Dear Students, Parents, Carers and Friends.

Welcome to our first edition of the 2016 Boulia State School newsletter. For those that haven’t met me yet, my name is Krystal Stanley and I am the Principal here at Boulia State School. This is my fourth year at Boulia State School.

Since starting school this year, one true strength in Boulia that is very evident to myself is just how much the teachers, teacher aides and support staff at our school care about the academic, social and emotional wellbeing of all the students who attend this school. It is such a pleasure to be working with a great team!

I would like to welcome back the students, parents/carers and families.

My intentions for the school’s future direction have been made very clear to students, in all year levels.

- I expect that in every classroom every day students are learning to the best of their ability - I expect 100% effort, in every subject, every day!
- I expect a learning environment where students are free to take risks without ridicule or torment – I have a zero tolerance on bullying!
- I expect that our school staff are able to attend work each day and work in an environment where learners are respectful of each other and school staff.

This said, I also expect to be able to chat freely and openly with students about their ideas, thoughts and visions about how our school can become an even better place. I believe that the development of a strong culture for learning must be embraced by all. It is not something our school staff can create by themselves. I need your help as parents, guardians, students and community members to concentrate on the positive aspects of our school. I need your help to promote and value the opportunities that arise from hard work and honourable behaviours.

I look forward to yet another great year at Boulia State School. My door is always open if you have a question, concern or you’d just like to pop in for a cuppa.

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The P&C meeting is on the 16th of March @ 6pm in the Boulia State School staff room.
Everyone is welcome.
Hello and welcome from The Min Min Room! I truly hope that you all had a fabulous and relaxing Christmas and New Year. Welcome back to 2016. I am so, so excited to be back in Boulia and back in The Min Min Room with all the Min Mins. A exciting and warm welcome to our three Kindy Kids Amy-lei, Scarlet, Brodie and our new Preps, Clayton, Shira, Zaniel and Oscar. It is awesome to see all the Min Min back at school with fresh faces, keen to get back into our learning.

This term in English we will be looking at emotion in picture books and creating persuasive imaginative texts. In maths we will be exploring numbers, sorting, calendars, questioning for data, patterns, measurement and positional language. In Geography we are looking at places, the features of places, how to care for places and mapping. In technology we will be looking at how to create spinning toys by completing a step by step process and evaluating our work. In Art we will be learning about visual elements and practising these.

The start of the term has been in full swing with a visit from Dr Barbara Pistelli who did some awesome art work with us in the first few days of the term. We drew, painted and printed. What messy, arty fun we had!

We are looking forward to visiting the library with Ms Jan every Wednesday afternoon from 2.30pm to 3.00pm.

Lots of more fun exciting news from The Min Min Room to come. Welcome back and I hope you have has a great start to 2016 and continue to do so!

Until next time,
Miss Tennant and Ms Lauralee
On Wednesday 27th and Thursday the 28th of January Boulia State School was very excited to welcome Dr Barbara Piscitelli and Mr Alex Rozynski. The purpose of the project was to collect young Queensland children’s artwork to exchange with Hubei (China). This is the second exchange, the first was in 1995. Boulia State School was very lucky to be chosen to be part of the second exchange this year.

In June 2016 a selective few of the students aged 5-8 art work will be present at the Queensland Performing Arts Centre in Brisbane. Very Exciting!!
When Dr Barbara and Mr Alex arrived we began discussing what Boulia looks like, what activities you can do here, and what jobs the children would like to do when they grow up. All ideas were written on the white-board. Then the children got to work drawing a picture of Boulia using watercolour pencils, crayons, pencils and coloured pens. The children also painted a picture of themselves in Boulia using paint. They also created their own stamp of themselves in their future job. They did this by using this cardboard, cutting out shapes, and gluing them on top of each other to create a stamp. Dr Barbara then show the children how use their stamp to do printing. Dr Barbara was awesome at showing the children the different skills needs to complete the art work, while Mr Alex used his special camera equipment to film the children completing their art work. Boulia State School staff and students would like to say a big, BIG THANK YOU to Dr Barbara and Mr Alex for coming to Boulia and for donating all the art supplies they brought with them. Thank you so much, we had an awesome two days with you both!
On the 4th of February medical students, Sarah and Ryzuk visited Boulia State School. During the afternoon both Sarah and Ryzuk educated teachers and students on snake bites and what to do in snake bite situation. We were shown a presentation of snakes, snake bites and what a snake bite looks like if left untreated. Sarah then physically showed us (with thanks from Jake, Willy and Angela) how to effectively bandage a snake bite to prevent the venom from spreading. All the children were then put into groups of threes to practise there bandaging skills. One child pretended to be the casualty, the second pretended to calm the casualty down and call 000 and the third began to tightly bandage the bite from the bottom of the leg, down to the ankle and foot and back up the leg. All the children had the opportunity to practising the bandaging and were very good at it! Boulia State School staff and students would like to say a big thank you to Sarah and Ryzuk for visiting Boulia State School and educating
The Pioneers have had a great start to the 2016 school year. It was nice to welcome all of the students back after the holidays, and to have Angela Bedourie join the Pioneers from the Min Min group.

We enjoyed a very artistic first two days, having been invited to take part in the workshop run by Dr Barbara Pistelli. The Pioneers displayed some very good artistic talent and learned a lot about plan-

All of the students have been working very in all subject areas. The Year 3s and 4s have enjoyed studying “The Twits”, a humorous novel. They have completed the unit by writing an extra chapter for the book which contains a nasty trick played by the characters. The Year 5s and 6s have worked on the novel “Forests of Silence”, study the setting and the characters. They have completed a character analysis of one of the main characters in this interesting fantasy.

