



NEWSLETTER

STUDENT NEWS FROM BALRANALD CENTRAL SCHOOL

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UNIFORM SHOP HAS CHANGED DAYS!!
Now open on Wednesdays between 10.30am and 12.30pm

Year 3-4



Pictured: Year 3-4 students working hard on their handwriting on Friday, 7 March.

K-12 Athletics Carnival

Please note that the Athletics Carnival will be held on Friday, 4 April 2014

Printed Newsletters

In these times of greater access to and use of technology, parents and community members are increasingly accessing the schools newsletter via computers and portable devices. We are also aware of the number of newsletters that end up in school rubbish bins, not even making it home. These newsletters are expensive to produce in terms of paper and coloured ink and the school needs to be conscious of funding allocations when budgets are becoming increasingly tighter. In support of all these factors, we would like to cut back on the number of hard copy newsletters we publish each week.

As mentioned in previous newsletters, as of today printed copies of newsletters are only being provided to those families who have specifically requested them. If you would still like to receive a printed copy of the newsletter please complete the form below or contact the school office. We are extremely conscious of the importance of parents and community members keeping up to date with school events and in support of this, newsletters will be emailed directly to all those families who provide email particulars and newsletters will continue to be uploaded onto the school website each week.

Printed copies of our school newsletter will continue to be made available to the local business houses.

PRINTED COPY OF NEWSLETTER

I would like my child: _____ of
Year: _____ to be given a printed copy of the
Newsletter each week.

Parent Signature: _____

Date: / /

DEC Newsletter Briefs

2014 homework planner

The best homework help you can give your child is to teach them to be organised. Print out the 2014 homework and study calendar, which includes key dates and school holidays. Stick them on the fridge and above their desk.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/2013-homework-planner>

Developing resilience

We often hear complaints of "That's not fair!" from our kids when things don't go their way. Teachers talk about how you can help your child develop the skills to bounce back from everyday disappointments.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/developing-resilience-in-your-child>

When older kids struggle with reading

If your child is struggling with reading, it's important to act on it immediately. Find out what you can do to help.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/when-older-kids-struggle-with-reading>

Great books for tweens to read

Favourite books from the Premier's Reading Challenge team that will inspire kids aged between 9 and 13 to read read read!

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/hu/homework-and-study/english/my-book-club/helping-tweens-to-love-reading/ideal-books-for-tweens-to-read>

Students of the Week

For Week 7 Term 1, 2014



Year K/1/2	Ryan Jackson
Year 3/4	Elizabeth Bell
Year 5/6	Sarah Grant

Primary Ponderings

Year 5/6 Easter Egg Raffle

Once again the Year 5/6 class are holding their annual Easter Egg Raffle with the proceeds of this raffle to go towards the Year 5/6 Canberra excursion. The students of Year 5/6 would like to ask for a donation from every primary student of an Easter Egg for the raffle. This is one of our major fundraisers for this excursion and we would really appreciate your contribution. Tickets will be going home with the Year 5/6 students this week.

Could all primary students please contribute an egg for the Easter raffle which will be drawn at the Primary Easter Hat Parade on Friday, 11 April? All donations of eggs and cane baskets greatly appreciated.



Parent Teacher Interviews

It was pleasing to see so many parents take the time to meet with their classroom teacher to discuss how their child had settled into the 2014 school year. All Teachers seemed to be busy during the two hours with lots of positive, animated discussion occurring about the fabulous learning that is occurring in our classrooms. I would like to congratulate the Year 5/6 students for the maturity they showed in leading the student/teacher/parent discussions, sharing with their parents the areas they have improved in so far this year and what they plan to improve their understating of as we move through the year.

School Jumpers

With the advent of a few colder mornings in the last week I would like to remind parents to make sure their students clothing, particularly their school jumper, has their name clearly marked. With the days warming up quickly, students take their jumpers off pretty early in the day and on occasion leave them in the playground. A name clearly marked enables us to return them to their rightful owner.

No Hat, No Play! Don't forget all students are required to wear a **school hat** in the playground at all times. Please ensure you send a hat to school with your child which is clearly named.

Homework Club

Don't forget homework club on Tuesday after school from 3.00pm to 4.00pm – a great opportunity for students to complete their home learning activities with assistance from the teachers on hand.

ICAS

Don't forget to put in your entry form for the 2014 ICAS assessments. This is a great opportunity for students to experience test conditions with every student receiving a certificate.



The entry fee per student is as follows:

Closing Date	Cost
Computer Skills 22/04/14	\$ 8.00
Science 07/05/14	\$ 8.00
Writing 19/05/14	\$17.00
Spelling 20/05/14	\$11.00
English 01/07/14	\$ 8.00
Mathematics 15/07/14	\$ 8.00
ALL of the above	\$60.00



Student's Name: _____ Year: ____

Please tick choices to be entered:

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

Total enclosed \$ _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: / /

Impetigo (school sores)

Time from exposure to illness

1 to 3 days

Symptoms

Small red spots change into blisters that fill up with pus and become crusted.

