



NEWSLETTER

STUDENT NEWS FROM BALRANALD CENTRAL SCHOOL

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WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Tuesday, 16
September at
11.00am

Year 12 Formal Assembly

Thursday, 18
September
at 11.00am

Education Week



Education &
Communities

Principal's Perspectives

I hope all the BCS dads had a fantastic Father's Day yesterday. You can never have too many socks and jocks...and there's never such thing as too many 'dad jokes'.

My dad thinks he's funny...

...When I say, "Dad, do you know what?" He says, "I don't know What, but I know his brother."

There was much mirth and enjoyment during the open classrooms and Education week activities. Students welcomed parents, careers and special grandfriends to share Morning Tea and then to join them for activities in each of the primary classrooms. A high action assembly coordinated by Mr Bruce Scott involved ALL students. What a showcase of talent!

We also played host to an enthusiastic group of Year 6 students from Euston, Tooleybuc, and St Joseph's who joined with Year 6 students from BCS at our HUGE Transition into Year 7 day. As well as the usual get-to-know-you activities and school tour, Ms Stobon Lloyd and Mr Col Holland organised our first ever 'Solar Car Challenge'. Students built and decorated cars before racing them in the afternoon. We discovered solar cars really DO need solar energy to run (thank you Mr Big Black Cloud). But when it passed over the cars fired up and saw some spectacular times clocked on the basketball court!

...When I say, "Dad, I don't know how," he says, "I know How, he's What's brother."

Congratulations to all players in the U14 Roos team. They came from behind in glorious conditions on Saturday to beat their arch rivals, Cohuna. They are going straight to the Grand Final! The best of luck from all of us as you train and work together as a team over the coming fortnight.

...When mum says, "I'm just going to jump in the shower," Dad says, "That sounds dangerous."

Mrs Laurel Stevens will put her Road Safety in Schools training from last week to good use at our Bike Week event scheduled for NEXT Wednesday. Ms Stobon Lloyd and Mrs Michelle Gervasi should also make good use of their HR and Financial Planning training from last Friday. Thank you to all staff who attend valuable TPL opportunities.

...Whenever I say, "I'm hungry," Dad says, "Hello, Hungry. Pleased to meet you."

I met with a second group of students as they put the finishing touches on entries for the Deni Ute Muster writing comp. This time it was a chance for some Year 5 and 6 students to show off their talents. Good luck to all entrants.

I also met with other principals in our local area in a forum at the police station. We discussed what's happening in our schools and they once again stressed the importance of regular attendance at school. The local police will continue to work closely with all students to show the different roles they play in our community.

...Whenever I put lots of sauce on my plate, Dad says, "Would you like some dinner with that sauce?"

Feedback from the Hospitality Work Placement has been terrific. There are many contented tummies grateful for the culinary talents of our Stage 6 students. Congratulations to you all for being fine representatives of our school.

...If I fall over, Dad says, "Welcome home. How was your trip?"

Another big day this week will happen this Thursday with our 'RU OK? Day'. Miss Caryn Jones and the SRC have put together a fabulous program. Wear something orange to show your support – and order a cupcake for someone special at school. Secondary students will be involved in a number of activities on the day and then the whole school will chill out with a BBQ lunch and a movie afternoon. Sounds like we'll ALL be okay after that ☺

...And when Dad says, "Time for a special announcement," we leave the room fast, before it really starts to smell.

Finally, a reminder to BCS dad's to pull on some footy boots, rub the old muscles with Deep Heat and join the fun of the inaugural **'BCS vs St Joseph's/Clare PS Dad's Footy Game'** on the last day of term. All three P&C's will be hosting a fun-filled family night out. Names are still being taken. The more the merrier – particularly when it comes to lots and LOTS of subbing on-and-off...!

School Happenings

Parents, Carers and Grandparents Assembly

Last week we had a special Assembly for our Parents, Carers and Grandfriends. It was fantastic to see so many people here for morning tea, visiting our classrooms and joining us to watch the assembly. Every class presented a number, wowing our audience with gymnastics (Year 3/4), singing (K/1/2/ & Primary Choir) and dance (Year 5/6). Well done to all the students on a fantastic effort and thank you to the teachers for putting on such wonderful presentations.

Well done to the following students who received an Assistant Principal Award:

Nicholas Davies for great writing and reading
 Lachlan Camin for improved effort in spelling
 Logan Gaston for being a fantastic role model
 Tess Purtill for working hard to complete all work
 Denym Tebetebe for always applying herself
 Hannah Morton for always being on task
 Mikayla Bax for enthusiastic work during library
 Sarah Grant for enthusiastic work during library



Year 6 Transition

On Thursday our Year 6 students spent the day with our High School teachers as part of their Transition to Year 7 program. The students had a great day participating in a variety of activities while our year 5 students had a very quiet day with their cohort missing.

