

Bunnaloo Public School

NEWSLETTER



*Striving for excellence
in a caring
rural community*

Tuesday 1st April, 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

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Thanks to all families for your prompt responses to booking forms for next Tuesday's Parent/Teacher interviews.

Please make every effort to be on time so that we can stay as close to scheduled times for all families throughout the day.

Students Awards

Noah Topham— For working hard to complete tasks on time!

Lacie O'Callaghan - For playing Soffe Crosse with excellent skills and great team work.

Isobel Grimwade - for playing Soffe Crosse with great determination and team work.

P & C Meeting

Our next P & C Meeting will be **Monday 12th May @ 7pm** in the school library.

End of Term 1

A reminder that next **Friday the 11th of April** will be our final day of Semester 1.

Staff will return to school on **Monday the 28th of April** for two Staff Development Days.

All students K-6 will return to school on **Wednesday the 30th of April**.

The Importance of School Attendance

Included with today's newsletter is a letter from a proforma provided by the NSW DET on the importance of regular school attendance.

If you have any queries about the content of the letter please don't hesitate to contact the school.

School Fees

The school fees are \$51 per child for 2025, payments can be made through Compass.

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.

SRE Easter Church Service

The Annual SRE Easter Church Service will be held at the Bunnaloo Church from 12.15pm on **Thursday the 10th of April**.

All families and interested locals are most welcome to join us on the day.

Dates for the Rest of The Year

At recent staff meeting we have made the decision that there are some events that we would like to run and engage with our families, but we will only do these ever second year.

These include Mother's Day and Father's Day events and the Bunnaloo Bike Ride to alternate years.

Our Annual Open Day will still run every year.

Some dates for the calendar later in the year are:

Father's Day Breakfast - Friday the 5th of September

Bunnaloo Public School Open Day - Thursday the 25th of September

Bunnaloo Bike Ride - Friday the 17th of October

P & C News

Calling for all P & C membership payments.

\$20.00 per family pays for the P & C Federation NSW Membership, Insurance and Voting Rights.

This money will also help towards catering for social events organised at school through 2025.

Online payments to Bunnaloo Public School P and C
Bendigo Bank
BSB: 633 000
Account - 180 359 044

Please leave a name as a reference.

Thanks ,
Alice Rinaldi
P and C Treasurer

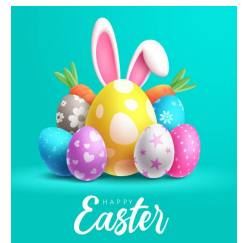
Easter Raffle

The Year 4 class are holding on Easter Raffle as a fundraiser to support their excursion to Bendigo /Ballarat in Week 9, Term 3.

Can all Year 4 families please send along an Easter item so that we can make up some prizes for a raffle that will be drawn on the final day of Term 1, **Friday the 11th of April**.

All of the Year 4 students have been given books of raffle tickets to sell, students in the other year levels can buy tickets from and of the Year 4 students at any time before the draw.

Tickets are a \$1.00 each



Easter Colouring Competition

If you would like to participate in Mrs Dickson's Easter Colouring Competition please come to the office for your colouring sheet.

Prize for every year level.

Winners to be chosen by Mrs Dickson's Family and will be announced on the **Tuesday 8th of April**.

Change from Compass to School Bytes

As families would be well aware over the past year or so we have been using the Compass Program to run Welfare, reporting, Finance and many other areas to assist with the day to day running of our school.

Early this year Compass were involved in the purchase of the School Bytes Program that provide a similar product.

As we move forward School Bytes will provide a better service for us, so as of day 1 next term we will begin to use School Bytes to run our school.

I know that this will be a big change , especially so close to when we began working with Compass. It will require some changes that will take time but hopefully we will be transitioning smoothly.

P & C News

Keep an eye out for details of a very exciting , upcoming Mothers Day raffle!

DAD'S TAKE NOTE!! Mother's Day - 11th of May

The prize is beautiful ,abundant hamper, which has been generously donated by Millie Blight from Hunt Co.

Tickets will be available online, details and links to buy tickets to follow soon.



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Working together for student attendance and to maximise learning

Dear Bunnaloo PS Families

It's always wonderful to have our students in classrooms, ready to engage and learn. Our teachers and school staff are committed to fostering growth and opportunity, and we are here to work with you to support your child to reach their full potential.

Consistently going to school has countless benefits – from learning, to creating social connections and improving wellbeing through access to support and quality education.

Students are required to attend school every day, whether it's the first or last day of the term, Mondays, Fridays or days dedicated to sports carnivals, school excursions and incursions.

As we look ahead to the remainder of the school year, I'd like to remind our school community that we are here to work with you to support your child to thrive. We know that families experience a variety of challenging circumstances, and we are committed to working with you to address any barriers to regular attendance.

If your child is absent from school, please let us know why as soon as possible, even if it's just a few minutes at the start or end of the school day. Of course, there will be times when your child is unable to be at school, like when they are unwell. Medical appointments should take place outside school hours where possible, and family holidays should be taken in term breaks.

If your child is feeling anxious about coming to school and you need support, please reach out to your child's teacher or to me directly. There are also helpful resources for parents and carers on the [NSW Department of Education website](#).

Thank you for being a part of our school community and for partnering with us to ensure students access the endless benefits of regular school attendance.

Kind regards

Darren

Darren Devereux
Principal
Bunnaloo PS

Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Build friendships



Develop life skills

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Minutes lost = days lost per year

A couple of minutes here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss days per year

5 mins
per day

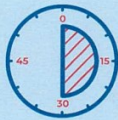


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3 days

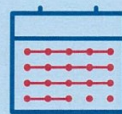


30 mins
per day



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18 days



Patterns of lateness
can have a serious
impact on your child's
education.

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TOTEM PRESENTS:

MOAMA SKATEPARK

FREE 2 X LEARN TO SKATE AND A MENTORING SESSION

TIME: 10AM - 12PM

SAT 19TH APRIL

YOUTH WEEK EVENT



2 BLAIR STREET, MOAMA, NSW 2731

- 10:15 AM BEGINNER #1 - LEARN TO SKATE SESSION
- 11:30 AM BEGINNER #2 - LEARN TO SKATE SESSION
- 1:15 PM - INTERMEDIATE MENTORING SESSION



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Registrations are now open!
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Open to Boys & Girls 3-17 Years old
Team players \$120 / Kangas & Joeys \$100

Tuesday 22nd April - online registrations close
Thursday 1st May 6pm at the RSL - info night
Saturday 3rd May - season starts

me MATHOURA EVENTS & SPONSORS PRESENT

SATURDAY 19TH APRIL 2025

MATHOURA Easter Fair



8:30AM - 12PM

SOLDIERS MEMORIAL GARDEN
CNR LIVINGSTONE & LAWRENCE STS
MATHOURA

FREE KIDS AMUSEMENTS & GAMES
BIKE DECORATING COMPETITION
TUG-O-WAR
REFRESHMENTS
MARKET STALLS

Life Ed Van

The Life Ed Van will be visiting the school on **Thursday the 1st of May**.

Students visits will be in 3 groups, K/1/2, Year 4 and Year 5/6.

The modules that will be covered by each group during their visit to the van are:

K/1/2 - Harold's Friendship

Year 4 - Mind your Medicine

Year 5/6 - Decisions

All costs associated with the Life Ed Van visit will be covered by the school.

As the visit will be on the student's second day back next term can parents please sign & return the attached permission note by the end of term 1.

Life Education Van Permission Note

I hereby give permission for my child(ren) _____
to take part in the Life Education Program at Bunnaloo Public School on **Thursday the 1st of May**.

Signed: _____

Date: _____