



NEWSLETTER

STUDENT NEWS FROM BALRANALD CENTRAL SCHOOL

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The Petaurus Writing Group had the opportunity to work with Local Artist, Jan Lawler at the Balranald Art Gallery



PRINCIPAL'S PONDERINGS

In keeping with our TWIST theme (Teamwork Will Inspire Students & Teachers) it is important that I acknowledge the great partnership that BCS has with Maari Ma Health in Balranald. Maari Ma assisted the school in securing the Women's Aboriginal Dance group from Mildura for NAIDOC day and supplied all the meat and bread for the barbecue lunch. Maari Ma continues to improve the health outcomes for all people in this district by forging strong partnerships and providing access to a broad range of services. They are also very strong supporters of the BCS Breakfast Club which operates daily through Danelle Gervasi, and which provides an excellent service to our students.

The theme for Education Week was creating futures and even though the DoE has enforced a 4-week blitz due to Covid we still managed a couple of excellent activities albeit modified. Monday saw Mrs Harper and her 5/6 class team prepare a special Education Week luncheon for the staff in recognition of their outstanding service to students. Originally this function was planned as a long lunch with parents and staff to recognise the importance of our partnership in creating bright futures for the students of BCS. Nevertheless, the staff were treated to an outstanding lunch, and we acknowledge the contribution of parents and carers in shaping the futures of our kids.

On Wednesday Dr Troy Flanagan who is a BCS alumni and also the Performance Director of the Milwaukee Bucks spoke at a modified school assembly on creating futures. Troy is in charge of physical preparation, sports medicine, sports technology & software development, sports physiology, performance analytics, dietetics, sports psychology, anticipation training and player wellness. Troy directed the team's preparation in 2021 when the Bucks won the NBA championship and has over 20 years' experience in working with Olympic and professional athletes in Australia and the United States.



Troy made mention of how his name is not on the honour boards at the school regarding academic achievement. He said that through self-discipline and hard work both in and out of the classroom, that he was able to win the Victorian Schoolboy state swimming championship and achieve a Bachelor of Applied Science (with 1st class honours) from RMIT and a Ph.D. in Aerospace Engineering. He said that he was an average student who worked hard. He also acknowledged important people that assisted him in his developmental journey. He made huge mention of Janelle Masters who was his swimming coach throughout those years and to all the BCS teachers who helped him with his schooling. Without the help of these teams Troy admitted that he would not have reached the heights that he has enjoyed. The admiration that Troy had for Janelle due to her dedication and selflessness was powerful and thought provoking. It made me reflect on my own journey and the significant teams and people along the way that have helped shape me. We need to be grateful for these people and acknowledge them in some way.

Troy was accompanied by his wife Ruth who shed some light in other areas of his life. Troy also brought with him the NBA Championship ring which was in a special box with its own turntable and light. The students were very appreciative of Troy's appearance and were mesmerised by the ring which held over 400 diamonds. Some wanted to play rock, scissors, paper for the ring to which Troy obliged and won. (I need to speak to our students regarding RSP strategy).

Year 12 will start their Trial HSC next week and I wish them all the best with their preparation for these assessments. "As you sow, so shall you reap!"

Word of the week is dietetics (the branch of knowledge concerned with the diet and its effects on health)

My saying this week comes from Vince Lombardi "Individual commitment to a group effort -- that is what makes a teamwork, a company work, a society work, a civilization work."

Gus Comí

PRIMARY PERSPECTIVE

Year 5/6 took up the STEM challenge of building a putt-putt mini golf course. They could only use specific items in the primary shed. Students could set up their courses anywhere they wanted in the primary playground. Mr Comi, Mr Longford and Jordyn Jolliffe tested the courses. The task needed teamwork and creativity. These skills came out shining just like the sun that day.



BCS NSW Premiers Spelling Bee Champions!

Senior Champion – Joshua Renfrey

Junior Champion – Zaidyn McAlister

Both students will compete at the Regional Finals via Zoom during Week 7.

