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Upcoming Events

Below are some dates to add to your diary. There will be updates and more dates to add as the term progresses.

Week 5

Friday 19 August - Premier's Reading Challenge closes

Week 6 - Book Week

Wednesday 24 August - PLC with Bowning and Wee Jasper @ Binalong Thursday 25 August - Book Parade, Murrumburrah Year 6 Transition Day

Week 7

Tuesday 30 August - Yr 3-6 Canberra excursion

Wednesday 31 August - Yr 3-4 Todd Woodbridge Cup (TBC)

Week 9

Wednesday 14 September - PLC @ Bowning

Friday 16 September - Arabin Cup

From the Principal

Last week we had a visit from Bowning and Wee Jasper schools and enjoyed sharing our learning together (both students and teachers!). Students participated in literacy lessons, art workshops, STEM challenges, maths workshops and they viewed a short film festival produced by students around NSW. We had a great day and we will host Bowning and Wee Jasper again in Week 6. Thank you to the P&C for catering a yummy bbq lunch for students and to all parents who contributed delicious treats on the day. The kids loved them!

In Week 2 we had a visit from Lionel the Lion as a part of the Yass Valley Spin Foundation's Pyjama Day. Kids got to wear their PJ's to school to help raise money for this local charity. The students also enjoyed a yummy scrambled egg breakfast cooking our very own eggs. A big thank you to Mrs Edwards for organising and Michelle De Boer and Madaline Brayshaw for popping in to help out.



CBCA Book Week, Week 6

Each year since 1945 the CBCA has brought children and books together across Australia through CBCA Book Week. During this time schools and public libraries spend one glorious week celebrating books and Australian children's authors and illustrators.

Students dress up in this year's theme, 'Dreaming with eyes open...' and will join with pre-school to have a Book Parade on Thursday 25 August along Fitzroy Street, so please come along to watch! A permission note will go home shortly.

Yass Pyjama Day @ Binalong PS



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School Attendance

Regular school attendance is a priority for our school and the Department of Education. We work with a range of people who support positive school attendance and we recently had a visit with Lindsay Dobb who is our Home School Liaison Officer (HSLO). We are looking at how we can improve school attendance and communication around student absences. We are asking families to please help us streamline our school processes. We are interested to hear if you have any suggestions for this too. We ask parents to:

- Please inform the school if your child/ren is absent or if you know your child/ren will be absent for a planned future event. This helps us to plan for your child's learning. It's really helpful if this is communicated either before a known absence or the morning of absence.
- Complete an Application for Extended Leave if you have a planned holiday or leave during school term. This can be obtained from the office.

So communication doesn't get lost, we ask that you communicate with us is in the following ways:

- Ring the School let the office know, or if the office is unattended, leave a message on our answering machine
- Send an email to the school email binalongp.school@det.nsw.edu.au, or;
- Submit an absence via Skoolbag.

Thank you for your assistance with our attendance procedures.

https://education.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/main-education/student-wellbeing/attendance-behaviour-and-engagement/media/documents/attendance/com_english.pdf



Road Safety

We ask you to help keep our students safe and support our road safety plan by:

- Parking along the school side of the road
- The first car to arrive parks at the end of the school boundary (at the large gum tree) with the following cars to park behind (this reduces the need for people to reverse park which can be unsafe with children around)
- Avoid leaving large gaps between cars (this takes up lots of space and reduces available parking spots)
- Share the parking and pick up routines with other family members or carers who collect your child
- Avoid driving over the footpath
- Model safe road behaviours by going around the tree (which serves as a round about) rather than cutting across the road to park.

Working together to support road safety will make our busy little road a much safer place for your children.

Thank you for your continuing assistance in keeping our road safe.



From the SRC

Our chickens are laying eggs and we will use them in the SRC meal deals for the next two weeks. We will be selling eggs when we have some spare. They can be purchased for \$5.00 per carton and the money raised will go towards their feed each week. We will set up a stall on the afternoons that we have cartons ready for sale.

We are still enjoying *Hot Chocolate Tuesdays* because winter is here and we all want to stay warm. Two dollars per cup. We purchased some re-usable cups which are more environmentally friendly than the disposable cups we had been using.

Last week we got to spend some money that we have been raising. We have purchased an outdoor garden swing to go in the playground for people who'd like to have a quiet space to have a chat or read a book.

We want to make our COLA area a more friendly and bright space and are looking at buying some bench cushions to make the seats a little warmer to sit on. We also want to add some decorative plants and lights to the area to brighten it up.

PLC (Professional Learning Community) with Bowning & Wee Jasper schools



Celebrating Education Week



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Weeks 2 & 3



Excellent mental problem solving skills in maths

CARTER

Great contribution to class discussions about the book Fox

MICHAEL

Challenging yourself to use Tier 2 vocabulary in your writing

KAI

Excellent memorising of Your Future Self sentence

DUSTY

Using efficient counting strategies in maths

ELISE

Great writing about her future self for Education Week

TAYLAH

Great contributions during discussions about vocabulary during PLC















Regular School Happenings

Monday - Sports day - Sports uniform required. Music with Mrs Winterflood. Home learning due for all classes.

Tuesdays - SRC hot chocolate. Library for K-2 students.

Wednesday - SRC Meal Deals

Thursday - Bush School for students in Years 3-6

Friday - Sports day, library and Friday Pie Day lunch orders.

P&C News

UNIFORM POOL

We have some good second-hand uniform items available for a fraction of the cost. Get in contact with the P&C via DM, email (bpspac@gmail.com) or in person if interested and also if you have any items to donate to the pool.

BINALONG ONLINE

Binalong Online is a local business, group & event's directory. If you own a local business, are part of a community group or have an upcoming event, get on board our directory. It's easy and affordable (free options too) and all profits go to the P&C. Also if you need to find a business or group info or want to see upcoming events be sure to check it out: www.binalong.online

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Public Notice

Yass Valley Mobile Library Fitzroy St, Binalong - 1.30pm - 2.30pm Ist and 3rd Wednesday of every month



Membership to the Library is free for residents of the Yass Valley LGA, patrons will need to bring ID to show staff.

With over IOOO items on board, there is something for everyone, come and have a look and say hi to our friendly library staff when the van drives into your village!