



# NEWSLETTER

STUDENT NEWS FROM BALRANALD CENTRAL SCHOOL

17 JUNE 2013

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

**Possum Magic Excursion**  
due by 20 June 2013

**NEXT PRIMARY ASSEMBLY**  
Friday, 26 July

**WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY**  
Tuesday, 25 June  
at 11.00am

**Uniform Shop will be closed:**  
28<sup>th</sup> June

## Congratulations Jessica Leggatt and Bidgee Haven



Congratulations to Jessica Leggatt for winning the Riverina School Based Trainee Award in Wagga last Thursday night.

Jessica won the award for her work at Bidgee Haven in the aged care sector. To win the award Jessica had to complete a detailed written nomination form as well as submit her Resume. She also had to attend an interview for this award, something she has never done before. Jessica's application was supported by the wonderful staff at Bidgee Haven hostel, who can now boast two of these awards to their credit, taking out the award in 2011 with Paige Bruton.

Jessica will now attend an interview in Sydney in July, for a place in the State finals of the award. The School and community wish Jessica the best of luck as she continues her journey.

Also on the night Balranald was represented by Tamara Bax for the same award. Tamara was nominated for her work at the Balranald Early Learning Centre. The Balranald Early

Learning Centre is another strong supporter of the School Based Traineeship program. This is the second time they have had a finalist in the Riverina Awards. The first was Belinda Nelson in 2009.

Both girls should be congratulated on the way in which they represented firstly their families, their employer, their school and finally Balranald as a whole. We are all so very proud of them both.

Finally, all the best to Jessica as she goes to Sydney in July to interview for a position in the State Final of the Award.

# PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVES

Welcome to all parents and students to week eight of term two. Last week saw a number of outstanding events for our students. The boys bowling team made their long journey to the wonderful climes of the upper NSW coast at North Haven to take part in the State finals. While they found the competition very challenging, it was a chance to perform at this level. This is a valuable experience for the boys as their skills are still developing. It is always good to have a hit out against some top quality competition.

The school had some outstanding success at the 2013 NSW Training Awards for the Riverina Region in Wagga Wagga. Not only did we have two very talented girls representing the school in the School Based Traineeship section in Tamara Bax and Jessica Leggatt, Jessica was selected as the Riverina representative at the State finals in late July. This is an outstanding honour and well deserved. I'm sure we will all wish her the very best and support her in her quest to take on the rest of the state next term. It is very timely to mention the fantastic support of both the Bidgee Haven Hostel and the Early Learning Centre who have been outstanding in supporting our students in their SBAT endeavours. These programs would not be able to operate without the wonderful support of our local employers.

This weekend also saw the Aerobics teams take on the might of the State at Sutherland on Saturday. In a very competitive event the primary team managed to achieve a bronze medal for 3<sup>rd</sup> place and an invite to the Nationals on the Gold Coast next term. The secondary team did a fantastic job but found the level of competition very challenging and still managed a creditable 4<sup>th</sup> place. Well done to all members of both teams. This is a wonderful outcome for our first attempt at this event. I'm sure you will join me in thanking Miss Kellie Williams the team coach, who has put in some amazing hours both before and after school to train both teams. There are also a number of support people who have made this all possible. There may well be a short break in the full rigour of training while we all gather ourselves for the hard work ahead.

The artist workshop will take place on Thursday this week giving our Aboriginal students an important avenue to showcase their skills. For a variety of reasons this has been postponed until this week. We look forward to creating a wonderful piece of Art work.

This week will see a Media Group present a program for our students on Friday after lunch. It promises to be an entertainment bonanza for our secondary students.

This is a very busy time of the term while reports are prepared and finalised before the end of a very action packed term. There are quite a number of very important activities still to complete before we can comfortably say goodbye to the term.

While attending a State SPC Conference may seem like a very cushy thing to do, I can seriously say that there were many inspiring presenters with information that was enlightening and challenging to process. There seems to be a very bumpy road ahead for everyone as we make our way into a somewhat uncertain future in education. Many things to be navigated and so challenge us in our practice. Plus the things we have taken as certain are perhaps due to be shaken on a number of fronts.

All the best.