Pictured: Joshua & Zaidyn



Reminders

- Please clearly label all students personal belongings: water bottles/ lunch boxes and jumpers.
- Morning Supervision commences at 8:30am therefore Primary students should not be at school prior to this time.
- There has been a big improvement in students K-2 bringing their home reading folders in each day.
- Please assist staff by checking for notes and listening to your child/children read each night.

Sport

Congratulations to all students who qualified to represent the Moulamein District at the Riverina Athletics Carnival, to be held in Albury Friday 26th August. Mr Longford has notified students of what events they have qualified for, and students have been given a permission note. Well done to Ryan Johnstone who was named the Junior Boy Champion on the day.



Education Week

Education week was celebrated with kindergarten reaching the milestone of 100 days at school. They all dressed up as 100-year-old people and celebrated with a 100 cake.



Year 5/6 cooked a delicious lunch for staff members.

Year 3/4 enjoyed learning about drones.
Year 1/2 enjoyed reading *Brown Bread and Honey* by Pamela Allen and all stepped out of their comfort zone and enjoyed eating brown bread toast and honey.

Thank you to Mrs Comi who ran the Book Fair in the library and to all parents/ students who supported this event. All sales help the school to purchase additional books for the library. Congratulations to Karson Barnes winning the Book Fair colouring competition.



Book Week

Wednesday 24th August, students in Primary will celebrate Book Week. Primary staff are busy organising activities that celebrate and nurture the love of reading. On this day students can dress up as their favourite story character.

Mrs Amelia Calleja

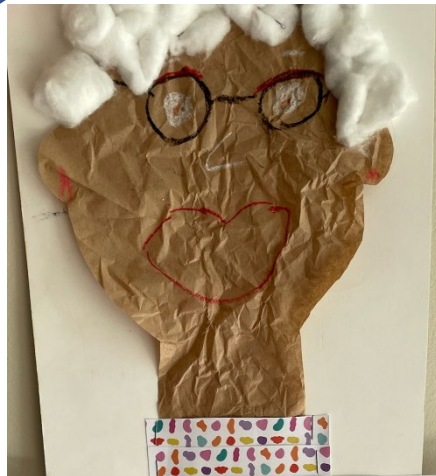
A big welcome to Mrs Amelia Calleja who is joining the Primary team until the end of the year. She will be teaching Year 5/6 on Thursday and Fridays relieving Mrs Harper who is working on Literacy and Numeracy across Primary. Mrs Calleja will be supporting our ESL students and working across primary in various roles.



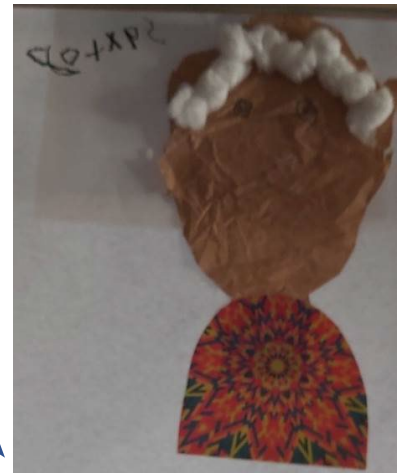
We survived 100 Days!



When I am 100, I will be very, very old! I'll probably eat lots of mashed vegies. When I'm at home in Hospital, I'll spend my time knitting beanies. When I go out with my old friends, we will play Bingo. Finally, let me tell you what I might look like, I will be wrinkly.
Harper

