



NEWSLETTER

STUDENT NEWS FROM BALRANALD CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Notes to be returned to the school's front office:

ICAS Competitions due by 4th April. PLEASE NOTE NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED!!

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Wednesday
6th April
@12pm

K-12 Athletics Carnival Friday, 8 April

The P&C will be holding a BBQ and also selling cakes and slices.

The SRC will be selling drinks.

THE SCHOOL CANTEN WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY.

New Car for BCS!!

On Wednesday, 23rd March a group of students from years 9, 10 and 11 were very excited as they travelled to Moulamein in the brand new school car to participate in a glass art workshop with Kathy Gibson. Students created bowls, jewellery and plates with different patterns and bird designs. A great day was had by all and students, and they learned a lot about the different types of glass and how to use it to make interesting pieces of work.



**Term 1 finishes on Friday, 8 April.
Students return on Wednesday, 27 April for Term 2.**

MOSAIC WORKSHOP FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS IN THE HOLIDAYS

Mosaic workshops on Monday the 18th of April at the Art Gallery from 10 to 4pm. Children will need to bring their own lunch. Call Jan Lawler if you are interested in your child participating.

Bookings are essential. You must book before Friday the 15th of April. Call Jan on 0488 728 986.

PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVES

The whole school assembly is on this Wednesday the 6th of April starting at 12.00pm. All of our students have contributed successfully to the school during the term. Well done everyone! A special mention and congratulations to the students who will be receiving Silver and Bronze Awards. We look forward to seeing many parents, carers and community members attending and supporting our students.

In advance, I would like to thank all those responsible for making this Friday's Athletics Carnival a reality and no doubt it will be a great success. The school oval is immaculate and obviously considerable effort has been put into ensuring the turf is well prepared. Also in advance, thank you to the P&C and SRC for catering food and drinks. Parent's carers, grandparents and friends are welcome to come along and support their favourite house. All students are encouraged to participate and to have plenty of water and sunscreen with them.

Our school has recently leased an 8 seater KIA Carnival. The new school vehicle will be used for a variety of school related events and activities such as staff professional learning, small class curriculum excursions, school sport representation and as an overflow vehicle alongside our larger bus. The KIA Carnival will be made available to parents who are transporting students for school related activities and will also be made available to other schools such as Clare Public and St Josephs on a booking system.

Our staff participated in a HEAD SPACE workshop on Wednesday the 17th March. Headspace is funded by the Australian Government Department of Health. Headspace provides mental health, drug and alcohol, physical health and education and vocational support to young people aged between 12 and 25. For more information visit headspace.org.au

Well done to Kiandra Dalton and Chloe Militto who travelled recently to trial for the Combined High Schools Riverina team. Both girls represented Balranald Central School with pride and played extremely well. Congratulations!

Well done to Khy Jess who played against Eastern Riverina for selection in the Riverina PSSA at Jerilderie on Friday. Khy did not progress to the next level, but as a bottom age student he will have the opportunity to try again next year.

Purtill's bus lines based in Deniliquin had recently celebrated their 65th Anniversary with a morning tea at the Hay Bowling Club. As part of their celebrations they presented Balranald Central School with a large LENOX Bluetooth sound system to be used in our music department and any other school related activities. Our school would like to thank Purtill's bus lines for the gift and for their ongoing service to our community.



Pictured: Connor Soraggi and Landyn Jones with the sound system.

Good Luck to Macy Lloyd who is representing the Combined High School's Riverina squad at the State Swimming Championships this Monday the 4th April. Balranald Central School is very proud. All the best!

This Friday the 8th April marks the end of the first school term for 2016. Thank you to all staff and students for your efforts in such a busy term. Everyone is well deserving of a break!

School will resume for students on Wednesday 27th April. A staff development day is being held on Tuesday 26th April.

Enjoy the two weeks break. If travelling over the holidays; do so safely. See you all next term.

