



# NEWSLETTER

STUDENT NEWS FROM BALRANALD CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Wishes this week go to –

26<sup>th</sup> Madison Jess,  
Jacob Lister  
Connor Soraggi  
27<sup>th</sup> Blair Field  
28<sup>th</sup> Denym Tebetebe  
29<sup>th</sup> Shania Bax  
30<sup>th</sup> Sam Renfrey  
31<sup>st</sup> Lowanna Gwilliam  
Courtney Campbell

**HOT SHOTS**  
Details and photos  
next week for the  
Aerobic girls

## *Dubbo Under 16's Netball*

Wednesday morning at 8.30 am saw 11 eager girls (Madison, Jordyn, Chloe C, Shania, Isabella, Maddy, Samantha, Paynton, Kate, Chelsie and our scorer Sally), slip into cars armed with ipods, iphones and enough clothes to last 1 week not 3 days. Minus 1 bag, the most important piece the netball dress and bike pants! I will let you guess who that bag belonged to and it wasn't the scorer.

We hit the road for the long haul to Dubbo and the sound of untuned voices singing many a song new and old was painful. We stopped in West Wylong for lunch and charging of phones (what would they do without their phones). We set off for the big lights of Dubbo. Once at our cabins the girls unpacked and made a bee line straight to the jumping pillow to chat up some new found friends.

The girls glammed up for tea at Hogs Breath Café. Many a mock tail and copious amounts of soft drink were drunk plus a quick trip to Target to purchase those forgotten bike shorts. After tea it was back to Target (the luxury of being in a big town) for a few photos with Gok and trying on some of the clothes.....then back to the cabins for a good nights sleep ready for the next day.

Wednesday night at 9.30 pm saw an extraordinary sight. Was it a bird, no, was it a plane, no it was the SUPER MUMS all tanned and fresh from the Gold Coast and a 9 hour drive from Melbourne.

Thursday morning arrives with a slight chill in the air. Our super mums thought it was freezing! How can Dubbo weather compare to the Gold Coast. The girls reluctantly stripped down and start their warm up. While doing so, checked out the opposition in what they were doing and what they were wearing. The first game was against Bowraville Central. The dodgy scoring system left the girls a little deflated and a few goals less on the score board. The girls lost 25 to 17. Bowraville won the Central School Championships.

The next game was against the much bigger Lake Cargelligo Central team. The girls put in a solid performance but were beaten 35 to 12. Madison played amazing and got best on the ground.

The third game saw the girls come away with a win against Batlow Central (the team that had beaten them at Regional level). Some magic play was seen and an amazing commando drive roll saw Jordyn take out the best on for the game. The girls won 18 to 14.

With spirits high the girls entered the last game against Uralla Central in great form. Some brilliant ring work from the Militto sisters and Isabella always in the right spot at the right time, won the game 24 to 9. Paynton got best on in this game.

All the girls played extremely well and our best on for the day was Jordyn, with her never give up attitude and her endless amount of energy. Others that play well were Isabella, Madison the Militto girls and Shania who wasn't 100%. A top job by all team members, Balranald Central School finished third overall.

With the netball behind us for the day, we hit the shops for some therapy. Some of us needed therapy more than others. (I think you all know which Mum I'm talking about).

Back at the cabins the girls headed straight to the jumping pillow and to find the touch footballing boys again. Time ticking away it was a mad rush to doll up for tea at the local RSL Club. What a night; when tea was over our girls hit the dance floor with Terry Leo leading with vocals. The girls showed the oldies how to dance, but were out done by one 80 year old lady who demonstrated you can dance like a 14 year old at any age. Photo with Terry Leo was had and he expected them all on Facebook within the hour. After entertaining the Dubbo RSL Club crowd it was off to the cinema for a P.D.H lesson. The mums laughed more than the girls and some were a little embarrassed by our laughter.

As the night drew to a close the girls tried once more to find the boys, but bed was where the girls were headed.

All slept soundly except for one teacher and mum who was rudely awoken from their peaceful slumber by the sound of phone alarms in the wee hours of the night. Thanks girls!

The drive home was much quieter than the one up. All girls displayed excellent sportsmanship skills and represented our school extremely well. We had one Grandpa at the RSL wanting to adopt the girls as granddaughters.