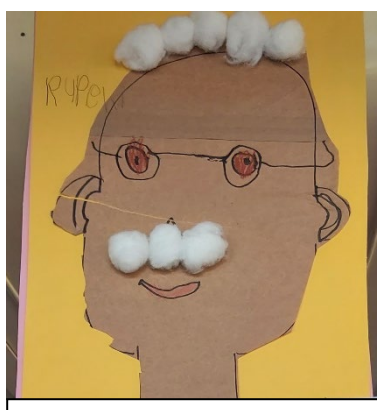


When I am 100, I will be very, very old! I'll probably eat lots of cookies. When I'm at home in my rocking chair, I'll spend my time knitting and relaxing with a cup of tea. When I go out with my old friends, we will play Bingo, play music and go dancing. Finally, let me tell you what I might look like, I will have grey curly hair and wrinkly, saggy skin.
Evie



When I am 100, I will be very, very old! I'll probably eat lots of mashed vegies. When I'm at home in Hospital, I'll spend my time reading the newspaper. When I go out with my old friends, we will play Bingo. Finally, let me tell you what I might look like, I will have wrinkly skin.
Saxton





When I am 100, I will be very, very old! I'll probably eat lots of stewed fruit and custard. When I'm at home in Balranald, I'll spend my time knitting. When I go out with my old friends, we will go dancing. Finally, let me tell you what I might look like, I will have saggy skin and grey hair.
Milla

When I am 100, I will be very, very old! I'll probably eat lots of mashed potatoes. When I'm at home in Balranald, I'll spend my time watching the news. When I go out with my old friends, we will play Bingo. Finally, let me tell you what I might look like, I will be very wrinkly.
Rupeni

When I am 100, I will be very, very old! I'll probably eat lots of mashed potatoes. When I'm at home in Bourke, I'll spend my time going on the tractor. When I go out with my old friends, we will have a cup of coffee. Finally, let me tell you what I might look like, a wrinkly old farmer.
Archie

When I am 100, I will be very, very old! I'll probably eat lots of mashed vegies. When I'm at home in the Hospital, I'll spend my time knitting. When I go out with my old friends, we will go on a bus trip. Finally, let me tell you what I might look like, wrinkly.
Mylah

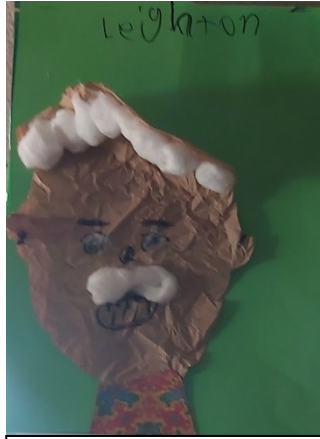




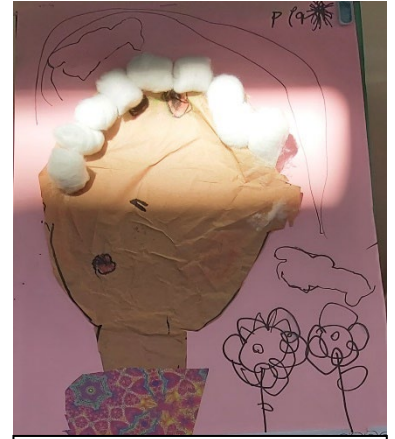
When I am 100, I will be very, very old! I'll probably eat lots of bananas. When I'm at home at Nan's, I'll spend my time watching T.V. When I go out with my old friends, we will talk about the news. Finally, let me tell you what I might look like, wrinkly.
Korban



When I am 100, I will be very, very old! I'll probably eat lots of casseroles. When I'm at home at Bidgee Haven, I'll spend my time playing cards. When I go out with my old friends, we will have a cup of tea. Finally, let me tell you what I might look like, old, with white hair and wrinkles.
Sierra

