



NEWSLETTER

STUDENT NEWS FROM BALRANALD CENTRAL SCHOOL

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P&C

Need donation of eggs for the Variety Bash breakfast that they are catering for on Friday, 15th August.

If you have any spare, please drop them into the Year 3/4 classroom.
Thank you.

150th Celebration



A meeting will be held at school on Monday, 18th August 2014 at the Balranald Central School Library at 6pm to discuss the celebration of 150 years of education at BCS.

A committee will be formed to organise and promote this celebration.

If you wish to be involved or have ideas to offer, please come to this meeting.

Cheers

Richard White

150years Co-ordinator

Students of the Week

For Week 3 Term 3, 2014

Year K/1/2 Tahlia Haigh

Year 3/4 Khy Jess

Year 5/6 Macy Lloyd



Education & Communities

Principal's Perspectives

Parent teacher interviews are being held tonight, commencing at 6.00pm.

This is an important event on our school calendar and it is hoped that as many parents and students as possible, take advantage of this opportunity. We all remain conscious that education is a 3-way partnership between the student, the school and the parents. These interviews are a valuable way for information and student progress to be shared.

As always, teachers and executive members of the school are available at any time for those parents and carers who are unable to attend such evenings. Please contact the office to make an alternate appointment if necessary.

Thank you to all the teachers who are offering their own time to attend these interviews this afternoon, thereby demonstrating the importance and value they place on such opportunities.

On Wednesday, starting at midday, the 5/6 class will be hosting a **Primary Assembly**. A feature of this assembly will be the KROP team presenting their item and, as always, students very much enjoy and appreciate having their parents and special people attend school events such as this. We hope to see you there!

The **KROP team** will be travelling to Griffith for Thursday and Friday this week to perform there. We wish them every success in this opportunity and, true to theatre best wishes; we hope they "break a leg!" (not literally, of course!). Special thanks to Ms Jones and Lloyd Murray for accompanying these students and to Mr Scott, who will be working back-stage during all the performances.

On Wednesday night, the local Lions Club is hosting a dinner for the finals of the **Lions' Public Speaking Competition**. Our 3/4 and 5/6 students have already participated in the school competition and the winners will be representing

Balranald Central on Wednesday. We wish the very best of luck to Logan Gaston and Matthew McIvor-Kepa in 3/4 and Samuel Simmons and Lauren Jess from 5/6. These students will be competing against students from Clare PS and St Joseph's School. The winners will go forward to represent the Lions Club at the district level.

This week's quote: This was written in 1915 and the references to steam engines and horse-drawn carriages support this. However the message is ageless and is as true now as it was a century ago!

"Students of public speaking continually ask, "How can I overcome self-consciousness and the fear that paralyses me before an audience?"

Did you ever notice in looking from a train window that some horses feed near the track and never even pause to look up at the thundering cars, while just ahead at the next railroad crossing a farmer's wife will be nervously trying to quiet her scared horse as the train goes by?

How would you cure a horse that is afraid of cars—graze him in a back-woods lot where he would never see steam-engines or automobiles, or drive or pasture him where he would frequently see the machines?

Apply horse-sense to ridding yourself of self-consciousness and fear: face an audience as frequently as you can; and you will soon stop shying. You can never attain freedom from stage-fright by reading a treatise. A book may give you excellent suggestions on how best to conduct yourself in the water, but sooner or later you must get wet, perhaps even strangle and be "half scared to death." There are a great many "wetless" bathing suits worn at the seashore, but no one ever learns to swim in them. To plunge is the only way."

— Dale Carnegie, The Art of Public Speaking

School Happenings

SRC gathering in Deniliquin

On Wednesday and Thursday last week, Trent Nelson, Maddy Militto, Caitlyn Simpson and Ciana Field represented the Balranald Central School Student Representative Council at a gathering of SRC representatives from around the region.

During the two day gathering, we developed an action plan for the BCS SRC, and we intend to implement this over the coming months. Discussing the role the SRC plays in the various schools was a valuable experience and we hope that we can continue to work with the other schools as the year goes on.



