

# NEWSLETTER

STUDENT NEWS FROM BALRANALD CENTRAL SCHOOL

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# Kinder meets Victa the Lamb





# PRINCIPAL'S PONDERINGS

In keeping with our TWIST theme (Teamwork Will Inspire Students & Teachers) it is important that I acknowledge the great efforts that our staff go to in order to enhance the learning outcomes of our students. Our teaching staff are always diligent with their lesson preparation and are very timely with any feedback so that learning can be enhanced. Our non-teaching staff use every opportunity to educate our students by helping and talking with them in order to espouse our school values of Respect, Responsibility, Care and Personal Best. Last week the secondary students were reminded at a special assembly about the importance of the school team and how each member has specific roles to perform in order for it to be successful. The assembly has certainly resonated with a few students and hopefully we can look forward to a congenial and fruitful relationship between staff and students into the future.

Our BCS captains will be elected toward the end of the term. Two captains for both primary and secondary will be elected regardless of gender in the Week 9 election via a preferential voting system from the students and staff. This model can be altered depending on the cohort and its capabilities. Which augers into the leadership day which was held at BCS last Friday by Mrs White and Mrs Lockhart for year 6 leaders from around the area. From all reports a very successful day was had by the participants from BCS, Tooleybuc and Moulamein. Thanks to Michelle and Sam for their organisation and implementation of this leadership program.

Year 12 are currently sitting their Trial HSC which concludes this week. The students will gain valuable feedback from these exams and will now start building momentum toward their final HSC exams in Term 4. Hopefully, they will reap the rewards that they have sown.

Book Week starts today with a colourful display in the library and many classroom activities planned. It is important to celebrate books and Australian children's authors and illustrators. On Wednesday students and staff have been asked to come as their favourite book character. I remember reading the adventures of Asterix and Obelix back in the day and hoping that I could come across a magic potion to drink and develop superhuman strength. Maybe this is where my liking for good soup began?

Good luck to our under 16 netballers who travel to Dubbo in a couple of weeks to contest the Central Schools State Carnival. Thanks to Elli Brougham and Mrs Harper for preparing them and taking them away.

Word of the week is congenial (pleasant and agreeable)

My saying this week comes from Steve Cavanagh "teamwork divides the task and multiplies the success"

Gus Comí



# **PRIMARY PERSPECTIVE**

## Didjeribone

Students from K-6 were treated to a performance by internationally renowned didgeridoo player, Adrian Fabila Tjupurrula – Tjupurru is a proud descendant of the Djabera people of the West Australian Kimberlies. Tjupurru has performed all over the globe, including some of the world's most prestigious festivals.

The Didjeribone Show was an "all inclusive" experience which fuses Tjupurru's own personal cultural journey and his musical talents with the latest technology inventions to empower the audience to create and appreciate traditional and modern music.

The "Didjeribone" is an Australian Made instrument which combines elements of the didgeridoo and trombone and is teamed with the "Face Bass" and





Looping technology to pave the way for a highly interactive and energetic performance. Students and staff were

captivated with his extraordinary ability to deliver the Didjeribone Show combining humour, storytelling, education, and music.

What students said about the show!

Excellent, awesome, cool, amazing, fantastic, great, good, exciting, lovely, brilliant, liked it, hilarious, very good, talented.

## Year 6 Leadership Day

Year 6 leaders participated in a leadership day involving students from Tooleybuc Central School and Moulamein Public School. Students participated in a variety of activities around developing leadership skills, communicating, and making friends.

Thank you to Mrs White for running the day and helping to plan the day. Students enjoyed the experience and making new friends.



## **Year 10 Science**

The use of models to explain complex concepts is an integral part of scientific communication. Year 10 have been learning about the three different lines of defence our bodies have to prevent and overcome infectious diseases. The third (and final) line of defence involves several types of white blood cells and a complex series of events. To ensure that Year 10 had a strong understanding of the concept, they were asked to make models of the different cells involved in our immune response and use these models in a way that they could teach Year 3/4 all about it. They planned their approach and had students explain the concept, using the models. It was evident that we will have some super smart scientists coming into secondary classrooms in the next couple of years.



