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STUDENT NEWS FROM BALRANALD CENTRAL SCHOOL

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Roads & Maritime Services Visit

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On Wednesday, 16th October, Laura Stahl, the Boating Education Officer from Roads and Maritime Services, visited BCS to discuss water safety with our students. Each session provided an essential water safety message targeted to the age appropriate audience. The presentations included river safety, wearing the correct life jacket, to essential safety items to have on your boat. The presentations were extremely informative and very relevant to our students. Students collected brochures, whistles and in some cases, waterproof mobile phone covers. The photo shows Year 11 students inspecting the Marine Inland Waterways boat displayed on the day. Many thanks to Laura for her presentations on the day.



PRINCIPAL'S PONDERINGS

Year 12 BEAR (Balranald Engagement & Achievement Register) scores are finalised on Tuesday 5th November at 6pm. Students will be notified via the Zone noticeboard and will receive feedback from staff in the week following.

Kinder Transition has been continuing each Wednesday at BCS from 9:00-10:30am with Mr Riedy. Students are familiarising themselves with school routines and class procedures and seem to be gaining confidence each week.

On Wednesday 23rd October, our Primary school students attended a Deadly Choices event at Greenham Park. The day was sponsored by Maari Ma Health and involved activities such as goal kicking, handballing, netball shooting and a healthy choices quiz where students received prizes. A barbeque lunch concluded the proceedings. My thanks to Mr White, Ms Lloyd and the many BCS staff who assisted to make the day a success.

On Wednesday 30th October, 17 students accompanied by Ms Lloyd, Ms Kelly and myself attended the Proud and Deadly awards in Deniliquin. Students were recognised for academic achievement, performing arts, sport, dedication to learning, outstanding attendance and TVET. All students were great ambassadors for their school by presenting and behaving well.

On Tue 5th November, our Year 8 & 10 students will be completing their first part of Teen Mental Health First Aid. This course will teach these students on how to provide mental health first aid to their friends. The course was developed in response to research indicating that young people have a preference for sharing problems with peers.

On Thursday 7th November, years 7-10 will be attending a STEM (Science-Technology-Engineering-Mathematics) event in Bendigo. Students will be engaging in activities such as solving crimes using forensic science and the application of Biotechnology to selective breeding in agriculture.

I had the privilege of seeing the end result of the Year 5/6 Aussie Hero quilt, which will be dispatched at the end of the year. The students have created a wonderful product that will be greatly appreciated by our Aussie Servicemen and Women currently serving overseas. My thanks to Mrs Linnett for her energy and guidance with the project and I look forward to seeing the quilts that other stages are making at the school.

Many thanks to Sue Campbell, Dimity Cimino and Claudia Rawat who put on a great luncheon and a variety of sweeps for the Melbourne Cup. All of the female staff were fascinating with their attire as were the men with their array of racing hats. The race that stops a nation has added a further dimension to the week and has allowed the BCS family to enjoy each other's company in a spirit of fun and frivolity.

My saying this week is from Bob Kerrey and continues with our kindness theme this term "Unexpected Kindness is the most powerful, least costly, and most underrated agent of human change". There are many random acts of kindness occurring around the school at the moment and it is a beautiful thing!

Below is a picture of ex students and staff who spent time at BCS in the 60s and 70s. They enjoyed reminiscing about their time at BCS as they had a tour through the school.



Pictured: Back Row (L to R) Anthony Nolan, Anne Steyns, Bill Harben, Mike Gemmell

Front Row (L to R) Jean Harben, Joe Steyns, Gail Gemmell

Gus Comí

Maari Ma and Balranald Schools Event

On Wednesday 23rd October primary staff and students from Balranald Central School, St Joseph's Parish Primary School and Clare Public School enjoyed a morning of tabloid sports and health trivia at Greenham Park.

The day was organised by staff from Broken Hill and Balranald's new Maari Ma Centre. Helping to promote good lifestyle choices, students rotated around four activities of kick for goal, handball, shots for goal at netball court and cornhole.

On completion of these activities students waited eagerly for scores to be tallied. The winning team received a generous voucher for each school thanks to Maari Ma and Sportspower. Individuals also received prizes for their great responses to the health trivia.

