



NEWSLETTER

STUDENT NEWS FROM BALRANALD CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Check out this You Tube link!! The clip features BCS on the Sydney Symphony Orchestra tour.

<https://youtu.be/WT L1y8wy0ug>

Primary Assembly
Wednesday, 10th
June
at 12pm

Year 10 Students enjoy the Sydney University Excursion



Pictured: Dante Gervasi, Trent Nelson, Ms Lloyd, Maddy Militto, Isabella Harding, Shania Bax, Ciana Field and Caitlyn Simpson who thoroughly enjoyed their time in Sydney where they visited and attended different lectures at Macquarie University and the Australian Catholic University. Some of the highlights of their trip were participating in a Hip Hop Dance Class, enjoying a meal at Hisshou Teppanyaki, going to X Factor and enjoying a sail on the harbour!! A special thank you to the Balranald Country Education Foundation and Balranald Masonic Lodge for their kind donation which made it possible for these students to enjoy this wonderful experience.

Kobe and Harrison represent Riverina in NSW U15 AFL State Carnival

Pictured: Harrison Soraggi and Kobe Lloyd

Harrison and Kobe represented the Riverina in the NSW U15 State Carnival and Kobe was selected in the NSW U15 AFL Team. This is an outstanding achievement!!



Education & Communities

PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVES

Congratulations to Kobe Lloyd and Harrison Soraggi who represented the Riverina in the NSW U15 AFL State Carnival. Well done to Kobe Lloyd who was selected in the NSW U15 AFL team. This is a fantastic high level sporting achievement. Congratulation's Kobe, Balranald Central School is very proud.

Our seven year ten students who toured Sydney and Macquarie and the Australian Catholic Universities last week have returned. This experience would have been invaluable to our students. Their appreciation and understanding of the opportunities that are potentially ahead of them have no doubt increased. A more detailed report will follow in an upcoming newsletter.

Thank you to all of the students and staff who participated in the Reconciliation Week BBQ on Wednesday. Reconciliation Week is celebrated each year. It is a time for all Australians to appreciate each other's histories, cultures and achievements.

Thank you also, to the students and staff who cooked a BBQ at the Balranald Interagency Group Services Expo. From a Principals perspective it was a beneficial afternoon enabling us to make links with other agencies.



I will be attending the NSW Principal conference in Sydney this week I am looking forward to meeting with colleagues to discuss further aspects around senior curriculum, K – 12 curriculums, Aboriginal education and developing and maintaining learning cultures within a school. I am particularly looking forward to meeting with other Central School Principals to discuss middle schooling and early learning structures.

Stage 6 Senior Curriculum

Balranald Central School has decided to change our Senior Curriculum and the model that our senior curriculum will be delivered within. After lengthy consultations, discussions and meetings with staff, community members and other schools we have decided that a change in direction from 2016 onwards would be beneficial for our students.

These are exciting times for Balranald Central School. The benefits of the new model are:-

1. An increased variety of pathways available for a longer period of time.
2. To increase academic rigour, subject choice and variety.
3. Students complete the HSC examinations after their second year of study.
4. To have greater purpose in the preliminary year.
5. An increased time to process course information and content.
6. More subject variety in any given day or week.
7. More time to develop and create major projects.
8. More time to develop maturity and work ethic.
9. The academic year will start at the start of the calendar year.
10. Reduced impact for students on course work due to absence.
11. To continue the obvious benefits of school based traineeships.
12. To continue the strong relationship with Sunraysia TAFE.
13. To continue school based VET courses.
14. To provide a structure that supports and allows for high achievers.
15. To increase our compatibility with other Rural and Remote educational strategies.
16. To increase our compatibility with new students arriving to Balranald.

Individual meetings with Year 10 students and their parents will be organised in the next couple of weeks to highlight the benefits of the new model and to provide an opportunity for questions and clarification. This will be followed by the usual subject information and selection evening in term 3.

I can be contacted on the school phone or by email aaron.flagg@det.nsw.edu.au if you have any questions or need further information around senior curriculum or any school issues in general.

Aaron Flagg

Year 6 Shirts have arrived!!!

On Wednesday last week our Year 6 students were very excited when their new shirts arrived.



Year 9 students receive their laptops



Weekly Quiz

Student Name: _____ Year: _____

1. What is the first element on the periodic table of elements?

2. How many years are there in a millennium?

3. What is the name of a person who studies weather?

Under 15's AFL Report



Tuesday 19th May was the day Balranald Central School teamed up with some lads from Tooleybuc Central to contest Swan Shield AFL competition at Barham. Just combining with Tooleybuc was a win in itself and the combined team, called the BalTool Blues, was confident of success.

The day didn't start well with significant rainfall on the trip to Barham. This slowed to a drizzle as the boys lined up against Finley High in the first game.

The boys needed to make a statement early and this they did by allowing Finley to kick the first 5 goals. The coaches put this down to a bit of jetlag and the time since breakfast possibly meant the boys lacked energy. This being the case, Harrison (Sapling) Soraggi and his little brother, Brandon (Seedling) Soraggi did their best to get the ball moving in the right direction. The second half of this game was a more even affair and saw the ball venture into our forward line a couple of times. Our gun full forward, Loui (collywobbles) Gervasi was unable to get a score on the board but not for lack of trying. At the end of this game the BalTool Blues had restricted the Finley side to around 6 goals, but had been unable to trouble the scorers themselves.

