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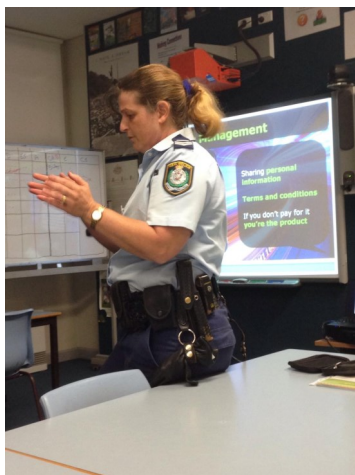
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Acting Principal's Report



Social Media Information Session

Thank you to Senior Constable Janelle Lynch for holding a very informative session about safety in social media last Thursday night. We live in a world in which social media is becoming an integral part of everyday life. For this reason it is important to become informed about the dangers that are lurking in the 'cloud'.

Below are some very interesting points that were raised during this session:

- Most students will have a mobile phone by the time they reach upper primary.
- It is advisable to set up clear guidelines for the usage of any mobile device. For instance, no mobile phone in the bedroom.
- Ask your child to add you as a friend on sites such as Facebook and Instagram. Remind them that if they don't want grandma to see what they are doing, they should not be posting it.
- Make a habit of checking security settings on Facebook. They change frequently.

- Talk to your child about what they hear and see on the social media sites. Help your child to partake in online interactions in a responsible way.

What resonated with me most during this evening was that it is important for all of us to consider what information we give others access to. Especially since our digital footprint will be with us for the rest of our lives.

New Primary Teacher Appointed

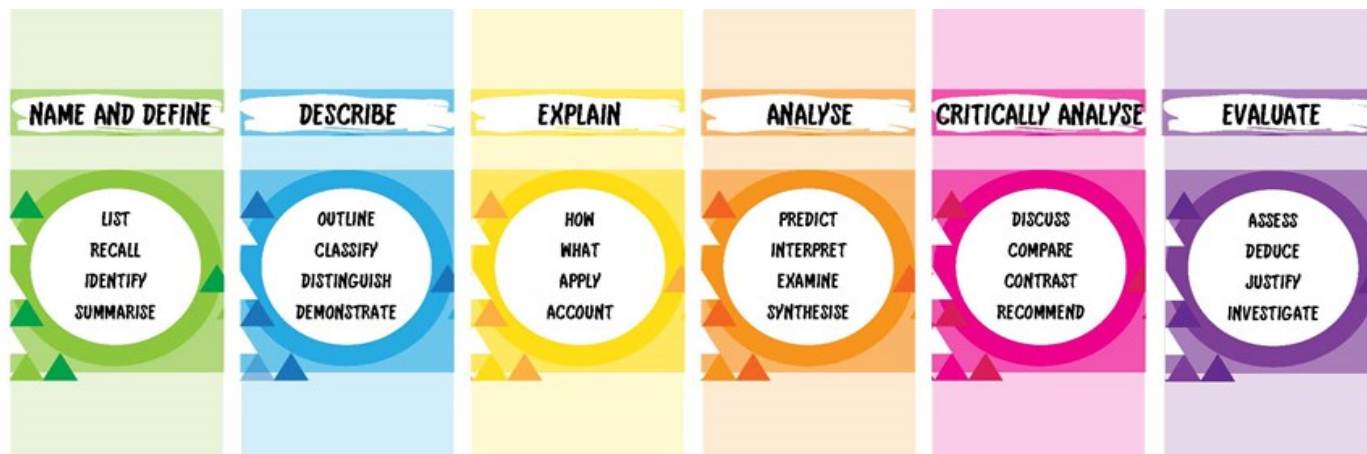
Susan Flagg has been our successful applicant for the 4/5 teaching position until the end of this year. We will warmly welcome Susan to our teaching staff in Week 4. This will allow students to continue their learning in the current class structure until assessment week is over. Susan may be a familiar face to our students and the community as she has previously been teaching at Ardlethan Central School and Yenda Public school.

Preliminary & HSC Examinations

With examinations commencing this week, we are encouraging our students to revise both content and skills. Below is an ALARM scaffold that can be used when going over a topic. The school will actively advocate the usage of this strategy as the research and statistics have shown that it is extremely beneficial to students' learning.

Secondary Excursion Expression of Interest

Please complete the form in today's Gazette and return to school by this Friday, May 6.