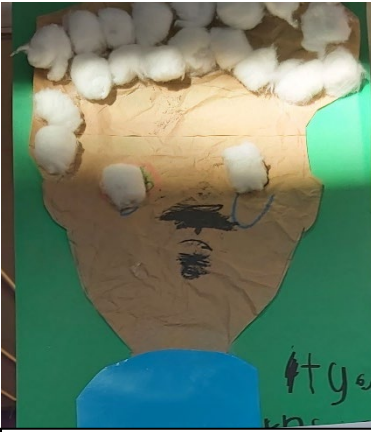


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Leighton

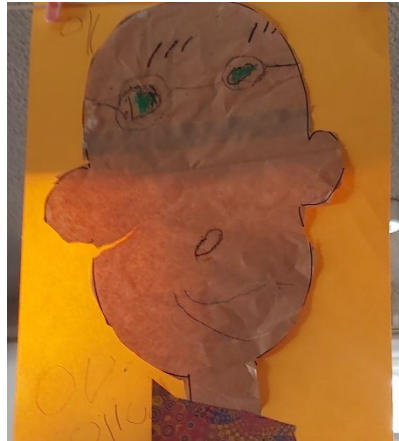


When I am 100, I will be very, very old! I'll probably eat lots of mashed potatoes. When I'm at home in Bidgee Haven, I'll spend my time knitting. When I go out with my old friends, we will play the pokies. Finally, let me tell you what I might look like, wrinkly with grey hair.
Pia

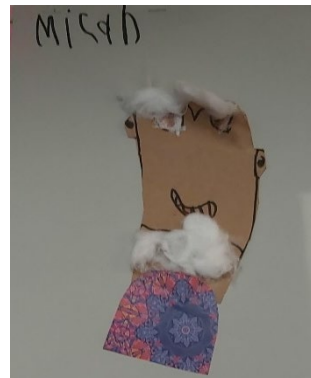




When I am 100, I will be very, very old! I'll probably eat lots of frozen vegies. When I'm at home in Balranald, I'll spend my time in the garden. When I go out with my old friends, we will play the pokies. Finally, let me tell you what I might look like, bald, and wrinkly.
Tyson



When I am 100, I will be very, very old! I'll probably eat lots of mashed vegies. When I'm at home in Bidgee Haven, I'll spend my time watching the news. When I go out with my old friends, we will play Bingo. Finally, let me tell you what I might look like, wrinkly.
Oliver



When I am 100, I will be very, very old! I'll probably eat lots of boiled lollies. When I'm at home in Bidgee Haven, I'll spend my time playing cards. When I go out with my old friends, we will get a coffee. Finally, let me tell you what I might look like, wrinkly.
Micah



When I am 100, I will be very, very old! I'll probably eat lots of stewed apples. When I'm at home in Hospital, I'll spend my time watching the news. When I go out with my old friends, we will play cards. Finally, let me tell you what I might look like, wrinkly, with white hair.
Jeon



Kindy enjoyed dressing up as 100-year-olds on their 100th day at school. We talked about what we might be like when we are 100. It's considered highly likely that this generation of children will be the first generation to live well beyond 100!