Do I need to keep my child home?

Yes, until antibiotic treatment starts. Sores should be covered with watertight dressings.

How can I prevent spread?

Careful hand washing.

Do you have a child in year 4, 5 or 6?

Have you missed out on thousands of dollars?

**ACT NOW!
DEADLINE
JUNE 2014**

In 2001 the Government introduced the 'First Child Tax Offset' and surprisingly many Australians did not know about it and have NOT claimed any benefits.

If you have **ANY** child that was born between **1 July 2001 and 30 June 2004** you may be eligible to receive up to \$12,500 of entitlements.

The government has a 30 June 2014 deadline on this entitlement so please email childoffset@twelve.com.au today to receive more information.

Twelve Chartered Accountants ABN 61 712 659 747
www.twelve.com.au Principal: Derek Nolan CA

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Your Family Tax Specialist



To easily register and pay online for NAB AFL Auskick, just follow these simple steps:

1. Visit aflauskick.com.au
2. Enter your postcode in the centre locator
3. Select the centre you would like to attend
4. Complete the registration questions
5. Pay your registration online

Andrew Chapman

Photography Workshop

LENSES LANDSCAPES & LIVES

15th & 16th March 2014 9am daily meet at the Gallery



Cost: \$50/day or \$90/two days

Contact: 0488 728986 / 50201687 / 50201637

Here is a fantastic opportunity to join Andrew Chapman photo/journalist and professional photographer for a two day workshop at Yanga National Park. Andrew recorded the last shearing at Yanga, images which feature in his book 'The Shearers'. An exhibition of his works can be seen at the gallery 51 Mayall Street Balranald on the 14th March. Doors open at 6pm with wine and nibbles. This exhibition continues until mid April.

This project is proudly supported by



Balranald Junior Football Club**Are seeking coaches for the 2014****Under 12s****Under 14s****Under 16s****Expressions of interest or more
information please contact****President: Gavin Lloyd 5020 1889/ 0409 460 336****Balranald Junior Football Club
Registration Night**

Thursday 13th March 2014 at 6pm

Junior Football Oval

\$35 registration fee to be paid on the night

Free sausage sizzle

For more information please contact:

President: Gavin Lloyd 0409 460 336

Secretary: Vicki Lister 0400 916 909

Treasurer: Joanne Simpson 0417 578 017

SRC Inclusion Week

March 17

Inclusion Week is about encouraging students to reconnect and be inclusive of all cultures, age group and nationalities.

Inclusion Week aims to help us all feel valued and to give people the opportunity to participate fully in society.

The SRC has been hard at work already this year, with members taking on the responsibility of helping with service in the school canteen at both recess and lunch. They have also been hard at work organising a series of events for **Inclusion Week**, which will coincide with **National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence**. Starting the week of March 17, students will be put into teams and asked to work together to complete a series of tasks. The team that works together best will undoubtedly win in the end.

Teams will be announced on Monday, 17 March 2014 and they will be asked to nominate team members to compete in each event, as well as agree on a team name and team colour (or costume) to be worn for the main event on Thursday, 20 March.

The SRC members are excited about Inclusion Week and hope to run an even bigger event next year.

TERM ONE – 2014

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 7 B	10 MARCH <i>Exec meeting</i> <i>Riverina Swimming @ Albury</i>	11	12 <i>Primary Assembly @ 12pm</i>	13 Secondary Sports Day	14 <i>Primary Sports Day</i>
Week 8 A	17 MARCH <i>Exec meeting</i>	18	19	20 Secondary Sports Day	21 <i>Primary Sports Day</i>
Week 9 B	24 MARCH <i>Exec meeting</i> <i>Merit Awards due for processing</i>	25	26	27 Secondary Sports Day Bronze & Silver Awards due for processing for Whole School Assembly	28
Week 10 A	31 <i>Exec meeting</i>	1 APRIL	2 <i>Primary Assembly @ 12pm</i>	3 Secondary Sports Day	4 K-12 Athletics Carnival
Week 11 B	7 <i>Exec meeting</i>	8 Whole School Assembly @11.00 am	9 Stage 6 Exams	10 Stage 6 Exams	11 Stage 6 Exams Easter Hat Parade Last Day of Term 1, 2014

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

Canteen Corner

Thursday 13th March



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Combination Singapore Noodles \$5.00

We would really appreciate a volunteer on Wednesday & Friday @10am
Canteen Credit offered. Please text Wyneta 0428 177 730