Congratulations to all the students on the high rate of participation and enthusiasm. Thank you to Mr White for cooking the barbeque and to Maari Ma staff for hosting an enjoyable event.

Kim Lloyd



Students of the Week

(Week 2)



Back Row (L to R) April Manning, Abbie Renfrey, Wyatt Bellerby

Front Row (L to R) Lily Eastick, Jyziah Wilson-Smith, Ellie Finch

Absent: Leeth Harrison-Terrick

Students of the Week

(Week 3)



Back Row (L to R) Chase Militto, Faith Jolliffe, Shelley Dalton

Front Row (L to R) Jed Paton, TJ Manning, Layla Sutton

Absent: Alex Calleja

Year 5/6 visit Kinder and Kinder Transition

Last week our Kindergarten students had Year 5/6 students visit them during Kinder Transition. Year 5-6 helped them read a book, which the Kinder students then wrote about and drew a picture. They then had the opportunity to play some games.

The Kinder students loved buddying up with an older student and enjoyed the help with their writing.

The rest of the class got to help Mr Riedy with the Kinder Transition. Our little friends had lots of fun reading books, using lego and practising writing their name.





Balranald Junior Football Club

We are **seeking expressions of interest** for coaches for the 2020 season for the following teams:

Under 12's
Under 14 ½'s
Auskick coach/es

For more information please contact:

President: Gavin Campbell 0488 120 426
Vice-Pres: John Jolliffe 0429 201 411
Secretary: Natalie Lay 0419 502 009
Treasurer: Sonia Jolliffe 0429 201 982

Closing date: 30th November 2019

Balranald Swimming Club Inc



2019/2020

REGISTRATION DAY
AND

SWIMMING TRAINING

will commence on

Mondays & Tuesdays starting

Monday 11th November 2019

4.00 – 5.30pm - Open Age (With Lou)

Stroke correction/Dives/Turns

Tuesdays - All Ages (Training with Gav)

Sub-Juniors: 4.15 to 4.45

Juniors: 4.45 to 5.30pm

Seniors: 5.00 to 6.00pm

Fees

\$60 Singles \$100 Family

Active kids voucher can be used

Orders for Swimmers will be taken

Goggles for Sale \$20-\$25

Caps for Sale \$10

For more information contact:

Rachel Fitzgerald (President): 0417 019 837

Wyneta Dalton (Secretary): 0428 177 730

Lou Bruton (Treasurer): 0409 026 881

2019 Proud & Deadly Awards

On Wednesday 30th October, 17 students attended the annual Proud & Deadly Awards at Deniliquin High School. The students were accompanied by their Principal Mr Comi, and support staff Maxine Kelly and Kim Lloyd. Various speakers encouraged all students to make the most of their educational opportunities and the importance of education in their lives.

Congratulations to the following award recipients:

Academic Achievement and Attendance:

Makenna Hull

Chase Riedy

Performing Arts and Attendance:

Matthew McIvor-Kepa

Sports Achievement and Attendance:

Sienna Charles

VET Completion:

Brandon Soraggi

Dedication to Learning:

Bailey Lewis

Dedication to Learning and Attendance:

Annalee Lowe

Emma Sutton

Imogen Gervasi

Layla Sutton

Reagan McCartney

Edward Murray

Baylee McCartney

Elouise Hines

Jack Lowe

Jeana Charles

Kyarah Hines

Akita Holness-Reyland

Balranald Central School is proud of the impressive attendance rate for many of our Indigenous and Torres Strait Islander students. The following students will be recognised with their attendance awards at the Whole School Assembly on Wednesday 4th of December.

- Zyron Wilson-Smith
- Jyziah Wilson-Smith
- Cassidy Lowe
- Wyatt Lowe
- Evie Michaels
- Kyron Michaels
- Darryl Michaels
- Tyrone Wickey
- Caleb Hines
- Isaac Longford



Fishing for Sport



Nice size Yella caught by Baylee and Ella



This term Year 3/ 4 are fishing for Sport. They all enjoyed their first afternoon by the river. Congratulations to Baylee and Ella who caught the only fish for the day.

Thank you to the Balranald Fishing Club for the donation of some of the rods used by the students.

