Dear Parents, Guardians & Community Members,

With Mr Zanco working on other things, I am the one to write to you today. As usual the pace at school has been very busy.

Last week we were fortunate to have a group of Canberra Raiders visit our school and speak with the children. These young men delivered an anti bullying message, which was well received by our students. There were rewards for those who could answer quiz questions and time for a few autographs. It is important for our children to see and hear these young role models.

Yesterday students in Years 4, 5 and 6 were involved in a cricket development day. Not only did the children have the opportunity to develop cricket skills and learn a few rules, but they also had social interactions with students from other schools. Teachers were very impressed with the behaviour and attitude displayed by Bombala PS students. One nice thing about days such as this is that some children need to spend time in another classroom- yesterday Miss Ingram and I shared Mrs Moreing’s Year 3 students who were independent and steady workers. Well done Year 3.

Next Monday and Tuesday Mrs Crawford and I are looking forward to Peer Support training with the Year 5/6 students. This is a well structured program, preparing the children for their role as Peer Support leaders in term 2. We take the children off site- to the pleasant setting of the Golf Club. It is a busy and challenging two days.

Don’t forget Assembly this Friday and Clean Up Australia Day for Schools. Best wishes to our swimming team- Jess Feilen, Bridget Lunn, Stephanie Lunn, Larissa Ponsford, Dakota Miles and Zali Lavender, as the head off to compete at the Regional PSSA carnival at Dapto on Tuesday.

Anne Roberts
**Upcoming Events**

**Reminders**

**Friday, March 1**
- Assembly
- Years 1 & 2/3 + Years 3-6 Swimming

**Monday, March 4th & 5th**
- Years 5/6 Peer Support

**Wednesday, March 6**
- Netball Cooma

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**Quiz Question**

What is the exact literal translation of ‘pot-pourri’?

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**This Week’s Quote**

Each day of our lives we make deposits in the memory banks of our children.

~ Charles R. Swindoll

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**Gala Cricket Day**

In sweltering conditions yesterday Years 4/5/6 students from Bombala, St. Josephs and Bibbenluke took part in a cricket day raising awareness and skill building at the High School oval. An exhausting but successful day.

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**Clean Up Australia**

Again, this year, Bombala Public School will be participating in the Clean Up Australia Program for Schools on Friday, 1st March, 2013.

We ask that you provide a pair of protective gloves and perhaps a bag for collecting litter.

Thanks in anticipation

Anne Roberts

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**Word of the Week**

*Pejorative, adj: a word or phrase that has negative connotations or that is intended to disparage or belittle: a pejorative word or phrase*

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**Thursday Canteen Special**

Spaghetti Bolognese

$3.50

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Peer Support Training
Year 5/6
Bombala Golf Club

Depart School by bus 9.15am
Return for normal buses.
Non-Uniform both days.

Monday 4th March—children require own food, drink and school hat—or wide brimmed hat.
Tuesday 5th March—catered by golf club but please bring water bottle and remember a wide brimmed hat. Accompanied by Mrs Roberts and Mrs Crawford.

Bombala Public School Performs Well at the Zone Swimming Carnival In Cooma

Due to the excellent performances of the Bombala Public School students right across the board at the Bombala and District Carnival a big, high quality squad of swimmers travelled to Cooma on Tuesday 19th of February to compete for the right to go on to the Regional Swimming Carnival in Dapto. Here all swimmers were very competitive and many swam personal bests, which was very pleasing. Many also had very gruelling race schedules, swimming in almost every stroke event in their age division.

Notable results were: Jessica Feilen 1st senior girl’s backstroke, 1st senior girl’s butterfly 3rd senior girl’s breaststroke; Bridget Lunn 2nd senior girl’s breaststroke, 2nd senior girl’s butterfly; Stephanie Lunn 2nd junior girl’s IM, member of junior girl’s relay team who came 2nd; Larissa Ponsford 2nd junior girl’s breaststroke, 1st junior girl’s butterfly, member of junior girl’s relay team; Dakota Miles and Zali Lavender members of junior girl’s relay team and Zara Baderwitz 3rd in the 9 year girl’s freestyle.

As a result of the competition in Cooma we have six swimmers who will be competing at the regional level on Tuesday the 5th of March. These swimmers are: Jessica Feilen, Bridget Lunn, Stephanie Lunn, Larissa Ponsford, Dakota Miles and Zali Lavender.

Congratulations to all the students for their usual outstanding efforts and who as always competed with excellent sportsmanship and did themselves, their parents, their school and their community proud. Also a huge thank you to all of the parents, grandparents and friends who came along to Cooma to transport and support the children and those ever willing help with timekeeping was invaluable.

Gotcha Award
Winner for Term 1 Week 4 is Gracie Brownlie Well done!

Student banking every Tuesday
If you would like to open a bank account for your kindergarten child, please see applications handed out today.

Colourful Basketball Court
The basketball court has undergone a transformation giving our students a professional surface for their games.
Year 6 enjoying the revitalised court
Bombala Public School P&C Association
Minutes of Meeting - Tuesday 12th February 2013


Apologies: T Usher, T Goldberg.

Minutes of previous meeting accepted as a true and accurate record: D Worley, A Roberts.

Principal’s Report:
• Mr Zanco pleased to be back in the Bombala Public School community;
• Discussion about the time of the meetings. Mr Zanco appreciates an earlier start eg. 5.30pm. Parents found this tricky. A permanent change of time needs to be made at an AGM meeting. Next month’s AGM meeting will be at 6.30 pm to be followed by the general meeting;
• Breakfast Program has been filled for Term 1, thankyou to all volunteers. Donations continue from the Bakery – a very generous contribution. Community members who shop at Foodworks have been donating their points to Bombala Public. These points have been converted to $$ and this will enable us to purchase margarine and jam;
• Mr Zanco presented the P&C with a ‘wish list’ including new cups and a rotational toaster for the Breakfast Program, funds for the Garden Club, and iPad trolley for storage / charging iPads, and the purchase of an air conditioning unit for Yr 6 rooms. We have an approximate cost of between $3000-$3500 for unit and installation / electrician. Check with Cheryl Cottrell re. Volunteer Grant for toaster;
• Uniform. Katrina Brownlie will now manage the ordering and stock levels of uniforms;
As in previous years P&C will donate school hats for Kindergarten.

Treasurer’s Report:
P&C balance remains at a healthy level and we hope to make generous contributions to Mr Zanco’s requests.

Correspondence In/Out:
Invoices to Treasurer.

Business Arising:
• Big day out or in – Term 1. Think about including students, parents, grandparents and community – Mr Zanco and Mrs Roberts will take this idea to next staff meeting;
• 150th Celebrations. Mr Zanco will call for names to form a committee to oversee preparations. St Joseph’s have plans for October long weekend. Seeking a sponsor for the Endeavour Award. Thankyou to Landmark Bombala who have offered to sponsor this award.

General Business:
• Question asked about the allocation of PSP funding. Recognised that Principal/teacher role not adequate for consistency in the classroom, therefore funding towards full time teacher considered appropriate. Principal to provide RFF every day. To be a focus on maths and literacy.
• Nits again! We encourage parents to be vigilant with their children’s hair. Suggest implementation of Nitbusters Program. Mr Zanco.
• P&C Facebook for newletters and other school information. Emma Sullivan
• Mothers /Fathers Day – instead of holding stalls run by P&C, could there be class activities?
• Please note Street Stall is on 22 March 2013. Portrait Fundraiser – Dawn Worley.

Meeting closed 6.50 pm. Next meeting AGM 6.30pm Tuesday 5 March 2013 followed by the General meeting.