



NEWSLETTER

STUDENT NEWS FROM BALRANALD CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Amber Lawrence Performance

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BCS
150yrs
Celebrations
Friday, 9th and
Saturday, 10th
October 2015
Stay tuned!!!

NO ART CLUB
THIS WEEK!!!

K-12
Athletics
Carnival
Thursday, 2nd
April



On Thursday, 26 February Balranald Central School students were treated to an awesome mini concert from Amber Lawrence, the singer-songwriter who was awarded the prestigious 'Female Artist of the Year' award in January. Amber sang her winning song 'Superheroes' and also told students the story of her journey to where she is now and told them of the importance to 'never give up' even if you face rejection.



PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVES

Welcome to all parents and students to week 6 of the school term.

It was a privilege for our school to host Amber Lawrence last Thursday morning. Amber gave up her time so generously to perform a free concert. I was particularly impressed with the Golden Guitar winner's life story and motivational messages. I am sure all of our students walked away from the concert in a happy and positive frame of mind.

A reminder that the Study Centre is open every Wednesday from 3.00 – 4.00pm in the Library. The centre is supported by staff. It is a great opportunity to for student's to catch up on some quiet reading, assignments or complete class work.

I would like to thank parents and guardians for supporting and reinforcing the school's expectations around being punctual, behaving appropriately and following teacher instructions. I am conscious of the never ending demands placed on parents in supporting their children and the school. Demands such as finance, travel and education requirements. Once again, I thank all parents and guardians for your continuous support.

Parent/Teacher interviews are on next Tuesday 10th March from 3.30 – 6.30PM. I encourage all parents to meet with teachers about your child's progress and share thoughts and ideas around ongoing learning. If parents are unable to attend, appointments can be made with teachers at any time through our administration office.

Our Cricketers are taking on the might of Tooleybuc Central today. I wish all the boys an enjoyable day of sportsmanship and competitive fun.

Aaron Flagg

Weekly Quiz



Student's Name: _____ Year: _____

1. In what year was gold first discovered in Victoria and NSW to begin the "Gold Rush"?

2. How many ships were in the first fleet?

3. Who was Australia's first Aboriginal Senator?

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Tuesday 10th March
3.30pm to 6.30pm

Primary Ponderings

Primary Assembly

In week five we had our first Primary assembly for the year which was run by our Year 5/6 class. Well done to the following students who received Assistant Principal Award:

Kayla Harding for fantastic neat work
Kadison Dalton for working hard in Mathematics
Anna Scoleri for working hard in all areas
Isaac Lloyd for working hard in all areas of his schooling
Rylan Dalton for writing well-structured imaginative text
Nicholas Zotov for his positive attitude to learning and his willingness to do his best
Hannah Morton for her extremely neat book work and always working to the best of her ability

All of our new Kindergarten students received an Assistant Principal's award for their positive start to school. We look forward to seeing you all at our next assembly in week eight which will be hosted by Year 3/4.

Home Reading

Hopefully students will have recorded at least one week of home reading by now. Students may read books from school or home. At school, resources are found in the library and in the classrooms; at home books can be those from the public library, family library or even those borrowed from friends. Newspapers, magazines and comics are an acceptable reading material to provide some variety, particularly for students in senior primary. Don't forget the value of Book Club, with many books available for purchase twice a term when the catalogues are sent home. *BOOKS READ SHOULD BE AT THE READING LEVEL (not necessarily the age) OF THE CHILD.*

When participating in home reading students may read on their own quietly, on their own but out loud, share the reading with an adult or be read to/read with an adult. Don't forget to help students record their good reading habits in their journal. Don't forget to sign in the signature column. When your child has read for 25 nights, they need to bring in their book for their teacher to sign and receive a merit award.

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.

Easter Egg Raffle

Year 5/6 will once again be holding the annual Easter Egg Raffle. Proceeds of this raffle will go towards the Year 5/6 Woonona excursion to be held near the end of term four. We ask that *all primary students* please contribute an egg for the Easter raffle which will be drawn at the Primary Easter Hat Parade on to be held on Wednesday, 1 April. All donations of eggs and cane baskets are greatly appreciated by 5/6 Scotto. *Tickets will be on sale from the Year 5/6 students in week 6.*

Study Centre

We would like to remind all students and parents that the Study Centre is available to students. The centre is open each Wednesday afternoon between 3.00 – 4.00pm and is available to students in both primary and secondary. Students will attend the Library to work on their home learning tasks/ assignments. Students are supported each week by staff members who have volunteered their time to assist.

Bruce Scott
Assistant Principal



2015 ICAS

International Competitions
and Assessments for Schools

The entry fee per student is as follows:

Closing Date		Cost
Digital Technologies	01/04/15	\$ 8.00
Science	06/05/15	\$ 8.00
Writing	18/05/15	\$17.00
Spelling	19/05/15	\$11.00
English	26/06/15	\$ 8.00
Mathematics	14/07/15	\$ 8.00
ALL of the above		\$60.00



Student's Name: _____ Year: _____

Please tick choices to be entered:

- ☐ Digital Technologies (\$ 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: / /

Year 5/6 Easter Egg Raffle

Could all
primary
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for the



Easter raffle which will
be drawn at the Primary
Easter Hat Parade on
Wednesday, 1 April.

