Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

What a wonderful week this is for so many of our students, from excursions to great sporting opportunities. The messages and photos from Melbourne have been full of enthusiasm and many smiling faces. Today the children will enjoy a marvellous adventure at Sovereign Hill in Ballarat – I wonder if they will strike it rich! Also today the Year 5 students will be exploring the concept of Democracy and how our Westminster system of Parliament works. Meanwhile the students in Years 3 and 4 are eagerly awaiting their overnight visit to Canberra. We will include photos and student stories from these excursions in next week’s newsletter.

Invitation to Grandparents Day

Next Monday 26th October our school along with Bombala High School will celebrate Grandparents Day. We cordially invite all the special Grandparents in our school community to join us for a sing-along in the Multipurpose Hall at 10.30am, followed by a cuppa and a cupcake in the canteen area of the High School. After morning tea we hope our Grandparents will take a walk around both schools and view open classrooms.

Cricket Gala Day

Yesterday we were very lucky to have Stuart Woods our Sporting Schools coach along with Nick and Matt who coordinated the Milo In 2 Cricket Gala Day. Children from around the district joined Bombala Public School students in a fun filled day where they had a chance to show off the skills they have been learning in in the Sporting Schools program. We hope this event will become a regular sporting fixture.

Gonski Week

Next week we will also celebrate Gonski Week. What is Gonski you might ask? Gonski is the name given to the campaign which has seen substantial funding being provided to schools across Australia. Gonski funding has been designed to ensure that every Australian child, no matter what their background, can get a high quality education. This funding began in 2014, after the independent Gonski review warned that too many children were missing out on the education they needed due to a lack of resources. Schools have been able to use the additional resources to better meet the individual needs of students through reducing class sizes, employing extra specialist staff to support literacy and numeracy and to provide professional learning to further build the skills of teachers.

We will celebrate GONSKI week during our Grandparents Day Celebration and share the Public Education Gonski story with our community.

The Men from Snowy River March

On Tuesday 3rd November our students will be participating in the Men from Snowy River March. Our students will walk down to the RSL and from here they will join the March to the ANZAC Centenary Memorial at Gunnago Park. Refreshments and a sausage sizzle will be provided to the students and staff. Students will be transported back to school by bus.

Until next week

Kind regards

Jo
‘Word of the Week’

Alphabet
Definition - a set of letters, characters, or symbols arranged in a fixed order.

Thursday Canteen Special
Spaghetti Bolognese $4.00

Quiz Question
What is the most fractured human bone?

THIS WEEK’S QUOTE
The only difference between a good day and a bad day is your attitude ~

The Clavicle (Collar Bone)

Netball AGM
The Bombala District Netball Club AGM will be held on Thursday the 5th of Nov at 7pm at the RSL Club, all are invited and encouraged to attend. This will be a dinner meeting.

A HUGE thank you to everybody that helped out in anyway on Saturday at the races. It was a very successful day where we made over $2600. This money will be used to benefit all children in our school. A special thank you to Jono Kidman who prepared all the food and to John Moreing who helped with the generator and the bain-marie.

Thanks P&C Committee

Gotcha Award
Winner for Term 4 Week 3
Is Colby Brownlie
Well done!

CRICKET GALA DAY
**Book Fair!**
Yes it’s on again! Our school will be holding a book fair in Week 5 from Monday 2nd to Thursday 5th of November in the school library. The library will be open to parents and the community at 12:30 - 1:00pm each day of the fair as well as during each class’s library hour.
The library hours are as follows:
- Monday 1:10 - 2:10 – 1/2 (Miss Goodman)
- Monday 2:20 - 3:20 – 2/3 (Mrs Moreing)
- Tuesday 1:10 - 2:10 – 3/4 (Miss Morgan)
- Tuesday 2:20 - 3:20 – 5/6 (Mrs Crawford)
- Wednesday 1:10 - 2:10 Year 5 (Mrs Roberts)
- Wednesday 2:20 - 3:20 K/1 (Mrs Ingram)
Come along, have a browse and grab some wonderful gifts for Christmas. Every purchase helps our school and the wonder of reading at home.

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**Year 6 in Melbourne  **STOP PRESS**

Year 6 are having a fantastic time as they take in the sites of busy Melbourne. Today, Wednesday, they are visiting Sovereign Hill at Ballarat, endeavouring to make their fortune panning for gold. Mrs Crawford tells us that they are generally sleeping well, eating George's delicious meals (George is the chef at Urban Camp) and preparing themselves to bounce the night away. They are off to the trampolining place tonight.

They will be home on Friday evening in time for dinner.

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**KidsIn2Uni**

Years Five and Six have been busy over the last week working on the KidsIn2Uni Program and will continue to work on this. The program, written and prepared by the University Of Wollongong aims to 'start the conversation about higher education with Stage 3 students and their parents. The program gives students the opportunity to experience university, interact with students and staff and think about what careers they might like to pursue beyond school'.

Teachers are liaising with staff at the University of Wollongong Staff at the Bega Campus. It is anticipated that a mentor from the UOW will visit our school on Wednesday 28th October to talk to the children. There will also be an excursion to the Bega Campus on Wednesday 4th November (further details to come). The University is funding this.

The program so far has been interesting and thought provoking.
10:30AM BOMBALA PUBLIC SCHOOL
Join us for a sing along with the students in the Multi Purpose Hall followed by a cuppa and cupcake in the High School Canteen.

MONDAY 26TH OCTOBER, 2015

11:30AM BOMBALA HIGH SCHOOL
Open classrooms and a tour of the Bombala High and Bombala Public.

For more information please call us at:
Bombala Public School  6458 3423
Bombala High School  6458 3358

Join your grandchild on this special day and see the work that is accomplished at their school.