

Bunnaloo Public School

NEWSLETTER



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in a caring
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Tuesday 25th February, 2025

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2025 SCHOOL TERM DATES

Term 1 - Thursday 13th February - Friday 11th April

Term 2 - Wednesday 30th April - Friday 4th July

Term 3 - Tuesday 22nd July - Friday 26th September

Term 4 - Monday 13th October - Friday 19th December

Student Awards

Elijah Docking - For working so well in Art and Maths.

Back To School BBQ

Thanks to everyone who came along and supported our 2025 Back to School BBQ.

Thanks to all of our families for providing the fantastic salads that we were able to share on the night.

Well Done to our senior students Alaska, Chace, Oliver & Elijah on the excellent disco that they ran on the night.

Small School's Swimming Carnival

What a day was held by all at last week's Small Schools Swimming Carnival at the Deniliquin Pool.

Well Done to all of our students on their excellent efforts in the pool that lead to our school winning both the Aggregate & Handicap Trophies.



Small School's Swimming Carnival

Congratulations also to our Junior relay team of Thea Rinaldi, Jett Langman, Lacie O'Callaghan & Matilda Gardiner who were successful in their team event.



And finally a hearty congratulations to our two Age Champions on the day, Alaska Fabri (Senior Girls) and Jett Langman (Junior Boys) who competed in every event that they could in the day to win their individual medallions.



Thanks also to the many Bunnaloo Public School parents for your time and efforts with time keeping on the day, and for transporting our students to and from the carnival and providing much appreciated support for our swimmers.

A big thanks as well to the Bunnaloo Public School Staff for all of their hard work in so many different roles on the day that allowed our carnival to run smoothly.

Stage 2 Excursion

This year our Year 4 students will be involved in a Stage 2 excursion with their Year 3/4 peers from Blighty, Conargo & Mayrung to Bendigo/Ballarat from the **17th - 19th September**.

More details, costs and requirements will be sent home closer to the excursion date.

Year 5/6 Narrabeen/Sydney Excursion

Our biannual excursion to stay at the Sydney Academy of Sport for our Year 5/6 students will be held from the **3rd to the 9th of May**.

Final numbers and costings are currently being worked out.

Information notes will be sent home in the next couple of weeks.

2025 School Leaders

Our Congratulations to Chace Fitzpatrick & Alaska Fabri who were announced as our Year 6 Leaders for the 2025 school year at last Thursday's Back to School BBQ.



District Swimming Carnival

GOOD LUCK to our team of swimmers who will be attending the Deniliquin District Swimming Carnival in Hay this Friday.

Ms King will be in charge of our group on the day.

Shrove Tuesday - Pancake Day

Next **Tuesday the 4th of March** we will be celebrating Pancake Day by cooking, and eating pancakes in our Peer Support Groups.

If any children have food allergies that may effect this activity can you please let me know asap.

If anyone has 4 litre ice cream containers that they can send along to school they would be greatly appreciated.

All costs involved with pancake day are being covered by the school.

NAPLAN 2025

Due to our current numbers in Year 3 & 5 NAPLAN will have a minimal impact on our school this year.

NAPLAN testing will run from the **12th - 24th of March**.

Reading Parents

If you can help out with our Home Reading Program on any day just arrive by 9.10am and your help will be greatly appreciated.

Homework

Each class has homework requirements, If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher.

Library

Library lessons for all classes will be held on Thursdays.

Students may borrow up to three books per week.

All students will require a large draw string bag (or a pillow case) to transport their books.

Book Covering

Books that have been sent home need to be covered and returned to school no later than **Friday 28th of February**.

School Fees

The school fees are \$51 per child for 2025.

This falls in line with NSW Department requirements and is different to how we have operated in past years.

I remind all families that school fees are a voluntary contribution.

Nut Free Zone

In 2025 we will have a student at our school with a nut allergy. As a result of this our school will be a Nut Free Zone so as to ensure that our school is a safe environment for all our students.

Can all families please ensure that their children have No Nuts, Nut Bars etc in their recess/lunch, and that spreads like Peanut Butter and Nutella that contain nuts are not used in sandwiches/rolls etc.

Asthma

If your child suffers from Asthma they will need an **Up To Date Asthma Plan** from your doctor for 2025.

Allergies

If your child/children have any known allergies or have developed an allergy since enrolling at our school can you please let us know as soon as possible.

P & C Meeting

Our first P & C meeting for 2025 will be held in the school library from **7.00pm next Monday the 3rd of March**.

Thanks to all family members who signed up to help out at our 2025 fundraisers at the Back to School BBQ.

P & C Notice - Bunnaloo Ball

The Four Halls & a Weigh Bridge committee have given the school P & C the opportunity to clean up after the ball.

The committee makes a significant donation to the P & C for doing so & it's a great way to start our fundraising for the year.

Many hands make light work & previously, it has only take a few hours.

Clean up will take place at the hall from 10am on Sunday 2nd March.

We'd love to see as many helpers as possible.

School Buses

The school bus runs will continue to be operated by Dyson's Bus Service in Echuca/Moama.

Their phone number is: **03 54 80 2139**

If you have not registered your child for permission to travel on the bus can you please do so as soon as possible.

Website is available at

transport.nsw.gov.au/schooldrive

Or call 131 500

Town Permission Note

As in previous years we have produced a "Travel Around Bunnaloo" permission note that provide permission for students to walk around the Bunnaloo Township for events at the Bunnaloo Community Centre, walking to the church or other local events.

Parents will be informed if students are going to be leaving the school grounds, but a permission note will not be required.

A permission note will be attached to this newsletter.

Gardening

All students will be gardening on Wednesdays.

Could all families please provide some gardening gloves for your child at your earliest convenience.

No Hat, No Play

A reminder that all students are required to wear a school hat in the playground at all times during Terms 1 & 4.

Sunscreen is also provided for students to use.

Students without hats will be required to be on the veranda for their own sun protection.

SRE Lessons

Weekly Special Religion Education Lessons will begin this Thursday for all students who's parents opt in to take part in them.

All other students will be involved in reading in the library.

If you have opted in to SRE for your child(ren) this will continue on for 2025.

You can opt out at any time with a letter to the Principal.

All new families to the school received an SRE selection note late last week.

Can these all be returned by Wednesday.

Free Bike

We have an old school 10 speed racing bike that is surplus to our requirements.

It is currently sitting against the fence next to the gate out to our bus stop.

It is free to a good home, please help yourself if you would like it.

Bunnaloo Township Permission Note

I give permission for my child/children _____

to walk around the Bunnaloo Township as part of organised activities for 2025.

I realise that my child/children will be supervised by school staff at all times whilst outside the school grounds.

Signed: _____

Date: _____