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# NEWSLETTER

STUDENT NEWS FROM BALRANALD CENTRAL SCHOOL

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## Industry Visit – Almond Nut Production @ Maffra

As part of our ongoing exposure of students to career opportunities in our local area, Year 11 Primary Industries and Year 9 students made an industry visit at 'Maffra'. Careers looked at included Agronomy, Property Management and Irrigation Management.

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**Semester 2 Reports will be sent home with students on Wednesday.**





# PRINCIPAL'S PONDERINGS

Our BCS Presentation night was held on Tuesday the 10th December. The night was a resounding success with students being recognised for their achievements in many areas. The crowd was also entertained with a couple of great student musical performances throughout the evening. My thanks to Mrs Matarazzo, Mrs Nelson, Mr White and Drew Connellan for all the lead up preparation and their organisation on the night. Thanks also to the P & C for their excellent raffle and their brilliant catering under the Hangar at the conclusion of the evening. It was encouraging to see students assisting with fairy floss and refreshment sales and general pack up duties at the end of the night.

My thanks to the primary staff for their efforts during the annual intensive swimming and water survival skills program over the last 2 weeks. This program covered the mandatory outcomes for Games and Sports in the Primary PDHPE Syllabus and even though the weather was a little cool at times, the staff adapted by running alternate but related activities. My thanks to Mrs Linnett for coordinating this program.

The Year 10 Work Experience program has been a resounding success with students obtaining valuable insight into different vocations around the area. A couple of students really impressed their respective employers and secured their first full time job starting next year. My thanks to Mrs Longford for coordinating the program.

On Wednesday, this week Corey Frost and students from the Swan Hill Specialist School will be finishing their construction of our "Ga-Ga Pit" inside the horseshoe area of the primary playground. This has been a great project for these students who have enjoyed a BBQ each time they come and were treated to some ice cream last week. The project has set up a relationship between the schools with a return visit planned in 2020, where students from BCS will travel to Swan Hill to attend their musical production of Peter Pan.

As part of the surfboat rowing program the school has acquired 2 rowing machines for student use. The rowers are excellent pieces of fitness equipment and are currently housed in the canteen area. Next term the students will be participating in the rowing House Challenge to see who can pull the biggest number. The students have already been practising with Mason Anderson holding the current student record with 340m in 1 minute and Mr Godber holding the staff record with 345m. Hopefully some parents will come in and show off their guns for the "one minute challenge".



Finally, I would like to thank students, staff, parents and community for making my first year at Balranald Central very enjoyable. I am looking forward to improving what we currently do in terms of student development in 2020.



I would like to wish everyone a Happy Christmas and an enjoyable holiday!



*Gus Comí*

## Students of the Week

(Week 8)



*Back Row (L to R) Lachlan Camin, Mitchell Carmichael, Dartanian Pocock  
Middle Row (L to R) Bob Helgeland, Billy Renfrey  
Front Row (L to R) TJ Manning, Shania Lanteri*

## (Week 9)



*Back Row (L to R) Vinci Ugarte, Faith Jolliffe, Wyatt Bellerby, Jack Lowe  
Middle Row (L to R) Jye Harper, Jack Dowling  
Front Row (L to R) Sienna Comitti, Imogen Gervasi*



## BCS ANNUAL K-12 PRESENTATION NIGHT AWARDS 2019



*Kindergarten Class Merit Awards*



*Year 4 Class Merit Awards*



*Year 1 Class Merit Awards*



*Year 5 Class Merit Awards*



*Year 2 Class Merit Awards*



*Year 6 Class Merit Awards*



*Year 3 Class Merit Awards*



*Year 7 Class Merit Awards*



## BCS ANNUAL K-12 PRESENTATION NIGHT AWARDS 2019



*Year 8 Class Merit Awards*



*Year 12 Class Merit Awards*



*Year 9 Class Merit Awards*



*Masonic Lodge Primary Citizenship Award*



*Year 10 Class Merit Awards*



*Balranald & District Ex-Servicemen's Memorial Club Award*



*Year 11 Class Merit Awards*



*Balranald ICPA NSW Inc. Commitment to Education Awards*



## BCS ANNUAL K-12 PRESENTATION NIGHT AWARDS 2019



*Balranald Shire Council Cultural Achievement Awards*



*Reuben F Scarf Effort Award*



*Primary & Secondary Balranald Senior Citizens Awards*



*Director's Award*



*Australian Defence Force Leadership & Teamwork Awards*



*Caltex Best All Rounder Award*



*Principal's Awards*



*NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge*

## BCS ANNUAL K-12 PRESENTATION NIGHT AWARDS 2019



*2020 Secondary and Primary School Captains*



*Dux for 2018*



*Primary Sportswoman and Sportsman Awards plus Outstanding Sporting Achievement*



*Secondary Sportswoman and Sportsman Awards plus Outstanding Sporting Achievement*

## SHARE OUR SPACE

The Share Our Space Program will start on Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> December and finish on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> January.

School gates will open between 7am and 8am and close between 5pm and 6pm each day.



**TERM FOUR - 2019**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 10 A</b>	<b>16 DECEMBER</b> <i>Exec meeting</i>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Last day of school for students	<b>19</b> SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY – PUPIL FREE DAY	<b>20</b> SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY – PUPIL FREE DAY

**TERM ONE - 2020**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 1</b>	<b>27 JANUARY</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Week 2 A</b>	<b>3 FEBRUARY</b> <i>SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY</i> – PUPIL FREE DAY	<b>4</b> <i>SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY</i> – PUPIL FREE DAY	<b>5</b> Yr 1 to 12 First Day of School <i>Kinder – Best Start Assessment</i>	<b>6</b> <i>Kinder – Best Start Assessment</i>	<b>7</b> K-12 Sports Day <i>Kinder First Day of School</i>
<b>Week 3 B</b>	<b>10 FEBRUARY</b> <i>Exec meeting</i>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> K-Yr 12 Twilight Swimming Carnival <i>Riverina PSSA Tennis</i>	<b>14</b> No Classes Canteen Closed
<b>Week 4 A</b>	<b>17 FEBRUARY</b> <i>Exec meeting</i>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> K-12 Sports Day
<b>Week 5 B</b>	<b>24 FEBRUARY</b> <i>Exec meeting</i>	<b>25</b> Bravely Session – Years 7-10 Girls	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> K-12 Sports Day
<b>Week 6 A</b>	<b>2 MARCH</b> <i>Exec meeting</i> Secondary Swimming Riverina	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> K-12 Sports Day
<b>Week 7 B</b>	<b>9 MARCH</b> <i>Exec meeting</i>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <i>PSSA Swimming Riverina</i>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> K-12 Sports Day
<b>Week 8 A</b>	<b>16 MARCH</b> <i>Exec meeting</i> Harmony Week	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> K-12 Sports Day
<b>Week 9 B</b>	<b>23 MARCH</b> <i>Exec meeting</i>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> K-12 Sports Day
<b>Week 10 A</b>	<b>30 MARCH</b> <i>Exec meeting</i>	<b>31</b>	<b>1 APRIL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> K-12 Sports Day
<b>Week 11 B</b>	<b>6 APRIL</b> <i>Exec meeting</i>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Whole School Assembly @ 12.15pm	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Good Friday

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