



# NEWSLETTER

STUDENT NEWS FROM BALRANALD CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Notes to be returned to the school's front office:

ICAS Competitions due 20 May

### P & C Meeting

Monday, 20 May  
@ 6pm  
In Staff Common Room

### K-12 Athletics Carnival Friday, 17 May

*The P&C will be holding a BBQ and also selling toasted sandwiches and cakes and slices.*

*Year 12 will be selling soup.*

*SRC will be selling drinks*

THE SCHOOL CANTEEN  
WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY.

## Outstanding Achievement!!



After our Lawn Bowlers winning against Barham and Deniliquin, it was time for them to travel to Deniliquin on Wednesday, 8 May to meet Corowa in the next round of Championships. With Steady as he goes Zachary, Amiable Adam and Darkhorse Daniel, this intrepid trio showed great skill with terrific communication - awesome shots equalling great team effort. The boys led all through their 15 end game with the final score being Balranald 15 to Corowa 6. The boys wish to thank Coach John Manning and the Deniliquin RSL Bowling Club for providing their green to play on. The boys are now looking forward to their next challenge in coming weeks. We wish them good luck and great bowling.

Written by: Sue Balshaw



**SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB ORDERS**  
due Wednesday, 15 May

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR**  
Wednesday, 22 May  
In the Library  
From 3pm to 6pm

# PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVES

Welcome to all parents and students to week three of term two. After all the excitement of the Aerobics result the boys Bowls team have also done the school proud by overcoming Corowa High School. This is no mean feat as we are a much smaller school. Well done to the team of players, Zachary Jolliffe, Daniel Woolhouse and Adam Simpson, and a very sincere thank you to Betty Torney who transported the team to Deniliquin and Kylie Jolliffe and Sue Balshaw who also supported them on the day. Well done to the team and we wish them all the best as they plan for the next step in their bowls domination campaign.

We have a group of very lucky students who will travel to Sydney to take part in the UTS excursion and visit both UTS and Macquarie University while spending some quality time experiencing university life. I'm sure that Bailey Brougham, Sally Cocks, Chelsea Campbell, Kaitley Linnett and Gabi Ryan will enjoy every aspect of this opportunity to see how universities function and operate, plus take on some serious learning experiences as well.

This week see's our Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students sitting their NAPLAN assessments on Tuesday, 14 May to Thursday, 16 May. While these are important in terms of finding out where students are currently achieving, it is by no means the only way in which we assess our students. This is only a process used to gather some important data that can be used to assist each student during their time at school and even at home. I need your assistance in making sure our kids are not intimidated by the processes that they have to follow. They should all be quite calm in terms of being able to show their knowledge and understanding. The school is making sure our students are comfortable with the structure and mechanics of this process. I seek your support in ensuring that this message is universal from all of us.

In the next few weeks all classes will be undergoing various types and styles of assessment in the lead up to the reporting cycle. Can I ask that all students be encouraged to do a little extra review and revision as this time approaches. In spite of popular student perception that they are able to remember all facts that they have been taught even if it happened many weeks ago, research tells us that this is not the case. As good as our abilities are they do not extend into this realm. To help us recall facts and information we all need to give our brains an opportunity to remember

by revising material. You will then realise that you can remember some of the information, and even more once it has been reviewed. So make sure your kids give themselves the best chance possible in the lead up to examinations by looking over work that has been done in the past. Better still do some practice and share ideas with other peers. All these things help enormously. Give it a try and see what the result is.

Once again we have made an impressive start to the term with a full book of activities. Not that this will reduce too much in the coming weeks.

For all those keen people who have a bent for athletics, make sure you are in full physical trim for Friday when the school runs the Athletics Carnival. This is yet another red letter day in our calendar, with activities of all types out on display.

All the best.

## SRC Drinks being sold at Athletics Carnival

Coke	\$2
Water	\$2
Powerade	\$3.50

# K-12 NOTES

## Journey to the Centre of the Earth

On Monday our Primary Students journeyed to the hall to watch a performance. The students were engaged from start to finish as Actor, Mark Penzak used his pile of old suitcases, which made up the set and skilfully and brilliantly told an imaginary tale based on the Jules Verne novel, Journey to the Centre of the Earth.



## Athletics Carnival

Our Primary Students have been enthusiastically practising for our Athletics Carnival to be held this Friday. It is always exciting to watch students learn a new skill or striving to improve on their best. With the enthusiasm shown by our students over the last few weeks, we should be in for a fun day as they represent Mungo and Yanga and strive to do their best.