Year 12 2020 Fundraising

Christmas Raffle - Year 12 2020 will be running a Christmas Hamper Raffle this term. Tickets are 50c each. The hamper will be on display in the front foyer of the office. We are hoping to have three prizes. We will gladly accept community donations of food and Christmas products for our hamper. Tickets are available from Year 12 2020 students. The raffle will be drawn at Presentation Night.

K-6 Christmas Play

Students in Kinder to Year 6 have begun preparations for our end of year Christmas play. The date of the performance has not yet been set; however, please begin looking for Christmas themed t-shirts for your children to wear to school on the day of performance. Students with specific roles will have set costumes to wear, so please ask your child what they will need. Many thanks Alison Linnett.

Term 4 Community Service

The students from Kinder to Year 6 have been involved in a community project with Mrs Linnett this term. They are all learning to sew, creating quilt blocks that Mrs Linnett will sew together to create a quilt top. The quilt tops will be donated to Aussie Hero Quilts, where they will be quilted and sent to an Australian service person. Pictured are the students from Year 5/6 with their completed quilt top. Any donations of scrap fabric to be used in creating quilt tops can be dropped at the front office for the students to continue this project in 2020.



Alex Calleja comes first in Senior Boys Section at Minyip School Shoot

On Monday, 21st October 2019, Alex competed against 367 other shooters from 35 different schools at the 20th Anniversary 'Minyip School Shoot'. In the first round, Alex shot 11/12 targets and after a trickier second round, finished the event on a score of 21/24. This placed him first in the senior boys section, missing out on overall high gun by one target. It was a long, but successful day and Alex did a great job representing his school and the sport that he loves.





Have you finished year 12 and are wondering what next?

Have you have been out of the workforce for a while and would like to update your skills?

SuniTAFE are holding an information evening where you can find out about the wide range of courses offered at SuniTAFE, Swan Hill

Join us at 6.30pm on Thursday 14th November for an information evening

Teachers and enrolment staff will be available to answer any questions

For more information, please call the Swan Hill Campus on 5036 0220 or visit our campus at 64 Sea Lake-Swan Hill Road, Swan Hill

Free TAFE for priority courses

Eligibility criteria apply. Free TAFE on selected courses only. Other fees and charges may apply. See freetafe.vic.gov.au



TERM FOUR - 2019

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 4 A	4 NOVEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u>	5	6 <i>Kinder Orientation @ 9am</i>	7 Yrs 7-10 LaTrobe University at Bendigo Excursion	8
Week 5 B	11 NOVEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u>	12	13 <i>Kinder Orientation @ 9am</i>	14 Year 3/4 Excursion to Echuca	15
Week 6 A	18 NOVEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u> Year 7-10 Exams	19 Year 7-10 Exams	20 Year 7-10 Exams <i>Kinder Orientation @ 9am</i> K-1-2 Excursion to Mildura	21 Year 7-10 Exams	22 Year 7-10 Exams
Week 7 B	25 NOVEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u> Year 10 Metals Workplacement	26 Year 10 Metals Workplacement	27 Year 10 Metals Workplacement <i>Kinder Orientation @ 9am</i>	28 Year 10 Metals Workplacement	29 Year 10 Metals Workplacement
Week 8 A	2 DECEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u> Year 10 Work Experience <i>Intensive Swimming</i>	3 Year 10 Work Experience <i>Intensive Swimming</i>	4 <i>Whole School Assembly @ 12.15pm</i> Year 10 Work Experience <i>Intensive Swimming</i> <i>Kinder Orientation @ 9am</i>	5 Year 10 Work Experience <i>Intensive Swimming</i>	6 Year 10 Work Experience <i>Intensive Swimming</i>
Week 9 B	9 DECEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u> <i>Intensive Swimming</i>	10 <i>Intensive Swimming</i> K-12 Presentation Night	11 <i>Intensive Swimming</i> <i>Kinder Orientation @ 9am</i>	12 <i>Intensive Swimming</i>	13 <i>Intensive Swimming</i> Year 6 Graduation
Week 10 A	16 DECEMBER <u>Exec meeting</u>	17	18 Last day of school for students	19 SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY – PUPIL FREE DAY	20 SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY – PUPIL FREE DAY

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

**** Canteen Corner News ****

Special Thursday 7th November
Sticky Chicken & Rice \$5