Calendar Term 2 2016

May

Wed	04	Preliminary & HSC Half Year Exams Commence
Fri	06	PSSA Cross Country @ Ganmain
Mon	09	Primary Assessment Week
Tues	10	NAPLAN Years 3,5,7 & 9 Day 1
Wed	11	NAPLAN Years 3,5,7 & 9 Day 2
Thur	12	NAPLAN Years 3,5,7 & 9 Day 3
Tues	17	Mobile Library Visits
		Secondary Cross Country @ Ardlethan
Mon	23	Year 7 - 10 Half Year Exams
Fri	27	BCS Athletics Carnival

June

Mon	06	HSC VET Hospitality Work placement all week
Mon	13	Queen's Birthday Holiday
Wed	15	RAP Study Day @ BCS
Thurs	16	Riverina PSSA Cross Country @ Gundagai
Fri	17	Riverina Sec Cross Country @ Gundagai
Mon	20	Rock Camp Commences
Tues	21	Mobile Library Visits
Fri	24	Term 2 Celebration of Learning
Tues	28	Zone Athletics @ Arian Park

Primary assessment week will run in Week 3 (May 9-13). Years 3 and 5 students will be completing their NAPLAN assessment during this time.

Canteen Roster Term 1 Week 11 & Term 2

Mon 2/5 Kellie T/ Mel Irvin	Thu 5/5 Sue Wilson	Fri 6/5 Linda Forrester
Mon 9/5 Alison Male	Thu 12/5 Sarah Lees	Fri 13/5 Julie Kenny
Mon 16/5 Celeste Irvin	Thu 19/5 Jane Snaith	Fri 20/5 Tracey Gordon
Mon 23/5 Kathy Bouchier	Thu 26/5 Simone Girard	Fri 27/5 Kellie T/ Chantelle Booker
Mon 30/5 Alison Male	Thu 2/6 Jeanette Brumby	Fri 3/6 Linda Forrester
Mon 6/6 Karen Smith	Thu 9/6 Tina Haeusler	Fri 10/6 Jane Snaith
Mon 13/6 CANTEEN CLOSED	Thu 24/3 Sue Wilson	Fri 25/3 Sarah Lees
Mon 20/6 Alison Male	Thu 23/6 Julie Kenny	Fri 24/6 Tracey Gordon
Mon 27/6 Celeste Irvin	Thu 30/6 Simone Girard	Fri 1/7 Kellie Tarlinton

Boys Vocal Program

All boys in Years 5-11 received a note last week regarding the Vocal Camp.

The 3 day program at Griffith High School on Monday 6th, Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th June targets boys who have an interest in singing and the recording studio process. The expression of interest note is due back to the school office by Wednesday morning, May 4.

Mrs McDermott will then notify the successful applicants.

Bus Students Timetable

If you have set days when your child will NOT be returning home on the bus please complete the following table. If you make changes please ring and advise the school to avoid confusion to staff and students.

Name	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
e.g. Bill Smith		Netball	Day Care	Football	



Abbey Neville Year 10

For the most 'Student of the Week' nominations during Term 1



Brad Geltch Year 10

For assisting with the setup and packing up of the Anzac Ceremony

K/1 Class News

If there are any changes to how students go home in the afternoons especially those who catch the bus can you please let the office know.

On Friday we will be doing Athletics for sport on Fridays in the lead up to our Athletics Carnival on the Friday of week 5. Please ensure students wear appropriate footwear along with their sport uniform.

Remember that students are encouraged to bring in a piece of fruit for Crunch and Sip and a water bottle.

Have a great week everyone.

This Week

Tuesday	Library, please remember your library bag
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Wednesday	Sport day, please wear your sports uniform.
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Homework

Home Reading	Please remember to write in home reading books each time your child reads. It is most helpful to us at school if you can continue to count of number of nights read by writing the number in the home reading book.
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Reading Eggs Awards	Silver—Xavier Gold—Alani, Lynkin, Aslan, Zeke
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2/3/4 Weekly News

Leaders: *Bailey, Emma & Sophie*

Could all students participating in the Cross Country at Ganmain on Friday please return their notes as soon as possible.

Year 3 NAPLAN will be conducted during week 3, Tuesday 10th – Thursday 12th. The assessments are an opportunity for students to demonstrate what they have learned in class. There are four assessments covering numeracy, reading, writing and language conventions (spelling, punctuation and grammar). Please reassure your child that they are only an assessment and that they only need to try their best. Likewise, all the other students in the classroom will be doing similar assessments at the same time. We have also been preparing for NAPLAN during class. With the weather cooling down, please make sure all your children's jumpers and jackets have their names on them especially if they have washed off and are no longer readable

Coloured House Tiles

Does anyone have any coloured house tiles that you would like to donate to the class? Year 2/3/4 will be using them in an art project in term 2. Thank you.

Homework

AR: Read nightly.

Mathletics: Aiming for a 1000 points a week. They can earn one certificate a week. Keep going and they will progress from bronze to silver to gold. The children need to be completing the four set activities before looking at the other activities.

Unfinished work: Occasionally your child may be sent home with worksheets that will need to be completed at home.