## Assembly Awards

At Friday's assembly we recognised the achievements of some of our students who received Assistant Principal Awards. These awards recognise students who are working well within the school environment. Our recipients were:

Max Ugarte	For improved attitude towards his work
Khy Jess	For improved attitude towards his work
Bonnie Jolliffe	For working hard and being willing to help others
Mitchell Carmichael	For an improved effort in his work
Chloe Potter	For working hard in Maths
Courtney Gorman	For trying hard in Maths
Lily Dunn	For working well during Library time
Hannah Morton	For working well during Library time

## 2013 ICAS Competitions

The entry fee per student is as follows:



Closing Date	Cost
Spelling 21/05/13	\$11.00
Writing 20/05/13	\$17.00
English 03/07/13	\$ 8.00
Mathematics 16/07/13	\$ 8.00
ALL of the above	\$60.00



Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

### Please tick choices to be entered:

- ☐ Spelling (\$11.00)  
☐ Writing (\$17.00)  
☐ English (\$ 8.00)  
☐ Mathematics (\$ 8.00)  
☐ ALL of the above (\$60.00)

Total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:     /     /





**Next P & C Meeting**  
**Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> May 2013**  
**@ 6pm in Staff Common**  
**Room!**

**Athletics Carnival**

The P & C will be providing drinks, BBQ and toasted sandwiches on the day!

*We would love if anyone could bring in a cake or plate of cookies to sell on the day.*  
Please remember no nuts!! Thank you!



**BCS Walk-a-thon**

How's the sponsor's going?  
 Have you worked out what prize you want?  
 Did you know that there will be a class  
 party for the  
 class which raises the most money?



If anyone has any old CDs or vinyl records that they do not want please send them to school to Michelle White.

We would like to use them for an art project in which all children in the school will be invited to participate.

Children will paint their own piece of work on a CD. These will then be put together to make a whole school project.

Thanks in advance.

**Canteen Corner**

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May**

(Because the Year 12 girls requested it again...)

**Homemade Mini Meatballs,  
 Spaghetti & Pasta Sauce  
 with Grated Cheese**

**\$4.50**



Please remember canteen is closed Friday 17<sup>th</sup> because of Athletics Carnival

## TERM TWO – 2013

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 3 A</b>	<b>13 MAY</b> <i>Exec meeting</i> Art Club @ 3pm	<b>14</b> NAPLAN - Yrs 3,5,7 & 9 GWS Cup Open Footy @ Deni Homework Club @ 3pm Sydney University Excursion	<b>15</b> NAPLAN - Yrs 3,5,7 & 9 Sydney University Excursion	<b>16</b> Secondary Sports Day NAPLAN - Yrs 3,5,7 & 9 Sydney University Excursion	<b>17</b> <i>Primary Sports Day</i> <b>K-12 Athletics Carnival</b> Sydney University Excursion
<b>Week 4 B</b>	<b>20 MAY</b> <i>Merit Awards due for processing</i> <i>Exec meeting</i> PSSA Netball Trials Art Club @ 3pm <b>P&amp;C Meeting @ 6pm</b>	<b>21</b> Homework Club @ 3pm	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Secondary Sports Day <b>Cross Country</b>	<b>24</b> <i>Primary Sports Day</i> <i>Primary Assembly</i>
<b>Week 5 A</b>	<b>27 MAY</b> <i>Exec meeting</i> Art Club @ 3pm	<b>28</b> Homework Club @ 3pm	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>31</b> <i>Primary Sports Day</i> Zone Athletics @ Finley
<b>Week 6 B</b>	<b>3 JUNE</b> <i>Merit Awards due for processing</i> <i>Exec meeting</i> Art Club @ 3pm Work Experience	<b>4</b> Homework Club @ 3pm Work Experience	<b>5</b> Work Experience	<b>6</b> Secondary Sports Day Work Experience	<b>7</b> <i>Primary Sports Day</i> <i>Primary Assembly</i> Work Experience
<b>Week 7 A</b>	<b>10 JUNE</b> <b>Queen's Birthday</b>	<b>11</b> Riverina PSSA Cross Country	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>14</b> <i>Primary Sports Day</i> Secondary Cross Country <b>Bronze &amp; Silver Awards due for processing for Whole School Assembly</b>
<b>Week 8 B</b>	<b>17 JUNE</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>21</b> <i>Primary Sports Day</i>
<b>Week 9 A</b>	<b>24 JUNE</b> <i>Exec meeting</i>	<b>25</b> Whole School Assembly @11.00 am	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>28</b> <i>Primary Sports Day</i> Last Day of Term 2

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

## Students of the Week

For Week 3 Term 2, 2013:

K/Year 1/2    Prue Harper  
Year 3/4    Hannah Morton  
Year 5/6    Courtney Gorman

