents/guardians are advised to:
- read all the information provided
- complete the consent form, including signing their name next to the vaccine/s they would like their child to receive
- return the completed consent form to their child’s school
- ensure that their child eats breakfast on the day of the school vaccination clinic.

Parents/guardians who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by writing to the school Principal or phoning the school. The Procedure for Withdrawal of Consent is available on the NSW Health website at www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation

To improve vaccination completion, students will be opportunistically offered any missed doses throughout the year where possible.

Please note that for HPV vaccine only, parents/guardians must record their Medicare Number (all 10 digits and the 11th number beside the child’s name) on the consent form, as this is required to record the student’s information on the National HPV Vaccination Register and (for female students only) link to the National or State Cervical Screening Program.

A Record of Vaccination will be provided to each student vaccinated at each clinic. Parents/guardians should ensure that this record is kept for future reference and should not assume that their child has been vaccinated if they do not receive this Record of Vaccination.
CANTEEN

FEBRUARY
Friday 12  Susie Bilsborough
Monday 15  Elizabeth Swan
Tuesday 16
Wednesday 17 Julie Drysdale
Thursday 18  Angela Todd

Important information from Bingara Public Library;
Due to the swimming carnival on Thursday evening it has been decided to cancel Friday February 12 after school program. Primary students will not be at school on this date.

Staff will NOT be at the school Friday afternoon to collect children on the walking bus.

Thank you; we look forward to collecting the children Monday February 15.

PUPIL INFORMATION SHEETS
Every student received a 2016 Pupil Information sheet. It is extremely important that this be filled out and returned to school as soon as possible so we can keep your child’s details up to date. Thank you to the parents who have returned this form.

MARTIAL ARTS
Martial arts has recommenced for the year, each Tuesday night at the school from 6pm - 7pm. $10 per session.
AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE CADETS
CADET RECRUITING

The Australian Air Force Cadets is one of the Premier Youth Organisations of Australia. We are currently recruiting for 2016.

Do you want to:
+ Learn to fly
+ Develop your leadership and communication skills
+ Participate in adventure training and field craft activities
+ Meet new people and make life long friends
+ And heaps more

If you:
+ Are an Australian resident
+ Have good general health
+ Are between 13 and 18 years old
+ Can attend weekly activities
+ Have permission from your parent or guardian

Become a Cadet in the Australian Air Force Cadets
EDUCATES ⭐ CHALLENGES ⭐ EXCITES
319SQRN (Inverell) Open Night and BBQ
6pm-9pm Monday 15th February 2016

For more information, contact us
319 Squadron Australian Air Force Cadets
Cnr Rose and Wade Street, INVERELL NSW 2360
Telephone: PLTOFF(AAFC) Ian McWhirter 0488 778 478 or PLTOFF(AAFC) Donna McWhirter 0488 778 492
Parade Night: Monday 6:00pm to 9:00pm
Email: co.319sqrn@aafc.org.au

KIDS DISCO
fund raising for new activities lounge

SATURDAY 20 FEBRUARY

BINGARA RSL CLUB
4:30pm - 6:30pm
entry $3.90 per child

THE THEME FOR THE DISCO IS....
BOOT SCOOTIN' LEARN TO LINE DANCE
Bingara Physical Culture Club

Classes commence on Thursday 4th February 2016 at Bingara Central School Hall.

Times as follows:
Preschooler; 3-4yrs - 3.30-4pm
Tiny Tots; 5-7yrs - 4pm-4.45pm
Teeny Boppers; 8-9yrs - 4.45pm-5.30pm
Teeny Boppers 10-12yrs; - 5.30pm-6.15pm
Ladies; 6-15pm-7.00pm
Teens; -7.00pm-7.45pm
Seniors 16yrs & Over; 7.45pm-8.30pm

Any Enquiries contact;
Karen Moxey  Principal/Teacher 0429344931
Di Murray  67254626
Contact Facebook Message; Lea School Of Physical Culture

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WEDNESDAY 17 FEBRUARY
OPEN DAY

9.00am – 2.00pm

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