



# NEWSLETTER

STUDENT NEWS FROM BALRANALD CENTRAL SCHOOL 18 DECEMBER 2012 ISSUE 40

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Presentation Night



## CHRISTMAS!!!



On Monday, 10 December some of our Year 2 students were invited to decorate In The Garden's window for Christmas. The students had a great time and would like to thank Anne Headon for inviting them to participate in decorating her window.

## SCHOOL STARTING DATES FOR TERM 1, 2013

**Monday & Tuesday, 4 & 5 February 2013**

School Development Days for all teaching staff

**Wednesday, 6 February 2013**

Students in Years 1 to 12 first day of school

**Thursday, 7 February 2013**

Students in Kindergarten first day of school



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# PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVES

Welcome back to week eleven of Term 4. So we have reached the last report for the year. We have had such a fantastic year that in some ways it is fitting that we just take the time to enjoy our accomplishments. As a school our riches are extremely bountiful. There are a few occasions when we forget this in the fervour of the day to day activities. Last week saw our Annual Presentation Night with the hall almost at its maximum. Our choir had an opportunity to again showcase their talents and enthusiasm. Miss Caryn Jones had a small group of primary students at their peak for the performance of "Little Red Rocking Hood". A script that harkened back to the classics. Music and lines that were inspired reminders of the themes that we at times forget. Seeing our kids in costume and having an absolute ball as they sang and danced their way through the songs from our past. Even my memories were tested by the Purple People Eater, Jailhouse Rock, Blue Suede Shoes, Hound Dog, Rock Around The Clock and Tutti Frutti once again a stark reminder that so much of the past can be used to create a wonderful link with parents and the community. While the night performance was truly great our students were in their absolute element at the matinee reprise on Friday at 11am. Their confidence and enjoyment were at their peak.

While we are in the last week of school this does not mean that there are any fewer things to negotiate. The primary students who have reached the Gold and Silver levels are off on their reward excursion to Mildura on Monday. Well done to all those students.

This week will see our HSC students able to access their results via their passwords. The school will be able to access these later in the week. We wish all our students the very best with their results.

School for students finishes on Wednesday, with staff completing the year on Thursday with a School Development Day which will give us all a better vision of where our teaching and learning needs to go to cater for our 21<sup>st</sup> Century learners. Teachers will also have the opportunity to do some structured learning on the best ways to use the rapidly evolving technology that students have access to. As part of the day we will also be bidding farewell to a number of staff; Mr Duncan McLeod, Mr Tim Allen, Mr Ross Craven and Miss Megan Baker. Earlier in the week will also be taking the opportunity to say farewell to Ms Nella Menta. The end of each year does have these quite significant occasions of extreme sadness. These outstanding people will be missed enormously as their talents were what made our year such a resounding success. On the counterbalance we also welcome Mr Bruce

Scott our new AP and Mr Wayne Cowan our new TAS teacher.

At this time of the year I become more acutely aware of just how fortunate we are as a school. The team we have are truly both talented and focused on getting the very best from everyone. My thanks to Amelia Calleja as President of the P & C. What a motivated and proactive team of parents who are always looking at ways to enhance what we have at the school. Their work ethic at times leaves me in their wake. You are all absolute angels and a resource to be envied by everyone. The SASS staff, which include the front office people, Sharon Nelson, Michelle Gervasi, Sue Campbell, Pam Barker, Vicki Lister, Peter Christian, our SAM and Drew Connellan, our GA. I would also like to acknowledge Jo Salau, Woody Longford. Plus our team of SLSO's who are in classrooms every day, Tima Serevi, Lloyd Murray, Steven Smith, Sarah Pollard and Bill Harben. I was very sad to hear that Tima will be moving on at the end of this year, she has been a fantastic member of the SLSO team in the school. Staff and students will miss her hugely. I will make every effort to retain these people in the school pending access to both internal and external funding sources.

My sincere thanks to my executive team of Mr Tim Allen, Mr Richard White and Miss Stobon Lloyd, your outstanding efforts have made my job all the more manageable. The very knowledgeable, talented and caring staff of the school. Every day you add to the vast reservoir of rich spoils we have at the school. Possibly one of the most critical pieces of the puzzle, parents and families of our kids. Every day you are able to get them to school and ready for the lessons to be learned and experiences to be had. Thank you for the trust and confidence you have in the school to both educate and look after your children. Finally the students, you are very lucky to have so many sources of support with in all these groups. Can I ask that you all have a very much deserved break and get the opportunity to recharge all the batteries and come back next year ready to have another fantastic learning year. I hope we have all noticed the wonderful upgrade of primary tables and chairs at the back of the school.