A big thank you to the wonderful support of Kerry Militto, Sue Mitchell, Lorraine Bax, Josie Harding, Donna Renfrey and Lisa Jolliffe. It was a great 3 days and we are ready for next year.



# PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVES

Welcome to all parents and students to week seven of term three. This like every week has the potential to be very challenging purely from the number of activities that need to be managed point of view. We have a range of teacher training activities during the course of the week, with people travelling to Tooleybuc Central School for Taking Off With Numeracy (TOWN) training; Mr Longford taking part in some Multi Lit training in preparation for next year as well as an additional process to be used in class with some students.

Monday morning has been a whirl of activity as our two groups of Design and Technology students hand in Major projects and folios for storage until the HSC examiners come out to mark them next Thursday. We have the unusual situation where a class working in normal mode has combined their completion with our compressed mode class. So effectively, we have a class of seven students completing projects and folios at the same time, plus getting ready to do their final run at preparations for the all too rapidly approaching HSC examination next term.

On Thursday, 29 August this week the school will host Positive Partnerships presentation of a whole day workshop for parents/carers and community service providers of school age children on the Autism Spectrum. The information is valuable even if your child has not been diagnosed. Please take the time to register either online or via the paper work at the school. As a part of this program all staff will be doing a 2 hour workshop on Autism Spectrum to build their knowledge and understanding. There is also a four day training course being run in Mildura in September and October. Following the community workshop there is a role for a Key Local Facilitator who can continue to provide support for any and all participants and build sustainability within the community. This is a paid role with access to the equivalent of 17 days' work over a four month period. More details about this can be gained by attending the community workshop this week.

As part of the schools ongoing processes we are taking part in an internal VET audit. This involves staff from other schools coming in and looking over the diverse samples of evidence that teachers and students have collected and stored as part of their VET framework study in Hospitality, Primary Industries and Metals & Engineering which is TAFE delivered for our students.

With the new restructure VET is in the situation of having overarching supervision of our Registered Training Organisation (RTO) from four locations with more local supervision from the normal personnel. There are noises that indicate that all individual schools will have increasing responsibility to be considered as RTO on their own. This brave new world does have quite a few sharp pointy bits that need to be managed.

From all accounts the weekends Netball and Football presentations were quite a gala event with recognition for both students, parents and carers being very wide spread. Well done to all those who did get some acknowledgement and especially those who may have missed out. All great teams are built on the hard work of all players and participants. Sometimes it may take some time to be seen as the one who gets the acknowledgement. It does not lessen the efforts made by all members of the team. It may well be showing a level of enjoyment in taking part that makes the difference.

I encourage all parents to stay on track with the multitude of activities that make up our weekly in school and beyond schedule. Sometimes it's a real struggle to keep up with the kids and their endless energy. I hope we all have a great week and manage the seemingly endless tasks with ease and good humour.

All the best.

***Balranald  
Golf Incorporated  
AGM  
September 10<sup>th</sup> 2013  
At the Golf Club  
6.00pm***

# Primary Pondering

Another busy week in Primary this week, we have members of staff participating in Taking Off With Numeracy (TOWN) training. TOWN is a whole-class intervention program which focuses on improving numeracy skills of students in the primary. This will be an exciting opportunity for our staff to consolidate their skills in this area.

On Friday, we have students traveling to Albury to represent our school as part of the Moulamein PSSA team at the District Athletics Carnival. Good luck to all those students who will be competing on the day.

Students in Years three to six require pencils, pens, glue sticks and other items to be able to complete their work in class. Please check with your child if they require any of these items so that they are prepared and ready to go each day.

## Students of the Week

For Week 7 Term 3, 2013:



K/Year1/2 – Peyton Camin  
Year 3/4 – Macy Lloyd  
Year 5/6 – Lowanna Gwilliam

*Student banking  
every  
Wednesday*

## Solid State Circus

On Tuesday, 20 August 2013 Solid State Circus came to Balranald Central School. First of all they introduced themselves. There was Manx, Tye and Sebastian. They put on a good show. Tye was an acrobat, Manx was a ball man and Sebastian is a magician. First of all Tye made up a story about his life and Sebastian and Manx told him off and he had to go sit in the corner. Then Manx came out with his glass ball. He made the ball look like its moving when it's not. He spun it around with his Chinese linking rings. Then all three of them were on the mini tramp and did some really cool things. After recess we did a workshop and I learned how to juggle 2 balls. Written by Keely Gaston



On Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup> Solid State Circus came to Balranald Central School to do a performance and a workshop. The show was for Kindergarten to Year 10. The workshop was for year 5 to year 10. In the workshop we got to do mini tramp, juggling and acrobatics. There was three groups which were year 5s, year 6s with Courtney Campbell and Daniel Woolhouse and the year 7s were by themselves. The first activity year 5 go to do was acrobatics, year 6 juggling and year 7 mini tramp. Then we swapped year 5 went to juggling, year 6 went to mini tramp and year 7 went to acrobatics and finally we swapped again year 5 went to mini tramp, year 6 to acrobatics and year 7 to juggling. The mini tramp was so awesome we got to do flips, rolls, star jumps and pin jumps. Written by William Scott



On Tuesday the Solid State Circus came to Balranald Central School and performed for us. The three men were Tye, Sebastian and Manx. After we went back to class and we did some activities and then it was lunch time. Then we went home. Written by Jacob Williams

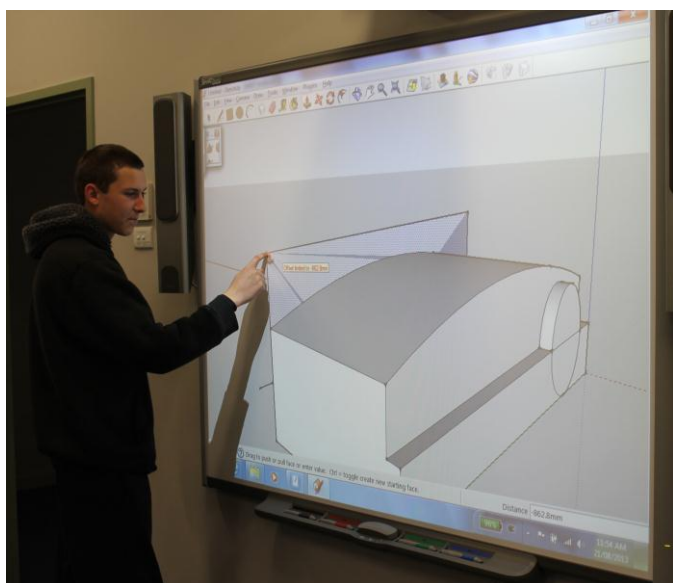




## GOOGLE SKETCH-UP

Our teacher Mrs Linnett has a nephew named Todd Linnett. Todd designs cars and he came to our school and told us about when he started designing cars. He said that 2 years ago he was wondering what to do with his career and one time his teachers saw him using a program called 'Google Sketch Up' and he was designing a car on there so his teachers recommended a competition. Todd won this competition twice against university people and the reward was a trophy and \$3000. After he showed us some designs he made, we started to make our own. It was really fun. Everyone really enjoyed using Google sketch up because there was a lot of tools and fun stuff on there.

Written by **Mikayla Bax**



On Wednesday, 21 August 2013, Todd Linnett came to Balranald Central School. In Period 3 and 4 we went up to the seminar room to use a programme called "Google Sketch'Up". Todd designs cars for a competition called VACC (Victorian Automobile Chamber of Commerce). He won this twice, once last year and also this year. He won \$3,000 each time and a trophy. One car was entirely made of glass the other one was mostly made of glass and some plastic.

Written by **Riley Pearce**



### DEC NEWSLETTER BRIEFS

#### Helping out at exam time

You CAN help your child study for their exams (or complete their major works) even if you don't know much about the subject. Here is some practical advice on everything from writing an essay to helping the rest of the family stay supportive (and sane) while your teen works towards their final exams. Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english>

#### Staying private on Facebook

Do you know how to untag photos and keep your Facebook page private? Read this and share with your kids.

Find out more: <http://www.smh.com.au/digital-life/consumer-security/how-to-stay-private-on-facebook-20130730-2qvn1.html>



### South West Music Inc

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### **GUITAR LESSONS AVAILABLE**

Will Eldridge is currently living in your area and he is now available for one-to-one guitar lessons during school hours.

#### **We only need 3 more students to enrol in order to start this program.**

If you are interested in taking up this opportunity then please contact us at South West Music Regional Conservatorium, Deniliquin, immediately so that lessons can be organised. Parents pay for the lessons and the school provides the teaching space. Phone us if you have any questions and if you wish to receive an Enrolment Package.