All donations of eggs and
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appreciated.



HEAD LICE FACTS

- Head lice are an unavoidable fact of life for all school-aged kids.
- Head lice and nits only live on human heads.
- They don't care if the hair is long or short, clean or dirty.
- Kids with head lice don't always scratch. The only way to rule out infestation is to look carefully through your child's hair.
- White specks stuck near the base of the hairs; lice may be found the scalp.
- The best and cheapest way to remove them is with inexpensive conditioner and a nit comb.
- You will need to re-treat your child several times before all the eggs will be gone

Could we please ask all parents to check their child's hair for head lice on a regular basis?

Students of the Week



Pictured: Chloe Grant, Macy Lloyd, Drew Lloyd, Jack Helgeland, Harry Ross and Baylee McCartney.

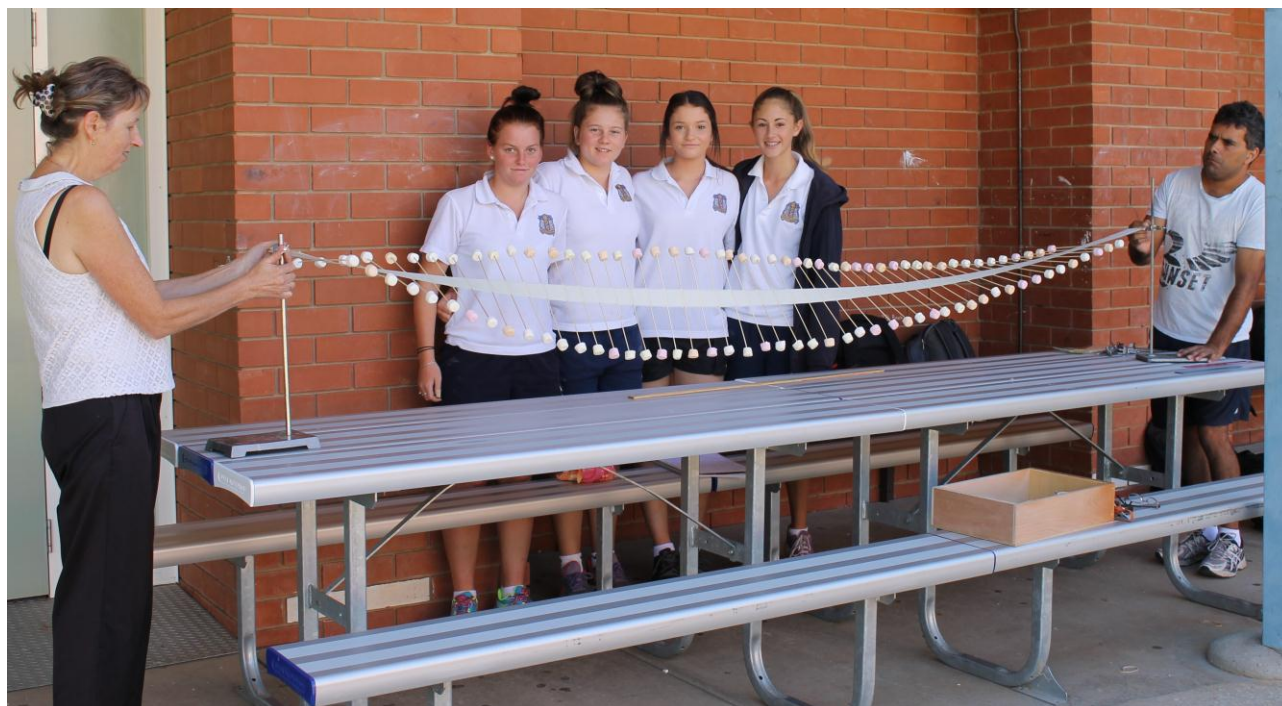
Year 5/6 Art



YEAR 10 SCIENCE



YEAR 9 SCIENCE



YEAR 3/4 CHEFS



TERM ONE – 2015

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 6 A	2 MARCH <i>Exec meeting</i> Central Schools Cricket @ Tooleybuc	3	4 School Photos	5 K-12 Sports Day	6 <i>PSSA Tennis Finals</i> CHS Riverina Swimming
Week 7 B	9 MARCH <i>Exec meeting</i> <i>PSSA Riverina Swimming</i>	10 <i>Parent Teacher Interviews – 3.30pm to 6.30pm</i>	11	12 K-12 Sports Day	13
Week 8 A	16 MARCH <i>Exec meeting</i> <i>Merit Awards due for processing</i>	17 <i>State Library visit 11-12.30pm</i>	18 <i>Primary Assembly @ 12pm</i>	19 K-12 Sports Day Bronze & Silver Awards due for processing for Whole School Assembly	20
Week 9 B	23 MARCH <i>Exec meeting</i> CHS Bowls/Tennis	24	25	26 K-12 Sports Day	27
Week 10 A	30 <i>Exec meeting</i> Stage 6 Exams	31 Stage 6 Exams Whole School Assembly @11.00 am	1 APRIL Stage 6 Exams	2 <i>K-12 Athletics Carnival</i> Last Day of Term 1, 2015	3 GOOD FRIDAY

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

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