We may well all be in need of a level of additional resolve to manage the many changes that have been forecast and are pending on the horizon. If not next year then certainly in the very rapidly approaching future.

All the best everyone and have a great break and festive season. May your celebrations be enjoyable and appropriate to your faith and culture.

**The following students received awards at the  
Special Primary Assembly on  
Wednesday, 12 December 2012**

**Bronze Awards**

Marc VaarzonMorel (Year 6)  
Faith Jolliffe (Year 4)  
Keely Gaston (Year 4)  
Hannah Morton (Year 3)  
Isaac Lloyd (Year 1)  
Macy Lloyd (Year 3)  
Kobe Lloyd (Year 6)  
Drew Lloyd (Year 4)  
Lani Dalton (Year 4)  
Jenna Leggatt (Year 4)  
Hope Militto (Year 4)  
Charlie Ross (Year 1)  
Mitchell Carmichael (Year 2)  
Mikayla Bax (Year 4)  
Lily Dunn (Year 5)  
Jordyn Jolliffe (Year 6)  
Kiandra Dalton (Year 6)  
Jayden Wilkinson (Year 5)  
Darcy Carmichael (Year 3)  
Logan Gaston (Year 1)  
Bailey Stevenson (Year K)

**Silver Awards**

Alex Calleja (Year 3)  
Dominic Gervasi (Year 5)  
Rylan Dalton (Year 2)  
Tanisha Stevens (Year 3)  
Jordyn Jolliffe (Year 6)  
Darcy Carmichael (Year 3)  
Charlie Ross (Year 1)  
Mitchell Carmichael (Year 2)  
William Morton (Year 6)

# TENNIS



**January – Tennis Camp – Balranald 2013**

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup>, Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>, Friday 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Advanced – group 1 start 8.30am – 10.30am daily  
Intermediate – group 2 start 10.00am – 12.00 daily  
Beginner – group 3 start 11.30am – 1.30pm daily**

**Cost \$50.00 for the 3 days**

**Camp includes – Coaching, Match Play, Group games, Prizes  
to be won, Tennis Racquet to be won**

**Bookings are essential.**

**So come along and have some fun!!!**

**Any enquiries call Kevin Murphy (Jnr) on 0417 359 721,  
John Brougham (Pudd) on 5020 1332 or Lisa Jolliffe.**

**Private lessons can be arranged through Kevin. \$25 per  
half hour.**

## DEC NEWSLETTER BRIEFS

### Anaphylaxis information

If your child is diagnosed at risk of a severe allergic reaction, particularly anaphylaxis, the Anaphylaxis Procedures contain information for schools and parents designed to minimise the risk to students. If your child has an allergy it is important to let us know – see Action steps for parents.

Find out more: <http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/studentsupport/studenthealth/conditions/anaphylaxis/index.php>

### Schoolkids Bonus

The Schoolkids Bonus can help lighten the financial load. It replaces the old Education Tax Refund and it's simple: there's no need to collect receipts or claim it through your tax. Eligible families need to register by 31 December. Find out more: <http://www.fahcsia.gov.au/our-responsibilities/families-and-children/benefits-payments/schoolkids-bonus>

## Canteen Corner

**NO LUNCH ORDERS  
on Wednesday 19th**

Please settle all canteen accounts. If you are unsure of your balance please text Wyneta on 0428 177 730



### Be media smart.

We're bombarded with media messages telling us how our bodies are not perfect, so we will buy certain products. Remind yourself that these body images are manufactured by make-up, primping, airbrushing, and cosmetic surgery. Don't let advertising manipulate your feelings about your own self.



Finish the term off with a night at the movies!

### 7pm on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December in the School Hall.

Are you brave enough to come and watch BRAVE? A great family movie! Bring a bean bag or pillow, grab a box of popcorn from the P & C canteen and you'll be all set for a great evening.....



Our lucky winners for the P & C Christmas Fundraiser were:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place: Ary Vanzanten
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Ben Jones
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Lyn Pearce
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place: Shirley Militto

Thank you to all who supported this raffle. When you support the P & C you are supporting the children at BCS!



The P & C would like to wish students, parents, teachers and staff a very jolly, happy, merry, joyful, relaxing and safe Christmas. We look forward to seeing and working with you all again in 2013!



## BCS ANNUAL K-12 PRESENTATION NIGHT AWARDS 2012



Kindergarten Class Merit Awards



Year 1 Class Merit Awards



Year 2 Class Merit Awards



Year 3 Class Merit Awards



Year 4 Class Merit Awards



Year 5 Class Merit Awards



Year 6 Class Merit Awards



Year 7 Class Merit Awards



## BCS ANNUAL K-12 PRESENTATION NIGHT AWARDS 2012



Year 8 Class Merit Awards



Year 9 Class Merit Awards



Year 10 Class Merit Awards



Year 11 Class Merit Awards



Year 12 Class Merit Awards



Balranald Central School Gold Awards



CWA Primary Citizenship & Food Technology Awards



Balranald ICPA NSW Inc. Commitment to Education Awards



## BCS ANNUAL K-12 PRESENTATION NIGHT AWARDS 2012



*John Williams MP Year 7-9 Citizenship Award  
Sussan Ley MP Year 10-12 Citizenship Award*



*Employment Works Academic Effort & Achievement Award*



*Primary & Secondary Balranald Shire Council Cultural Achievement Awards*



*Year 11 MICEEP Local Community Partnership VET Awards*



*Masonic Lodge Primary Citizenship Award*



*Year 12 MICEEP Local Community Partnership VET Award &  
School Based Traineeship Completion Award*



*Essential Energy Technology & Applied Studies Award*



*Charles Sturt University Outstanding Academic Achievement  
Award*



## BCS ANNUAL K-12 PRESENTATION NIGHT AWARDS 2012



*Balranald & District Ex-Servicemen's Memorial Club  
Commitment & Academic Potential Award*



*Australian Defence Force Leadership & Teamwork Awards*



*Balranald/Tooleybuc Teachers Federation Awards*



*Reuben F Scarf Effort Award*



*AECG Award*



*Caltex Best All Rounder Award*



*Primary & Secondary Balranald Senior Citizens Awards*



*Balranald Central School 2011 Dux Award*



## BCS ANNUAL K-12 PRESENTATION NIGHT AWARDS 2012



*Principal's Awards*



*Primary Swimming Champions*



*Primary & Secondary Captains for 2013*



*Secondary Swimming Champions*



*Primary Athletics Champions*



*Primary & Secondary Sportswoman and Sportsman Achievement*



*Secondary Athletics Champions*



*Outstanding Sporting Achievement*

**TERM FOUR – 2012**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 11 B</b>	<b>17 DECEMBER</b> GOLD & SILVER AWARD EXCURSION	<b>18</b> Primary Class Parties	<b>19</b> Last day of school for students	<b>20</b> SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY – PUPIL FREE DAY	<b>21</b>

**TERM ONE – 2013**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 1 A</b>	<b>28 JANUARY</b> Australia Day	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1 FEBRUARY</b>
<b>Week 2 B</b>	<b>4</b> SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY	<b>5</b> SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY – PUPIL FREE DAY	<b>6</b> Yr 1 to 12 First Day of School	<b>7</b> Kinder First Day of School Secondary Sports Day	<b>8</b> Primary Sports Day
<b>Week 3 A</b>	<b>11 FEBRUARY</b> <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Secondary Sports Day K-Yr 12 Twilight Swimming Carnival	<b>15</b> No Classes Canteen Closed
<b>Week 4 B</b>	<b>18 FEBRUARY</b> <i>Merit Awards due for processing</i>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>22</b> Primary Sports Day
<b>Week 5 A</b>	<b>25 FEBRUARY</b> <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>1 MARCH</b> Primary Sports Day
<b>Week 6 B</b>	<b>4 MARCH</b> <i>Merit Awards due for processing</i> <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>8</b> Primary Sports Day
<b>Week 7 A</b>	<b>11 MARCH</b> <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>15</b> Primary Sports Day
<b>Week 8 B</b>	<b>18 MARCH</b> <i>Merit Awards due for processing</i> <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>22</b> Primary Sports Day
<b>Week 9 A</b>	<b>25 MARCH</b> <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Secondary Sports Day Bronze & Silver Awards due for processing for Whole School Assembly	<b>29</b> Good Friday
<b>Week 10 B</b>	<b>1 APRIL</b> Easter Monday	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>5</b> Primary Sports Day
<b>Week 11 A</b>	<b>8 APRIL</b>	<b>9</b> Whole School Assembly @11.00 am	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>12</b> Last Day of Term 1, 2013

*Italic:* K-Yr 6    *Normal:* Yr 7-12    **Bold:** K-Yr 12