#### **South West Music Regional Conservatorium**

The Department of Education & Communities funds South West Music. We are based in Deniliquin and we currently employ 6 teachers who deliver programs in guitar, percussion, vocals, piano, trumpet, flute, ukulele, banjo, double bass and music theory

## P&C Father's Day Stall

On Wednesday 28 & Thursday 29 August the P&C will be holding their Father's Day stall. With loads of cool things available you are sure to find something for your dear Dad!

All primary classes will be taken over in the morning to choose out a little gift and the stall will be open at Recess on both days for any Secondary students who love their Daddy!

If you'd like your child to buy something, send a little money in with them on the day. All gifts are under \$5.

Happy Father's Day!



## Canteen Corner

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August

**Fish 'n' Chips**

*With a side salad of Coleslaw, lemon wedge and tartare sauce*

**\$5.00**



**RED DAY**

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August**

**.....Lots of yummy treats**

## **BALRANALD JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB**

**Presentation Night**

**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2013**

**6:30pm**

**Presentation will follow a BBQ Tea at big football shed**

**Families are asked to bring a salad to share**

**Family: \$20 / Singles: \$10**

## TERM THREE – 2013

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 7 B</b>	<b>26 AUGUST</b> Art Club – 3-4pm <u>Exec meeting</u> Trial HSC exams	<b>27</b> Homework Club @ 3pm Trial HSC exams	<b>28</b> Trial HSC exams	<b>29</b> Secondary Sports Day Trial HSC exams	<b>30</b> <i>Primary Sports Day</i> <i>PSSA Athletics @ Albury</i> Trial HSC exams
<b>Week 8 A</b>	<b>2 SEPTEMBER</b> <i>Merit Awards due for processing</i> Art Club – 3-4pm <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>3</b> Homework Club @ 3pm	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Secondary Sports Day CHS State Athletics @ Sydney	<b>6</b> <i>Primary Sports Day</i> <i>Primary Assembly</i> <b>Bronze &amp; Silver Awards due for processing for Whole School Assembly</b> CHS State Athletics @ Sydney
<b>Week 9 B</b>	<b>9 SEPTEMBER</b> Art Club – 3-4pm <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>10</b> Homework Club @ 3pm	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Secondary Sports Day Master Welder Competition	<b>13</b> <i>Primary Sports Day</i>
<b>Week 10 A</b>	<b>16 SEPTEMBER</b> Art Club – 3-4pm <u>Exec meeting</u>	<b>17</b> Homework Club @ 3pm <b>Whole School Assembly @ 11.00 am</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Secondary Sports Day	<b>20</b> <b>Yr 12 Formal Assembly</b> <i>Primary Sports Day</i> <b>Last Day of Term 3</b>

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

## Balranald Central School Year 12 Trial HSC Exams

WEEK 7	9:00am-11:10am	9:00am-11:05am	9:00am-11:05am	9:00am-12:05pm	9:00am-12:05pm
<b>26 August – 30 August</b>	English Standard  <b>Paper 1</b>  2hrs + 10 min	Hospitality  Metals  Human Services  (Aged Care)  2hrs + 5 min	English Standard  <b>Paper 2</b>  2hrs + 5 min  <b>9:00am-10:35am</b>  English Studies  1.5 hrs + 5min  <b>1:55pm-3:00pm</b>  Industrial Technology  Design & Technology  1.5 hrs + 5min	Mathematics General  3hrs + 5min  <b>9:00am-10:35am</b>  Mathematics Applied  1.5 hrs + 5min	Biology  Business Studies  3hrs + 5min  <b>9:00am-11:05am</b>  Primary Industries  2hrs + 5 min
	<b>1:55pm-3:00pm</b>  Exploring Early Childhood  SLR  1.5 hrs + 5min				



## **MENS & WOMENS FUTSAL 2013/14**

*\*What better way to spend your Nights\**

**Where:** Swan Hill Leisure Center

**Starts:** 16th September 2013 6PM

New and old players welcome, doesn't matter if you haven't played before

All players must be at Leisure Center on the 16<sup>th</sup> September 2013 at 5.50 to register and work out draw.