The Snow Camp is an exciting subject of discussion in the Pioneers’ classroom. Planned for August the year, the Snow camp will take our students on a tour through Sydney, Canberra and the Snow Mountains. There will be lots of information being sent to families over the next weeks.

The Year 5s and 6s are beginning to prepare speeches in preparation for the voting for School Leaders and House Captains. This is a serious and thoughtful process for the students and they are having interesting discussions about the expectations and the roles.

With all of the work ahead, we look forward to a challenging and enjoyable time ahead.

Mrs McEvoy, Mr Jay and Miss Rainy
BOULIA STATE SCHOOL MEET AND GREET AFTERNOON

On Thursday 4th February, the staff of Boulia State School held a Meet and Greet afternoon for families and community members. Parents were given the opportunity to visit their children’s classrooms, and to meet with other parents and carers.

The school’s principal, Miss Krystal Stanley, took the opportunity to welcome everyone associated with Boulia State School, and predicted that a great year was ahead in 2016. It was pleasing to have a good attendance and everyone had a great social afternoon.

A barbeque was held to help celebrate the start of another school year.
FaFT IS WEDNESDAY’S 1:30 – 2:30pm
We were very excited this week at Boulia State School because kindy started. We did lots of fantastic work.

We have been very busy collaging the letter's'

Easel painting

Cutting

Playing with playdough

Do you have a child turning 4 before June 30th this year? Come up to the school to have a chat about participating in the kindy pilot program.
Does Attendance Really Matter?

1 or 2 days a week doesn’t seem much but......

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If you want your child to be successful at school then YES,

'Every Day Counts!!'
Plants are well underway for the Boulia State School Snow Camp to be held in Term 3 this year. The Pioneers students who are in Years 4, 5 and 6 are eligible to attend, and the students are already excited about the great time to be had.

The itinerary includes:

Sydney— a visit to Taronga Zoo

Canberra—tours of Federal Parliament House, The War Memorial, Questacon, The Science Centre and the National Gallery

Thredbo—ski lessons and skiing

Parents and carers make a commitment to pay an amount towards the cost of their child attending the Snow Camp. Fortnightly payments can be made between now and the Camp. Details are made available when the permission form is returned to school.

Please support the fundraising ventures that are run by the Boulia State School P and C Association. Money raised at these events go towards the costs of running the Snow Camp for the students.

- Cake stall on election day
- Trivia Night
- State of Origin on the big screen
BURKE Vs WILLS

Boulia State School Swimming Carnival

When: Friday the 18th of March

Time: 8:00am - 1:00pm

Where: Boulia Sports Aquatic Centre

Who: Everyone is welcome to spectate & support the students.

Contact: Boulia State School on 4746 3151
Apply now to be a 2016 Census Area Supervisor!
The Australia Bureau of Statistics is seeking motivated and community minded project managers to work on the 2016 Census and make a difference in your community.

Area Supervisors are:
- Non-office based positions requiring travel
- Casual temporary positions, with flexible working hours.

As an Area Supervisor, you will:
- Recruit, manage and train a small team of temporary Census field staff
- Implement and manage the Census delivery and collection processes and procedures
- Undertake a range of administrative tasks, including the receipt, handling and storage of a range of Census materials
- Earn $34.76 per hour (inclusive of 25% loading).

As an Area Supervisor, you must:
- Know your local community
- Hold a current driver’s licence
- Be comfortable using computer, tablet and mobile devices
- Comply with ABS work health and safety policies
- Hold Australian Citizenship or have the legal right to work in Australia.

Job seekers from diverse backgrounds, including non-English speaking backgrounds and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, are encouraged to apply.

More information is available from the ABS website. Apply online at abs.gov.au/careers
BOULIA STATE SCHOOL
EVERY FRIDAY BUT THE LAST DAY OF TERM

- English Muffin with Bacon & Sauce $5.00
- Corn Cobbette's $0.50
- Wedges with bacon/sour cream/cheese $4.00
- Chicken Nuggets & Corn Cobbette $5.00
- Lasagne $5.00
- Ham & Cheese Toasted Sandwich $5.00
- Ham & Pineapple Pizza $3.00
- Jacket Potato w/Bacon/SourCream/Cheese $5.00
- Pastabake $3.00
- Lifesaver Icy Pole $2.00
- Choc Chip Muffin $2.00
- Vanilla Ice Cream Cup $2.00
- Red Rock Honey Soy Chips $1.50
- Popper $1.50
- Green Foods “Have Plenty”
- Amber Foods “Select Carefully”

ORDERS TO BE PLACED AND PAID FOR FRIDAY MORNINGS

Some items will be subject to availability.
Bouilia State School's P&C Committee Cake Stall

The Bouilia State School P&C Committee is holding a cake stall at the Local Government Polling Day on the 19th of March. Bouilia State School would appreciate any kind donations of cakes, slices, relishes, biscuits etc. All money raised will go towards the 2016 Bouilia State School Snow Camp.

If you are able to make a donation please drop the goods off at the school or contact the school as we can arrange to pick them up. The staff and students of Bouilia State School appreciates your kind generosity.

Please contact Bouilia State School on 4746 3151 if you have any questions or concerns.

What: Cake Stall
Where: Bouilia Shire Hall
Who: Bouilia State School P&C
When: Polling Day on the 19th of March
Boulia P & C Upcoming Events

**Trivia Night**
16th April
Boulia State School
Bar, Food, Auction

**Ambrose Golf**
14th May @ Golf Club

**State of Origin** @
School on the
Big Screen
1st June

**Bar & Food Available**

More info to follow
Boulia Shire Hall @ the Election
19th March 2016 from 11am
Raising funds for Snow Camp
Burgers/Sausages/Kebabs/Cold Drinks
$7 $2 $4 $3