Mathletics

Bronze: Emma

Problem of the week

The first person who can hand to Mrs Kenny the correct answer and can explain how they worked it out will win a small prize.

There were 100 tennis balls in the box before sport. Only 92 balls were returned. How many are missing? _____



National Family Reading Month is designed to get more kids reading with their families. Family reading time is one of the BEST ways to grow a child's interest in the wonderful world of books.

5/6 Class Happenings

Next week is assessment week for all primary students. Year 3 and 5 students will sit NAPLAN assessment with myself as the supervisor (a letter to parents has been published in previous Gazettes and will also be in this Gazette). Year 2, 4 and 6 students will sit their assessments at the same time as the NAPLAN.

The next level of Cross Country is being held this Friday at Matong. Congratulations to those students who have made it to this next level. Permission notes must be returned tomorrow.

We are cheering on Jane at the State Tennis Carnival in Tweed Heads this week. We look forward to hearing about her results and experience in this carnival.

Goodluck to Will, Blake and Cooper at the Tony Lockett AFL in Griffith this Thursday.

I am away this Friday at the Assistant Principal network meeting in Griffith.

Reminder: Please have the discussion with your children on supplies that may need replenishing for this term. E.g. pens, pencils etc.

Kellie Hartley

This Week

Reminders	Library Day is Thursday Sport uniforms are to be worn on Mondays and Fridays.
Literacy	Poetry
Spelling	Spelling from Term 1 week 11 continues A– homophones B– ck words C– silent w, compound D– double consonants E– suffix –tion F– oa words
Mathematics	Multiplication and division

Homework

Homework Grid	A new homework page is coming home today. A reminder that parents should be aware of homework which needs to be completed and sign the page before students hand these in. Mongolia Powerpoints are due this Friday. Homework is due on Monday. No homework will be given next week due to assessment week.
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Sports News:

Congratulations to Charlotte Rainbird and Jane Haeusler on their selection in the Western Riverina netball team. The girls will now contest the final Riverina selection trials which will be held on the 16th May in Wagga. Good luck girls in your quest for final selection. Special mention to Annabelle Geltch who also participated in the trials, but was unsuccessful.

Congratulations to Michael Conlan who was successful in gaining selection in the Riverina South-West AFL team. This team will now contest the State CHS carnival to be held in Albury in June. Good luck with your training and preparation for this carnival. Special mention to Ben Irvin who also contested these trials, but was unsuccessful in gaining selection. Ben will be able to trial again next year as he is only 14, a great achievement Ben.

The RAP boys tennis team travelled to Deniliquin last Friday to contest the semi-final and possibly the Riverina final in the State Knockout competition. Unfortunately, the day was washed out with only several games being played. Another date will need to be organised to complete these matches. Well done to Norm Haeusler and Jake Bouchier who were ready to represent both BCS and the RAP program at this match.

The Tony Lockett Shield Gala Day will be held in Griffith on Thursday this week. BCS will be represented by Will Ellis, Blake Stevenson and Cooper Spowart. These boys will be members of the JRAP AFL team. The boys will play several games throughout the day and we wish them all the luck.

The Primary Cross Country team will contest the PSSA district Cross Country carnival to be held in Matong on Friday. Selected runners received notes on Friday and need to return the note and the \$4 levy ASAP to the front office. Please notify the school if your child requires transportation to this carnival and we will see what we can arrange.

A big thank you to Beigh Hillier and Michael Conlan who helped Mr Hesketh and myself with Auskick on Thursday afternoon.

Cheers

Mrs Conlan

Expression of Interest Years 7 - 11 Secondary Excursion 2016

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We are currently organising our secondary excursion for 2016. In order to go forward in our planning we request that you provide us with some information about your preferences and interest.

Please fill in the form below and return to the front office by **Friday 6th of May**.

Thank you

Miss Laura Winter

HSIE Teacher

Suggested Locations for the Excursion (Please tick preference)

Snow Trip:

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Adventure camp:

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Other suggestions: _____

Price range:

Please indicate the maximum amount you are willing to pay for this excursion. Please note that this is not a formal commitment:

\$300-\$400

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\$400-\$600

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\$700 and over

☐

Any other thoughts/ comments

Student/s interested in attending: _____

Parent/caregiver Signature: _____

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2016

LETTER TO PARENTS

In May 2016 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each student's level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Student background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student's right to privacy is maintained.

The NAPLAN tests will be conducted from 10-12 May 2016.

TUESDAY 10 MAY	WEDNESDAY 11 MAY	THURSDAY 12 MAY
Language Conventions (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) Writing	Reading	Numeracy

In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. In Years 7 and 9 there will be two Numeracy tests: one where a calculator is allowed and one where calculators are not to be used. For the calculator test, the student should use the calculator that they currently use at school.