Game 2 occurred immediately at the completion of game 1 and it was against the unknown Moama outfit. We kept the team the same with Drew (Kosi – small white topped mountain) Lloyd running the wing. Kosi was unable to stay at home in the first game so a move closer to the action seemed like a good idea. Both coaches were impressed with the game of Jack (Melons) Farnsworth in the centre. He was getting plenty of ball and continually fed it out to Sapling Soraggi and a couple of the Tooley boys. Jack (Sparkles) Gervasi was busy across half back and was swapping in the ruck with great success. The place the BalTool Blues didn't gain success was on the scoreboard with The Moama team clearly outclassing our lads.

The last game of the day was against the home side. The BalTool Blues had a 40minute break, which was enough time to reload the cards from the canteen. Pies, hotdogs and snag rolls did the job and the boys were ready to fire

in the last game. Against Barham we swung a few surprises with Wobbles Gervasi heading to defence and Kane (No Bull) Johnston moving to full-forward. All our boys were keen to do well in this game and they didn't disappoint, except on the scoreboard once again. Sparkles Gervasi, Seedling and Sapling Soraggi and Kosi Lloyd all got plenty of the ball. Melons and Wobbles tackled well with the highlight being the two goals kicked by Sapling Soraggi and No-Bull Johnston. No-Bull's goal was very impressive with the young man collecting the ball on the 50m arc, blind turning around 2 defenders, taking 3 bounces and snapping a reverse banana from 20m. Sapling on the other hand got the ball and kicked a goal. This game ended quite close but the BalTool Blues were unable to get enough goals to gain the win.

A great day was had by all the boys and once the rain cleared, conditions were ideal for football. Thanks for the camaraderie and support between the Tooleybuc and Balranald boys and I'm sure it will be the way of the future.

Cheers

Coach Whitey

Trailer For Sale by Tender



8ft x 5ft, 3ft high fully enclosed steel top
As new tyres plus 2 x spares
Registered until the 7th September 2015

Please return the following tender slip to the Front Office by 3pm on Friday, 12th June 2015.



Tender for Trailer

Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel No: _____

Amount Tendered: _____

Date: _____

Students of the Week



Pictured: Lauren Jess, Courtney Campbell, Georgie O'Halloran, Lily Dunn, Grace Morton, Alayna Dalton and Anna Scoleri

CANTEEN CORNER

THURSDAY SPECIAL

Spaghetti Bolognese - Small \$3 Large \$4

Make it cheesy for an extra 30cents 😊

Have you tried the tasty Chicken Vegie and Lentil Soup? only \$1.50!!
So healthy, so tasty and so warming for winter! Please order if you don't want to miss out.

If you're cold at recess, you can pre-order a toasted sandwich for \$3.

Ham/Cheese, Chicken/Cheese, Ham/Cheese/Tomato

Fridays we also have toasted Breaky Wraps for \$2.50
(Bacon, Scrambled egg & Melted Cheese all wrapped up and toasted)

**** PRICE CHANGE NOTICE ****

Paddle pops (Chocolate and Rainbow) now \$1.50

TIRKANDI INABURRA

Cultural and Development Centre Inc

Invites you to attend our
Information day
To be held at

Venue: Balranald Central School

Date: Tuesday 16th June

Time: 11am

Everyone Welcome

Boys To Men
Learning to Live their Dream.



TERM TWO – 2015

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Week 8 A | 8 JUNE Queen's Birthday | 9 | 10 <i>Primary Assembly @ 12pm (Yr 5-6)</i> | 11 K-12 Sports Day | 12 Bronze & Silver Awards due for processing for Whole School Assembly |
| Week 9 B | 15 JUNE <u>Exec meeting</u> ICAS Writing Competition | 16 ICAS Spelling Competition ICAS Writing Competition | 17 ICAS Writing Competition | 18 K-12 Sports Day ICAS Writing Competition | 19 ICAS Writing Competition |
| Week 10 A | 22 JUNE <u>Exec meeting</u> | 23 Whole School Assembly @11.00 am | 24 | 25 K-12 Sports Day | 26 NAIDOC Day Last Day of Term 2 |

TERM THREE – 2015

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Week 1 B | 13 JULY Staff Development Day <u>Exec meeting</u> | 14 Students K-12 start | 15 | 16 K-12 Sports Day | 17 |
| Week 2 A | 20 JULY <i>Merit Awards due for processing</i> <u>Exec meeting</u> | 21 | 22 | 23 K-12 Sports Day | 24 |
| Week 3 B | 27 JULY <u>Exec meeting</u> Parent/Teacher Evening EDUCATION WEEK | 28 EDUCATION WEEK | 29 EDUCATION WEEK | 30 K-12 Sports Day EDUCATION WEEK KROP | 31 EDUCATION WEEK KROP CHS Riverina Athletics |
| Week 4 A | 3 AUGUST <i>Merit Awards due for processing</i> <u>Exec meeting</u> | 4 | 5 | 6 K-12 Sports Day | 7 |
| Week 5 B | 10 AUGUST <u>Exec meeting</u> | 11 | 12 | 13 K-12 Sports Day | 14 |
| Week 6 A | 17 AUGUST <i>Merit Awards due for processing</i> <u>Exec meeting</u> | 18 | 19 | 20 K-12 Sports Day | 21 |
| Week 7 B | 24 AUGUST <u>Exec meeting</u> | 25 | 26 | 27 K-12 Sports Day | 28 |

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