Aaron Flagg

Students of the Week for Week 10

Back Row (L to R) Chloe Calleja, Sarah Grant, Nicholas Allen

Front Row (L to R) Tahlia Haigh, Baylee McCartney, David Murray



Students of the Week for Week 11

Back Row (L to R) Brandon Soraggi, Isabella Harding, James Kay

Middle Row (L to R) Alex Calleja, Prue Harper

Front Row (L to R) Jayda Murray, Evie Michaels



EASTER HAT PARADE



Kindergarten



Year 1/2

EASTER HAT PARADE



Year 3/4



Year 5/6

EASTER HAT WINNERS

HOME

K/1	Reagan McCartney
1/2	Kadison Dalton
3/4	Kyarah Hines
5/6	Alex Calleja

SCHOOL

Wesley Hines
Billy Briggs
Peter Smithers
Grace Egan

Congratulations to the following who were winners of the Year 5/6 Easter Raffle.

1. Jenae Johnstone
2. Peter Engley
3. Adam Simpson
4. Ash Gillbee
5. Ash Gillbee
6. Lani Dalton
7. Karlie Camin
8. Nicholas Allen
9. Ellie Finch
10. Maggie Finch
11. Mrs Gorman
12. Mason Dalton
13. Ronnie Irving
14. Luan Russell
15. Ellen Tracey
16. Fran Grimm
17. Megan Kiernan
18. Mr White
19. Ellie Finch
20. Bec Short
21. Maggie Nowers
22. Tait Engley
23. Liam Butterworth
24. Wendy Gerken
25. Lizzy Bell
26. Leo Gaston
27. Yuki Li
28. Megan Kiernan
29. Jamie Smyth
30. Sarah Old
31. Kylie Jolliffe
32. Sue Johnstone
33. Tom Connellan
34. Ronnie Irving
35. Peter Engley
36. Charlie Ross
37. Alisha Camin
38. Max Ugarte
39. Shelley Dalton
40. Glenda Redpath
41. Tika Smithers
42. Chook
43. Mrs Stevens
44. John Camin
45. Leo Gaston
46. Zarah Ellis
47. Donnie Palmer
48. Miss Woods

Congratulations to the following students who will be receiving awards at the Whole School Assembly

BRONZE AWARDS

Charlie Calleja
 Jye Harper
 Wezley Hines
 Reagan McCartney
 Yvonne (Evie) Michaels
 Keshara Price
 Alayna Dalton
 Kadison Dalton
 Leo Gaston
 Kayla Harding
 Prue Harper
 Elouise Hines
 Harry Ross
 Shelley Dalton
 Jorja Finch
 Tahlia Haigh
 Grace Morton
 Maggie Finch
 Chloe Gorman
 Khy Jess
 Nicholas Allen
 Mason Anderson
 Alex Calleja
 Mitchell Carmichael
 Molly Finch
 Darcy Carmichael
 Bonnie Jolliffe
 Macy Lloyd
 Hannah Morton
 Lani Dalton
 Keely Gaston
 Faith Jolliffe
 Drew Lloyd
 Brandon Soraggi
 Lily Dunn
 Blair Field
 Jada Phillips
 Chloe Grant
 Harrison Soraggi
 Shania Bax
 Maddy Militto
 Adam Simpson
 Jacob Lister

SILVER AWARDS

Macy Lloyd
 Drew Lloyd
 Kobe Lloyd

Barham Sports Day 2016

A glorious autumn day greeted our tennis players and lawn bowlers as we exited the bus at the Barham Golf and Tennis Club. This annual event has the best of the Western Riverina schools pitted against each other to compete in the Floris Conway Cup, the Stan Jones trophy, both in Tennis and the Kitty cup in the Lawn Bowls.

The bowlers started first with their game against Barham High. This year's team consisted of Adam Simpson as the skipper, Drew Lloyd as the first mate and Sam Simmons as the lead. 'Strings' Simmons is a musician of some note and after 4 rolls, the skip was heard to comment that he plays a good guitar. Drew had borrowed bowls and he was conscious of not hitting anything in his early play. The Skip started beautifully but was unable to gain the early shot. After 2 ends in this 6 end game, Barham had skipped to a 4/0 lead. 'Strings' was starting to find his rhythm and 'SOK' Lloyd was starting to reach the kitty so the signs were starting to look up. The boys continued to build momentum but at the end of 6 ends the Barham boys had 14 points and Balranald had nothing to show for their efforts.



