CALENDAR 2016

March

Wednesday 2nd
First full day for Preps

Wednesday 9th

Review Day – normal school day for the children

Friday 11th

Athletic Sports

Monday 14th

Labour Day – no school

Friday 18th

Glen Cromie get together 4.30pm onwards

Monday 21st

Photo Day – please note change of date

Tuesday 22nd

Parent/Teacher interviews more info next week

Thursday 24th

Last day of Term 2.30pm finish

APRIL

Monday 11th

Visible Learning Day – Pupil Free Day

MOWING ROSTER

March

6th - 7th – Brown

Dear Parents

School Review

Next Wednesday, March 9th is our School Review. Our review is a Peer Review. A Peer review draws on the expertise and experience of professionals to support schools to evaluate their performance outcomes and practice, and to plan for improved student outcomes. It involves a panel comprising an independent reviewer (Lyn Keating), school Principal, the Senior Education improvement leader (Shane Wainwright) and at least two challenge partners (Michelle Hibbert – Principal, Koscuisko Street Primary School; Kiley Cunningham – Assistant Principal, Maffra Secondary College). Staff, student and parent representatives (Melissa Brown; Jen Christensen) are also involved in our review process on the day. Following the Panel Day, the reviewer prepares a review report capturing the consensus view of the Panel.

Please note that this is a normal school day for students.

School Attendance

Thank you to the parents who ring us in the mornings and let us know that your child is absent from school for the day. It is important that we know the reason for your child's absence as we monitor student attendance and have to keep up to date records for the Department of Education. Please remember that you can also log onto Sentral to inform us of the reason for the absence. If you're having attendance issues with your child, please let your classroom teacher know so we can work together to get your child to school every day.

Parent Club Bulb Fundraiser

Don't forget to order your bulbs by this Friday, March 4th.

Lunch orders

There have been a few incidents where lunch orders have not had enough money. Can you please check the 2016 price list when organising your child's lunch order? There was an increase in prices from the 2015 prices.

Easter Raffle



Easter is only four weeks away. We are currently organising our Easter Raffle. Raffle books will be sent home today. Can all donations for the raffle please be left at our School Office.

Regional Athletic Sports Day

It is not long until our Regional Athletic Sports Day. Students are enjoying practicing their athletic skills and are looking forward to the day. A detailed information letter will be sent home next week.

The attendance and support of parents, other relatives and friends at the Athletic Sports is certainly appreciated and encouraged by the staff and students. It is wonderful to see and hear so many people supporting the children. It is important to remember

that the emphasis at our Athletic Sports is on participation, enjoyment and 'trying your best' rather than on winning. Some events may be run in a different way to competitions you have seen or experienced at other Athletic events. We ask parents to encourage and support all children and teachers in their efforts at the sports.

Have a great week Nicole Ball, Acting Principal

Bookclub

The next issue of Bookclub has arrived. All orders and monies should be returned to your child's classroom teacher by <u>Tuesday 8th March</u>. Many thanks.



Weekly Award Winners:

Congratulations to our weekly student award winners:

Jack, Mackenzie, Max, Ryan, Bethany, Amber, Abbey, Skye

Parent Club

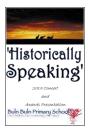
The next Parent Club meeting is being held today - Tuesday 1st March at 2.30p.m.

Just a reminder that the bulb fundraiser order forms and money are due back this Friday 4th March.

We have our Easter raffle coming up and would like to ask for donations of all things Easter! If you can help please leave the items in the basket provided at the office. Thank you, Janine.

2015 School Concert DVDs

Yippee – the DVDs are ready! If you ordered a DVD of last year's School Concert please come and collect it from the Office. Also if you did not order one but would like to purchase one, please come and see Lyn at the Office.



FROM THE CHAPLAIN

Last week I mentioned the cooking program that begins in late March and reminded parents about ensuring that they have a Working with Children check. I also wanted to take this opportunity to mention one of the other activities that I assist with which is a meal support roster. There are a number of families in the past who have offered to provide a meal for another family. This may be due to an illness, birth of a new child, or some other event. It is just one way that the school as a whole can support one another and express care for each other. Sometimes people find it easy to accept a helping hand, sometimes it can be harder, but it is a good opportunity for children to witness and experience the generosity and compassion that it a hallmark of the Buln Buln school community. Sometimes just having one meal a week prepared for you is such a help. I am always mindful of privacy issues and

there have been times when it has been appropriate for the recipients to remain anonymous. In this case families who cook are given the number of people and any food allergies or dislikes. If you know of any family who would appreciate this kind of support please let me know or leave a message at the office with Lyn Weller. Most importantly I wanted to let families who are new to the school know about this activity. I would like to compile a current list of people able to assist as this allows for a fast response to needs. If you are interested in participating the information contained on the included form would be appreciated. This can either be printed and delivered to the school or copied and emailed to me – kingwillbj@hotmail.com. Often circumstances change and so it is helpful if families who have cooked meals for others in the past could also reply to indicate their availability. Barbara Kingwill – Chaplain BBPS

Meal Support Roster

Name:		
Contact Phone num	ber/s:	
Mobile:		
	I would like to add my name to the meal support	rt volunteer list
are labeled	food containers are available on request at the office to indicate the contents and date the meal was prep to the school and placed in the fridge in the Lyrebird r	ared. These can be