Plastic Bottle tops needed

Year 5/6 will be creating a recycled group art project for Term 4 and need plastic bottle top lids. All colours and sizes would be greatly appreciated!! Please hand in your plastic bottle top lids to Miss Woods in the art room.





Jeans for Genes®

Finding cures for childhood diseases

Friday 1st August



Please give generously and remember to wear your jeans!



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Privately supporting Children's Medical Research Institute
Celebrating 25 years of service to Australia

Students are encouraged to wear jeans to school on Friday 1st August for the cost of a gold coin donation.

Badges, pens and packs of colouring pencils are also available for purchase at the school office

- \$3 Pencil set (4 colours)
- \$5 Badge
- \$6 Pen

All funds raised will go directly to the Children's Medical Research Institute.

CANTEN CORNER

Thursday 31st July

SORRY NO SPECIAL

Why not try a Beef & Gravy roll? Or a Crispy Fish Burger?

New TERM 3 Menu attached
(Please note price changes)

Thank you for your continued support

Senior Industrial Technology Projects

With only two weeks left of the time allowed for the completion of their HSC Major Works, our Stage 6 students are hard at work. The projects chosen by the group are diverse in range but all share the need to be well planned, worked on with a high degree of skill and persevered with, when things do not go as planned.

Bailey's daybed, Georgie's bookcase, Aaron and Lachlan's entertainment units, Shannon's corner-unit and Zac's occasional table all represent considerable time, effort and commitment on the part of the students.

The projects have grown from ideas, sketches and drawings to real pieces of furniture of which the students can be justifiably proud.

Congratulations on jobs very well done.

Mr Holland





Attention Parents and Students

Balranald Central School now has 'Skoolbag'. This is a free App that will help with communication between the school and parents/students. You can install the app on your phone or tablet device by following these instructions:

For iPhone and iPad users:

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type Balranald Central School in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see Balranald Central School appear, click "Free" then "install".
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", Balranald Central School will then be visible, click "Free" then "install".
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.

For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android device.
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in Balranald Central School, using suburb name will help.
3. Click Balranald Central School when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.

TERM THREE – 2014

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 3 B	28 JULY <u>Exec meeting</u> PARENT/TEACHER EVENING	29	30 Primary Assembly @ 12pm	31 Secondary Sports Day	1 AUGUST Primary Sports Day
Week 4 A	4 AUGUST Merit Awards due for processing <u>Exec meeting</u> PSSA Athletics @ Albury	5 Regional Athletics @ Albury	6	7 Secondary Sports Day Cadets Graduation Presentation @ 10am HSC Industrial Technology Major Work due	8 Primary Sports Day
Week 5 B	11 AUGUST <u>Exec meeting</u>	12	13	14 Secondary Sports Day	15 Primary Sports Day Variety Bash
Week 6 A	18 AUGUST Merit Awards due for processing <u>Exec meeting</u>	19	20 Primary Assembly @ 12pm	21 Secondary Sports Day	22 Primary Sports Day
Week 7 B	25 AUGUST <u>Exec meeting</u> HSC Visual Arts Major Work due	26	27 Trial HSC Exams	28 Secondary Sports Day Trial HSC Exams	29 Primary Sports Day Trial HSC Exams
Week 8 A	1 SEPTEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u> EDUCATION WEEK	2 EDUCATION WEEK	3 EDUCATION WEEK	4 Secondary Sports Day EDUCATION WEEK	5 Primary Sports Day EDUCATION WEEK Bronze & Silver Awards due for processing for Whole School Assembly
Week 9 B	8 SEPTEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u>	9	10	11 Secondary Sports Day Master Fabricator Competition	12 Primary Sports Day
Week 10 A	15 SEPTEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u>	16 Whole School Assembly @ 11.00 am	17	18 Secondary Sports Day	19 Yr 12 Formal Assembly Primary Sports Day Last Day of Term 3

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

ICE FORUM

For those interested in attending the Community Forum on ICE on Tuesday, 12th August at 7pm at the Tooleybuc Sporting Club, Bronwyn Brougham is taking the bus and can be contacted on 0406 616 358. (BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL)