Relieving Principal’s Message

Congratulations to all of our students for their participation at the Small School’s Cross Country Carnival. The level of sportsmanship displayed on the day was outstanding and our students certainly represented our school with pride. Thank you to Simon Chaffey for driving the bus for us on the day.

Congratulations to Lachlan McNee, Seth & Ezra Axon and Teanny Bridges who qualified and represented BPS at Barraba Cross Country.

Last week we received a special parcel in the mail from Stewart House. Bendemeer Public School was awarded with a Platinum Supporter trophy. This award is in recognition of the money donated by the staff and students of BPS in 2014. Per head, BPS was one of the highest fundraisers. During 2014, Stewart House was able to provide 1,770 public school children from 850 schools across NSW with a 12 day break at Stewart House. Well done and thank you to all those who donated to this very worthy cause.

During the week I attended a Small School’s Principal’s meeting in Tamworth. This was a very productive day where I was able to network with other small schools. We looked at our School plans for 2015-2017 and began working on the key initiatives and milestones which will drive the strategic directions over the next three years.

On behalf of the staff and students of BPS I wish our GA, Norm Kelly all the very best in his retirement and ‘sea change’ to the coast and warmer weather. You will certainly be missed. Your hard work and dedication to the job has been appreciated by all.

Kind regards,
Mrs Kylie Lacey.

Upcoming Events

TERM 2 WEEK 6—25 MAY 2015

Tuesday 26 May
Mrs Britten—Tamworth
Mrs Lacey—Principal’s Meeting, Tamworth

Thursday 28 May
9am School Assembly all welcome

Monday 1 June to Friday 5 June
Science Week

Monday 8 June
Public Holiday

Thursday 11 June
9am School Assembly all welcome

Wednesday 17 June
Questacon—Bendemeer Public School

Thursday 18 June
Small Schools Combined Athletics Carnival—TRAC

Friday 19 June
The Gruffalo’s Child—Tamworth

Tuesday 23 June
Parent/Teacher Interviews 3:15 pm

Awards

P&C AGM
Tuesday 2 June, 3:20 pm—in the library
All welcome. There will be an afternoon tea and a new committee will be voted in.

Congratulations!
Kayla Fermor, Teanny Bridges, Ruby Chaffey, Neil Thurtell, Fletcher Easy & Seth Axon
**New England School Acquisitive Art**

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I am pleased to confirm that the students of Bendemeer PS will be submitting a creative “Let’s Hang It” Artwork with the chance to win a prize and become part of the University of New England’s permanent art collection. All finalists will receive a certificate of distinction and their works will be shown at the New England Regional Art Museum (NERAM), Armidale.

We wish our students the best of luck as they prepare their artwork.

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