Students of the Week

Week 2



Kinder – Mylah & Noah



Year 1-2 – Josh & Riley



Year 3-4 – Mia & Nate



Year 5-6 – Will & Josh

Week 3



Kinder – Leighton & Harper



Year 1-2 – Cash & Olivia



Year 3-4 – Mitchell & Jaxon



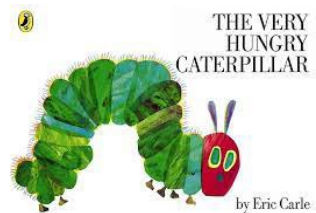
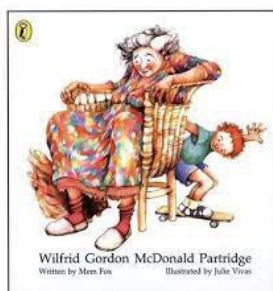
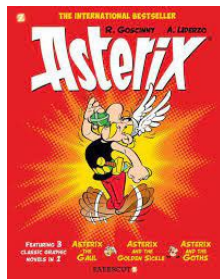
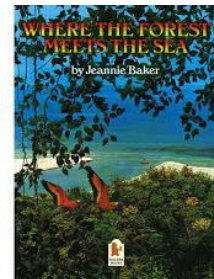
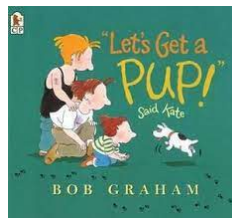
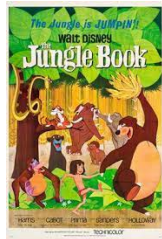
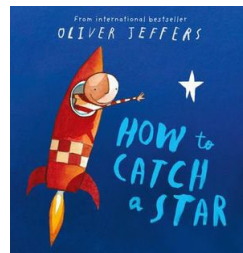
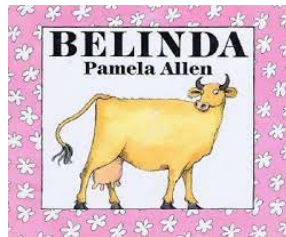
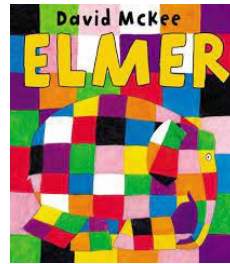
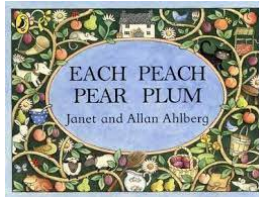
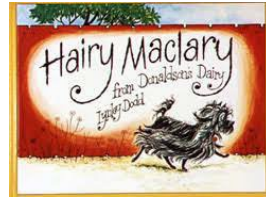
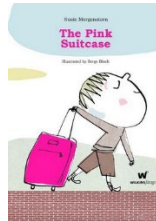
Year 5-6 – Braxton & Layla

Book Week Competition

Which staff member at BCS loves what book?

Draw a line from the teacher to the book
Please hand in to the office

- Mrs Calleja
- Mrs Hull
- Mr Barrie
- Marysia Dunn
- Mr Patterson
- Kellie Hodgson
- Mrs Linnett
- Mrs Sendy
- Mrs Sengoz
- Mr Comi (Senior)
- Mrs Harper
- Mrs Lockhart
- Vicki Lister
- Jordyn Jolliffe
- Mrs Helgeland



TERM THREE - 2022

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 4	8 AUGUST <i>Exec meeting</i>	9	10	11	12
Week 5	15 AUGUST <i>Exec meeting</i>	16 16 RL7's @ Leeton	17 Trial HSC	18 Trial HSC	19 Trial HSC
Week 6	22 AUGUST <i>Exec meeting</i> Trial HSC	23 Trial HSC	24 <i>Dress up as favourite book character for Book Week</i> Trial HSC	25 Trial HSC	26 <i>Riverina Athletics @ Albury (Primary)</i> Trial HSC
Week 7	29 AUGUST <i>Exec meeting</i> Central Schools Finals Knock Out in Dubbo	30 Central Schools Finals Knock Out in Dubbo	31 U16's Netball @ Dubbo 16 RL7's @ Dubbo	1 SEPTEMBER	2
Week 8	5 SEPTEMBER <i>Exec meeting</i>	6	7	8	9
Week 9	12 SEPTEMBER <i>Exec meeting</i>	13	14 Whole School Assembly/Captain Speeches @ 11.20am	15 Year 11 Final Exams	16 Year 11 Final Exams
Week 10	19 SEPTEMBER <i>Exec meeting</i> Primary State Athletics @ Sydney Year 11 Final Exams	20 Year 11 Final Exams	21 Year 11 Final Exams	22 Yr 12 Assembly @ 11.20am Year 11 Final Exams	23 K-12 Sports Day Last Day of Term 3 Year 12 Formal

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



2022-2023 Junior Competition

NOW TAKING PARTICIPANT NAMES

Please message our **Facebook page** or email **robinvalerba@hotmail.com** with your child's FULL NAME & D.O.B

Names must be submitted by September 2nd, 2022.

Aussie Hoops & Senior Comp to open soon also
Please await further info.

