We, at Bourke High, believe that all students can succeed. Bourke High School is a caring school and we acknowledge that effective learning takes place when students and teachers feel secure and safe, where morale is high, where people are happy and where a high value is placed on working together.

Easter is almost upon us, and this of course means that there is plenty happening at Bourke High School. Last week most of our senior students, as well as a number of staff, completed the White Card Construction Induction course. This is an immensely valuable credential which allows these students to work on operational construction sites. We thank Malcolm and Ryan Dickens from DATS Training Services for their great work with our students - all the students had very positive feedback about the training. We also had students attending a Hospitality Food Industry Expo in Dubbo, where they got to experience some new and interesting cuisine, while also learning about a range of aspects of the food industry, and a number of students competing in Soccer in Cobar.

This week students will again be heading to Dubbo with Miss Emily Anderson to participate in Western Region Open Netball. We wish the girls every success, and look forward to hearing about their trip. We also have Moorambilla Voices visiting the school on Tuesday afternoon - always a quality experience which is enjoyed by many students.

I remind all students of the importance of following teacher instructions both in the classroom and the playground. Teachers give reasonable instructions to ensure that students are safe and are able to learn. When I was speaking to a class about following instructions, I was pleased to see that every student in that class said that they came to school to learn, and that they wanted to improve every lesson. The only way this can happen is if students follow instructions and approach their work in a positive manner.

I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable Easter, and look forward to seeing everyone out and about taking part in everything Bourke has to offer over this long weekend. A reminder that school is not open on Good Friday or Easter Monday, and students return as normal on Tuesday 3 April - Tuesday A in our timetable. I hope you all get spoilt by the Easter Bunny, and have a wonderful time with your families.

Ange Doggett
Deputy Principal
Mathematics Report

What's the LONGEST number you know? (not the biggest) The number $\pi$ (greek letter pi) has an almost infinite number of decimal places! Coming up soon is a day many mathematicians look forward to - Pi day! It is held annually on March the 14th at 1:59pm - using the American dating system this looks like 3/14 1:59. These are the first few digits of $\pi 3.14159...$. All students in year 7 and 8 will be given the opportunity to memorise $\pi$ to the most decimal places. On Thursday 15th March (the day after Pi day) on assembly, the student who recites the most wins the chance to Pie their choice of Maths teacher in the face - come along and watch - how many can you memorise? One student has recited up to 70 decimal places in the past!

All year 7 and 8 maths classes have been learning how to calculate the perimeter of 2D shapes. This study includes the perimeter of circles. We have been using a range of equipment to measure both the circumference and diameter of circles. If you divide the circumference by the diameter you should get $\pi$.

Also coming up in stage 4 maths is our recycling STEM project. Miss Morton and Mr O'Connor participated in Science Technology Engineering & Maths (STEM) training last year with the plan to run it in the school in 2018. More will be revealed about this exciting project as we get closer to the starting date. In the meantime - the bottle collection from around the school is building up in the maths room!!
Girls' match report

Cobar 2 Bourke 1

Team captain: Rozaria Suckling

Goal: Rozaria Suckling

A very close game where the girls where unlucky to not come away with a win. Bourke were well on top of the Cobar team to start with, with Lekeisha being unlucky with her 4 shots at goal. The game was scoreless until the end of the first half, where Cobar were able to get two very quick goals. The Bourke girls came back out with enthusiasm in the second half, and Rozaria scored with 15 minutes to go. The girls kept Cobar out for the second half of the game, and were unlucky with Rozaria, Charli Ibbotson and Jemmah Knight missing shots. The girls also played a man down for the duration of the game, with one sub, against a full strength Cobar side.

Player's Player: Ashleigh Dennis
Special mention to Mr Pickard for driving the bus and refereeing all day, as well as James Brookman, Denzel Jackson, Beau Glover, Tyrone Sutton and Cooper Ryan for assisting by running the line during the girls’ game.

**Boys’ match report**

Cobar 3 Bourke 1

**Team captain:** Larry Brissenden

**Goal:** Larry Brissenden

The boys were the second game on the day, and were as impressive as the girls. They were also playing against a significantly larger side—Bourke played with one sub, while Cobar had 3. Despite this, the boys put in an excellent effort, with some fantastic defensive work from a number of the boys. Unfortunately we never looked quite as threatening as Cobar, as shown in the result. Despite this, a great effort was put in by all the players, and each of the boys should be commended for their effort and sportsmanship on the day.

**Player’s Player:** Taj Waller
HPV vaccine

HPV vaccine fact sheet for students

What is HPV?
HPV stands for human papillomavirus. There are many different types of HPV.

