Debating

Our newest debaters, The Burrawang Hornets - Oscar, Frankie, Aurora and Ellie, took on the Bowral Blue Carrots on Friday 22nd May. The topic had the potential to be a bit hairy, but our Hornets put together an outstanding case in their first debate. An extremely close and cleverly structured debate, only just taken out by Bowral! An awesome team effort. We are all very proud.

"We stung like a hornet!" quote from Oscar, Frankie, Aurora and Ellie.

Science and Engineering Day

Year 5 and 6 had a day of brain bending challenges on Monday 18th May. Our three teams rotated through maths, science and engineering challenges that involved building, testing and refining ideas. Our teams made an eco house that withstood a hurricane simulation, a mini catapult that effectively shot a ping pong ball across the room and a bridge that stood up under the weight of metal ingots. As always, Burrawang students were respectful, demonstrated excellent teamwork and were enthusiastic. A fun and challenging day

NAPLAN

Congratulations to our Year 3 and 5 students who completed their NAPLAN assessments last week. We know you put your best effort in. These results will be available later this year.

COS writing day

Teachers from our school met with teachers from other schools in our Community of Schools group last week, to develop strategies to improve their teaching of writing. I was very proud of the work samples that we shared from our school, which showed many of our students are already working above the expected levels. Well done to our Burrawang students!
9 tonne of Sand!

9 tonne of sand was delivered to Burrawang Public School this week. The sand was very much needed to revive our long jump pit before the athletics carnival and to top up the school's sand pit. The students thoroughly enjoyed getting their 'hands and feet' into spreading out both mountains of sand. A huge thank you to Craig for measuring up both sites and ordering this for us.

What's happening - Junior class

Our class has been very busy, with lots of great learning happening in our room. Our science focus has been on learning about forces, and we have enjoyed being scientists who predict, observe and explain their results. This week we made helicopters and tested what would happen to their rate of descent if we changed the size of their wings.

In literacy, students have been looking at poems and how the poet helps us to visualise (or create a picture in our head) the words using a variety of descriptive language. We have also been practising and recording our reading, many of our students showing great progress and improvement in their reading strategies.

In art this week we created “Vivid” designs of the Opera House using oil pastels. Our students showed great talent and creativity. Well done!

What's happening - Senior Class

A very busy fortnight with NAPLAN and school events. But the highlight of our fortnight has definitely been working on our class science activity, 'The Speed Bump Challenge'. Students have been designing, making and testing 'a car pusher' using predominately paddle pop sticks, skewers and masking tape. Students have been engineering swings, ramps and rubber band powered slinging machines that propel a matchbox car at least 30cm.

Our literacy sessions have focused on examining Dr Seuss books for themes, reading newspaper articles as stimulus for writing and writing compound sentences. This fortnight’s spelling rule related to when to use the double 'ck' and single 'k' sounds. Our vocabulary words this week were aegis, shoddy and droll. Thanks Zamina, Oscar and Daisy, we look forward to finding out more about these.

Hot Seat, a drama game has also been very popular in the Senior Class, with daily requests to 'do it again'. Another fantastic fortnight!
Parent meeting

A huge thank you to the many parents who attended last week’s Senior class parent meeting. Your input is very important to us. Following from this meeting and discussions, we are very pleased to announce that Ms Pryor will continue teaching the Senior class until the end of this year. This is a great outcome for our school and we look forward to a wonderful term 3 and 4.

Kindergarten enrolments

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2016 are being accepted now. Please pass this information onto anyone you know who may have children wishing to enrol for next year. Enrolment forms are available from the front office.

Students of the Week

Congratulations to our students of the week.

Week 4 – Frankie and Indigo

Week 5 – Leo and Tiago

PBS tickets

Congratulations to the many students who received PBS certificates recently. It seems like a bit of Déjà vu, but a big congratulations to Abbey for being the first to receive 50 responsible tickets certificate!

Don't forget!

- SRC will be selling flavoured milk on a Wednesday. (Thursday this week!) Strawberry or chocolate milk $1. Bring your own mug or cup.
- Lost or missing notes can be downloaded from the school’s website.
- Thank you to the parents who have been making online payments. This is a much easier transaction for our office.
- Please regularly check your child’s head for headlice. We have had a recent case.

Canteen

Thanks Suzee for organising this week’s canteen.

Pumpkin Soup or
Chicken Noodle Soup

$3 a cup including a bread roll

Popper $1
Upcoming events

Don’t forget to check the website for the most up-to-date information.

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Doing things together day at Berrima

Chess Team tournament (Tudor House)
ICAS – Science
Debating
Athletics Carnival

Life Education (Healthy Harold)

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*Mittagong Blue Light Disco*
*Venue:* Mittagong RSL
*Date:* **Saturday 30 May**
*Times:* 4pm to 6.30 pm
*Cost:* $5.00 per child 4 – 14 years
Parents and children under 4 free.

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*If you are always trying to be normal, you will never know how amazing you can be.*

~ Maya Angelou