Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Staffing News- New Principal
Mr. Stan Kowalski has been appointed as principal of Bathurst West Public School subject to the appeals process. Mr. Kowalski is currently principal at Oberon Public School and will commence at the school at the beginning of Term 2.

Support Class Teacher Appointment
Mrs. Amy Rue has been appointed as classroom teacher– support at Bathurst West PS subject to the appeals process. On behalf of the school community I would like to wish the new staff all the best for the future.

Restorative Justice Questions
Each family will receive a restorative justice card with the newsletter this week. These questions are great to use when something has gone wrong and allows for the family to establish a way forward after the incident.

Leadership Conference
A group of young leaders from the school participated in a leadership training day for students from both the local primary and secondary schools. Mrs. Low was a presenter at the event and introduced the use of musical bells as a method of building an effective team. The day was a great success and the participants thoroughly enjoyed the day.

Basketball Team Success
The school basketball teams continue to go from strength to strength participating in the local competition under the coaching guidance of Mr. Denmead.

National Curriculum Team
The school curriculum team has been participating in a number of professional learning programs to prepare the staff for the implementation of the national English Curriculum next term. More news to follow.

Have a great week,
Mr. Mark Snow
Principal
White Level Awards

- Callie, Sophie, Jonathan, Kadeesha, Joshua, Ruby, Ava, Olivia, Leah, Cruz, Jed, Max, Tristan, Josef, Zoe, Annabelle, Brianna, Ronan, Layla, Montanah, Eden, Hamish, Oscar, Matilda, Makayla, Brendon, Mollie, Ashton, Aidan, Ranuli, Maeve.

Cross Country

Our annual Cross Country trials will be held on Tuesday, 9th April. Once again we will be joining the students and staff of Raglan Public School for this event, however we will be holding it in the grounds of our school this year. All students from Year 3 to Year 6 will participate at this event, running in age races - 8yr, 9yr & 10yr run 2km; 11yr & 12yr run 3 km. Our school team for the District Cross Country will be chosen on this day, (District Cross Country will be held early next term).

A barbeque lunch will operate on the day and I have heard a rumour that the Raglan senior boys want to challenge our senior lads to a game of basketball on the day. Students are to wear their sports uniforms and parent are more than welcome to come along to support our team.

Kerry Little - Sports co-ordinator

ICAS Competitions

The school once again will offer our students the opportunity to participate in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) tests run by the University of New South Wales.

ICAS provides an opportunity for all students in year 3 and above, to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external testing situation. It provides teachers, parents and students with comprehensive reporting of results in the areas of Computer Skills, English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling and Writing.

There is a charge for entering each of the competitions.

This year the competition has also been extended to Year 2 in English and Mathematics.

Please discuss this with your child and next week I will give out further information and permission notes to interested students. These will also be available from the front office or on our website.

Permission notes and payment for all tests must be in by Friday, 5th April 2013.

Mrs Anne Coomans
ICAS Coordinator

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Student Notes Sent Home This Week

Stage 1 Excursion