Genital HPV is a very common sexually transmitted infection in males and females with around eight in 10 people being infected at some point in their lives. It usually causes no symptoms and goes away by itself, but can sometimes cause serious illness.

What does HPV have to do with cancer?
Genital HPV infection can cause some cancers including cancer of the cervix, vulva and vagina in females and cancer of the penis in males. It can also cause cancers of the anus and mouth/throat, and genital warts in both males and females.

How do people get HPV?
HPV is passed on from one person to another through intimate genital-skin contact, usually without the person ever knowing it. The virus enters the body through tiny breaks in the skin. You can be exposed to HPV the first time sexual activity occurs, from only one sexual partner.

You may not be thinking about being sexually active yet, however the vaccine works best if it is given before exposure to HPV – that is, before sexual activity starts.

About the HPV vaccine
A vaccine has been developed that can protect you against 90% of cervical cancers, most of the genital cancers in males caused by HPV infection and 90% of genital warts in both females and males.

For people aged 14 and under, the vaccine is given as two injections in the upper arm, six to 12 months apart. It’s very safe. The HPV vaccine was carefully tested before it was introduced. Over 270 million doses have been given safely around the world.

The vaccine works best when given at a younger age. Research shows that younger people create more antibodies to the vaccine than those aged in their late teens. This means by having the vaccine at aged 12-13 you are better protected if you are exposed to HPV in the future.

If you’re aged 15 or over when you get your first dose, or if you don’t receive the injections at least six months apart, you will need three injections. Ideally, the three doses should be given at 0, 2 and 6 months – that is, the second dose should be given two months after the first, and the third dose four months after the second.

The HPV vaccine can reduce the risk of developing HPV-related cancers and disease. Visit www.hpvvaccine.org.au or call 13 11 20 to find out more.

Cancer Council
Who can have the vaccine?
Girls *and* boys aged 12–13 can have the vaccine free of charge at school as part of the National HPV Vaccination Program.

It’s important to note however that the vaccine is free for a limited time only and conditions do apply. Your parents or guardian can contact your local immunisation provider or doctor.

If you’re outside of these age ranges, ask your doctor or school nurse for advice about the HPV vaccine and whether it’s right for you.

Why should I consider having the vaccine?
Having the HPV vaccine means you are far less likely to develop HPV-related cancers and disease in the future.

Cancer Council and important health groups such as the World Health Organization all agree that having the vaccine is a good idea.

How can I have the vaccine?
Under the school-based program, students eligible for the free vaccine will receive a consent card.

Your parent or guardian must sign this form and return it to the school before you can be vaccinated. If you and your parents/guardian agree that you should not have the vaccine, they need to note this on the form and return it to school.

The vaccine is also available from your doctor.

What if I miss an injection dose?
Any missed dose at school can be obtained from your doctor. In some states missed doses are offered at your school.

Tips for a stress-free vaccination day
- Wear short sleeves on the day if possible so the nurse can give you the vaccine in your upper arm easily.
- If you feel nervous, ask your teacher if you can go first, to get it out of the way.
- Make sure you have a good breakfast on the days when you have the vaccine.
- It’s best to avoid too much exercise on the days you have the vaccine.
- After the vaccine most people feel fine. But if you don’t feel well, make sure you tell the nurse, a teacher or your parents/guardians.

More information: Contact your local immunisation provider or doctor.
Please join us for

Through Our Eyes
An exhibition of photos by locals from NALAG's Photographic Storytelling Workshop
10.30 for 11.00am
Tuesday, March 27, 2018
at the Wharf Gallery
Mitchell Street, Bourke
FREE EVENT
Light refreshments will be served
RSVP: Trudy Hanson (NALAG) 04438829200

Supported by National Association for Loss & Grief, Murdi Paaki Regional Enterprise Centre, Bourke Men's Shed and Bourke Shire Council
This has been and IS happening. It's fantastic!

Photos to come... currently planning projects!

Mindful Makers

Who
Interested female students from Bourke High School

What
A group for “makers” to make

When
Monday afternoons 3:15-5pm

Where
BHS Visual Arts room

Why
To make Mondays something to look forward to, to make! and to practice mindfulness with other like minded people

How much
A gold coin donation

Well...
Are you interested? Then come along! Talk to Miss Smith or Mrs McCorkle for more information

Makers are going to make
If you have moved or changed your phone number please call the office and let us know.

If your child has medical information that is important to his/her health please call us so we can update your file. This includes information on allergies and medication.

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