Their second game was against Finley High Team 1. This team consisted of 3 girls, and based on their efforts in their first game this looked better than an even money contest. Both Drew and Sam were still learning the game and were unable to put consistent pressure on the kitty. Bowls is a funny game where the best bowl is not guaranteed any result and this was reinforced in this game. The 'pin-ball' effect cost the boys many shots in this game and in one end they went from holding 5 shots to going 1 down with an unlucky journey of the bowl. After 6 ends, the Finley girls held a 5 to 3 advantage and the boys were sucking up another lesson in coming second, this time to a team of girls. Bowls is one of those sports where both sexes can compete on equal footing, so there was another lesson they learnt.

Game 3 for the boys was against the strong Finley Team 2. Once again the lack of pressure that inconsistency provides was enough to make life tough for our lads again. Both 'SOK' and 'Strings' enjoyed the opportunity

to develop their skills in this unfamiliar sport and both said they couldn't wait till next year. Adam played his part well providing constant encouragement and ideas throughout the day.



The tennis was now underway against a powerful Hay team. Our tennis team was in a rebuilding phase and experience was one thing to come out of this day. The girls' team was led by the irrepressible Jordyn 'Muscles' Jolliffe with younger sister, Faith 'Tiger' Jolliffe (determination and aggressiveness on court), Macy 'Gazelle' Lloyd (arms and legs in all directions, but effective anyway) and Hannah 'Smiles' Morton, (win, lose or draw Hannah is full of smiles) completing the team. Our team was extremely young and would be playing against much bigger and stronger girls. The boys' team was led by Connor 'The Italian Connection' Soraggi and Kobe 'Cannons' Lloyd with Brandon 'Rarebit' Soraggi and Loui 'Diamonds' Gervasi completing this team. Loui was a late inclusion and was keen to show his selection was warranted. Rarebit hits the ball well and on his day could be a real force. Maintaining the concentration is the key to 'Rarebit' success. 'The Connection' and 'Cannons' are proven performers and were looking forward to this challenge.

The girls started with doubles first and Macy 'Gazelle' Lloyd teamed with Hannah 'Smiles' Morton.

These girls were up against much older and stronger girls from Hay, but they didn't see it that way. The balls were coming



fast and the girls just hit them back. Eventually the Hay girls would lose the point by making the mistake. At the end of the set, Macy and Hannah had triumphed 6 games to 3 and the big smile on their faces said it all. Meanwhile the pair of Jolliffe's were involved in a real battle. With 'Muscles' belting the ball back and 'Tiger' moving swiftly around the court, the game was always in the balance. Eventually the girls went down 6/5 in a tiebreaker.

From here each player had to compete in a game of singles. Jordyn, Faith and Hannah were quickly into their games and even quicker out of them. Between the three of them they managed to win no games in their singles. 'The Gazelle' however was taking ages to complete her game. The body language suggested that things were not going well, and at the end the slumped shoulders and the slow Lloyd walk back to the pavilion, left us in no doubt she had lost. When asked how she went, Macy, with a small voice and a big smile, told us she had won, 6/5 in a tie-break. What an effort.

The boy's singles had a similar result, however, with the games much closer. Loui managed one game against his more fancied opponent, 'Rarebit' managed 2 hard fought games and 'The Connection' managed 3 games in an entertaining display of power tennis. It was up to 'Cannons' Lloyd to fly the flag and in a closely fought tussle, the big boy came out victorious 6/5. Kobe was striking the agget extremely hard and was too consistent for his Hay opponent.



The reverse doubles followed with the girls hitting the courts first. Macy and Hannah were pleased with their efforts in this game and it always amazes me how close a 6/0 game can be. The smiles said it all however, and these girls were not at all concerned with the scoreline. They had enjoyed their day and were looking forward to next time. Jordyn and Faith were making the most of their time together on the court and were fighting as only sisters can (to win, that is). This game also went to a tiebreak and this was also 'on the edge of your seat' stuff. Eventually, a couple of double faults and a great passing shot was enough to secure the Jolliffes' the win. Unfortunately Hay had won more sets than Balranald and so they progressed to the next round of the Floris Conway Cup.