Home Reading

We have a few more students who have completed one hundred nights of home reading. Well done to Mason Dalton (Year 4) and Rylan Dalton (Year 3) for your commitment to reading. The students chose a book and received an achievement award in recognition of the effort they have made. Please remember to encourage your students to read every day. Remember to record the reading in your Home Reading Record!!!

Students of the Week

For Week 9
 Term 3, 2014



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| Year K/1/2 | Jayda Murray |
| Year 3/4 | Vince Ugarte |
| Year 5/6 | Nungarra Kelly |

RU OK? Day Cupcake-o-Gram

Anonymously send the gift of a cupcake to someone you think could use a boost (or something delicious to eat)



\$2/cupcake

All proceeds go to [BeyondBlue](#)

Orders must be in by Tuesday, 9 September 2014.

Name the person/s you wish to send a cupcake to and your order will be delivered on RU OK Day.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

YEAR 7 2015 TRANSITION

9.00am to 3.00pm

Thursday, 13 November 2014 (TBC)

Pinnacle of Success

A day hosted by the Mildura Youth Training Adventures team. The focus for the day is a Pinnacle of Success program based on a series of activities involving trust building exercises, rock wall climbing, leap of faith and skills development.

On Thursday, 4th September students from Euston Public School, Tooleybuc Central School and St Joseph's Catholic Primary School visited BCS and enjoyed their first transition day which included making a solar car, and later on racing it in the "Solar Car Challenge" and having a Visual Arts lesson.



Balranald Early Learning Centre



Holiday Fun Program

School children aged 5 to 12 years

Thursday 2nd October

8.30am to 1pm

(Children are welcome to stay for the afternoon)

Activities will be available to suit all interests
in a safe and supportive environment.

Salt dough creations

Cook mini pizzas for lunch

Science experiments

Make a boat that floats

Make a wind chime

Plus much more!!

CCB and CCR are available to reduce fees. The Child Care Rebate (CCR) is not income tested.
That's right! Most families are actually eligible for fee relief.

We require minimum of 8 bookings by Friday 19th September to run the program.

Call today to book your place 5020 1221

St Joseph's P&F - Clare P&C - Balranald Central P&C

The Dads' Footy Game

Combined Schools Fundraiser



6.15 pm Friday 19th September
Greenham Park Oval

Entry to Game \$5 per Adult - Kids Free
Dinner \$25 per Family
Please Come and Support our Local Schools



A Great Night of Family Fun Guaranteed!



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TERM THREE – 2014

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Week 9 B | 8 SEPTEMBER <i>Exec meeting</i> | 9 | 10 | 11 Secondary Sports Day Master Fabricator Competition R U OK? Day | 12 <i>Primary Sports Day</i> Footy Colours Day |
| Week 10 A | 15 SEPTEMBER <i>Exec meeting</i> P&C Meeting @ 6pm | 16 Whole School Assembly @ 11.00 am 2015 Captain Speeches First Aid Course - Senior Students | 17 Bike Week activities | 18 Secondary Sports Day Yr 12 Formal Assembly | 19 <i>Primary Sports Day</i> Last Day of Term 3 |

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



**PLEASE HELP BALRANALD HEALTH SERVICE
MAKE A DIFFERENCE ON FRIDAY, 12th SEPTEMBER**

Balranald Health Service is participating in Footy Colours Day to raise funds and awareness for The Fight Cancer Foundation.

It will also be a Fun Day for Staff and Residents.

Hot dogs, meat pies and footy colours - sounds awesome.

Everyone is invited. RSVP 5071 9800 8.30am-5pm

Please wear your footy colours, bring a gold coin donation, raffle money and a smile.

The Fight Cancer Foundation established in 1989 as Bone Marrow Donor Institution, provides care, treatment and support to cancer patients and their families.

They fund research into improved treatment methods, to find a cure for life threatening cancers and also fund projects that provide families with medical and emotional support throughout their difficult journey.



DONATIONS CAN BE MADE AT BALRANALD HEALTH, DURING OFFICE HOURS 8.30am-5pm

OR ONLINE AT footycoloursday2014.everydayhero.com/au/balranald-health

R U OK? Day

Wear orange and show your support!
Gold coin donation

Inspirational Speakers

Wellness Activities

Health professionals

**Thursday
September 11**

100% of donations go to BeyondBlue

Cupcake-O-Gram

BBQ Lunch

A conversation could save a life.