

The Old Bonalbo Bulletin

Work at Life



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Week 4 Term 1

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Be Safe - Be Respectful - Be a Learner

Principals' Message

Welcome to Week 4. How the term is flying by.

HOMEWORK – students each Monday receive their spelling list, Fast Maths level and their contract homework book to complete. This is all to be returned on Friday of each week. Students who return their homework receive two “caught ya” tickets to go towards the shop day at the end of the term.

The response to the reward system has been very positive with the majority of students making it to the ‘spin to win’ wheel each afternoon.

MOSQUITOES – Please be advised that our school playground and under buildings at the moment is providing a very safe haven for the breeding of Mosquitoes following the recent wet weather. Parents/Carers may want to apply appropriate repellents to students before they come to school (or even send some repellent along with your child – NOT in the form of aerosol spray) to try and keep these insects at bay. Thank you to Shannon who has donated to the school some mosquito bands to wear.

SNAKES – a few snakes have been spotted in our playground this last week. One red bellied black snake coming from the area of the front of the school near bus shelter. Please be mindful when dropping off students and picking them up.

If you have any questions about, or would like to discuss your child's learning - please make an appointment to speak to your child's classroom teacher at the front office. We are more than happy to have these conversations.

Kitchen Garden Program – Shared Table

The students have been preparing our garden beds the last couple of weeks ready to start planting produce to aid with ingredients for our Shared Table days. Our first Shared Table is held next **Thursday 27th February at 11am**. This is open to Parents/Carers and community members to attend. Cost will be \$2 per person. We will also be holding our mid term assembly on this day.

This program enables students to have a further appreciation of produce to plate as well as having students practise skills such as preparing a meal to eat - also serve, setting and clearing tables, planning a menu and socialising with the broader community.

Dates for this term are:

Parents/Carers, Families and Community:

Thursday February 27th @ 11 am

Students only:

Thursday March 19th @ 11 am

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Excursion

Notes have gone home for Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Excursion. Could I please have those notes in as soon as possible. Money is due by **Monday 30th March 2020**.

The P&C Association has subsidised \$20 per student for this excursion.

We thank them for their continued support in helping to provide experiences for our students.



P & C News

P&C AGM

Our next **P&C AGM** will be held on **Tues 10th March 2020** in the school library @ 3.30pm.

Everyone in the community is welcome – please come and join your local P&C – new members are always needed & appreciated.

Centenary celebrations 11th April 2020 – please notify the school if you are willing to assist with this function.

The P&C are also starting organisation for the **Annual Fireworks on Sat 6th June 2020** – please notify the school if you are willing to assist for this function.

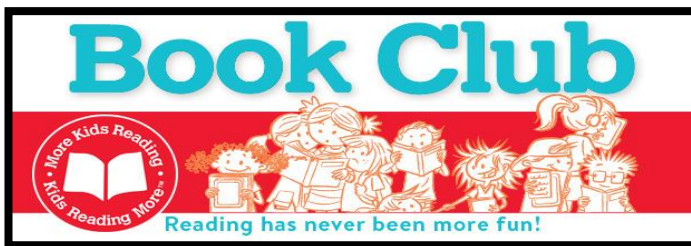
School Uniform

We have a full stock of uniforms in all sizes. This includes a new stock of hats. We are a sun safe school and that means students are required to wear a wide brim school hat. If you require additional uniforms please see Miss Clarke in the front office on Monday through to Thursday mornings.



Book Club

Students are welcome to add any books, from the book club catalogue, they would like for the library to the list on the library door. When you purchase a book from book club the school receives a reward that we can use to purchase books.



Forms

Attached to the last newsletter were forms to be completed and returned to school as soon as possible. These are general permission forms required for your child to participate in general school events. If you have misplaced these forms please see Miss Clarke in the front office for new ones.

School Banking

The School Banking program provides a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good saving habits.



School Banking encourages children to regularly deposit money into their Youthsaver account and earn silver Dollarmites tokens, which can then be redeemed for an exciting reward through our School Banking Rewards Program. Please see Miss Clarke if you would like your child to bank. Friday is banking day.

Centenary Celebrations

Only 7 weeks until the School Centenary Celebration. Students will be practising songs which we will perform on the day. Attached to this newsletter is the flyer for the day as well as the Commemorative Centenary paver order. This order is for individuals or families that wish to purchase a paver that will be part of our school forever in our Centenary Commemorative Area. This area will be unveiled on the centenary celebration day. The first order for pavers is due on the **28th February 2020**– so please complete & return form with payment by this date if you wish to order a paver.

Could you please also complete the flyer page and return to the school so we are able to determine numbers for the day for catering purposes. If you would like extra flyers/forms please see Jenny in the front office.

**Next Meeting Saturday 22nd February 2020
10am at the school library**



Advertisement

If you have an upcoming event and would like to advertise in the school newsletter, please have information to the front office by Thursday each week.



Furniture

The school has 2 small 2 drawer filing cabinets and a teacher desk available. If you are interested please see Miss Petty for further details.

Harmony Day

Our diversity makes Australia a great place to live. Harmony Day is a celebration of our cultural diversity – a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home. The message of Harmony Day is 'everyone belongs', the Day aims to engage people to participate in their community, respect cultural and religious diversity and foster a sense of belonging for everyone.

On March 20th students can dress in their cultural attire or orange. Traditionally, orange signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. Wearing orange, shows support for cultural diversity and an inclusive Australia.



Breakfast Program and Crunch&Sip

Old Bonalbo Breakfast program provides students with toast and a range of spreads as well as fruit on the arrival of students to school. Breakfast has been suggested to positively affect the learning in children in terms of behaviour, cognitive and school performance.

Crunch&Sip is a primary school nutrition program, developed to increase the quantities of vegetables, fruits and water being consumed. It is an easy way to help kids stay healthy and happy!

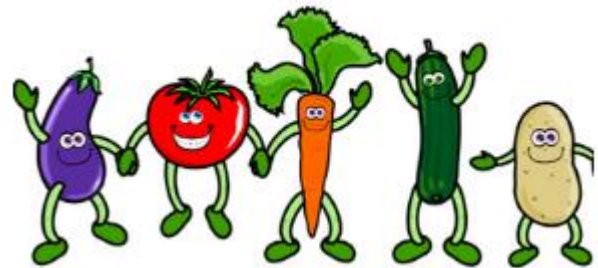
Crunch&Sip is a set time during the school day for students to eat vegetables and fruit and drink water in the classroom. Students bring vegetables and/or fruit and a clear water bottle to school each day for the Crunch&Sip break.

This term Bonalbo Foodworks will be sponsoring the schools' breakfast program and Crunch&Sip. We thank them for their support.



LETTUCE get organised!

The Big Veggie Crunch 2018 saw 50,260 NSW primary school students crunching vegetables together. Our school's involvement in 2020 can help the Healthy Kids Association to break this record! Student will be participating in **The Big Veggie Crunch** which will be held on Thursday 5th March at 10am. Students are to bring a fruit or vegetable to be able to crunch on the day.



Breakfast and Crunch&Sip Programs

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Excursions

This year the school will be involved in a range of different excursions.

5/6 – Brisbane Excursion with Urbenville, Drake, Bonalbo Central School. Term 2 Week 6. Cost per student with no subsidies is approx. \$500. We hope to get this price down considerably with fundraising. Notes will be sent home with this newsletter.

3-6 – Lakes Ainsworth Excursion. Term 3. More information to come.

K-2 will also have an excursion in Term 3. More information to come

Clean Up Australia Day

Clean Up Australia inspires and empowers communities to clean up, fix up and conserve our environment. Old Bonalbo Public School students will be participating in ensuring our school and community is nice and clean and not being polluted by rubbish on February 28th 2020. We will do our part for our community and will be cleaning the school and the surrounding areas of the community. Please ensure your child has their general permission forms returned to school so they are able to participate in this great cause.

What's On this Term

Date	Event
Monday 24 th February	Year 6 transition to high school visit to Tabulam Public School
Thursday 27 th February	Shared table – Parents/Carers and community – 11 am
Friday 28 th February	Clean Up Australia Day activities
Tuesday 10 th March	P&C AGM Meeting – 3:30pm in school Library
Thursday 19 th March	Shared table – students only
Friday 29 th March	Harmony Day – dress in your culture or wear orange
Wednesday 1 st April	Charlie and The Chocolate Factory Excursion – K-6
Thursday 9 th April	Easter Fun Day – LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
Friday 10 th April	Good Friday
Saturday 11 th April	School Centenary Celebrations
Monday 27 th April	Staff return
Tuesday 28 th April	Students return
Tuesday 28 th April	School ANZAC Ceremony
Monday 1 st to Friday 5 th June	5/6 Brisbane Camp – West of the range schools
Wednesday 17 th June	Life Education Van