**Cost:**

\$65 rego for Seniors

\$55 rego for 15 and under

\$8 per game per person

Any and all enquires contact Tony 0409 058 846

**ALL REGISTRATION MUST BE PAID 1<sup>ST</sup> WEEK  
OR YOU DO NOT PLAY!**

Register by filling out rego sheet and payment on registering

***COME HAVE SOME FUN!!!***

Completed Forms with payment to be brought on the 16<sup>th</sup>. \$65 Registration (includes insurance) and \$8 payable each week ALL REGO INFO THAT PLAYERS CAN DOWNLOAD IS ON [www.swanhillsoccer.com](http://www.swanhillsoccer.com) and forms will be available on the night.

## **JUNIOR FUTSAL**

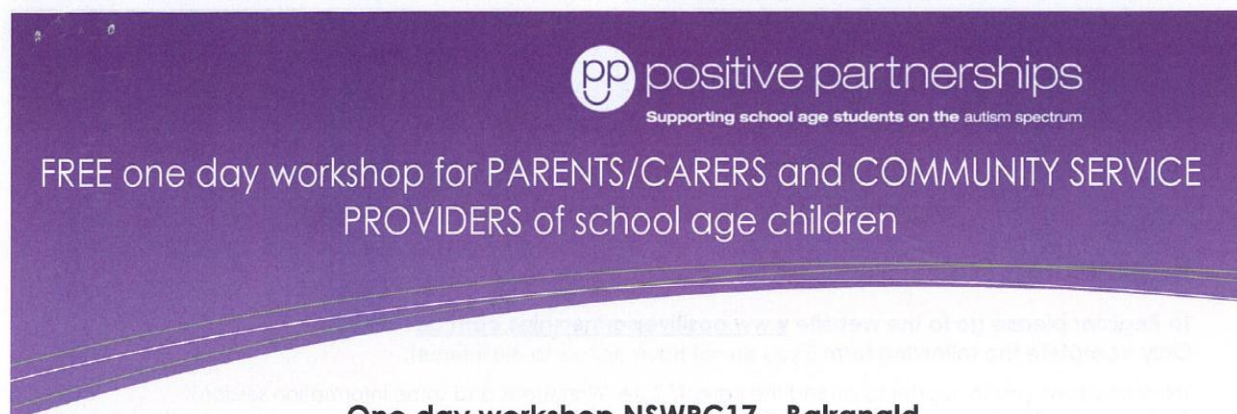
Junior Futsal for 2013 will kick off with the first game on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August with games being held on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> September and recommencing on 11<sup>th</sup> October after the school holidays and finish on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2013.

Registration and fees will be taken from 30<sup>th</sup> August with all fees to be paid before 11<sup>th</sup> October. Registration fee will be \$50.

Competition will range from 5 to 15+ year olds.

For further information please contact Sue Fox on 0419535641





### One day workshop NSWPC17 - Balranald

#### What will you learn?

##### As a result of participation in the workshop as parents/carers, you will gain

- A greater understanding of the impact of autism on children at school, home and in the community.
- Knowledge about how to develop effective parent, school, teacher and community partnerships.
- Strategies on how to:
- Support children's participation at school and in the community.
- Support and manage challenging behaviours.
- Access local school and community systems.
- Develop local networks.

**Where:** Balranald Central School,  
We Street, Balranald NSW 2715

**When:** One day workshop on Thursday 29 August 2013

**Time:** 9.30 am – 2.30 pm (Registration from 9.00 am)  
Morning tea and lunch provided

The workshop is an opportunity for families to come together to discuss the issues that are important to them about their child/children.

The workshop is a safe environment where participants can talk about autism and other behavioural and learning needs that may be affecting children at home, school and in the community.

**Registration opens Thursday 18 July 2013, and closes 2 days prior.**

*Registration may stay open until one day before the workshop if spaces are still available, but we strongly recommend that you register as soon as possible.*

*You will receive a confirmation of your registration.*

**Online registrations preferred:** please go to the website [www.positivepartnerships.com.au](http://www.positivepartnerships.com.au).

**Only complete the following form if you do not have access to the internet** and fax or mail to:

Fax: 02 9451 9661; Mail: Positive Partnerships, ASPECT, PO Box 361, Forestville NSW 2087

**Positive Partnerships Info Line number: 1300 881 971**



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Autism SA  
Autism Queensland  
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