The reverse doubles for the boys was always going to be tough for 'Rarebit' and 'Diamonds'. They toughed it out against the more fancied Hay boys and with their score on zero, the game ended. On the neighbouring court, Connor and Kobe held sway with their opponents. There was some high class tennis being played here, and quite an audience had stuck around to watch. 'Cannons' was serving thunderbolts and 'The Connection' was striking lovely groundstrokes. The Hay boys couldn't cope with the consistent hard hitting and succumbed 6/3 to the onslaught. Unfortunately the boys needed to win both the reverse doubles to make it through to the next round of the Stan Jones Trophy, so had to be satisfied with the result of.... a day off school.



It is always a great thrill to watch the kids compete in the bowls and the tennis. They don't have the pressure and high expectations of the other schools so they just play.

Sometimes this is the secret to success, but just competing makes the journey worthwhile. These students represented their school with pride and they were great sportspeople even when they lost. Congratulations to you all.

Cheers

Coach Whitey



Ownership Change

K&S Nelson and E.B. Mawson & Sons would like to advise our valuable customers that Mawsons have purchased Nelsons' concrete business in Balranald.

Mawsons will commence operations from the existing Nelsons' site on Monday, April 4, 2016.

Other Nelson businesses will continue to be owned and operated by Ken and family as before.

Mawsons' Balranald concrete phone numbers are:

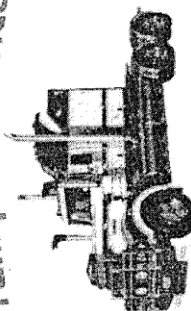
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TERM ONE – 2016

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 11 B	4 APRIL	5	6 Whole School Assembly @ 12pm	7 K-12 Sports Day	8 Athletics Carnival Last Day of Term 1, 2016 CANTEEN CLOSED

TERM TWO – 2016

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 A	25 APRIL ANZAC DAY	26 School Development Day	27 Students K-12 start	28 K-12 Sports Day AFL Trials Secondary Lawn Bowls	29 Primary Netball Selections Secondary AFL Girl Trials
Week 2 B	2 MAY <u>Exec meeting</u>	3 Study Centre 3 to 4pm	4 Sun Country Cup AFL Snr Boys @ Swan Hill	5 K-12 Cross Country 1-pm to 3pm	6
Week 3 A	9 MAY <u>Exec meeting</u>	10 NAPLAN - Yrs 3,5,7 & 9 Open Boy & Girl AFL @ Hay Study Centre 3 to 4pm	11 NAPLAN - Yrs 3,5,7 & 9	12 K-12 Sports Day NAPLAN - Yrs 3,5,7 & 9	13 Primary PSSA Cross Country @ Wakool Burraboi
Week 4 B	16 MAY <u>Exec meeting</u>	17 Study Centre 3 to 4pm	18	19 K-12 Sports Day Life Education Van	20
Week 5 A	23 MAY <u>Exec meeting</u>	24 Study Centre 3 to 4pm	25 Whole School Assembly @ 12pm	26 K-12 Sports Day	27
Week 6 B	30 MAY <u>Exec meeting</u>	31 Study Centre 3 to 4pm	1 JUNE	2 K-12 Sports Day	3 Zone Athletics @ Deni
Week 7 A	6 JUNE	7 Study Centre 3 to 4pm	8	9 K-12 Sports Day	10
Week 8 B	13 JUNE Queen's Birthday	14 Study Centre 3 to 4pm	15	16 K-12 Sports Day Primary Cross Country @ Gundagai	17 Riverina Secondary Cross Country
Week 9 A	20 JUNE <u>Exec meeting</u>	21 Under 16s Netball @ Leeton Study Centre 3 to 4pm	22 Open CS Netball @ Leeton	23 K-12 Sports Day	24
Week 10 B	27 JUNE <u>Exec meeting</u>	28	29 Whole School Assembly @12pm	31 K-12 Sports Day	1 JULY Last Day of Term 2

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

NO CANTEEN SPECIAL
Thursday, 7th April
CANTEEN CLOSED
Friday, 8th April