# **Students of the Week**

#### Week 4



Kinder – Korban & Oliver



Year 3-4 – Emma & Sarah

## Week 5



Kinder – Archie & Jeon



Year 3-4 - Lyncon & Karlie



Year 1-2 - Ava & Dempsy



Year 5-6 – Layla & Harrison



Year 1-2 – Layne & Fletcher



Year 5-6 - Colin & Sienna

#### Lamb Marking at 'Everton Park' by Richard White

There were 21 students of Agriculture that took their seats on the bus, or in Danelle Gervasi's car, travelling to 'Everton Park'. This is the property of Bryce and Janelle Dalton and is situated a short way down the Moulamein Road, nestled in close to Yanga Lake. There were a couple of students that missed the trip for various reasons, including Helaina, who said she had been trying to find a day to rearrange her sock drawer and Wednesday, just happened to be it.

Stage 5 Agriculture students had been invited to mark a run of late lambs and provide a practical agricultural experience for the students. There were around 220 lambs to mark, so it would take considerable effort and teamwork, to ensure the task took all day.

Students participated in catching lambs and placing them in the marking cradle, ear tagging, castration of the male lambs, ringing the tails of all the lambs and vaccinating the lambs as well. Meanwhile, assisting Bryce and his boys, to needle all his ewes and older lambs was another task students could be involved in.

The smiling faces, and willingness to be involved was great to see, and that was just the lambs. All the students were keen to try some skills on the ear markers or on the vaccination gun. Prue's enthusiasm for jabbing a needle into an animal should discount her from ever becoming a nurse. There were a couple of firsts, with sweat on Tyrone's brow, something I have never seen before. Tyrone also found a way to roll himself over all parts of the catching pen while trying to subdue a lamb. The only way he caught the lamb was when it fell over laughing at him.



Young Bobby Helgers struggled at times getting the lambs into the cradle. At one stage the lambs were laying bets as to how many times they would hit the ground with Bob chasing them round the yard. The energy the lambs had, disappeared however, once they saw Joey bring his guns out. Not sure whether the singlet top was necessary with 15 degrees and mottled sunshine. He might not have got sunburnt, but he sure didn't get any phone numbers either.

Before we started, part of the safety briefing dealt with the dangers of the vaccination gun. Aiden must have taken this opportunity to stop listening and proceeded to vaccinate himself at least three times in the next half hour. Needless to say, three days later Aiden had shown no signs of developing Pulpy Kidney, Blackleg or Cheesy gland.



Michael Gorman sat back for the first five minutes then proceeded to take over proceedings before finishing his day helping Bryce and the boys needle the bigger sheep. Have to say, Michael out shone the sunlight that day.

Morning tea proved to be a popular time with scones and jam followed by some homemade sausage rolls. This was all washed down with a tropical Fruit Box or a can of Pasito. Janelle's efforts providing sustenance to all the students and hangers on was exceptional. We are extremely grateful for the opportunity, and hospitality shown from Bryce and Janelle.

# Lamb Marking





### TERM THREE - 2022

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 6	<b>22 AUGUST</b> Exec meeting Trial HSC	23 Trial HSC	24 Dress up as favourite book character for Book Week Trial HSC	25 Trial HSC	26 Riverina Athletics @ Albury (Primary) Trial HSC
Week 7	29 AUGUST Exec meeting U16's Netball @ Dubbo	<b>30</b> U16's Netball @ Dubbo	31	1 SEPTEMBER	2
Week 8	5 SEPTEMBER Exec meeting	6	7	8	<b>9</b> Premier's Spelling Bee Regional Finals
Week 9	12 SEPTEMBER Exec meeting	13	<b>14</b> Whole School Assembly/Captain Speeches @ 11.20am	<b>15</b> Year 11 Final Exams	<b>16</b> Year 11 Final Exams
Week 10	19 SEPTEMBER Exec meeting Primary State Athletics @ Sydney Year 11 Final Exams	20 Year 11 Final Exams	21 Year 11 Final Exams	<b>22</b> 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

