DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

APRIL
Thursday 3rd  Guyma Cross Country 8 Years & Over
Wednesday 9th  Assembly & Easter Hat Parade 2.25pm.
Friday 11th  LAST DAY OF TERM ONE
Friday 25th  ANZAC MARCH - GUYRA
TUESDAY 29TH  SCHOOL RESUMES FOR TERM TWO
Wednesday 30th  School Photos

MAY
Tuesday 13th,14th & 15th NAPLAN  Years 3 & 5
Friday 16th May Ben Lomond Cross Country

Wasn't it a welcome relief to see the beautiful rain last week. The drought hasn't been broken however it is fabulous to see green grass, the Gara River flowing, full water tanks and dams being filled.

The last few weeks have seen our staff, students and parents participate in a variety of activities including the Finlayson Sports Day at Chandler Public School, seniors students learning the finer points of public speaking and debating, the completion of the Annual School Report, training for the upcoming Guyma and District Cross Country event, an arborist checking the health of our trees, parents catering for two field days, the homework centre continuing to be busy, the Active Afternoon School Community program finishing for the term, end of term assessments being completed, wacky science Wednesdays, teachers participating in professional development courses and Harmony Day activities.

Finlayson Sports Day
On Friday 18th March our students, staff and parents travelled to Chandler Public School to participate in the annual Finlayson Sports Day and what a magnificent day it turned out to be. Students from Black Mountain, Ebor, Hernani, Dundurrabin, Chandler and Ben Lonmond combined for an outstanding day of sport and good sportsmanship.

The day commenced with the highly contested march past and congratulations to Chandler who won this event. Next our students enthusiastically tried to defend their ball games titles and to their credit they won the senior and junior ball games with a brilliant display of ball skills. Did you know: The senior's have remained undefeated since 2008. An outstanding achievement!

During the day all students participated in their age race, long jump, high jump, relay, 800m and 200m events. This exceptional day concluded with the parent/ teacher relay and yes our team Mara, Aki, Simon and Kevin raced like Olympians and took home the trophy. Some children couldn't believe how fast their parents could run.

Many thanks to all of the parents and teachers who helped make this day very special especially for Aki as this was his last day with our school.

A huge thank you to Adam Hoffman for fixing a power point at school last Friday!

Tree Arborist
This week has seen an old wattle bush crack, split and fall to the ground hence our roundabout is not to be used until the tree is removed. On Monday afternoon an arborist from Tree Science examined all of the trees in the playground. His company has pinned some trees with metal plates and he will send a detailed report to AMU letting them know which trees need to be removed or trimmed.
Active Afternoon Sport’s Community Program
Many thanks to Miss Waters for organising and implementing our school’s fabulous AASC program. The program has been a huge success and the next program will commence in term 2 Week 3 Monday 12th May.

Homework Centre
This program continues to grow, with sixteen students attending on a Tuesday two weeks ago. The last day for this program for this term will be Thursday 10th April. Parents need to ensure that all fees are paid before the end of this term.

Homework
Our school has over 90% of children handing in their homework every Friday. Well done!

Harmony Day
Last Wednesday all staff and students dressed in orange and celebrated Harmony Day. Mrs McIntyre organised an afternoon of games from around the world. It was a great day and many thanks to Mrs McIntyre for organising the fabulous games.

P&C Catering
Our school is so lucky to have such an outstanding group of parents. Our whole school community has combined over the last two weeks under the guidance and expertise of our P&C secretaries, Katherine Hickey and Sophie Wright to successfully cater for two field days. The cooking was simply awesome and the money raised by the P&C will be used to support educational programs in our great school.

Many thanks to our kind and dedicated P&C for donating leftover rolls, cakes, slices and fruit to our students. The students thoroughly enjoyed the treats and the fresh fruit was sensational. We were still eating apples on Wednesday for fruit break. Believe me no food was wasted!

Guyra Cross Country
Good luck to all of the students who will be representing our small school at the Guyra and District Cross Country event to be held at the Guyra Golf Course on Thursday commencing at 9.45.

Easter Parade
Our school’s Easter Hat parade and assembly will be held on Wednesday 9th April commencing at 2.25pm. I can’t wait to see all of the creative and innovative Easter hats and bonnets.

In Class With Years 3-6
Mrs McIntyre & Mrs Purvis

Home Project
It is fabulous to see the amazing projects that were handed in last week. The quality of most was outstanding. It showed that Australia has a lot of beautiful countries as its neighbours. The students from years 3 to 6 are now using the information they have researched to create a fold out brochure to present to the class next week.

ANZAC DAY
The students have been learning about the significance of ANZAC Day and what it stands for. We have been reading picture books such as “ANZAC Biscuits” and “Simpson and his Donkey” to help us understand what the Wars we all about. Together we also made ANZAC Biscuit using a recipe. They were delicious.

Next Term
We have had a busy term and I’m sure that next term will be as well. Students will have another home project (this time a biography of a famous Australian) and class speeches will begin. Students will be required to present a speech in Weeks 3 and 6. Topics to be advised.

Equipment
It has come to my attention that not all students have their equipment ready for school, in particular, headphones and USBs. Can you please ensure that your child/ren has all of the equipment required. Some items like pencils and glue sticks may need to be replaced ready for Term 2.

Next Week
Next week the students from Years 3 to 6 will be undertaking a range of Easter activities. Remember to be making your Easter Hats at home for the Easter Hat Parade on Wednesday.

Wacky Science Wednesday’s
With Claudia & Maryam

Warm air needs more room

For wacky science I did warm air needs more room

First I put a balloon over a glass then I put it in boiling water.

And watch it expand.

By Claudia McKemey.
Invisible Ink

By Maryam Elyassa

What you need:
- Paper (thick paper works best)
- toothpick
- spoon
- lemon
- lamp
- saucer

Lemon juice is an organic substance that oxidizes and turns brown when heated. If you would like to make this experiment at home it is called invisible ink.

Wishing Everyone a very Happy & Safe Easter Holidays!
The Staff at Bald Blair

Attention Parents:
Bald Blair Public School will be participating in the ANZAC March in Guyra on Friday 25th March. If your child/children are able to attend they are to come dressed in their full winter school uniform with hat and meet at Guyra Fourways at 10.30am.

School Photos Wednesday 30th April.

Hopefully we can still capture some autumn colours!
Forms not due until first day next term.....