## Students of the Week



For Week 8 Term 2, 2013:

K/Year 1/2  
Year 3/4  
Year 5/6

Lajarna Dutton  
Mason Dalton  
Courtney Gorman



## BOYS @ STATE LEVEL

After travelling for two days Zachary, Adam and Daniel with their supporters in tow arrived safely at North Haven excited and keen to get onto the green for the practice afternoon with coaches, John Manning, Alan Purtil and manager Richard White. The boys practiced to get the feel of the synthetic green. This was a new experience as they have only played on grass before this event.


Wednesday was competition day which was sectional. The boys acquitted themselves extremely well. The competition was tough with a couple of their opponents playing "State level" bowls. Our boys finished 4th in their section.



*Pictured: Alan Purtil, Zachary, Daniel, Adam and John Manning*

Thursday's competition was for all the consolation positions. Zachary, Adam and Daniel displayed great skill and their future in lawn bowls is looking very bright. They finished 16th in the state and should be proud of themselves. It has been a huge achievement to make it to state level.

Zachary Jolliffe, Adam Simpson and Daniel Woolhouse would like to thank John Manning and Alan Purtil for driving the cars. Also a really huge thank you also to all the generous donations, good wishes and sponsorship they received for this event.




## BALRANALD SKATE PARK PROJECT

**On Thursday the 27<sup>th</sup> June the Balranald Skate Park Project Committee will be meeting with students from both schools as part of their current research activities & the commitment of having the young people drive this project.**

**This will be followed by a lunch at 12.30pm @ The Balranald Central School where parents are invited for an informal get-together and chat.**

**We look forward to seeing you there!**





## Balranald Hot Shots and Balranald Heatwaves compete at NSW School Aerobics Premierships in Sydney





Atlas-Campaspe  
**MINERAL SANDS PROJECT**  
 COMMUNITY INFORMATION  
 JUNE 2013



## COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSIONS

Balranald > Wednesday 26 June, 2013

Ivanhoe > Wednesday 26 June, 2013

### OVERVIEW OF THE PROPOSED ATLAS-CAMPASPE MINERAL SANDS PROJECT

The Project would involve two main development components:

1. Construction and development of infrastructure for mining operations at the Atlas and Campaspe deposits (the proposed Atlas-Campaspe Mine), located approximately 80km north of Balranald.
2. Construction and operation of the Ivanhoe Rail Facility, located approximately 4.5 km south-west of Ivanhoe.

Conventional (non-dredge) mining methods would be utilised at the Atlas-Campaspe Mine, both for overburden removal and for ore extraction. Overburden/process wastes would be progressively backfilled in mine voids behind the advancing ore extraction areas or placed in off-path overburden emplacements/sand residue dams. The ore would be processed at on-site mineral processing facilities (i.e. primary gravity concentration and heavy mineral concentrate treatment) to produce mineral concentrates.

Mineral concentrates from the proposed Atlas-Campaspe Mine would be transported by road to the proposed Ivanhoe Rail Facility for unloading, stockpiling and subsequent loading to trains for rail transportation to the MSP.

An average construction workforce of approximately 150 people with a short-term peak construction workforce of up to 300 people would be required for Project construction. At full development, an operational workforce of approximately 200 people including a mixture of direct Cristal Mining employees and contractors would be required.

### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

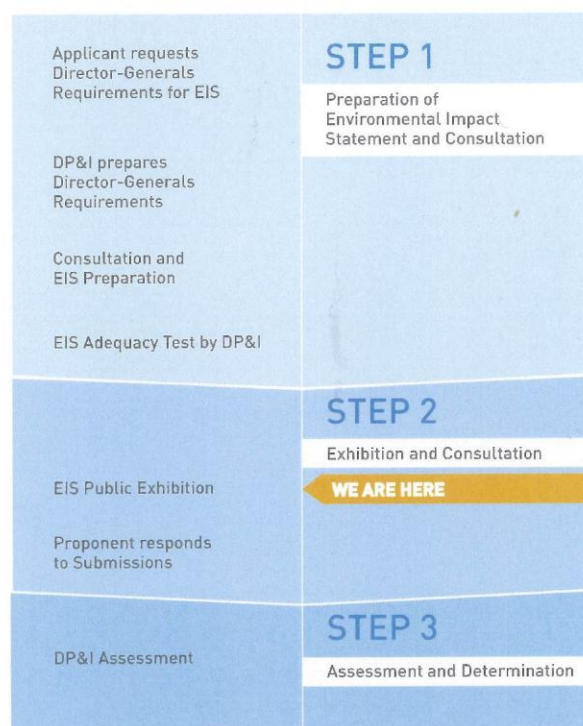
An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has been prepared by recognised experts to determine the environmental, social and economic effects of the Project.

