Bullying Report

Bullying is an issue that concerns us all. It is an extremely serious matter that has the potential to not only disrupt learning but can also have long term consequences.

Bullying is not acceptable. It is not tolerated at Bowral High School. Last week, our Anti-Bullying plan was updated and can be downloaded from the school website. An important part of this plan is the section that deals with the school response when bullying is reported. To deal with bullying, we need to know about it so reporting is a critical first step. The school utilises a Bullying Report form that is completed by the student affected by bullying. The plan outlines the timeframe and the actions taken by staff when a Bullying Report is received.

Responding to bullying can be complex as we are always aware that we are dealing with young people who need to learn appropriate behaviours and the skills needed to maintain positive relationships. With other, PBS is a useful tool to help us teach our students correct behaviours and effective conflict resolving skills.

Parents play an important role in helping us combat bullying. Please contact your child’s year advisor or deputy principal if you have concerns.

The year advisors and deputy for each year are listed below.

Year 7 - Andrew Facer
Year 8 - Nicole Reay
Year 9 - Naomi Atkins
Year 10 - Yarran Cox
Year 11 - Andrew Hawker
Year 12 - Amber White & Michelle Young

Deputy Principal : Nic Morris for years 7, 9 & 11
Deputy Principal : Linda Langton for years 8 & 10
Deputy Principal : John Staats for years 12

Kim Paviour—Principal

ANZAC Day 2014

In 2014 on Anzac Day, students and staff from the school are taking part in the Bowral and Mittagong Anzac Ceremonies. This year, Lulu Talbot-Le-Scraigne will be giving the student address in the Bowral Ceremony. Students are encouraged to participate in the march. Please meet outside Gloria Jeans at 10.00am. Students participating must be in full school uniform. It would be great to have a large contingent of staff and students this year.

National Assessment Program—Literacy and Numeracy 2014 Test Dates

Language is on Tuesday 113 May 2014
Writing is on Tuesday 13 May 2014
Reading is on Wednesday 14 May 2014
Numeracy is on Thursday 15 May 2014
Catch up day is on Friday 16 May 2014
**History help please!**
Bowral High’s Year 10 elective history class need your help. The students have been given the task of researching and writing some of the stories of local soldiers and nurses who served in the first world war. They are looking for any background information on Southern Highlands locals who served. Any photographs, letters or diaries or recollections are especially welcome. The students have created a facebook page with which to collaborate and share information. The page can be found at https://www.facebook.com/Diggersresearch. Alternatively, if you have any information or questions you may contact their teacher, Geoff Andrew, at school on 48 612255.

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**Congratulations Ellie Jordan**
Recently, Ellie, year 9, whilst representing Bowral High School, won the Roberta Nutt Under 15’s Foil School Fencing Competition in Sydney. Following this outstanding achievement she won the NSW qualifiers in the Under 15’s Foil and Epee and was selected to represent NSW at the National School Fencing Championships in Brisbane later in the year. Congratulations Ellie on this outstanding achievement.

Kim Paviour, Principal

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**NORTA NORTA Learning Centre**
The NSW Government’s Norta Norta Program funds schools to provide learning assistance, tutorial assistance and independent learning hubs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

Initially, students complete Personalised Learning Plans which aim to identify the individual’s interests, strengths, areas for improvement and ultimately the goals they wish to achieve during their time at school and in their working life. Students are provided with the opportunity to complete school tasks and develop their academic skills with the aim of improving their educational outcomes and increasing their ability to achieve their goals.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students involved in the Norta Norta program are given the opportunity to undertake work experience and traineeships provided through the help of the school’s Careers Advisor. Furthermore they will also have the opportunity to learn about their culture and develop community relationships through activities run by local Aboriginal educators.

Mr Aaron Cooke
Norta Norta Teacher

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### Some Calendar Dates for Term 1 2014

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Photo catch up day | 1 April | 2 April | 3 April  
Tr 12 Half yearly exam week begins | 4 April |
| Week 11 | 7 April  
Zone Boys Tennis | 8 April  
Reg Rugby Trials | 9 April’  
Reg Rugby Trials | 10 April | 11 April  
Yr 12 exams finish  
Last day of term! |

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**School resumes for Term 2 2014**
on Tuesday 29 April for all years.