



NEWSLETTER

STUDENT NEWS FROM BALRANALD CENTRAL SCHOOL

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STEM Youth Development Camp

Kyarah, Tyrone and Jack recently attended the STEM Youth Development Camp at Albury.

The STEM Camp demonstrates to students how Indigenous culture can be used in many ways in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. The workshops and activities included, Corroboree Equations, Indigenous Entrepreneurship, String Finger Art, Forensic Science, Cultural Yarning Boomerangles Animation and a visit to Wirraminna Environmental Education Centre.



PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVES



Dear Graduating Student of 2018

I would like to warmly congratulate you on completing Year 12. This is a wonderful achievement to be proud of.

The purpose of this letter is also to inform you that you may be eligible to apply for a "Sunraysia Scholarship". Students considering this scholarship will need to meet ALL of the following eligibility criteria. Students will have:

- (i) Completed Year 12 at Balranald Central School in 2018
- (ii) Received an ATAR
- (iii) Accepted a University placement for 2019

Scholarship applications for the 2018 Graduating class are now open.

A strong educational partnership exists between the Sunraysia Solar farm and Balranald Central School. In 2018, the Sunraysia Solar farm commenced construction as one of the largest solar farms being built in Australia and the Southern Hemisphere.

The Sunraysia Solar farm is supported by Maoneng Group, a leading renewable energy developer, specialising in solar farm development, and John Laing, a global investor in infrastructure and renewable energy projects. The project is also supported by a number of large international banks, including the National Australia Bank.

On completion, the Sunraysia Solar farm will be capable of generating 200MW of electricity – enough to power tens of thousands of homes in Australia, all from the power of the sun. In particular, the Sunraysia Solar farm will be supplying electricity to Australian Energy Company, AGL, and UNSW.

The Sunraysia Solar Farm has committed 3 x \$10,000 per year for ten years in tertiary education scholarships. One of the three scholarships per year is for a student attending UNSW.

This may encourage and support Stage 6 students to begin tertiary education and overcome possible financial and remote education barriers associated with beginning University.

To be considered for a scholarship, students will need to complete a written application by **Friday, 8th February 2019** addressed to 'The Principal – Balranald Central School', of no more than two pages. This application will need to address the following criteria:

- (a) your educational journey so far. This should include the course you are entering; the reasons for this decision, as well as a supportive statement addressing the role played by Balranald Central School in you meeting your individual educational outcomes
- (b) your long-term educational and career goals
- (c) demonstrated evidence of community involvement in areas such as leadership, volunteering or fundraising
- (d) willingness to understand and support renewable energy as an ambassador for the Sunraysia Solar farm

Students will also need to attach a copy of their ATAR Rank as well as documentation showing their University Placement Offer.

I would like to wish you the best of luck in this application process as well as in all of your future endeavours.

Yours faithfully

Mr Aaron Fagg
Principal
29 October 2018

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Dear Parents,

We are participating in Redgum Book Club this term and the catalogue has been sent home with your child. Every order will earn resources and books for our school.

To view the current catalogue [Redgum Book Club Term 4 Catalogue](#)

Go to their website www.redgumbookclub.com.au where you will find many more great titles to order this term, with books starting from \$2.00.

The catalogue is now open and closes on the **5th November**. Ordered books will be delivered *free* to the school, week commencing the **19th November**.

New releases:

- **Seriously, Do Not Open This Book** - A hilarious new book from radio extraordinaire and all-round funny guy, Andy Lee.
- **The House with a Clock in its Walls** - A magical adventure for the whole family, now a major motion picture starring Cate Blanchett.
- **Peppa Pig Meets Father Christmas** - With a very sparkly cover, this is the perfect Peppa story to share over the festive season!
- **Wundersmith: The Calling of Morrigan Crow: Bk 2** - From Australian author, Jessica Townsend, comes the most anticipated sequel of the year. A treat for all fans of magic and 'wunder'.
- **Dork Diaries: Birthday Drama** - The thirteenth instalment in the bestselling *Dork Diaries* series.
- **This is a Book! (No Wifi Needed)** - This A Book! (no wifi needed) will win the heart of every parent frustrated by the battle to limit screen time and every child who has never known a world without iPads.

How to place an order:

- Order and pay online by credit card or PayPal www.redgumbookclub.com.au
- Email orders@redgumbookclub.com.au

If you have any questions, please contact Lesley on schools@redgumbookclub.com.au



Students of the Week

Back Row (L to R) Mason Dalton, Logan Eastick, Hannah Morton, Blair Field

Front Row (L to R) Atalyah Obeidi-Collins, Billy Renfrey

Absent: Joshua Renfrey



Balranald Youth Council



On Thursday afternoon, we attended our first Balranald Youth Council meeting in the Balranald Shire Chambers. From the meeting we learnt that the Shire wants to improve our community and have things happening that kids like. It is our job as the Youth Council to take ideas to the Council and help make these ideas happen in our community. One of our first jobs is to organise activities for Youth Week 2019.

We need your ideas! Please tell us what you would like to see happening and we will try our best to get it to happen! The Youth Council members at Balranald Central School are Prue Harper, Shelley Dalton, Jack Helgeland, Max Ugarte, Isaac Longford, Ben Johnstone, Elizabeth Bell and Jackson Bialobrzkeski.

Kinder/Year 1 visit Smithy's Plane at Woodsey's Shed

On their way to visit the residents at Bidgee Haven, Kinder/Year 1 called in to see Smithy's plane at Woodsey's shed. Following are some of the recounts that students wrote after the visit.

Yesterday I saw two blue planes, an old ink well and an old horse and cart. *By Shania*

At Woodsey's shed I saw 2 blue planes, a boat and some old ink wells. *By Lani*

When I walk past Woodsey's shed I see 2 blue planes. *By Will*

Yesterday my class saw two blue planes and a model steam train. *By Celena*

I saw a plane. I saw a wool table. I saw a wool press. *By Joshua*

I can see a wool press and the shearing shed at Woodsey's shed. *By Ryan*

Yesterday my class visited Woodsey's shed and I saw a fake little shearing shed. *By Sienna*



Christmas Hamper Fundraiser

Please help support the Year 12 Class of 2019 fundraiser by donating any appropriate items for a Christmas hamper. It would be appreciated if items could be dropped off to the front office before

Friday 23rd of November.

Thank you for your support.

Items can include:

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| • Tinned food/fruit | • Nuts |
| • Soft drink | • Chips |
| • Wine, alcohol | • Savoury biscuits |
| • Sweets, desserts, biscuits | • Crackers |
| • Chocolates | • Tea, coffee |
| • Packaged Christmas food | • Jams, honey |
| • Plum pudding | • Condiments |
| • Christmas crackers | • Serviettes |

The raffle will be drawn on Friday, 14th December.

TERM FOUR - 2018

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 3 B	29 OCTOBER <u>Exec meeting</u>	30 Study Centre 3 to 4pm	31	1 NOVEMBER	2
Week 4 A	5 NOVEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u>	6 Study Centre 3 to 4pm	7 <i>Kinder Transition 10.30-12.15pm</i>	8	9
Week 5 B	12 NOVEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u>	13 Study Centre 3 to 4pm	14 Whole School Assembly @ 12.15pm	15	16
Week 6 A	19 NOVEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u>	20 Study Centre 3 to 4pm	21 <i>Year 3/4 Bendigo Excursion Kinder Transition 12.15-1.45pm</i>	22 <i>Year 3/4 Bendigo Excursion</i>	23
Week 7 B	26 NOVEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u> Year 10 Work Placement	27 Study Centre 3 to 4pm Year 10 Work Placement	28 Year 10 Work Placement	29 Year 10 Work Placement	30 Year 10 Work Placement
Week 8 A	3 DECEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u> Year 10 Work Placement <i>Intensive Swimming</i>	4 Study Centre 3 to 4pm Year 10 Work Placement <i>Intensive Swimming</i>	5 <i>Kinder Transition Year 10 Work Placement Intensive Swimming</i>	6 Year 10 Work Placement <i>Intensive Swimming</i>	7 Year 10 Work Placement <i>Intensive Swimming</i>
Week 9 B	10 DECEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u> <i>Intensive Swimming</i> Year 10 Work Placement	11 <i>Intensive Swimming</i> Year 10 Work Placement	12 <i>Intensive Swimming</i> Year 10 Work Placement	13 <i>Intensive Swimming</i> Year 10 Work Placement	14 <i>Intensive Swimming</i> Year 10 Work Placement <i>Pirate Day</i> Whole School Assembly @ 9.15am
Week 10 A	17 DECEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u> <i>Year 6 Graduation</i>	18 K-12 Presentation Night	19 Last day of school for students <i>Intensive Swimming</i>	20 SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY – PUPIL FREE DAY	21

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

CANTEEN NEWS

Wednesday 31st October

NO Red Day (save your sugar overload for 'trick or treating'!)
but we will have these Halloween Treats...

Spooky Cupcake \$2
Silly Jelly \$1.50



Special

Thursday 1st November
Mango or Banana Smoothie \$2



*** NEW in the ice cream freezer***

Weis bars \$2.00

Berry & Vanilla, Choc & Vanilla, Mango, Passionfruit & Vanilla