The EIS includes the following studies:

- Flora Assessment.
- Fauna Assessment.
- Road Transport Assessment.
- Cultural Heritage Assessment.
- Hydrogeological and Water Supply Assessment.
- Surface Water Assessment.
- Agricultural Impact Statement.
- Socio-Economic Assessment.
- Noise Assessment.
- Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Assessment.
- Mineral Concentrate and Process Waste Materials Assessment.
- Land Contamination Assessment.
- Preliminary Hazard Analysis.
- Environmental Risk Assessment.

### APPROVALS PROCESS

Approval for the Project will be sought under Division 4.1 of Part 4 of the NSW *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979* as the Project is classified as State Significant Development under Schedule 1 of *State Environmental Planning Policy (State and Regional Development) 2011*.



State Significant Development Assessment Typical Steps

The EIS has been lodged with the NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure (DP&I) for assessment. The EIS is on public exhibition for public review and submissions from 11 June 2013 to 23 June 2013.

### Community Information Sessions

As part of Cristal Mining's ongoing commitment to community consultation, Community Information Sessions will be open to the public on the 26th June, 2013 in Balranald and Ivanhoe.

Members of the local community will have the opportunity to raise questions and receive Project information directly from Cristal Mining representatives.

### Key Information / Dates

Location > Ivanhoe RSL Columbus Street, Ivanhoe	Location > Balranald Senior Citizen Centre Market Street, Balranald
When > Wednesday 26 June 2013 6pm - 8pm	When > Wednesday 26 June 2013 11am - 1pm

### Community Enquiries

For any questions regarding the Atlas-Campaspe Mineral Sands Project, please call Ray Roberts, Resource Development Manager, on (03) 5025 7575 or email: [ray.roberts@cristal.com](mailto:ray.roberts@cristal.com)

## TERM TWO – 2013

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 8 B</b>	<b>17 JUNE</b> P&C Meeting @ 6pm	<b>18</b> <i>Life Education Van</i>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>21</b> Primary Sports Day
<b>Week 9 A</b>	<b>24 JUNE</b> <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>25</b> <i>K-1-2 Excursion to Mildura</i> <b>Whole School Assembly @11.00 am</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>28</b> Primary Sports Day Bushdance Workshop <b>Last Day of Term 2</b>

## TERM THREE – 2013

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 1 B</b>	<b>15 JULY</b> Staff Development Day <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>16</b> Students K-12 start	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>19</b> Primary Sports Day
<b>Week 2 A</b>	<b>22 JULY</b> <i>Merit Awards due for processing</i> <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>26</b> Primary Sports Day Primary Assembly Regional Athletics @ Albury
<b>Week 3 B</b>	<b>29 JULY</b> <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1 AUGUST</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>2</b> Primary Sports Day
<b>Week 4 A</b>	<b>5 AUGUST</b> <i>Merit Awards due for processing</i> <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>9</b> Primary Sports Day PSSA Athletics @ Barham
<b>Week 5 B</b>	<b>12 AUGUST</b> <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>16</b> Primary Sports Day Primary Assembly Aerobics @ Gold Coast
<b>Week 6 A</b>	<b>19 AUGUST</b> <i>Merit Awards due for processing</i> <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>23</b> Primary Sports Day
<b>Week 7 B</b>	<b>26 AUGUST</b> <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>30</b> Primary Sports Day PSSA Athletics @ Albury
<b>Week 8 A</b>	<b>2 SEPTEMBER</b> <i>Merit Awards due for processing</i> <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>6</b> Primary Sports Day Primary Assembly <b>Bronze &amp; Silver Awards due for processing for Whole School Assembly</b>
<b>Week 9 B</b>	<b>9 SEPTEMBER</b> <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>13</b> Primary Sports Day
<b>Week 10 A</b>	<b>16 SEPTEMBER</b> <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>17</b> Whole School Assembly @ 11.00 am	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>20</b> Yr 12 Formal Assembly Primary Sports Day <b>Last Day of Term 3</b>

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

**MELBOURNE ICE HOCKEY**

Expressions of interest are being sought for a boys (Years 7 to 11) overnight excursion to Melbourne to see a men's Ice Hockey match and experience an Ice Hockey tutorial where students will venture onto the ice themselves.

If interested please place name on list at Front Office.

Thank you Mrs J Gaston