Friday 13 May – A 'catch-up' day is scheduled for students who missed a test or were absent on a test day.

Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if they:

- are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or
- have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests. Disability adjustments which reflect the student's normal level of support in the classroom may be provided. Large print, Braille, coloured paper versions and electronic tests are available to meet the needs of individual students.

Access to disability adjustments or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents in consultation with the school principal. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests, a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Please make an appointment with the principal of the school your child attends if you would like to discuss your child's participation in NAPLAN.

Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index.html.



Frequently Asked Questions: Parents

INSTAGRAM



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What is Instagram?

Instagram is a photo-sharing app which allows users to take photos, apply a filter and share content with either followers or the general public. Users are able to 'like' and comment on photos as well as send these images directly to individual followers. Instagram also allows users to post short videos.

What is the age classification for Instagram?

Instagram is recommended for users aged 13 years and above, however there are many underage users.

How are young people using Instagram?

Instagram is being used by young people to share photos, occasions and situations with their friends. The ability to like and comment on photos provides a useful communication function for young people as they explore and express their personality.

Should I be worried if my child is using Instagram?

Any application when used incorrectly, has the potential to cause harm. It is important that you openly communicate with your child about how they may be using an application and the legal and ethical ramifications of inappropriate use. They also need to be aware the dangers of communicating with people they don't know via any mobile application.

What are the privacy settings on Instagram?

Accounts on Instagram can be shared with anyone, or with those you approve as followers only. This can be done via the Instagram app on your mobile device. First select the **Profile** option on the lower right-hand side of the screen. In the **Edit Your Profile** section scroll to the bottom of the screen and ensure **Photos Are Private** is in the **On** position and select **Save**.

What could be revealed through an image?

A concern with photos which are taken and shared via a mobile device is that they may contain geolocation information. Geotagging refers to the embedding of location data, such as GPS coordinates, in images taken on smartphones and some digital cameras. When these images are shared online, the location data is often also shared. This may allow others who have access to the file to determine where the image was created, potentially revealing your home address.

How can my child limit geolocation information?

It is important for your child and you to know how to disable the geolocation function for the camera on the smartphone or mobile device your child utilises. For iOS devices, this can be disabled by accessing **Settings>Privacy>Locations** and disabling for Camera. On Android devices, users need to open the **Camera** app, access **Settings** and **disable GPS tagging**. If you are unsure how to do this on your device, please access the online user guide for the model of device.

It is also useful to discourage children and young people from using the Photo Map function on Instagram. This capability plots users' photos on an interactive map and could reveal sensitive location information.

What are the potential problems with Instagram?

It is important that young people only allow people they know and trust to access their photos and learn how to block and report inappropriate users. You can block users via the Instagram app on your mobile device. Open the profile page of the offensive user and select the **Further Options** icon on the upper right-hand side of the screen. Select the **Block User** option and when prompted by the dialog box, select **Yes, I'm sure**.

Sharing images that are rude, offensive or sexualised can see young people in breach of State and Commonwealth legislation that carry serious legal consequences. Ethically, young people need to be aware of the impact that their online behaviour has on others as well as their own reputation.

How can I delete my child's account?

If after talking with your child about the ethical use of Instagram and your family's rules around technology, you may think it's appropriate to delete the Instagram account.

To delete an Instagram account log into the account at instagram.com, click the account username in the top right and select **Edit Profile**, click **I'd like to delete my account** in the bottom right.

Note: Accounts can not be reactivated and photos may be lost. Open and supportive discussions around technology usage are vital in ensuring your child understands their responsibilities when using technology. Simply removing the technology is not the best response as it could potentially drive your child's usage underground where there are fewer opportunities for you to support them.

For more information visit www.thinkuknow.org.au

Community Gazette

Members of the community wishing to receive a copy of the Barellan Central Gazette for 2016 are asked to make a payment of \$10 to the school office, if they have not already done so.

A reminder that the Gazette can also be accessed on the schools website each week, details below.

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Training this week is at the usual times:

3.45pm - Under 11s netball

4.30pm - Under 11s football

- Under 15s netball

5.00pm - Under 15s football

The new stock of shorts have arrived. If the shorts you were issued with two weeks ago are not the right fit, please bring them to training on Thursday and following training you can exchange them for a better pair.

General bye this week.

Barellan's Biggest Morning Tea

Congratulations to Meredith Gibson and all her hard working team, who once again held a very successful 'Biggest Morning Tea' last Friday in aid of cancer

research. To date the morning tea has raised in excess of \$2000.

If it wasn't for the generous donations of wonderful cooking, raffle prizes and support from the community and business houses the morning tea would not be the success it is.

Aged Care Street Stall

The Barellan Aged Care support group will be holding a special Mother's Day Street Stall on Friday, May 6th.

All donations of cooking, craft etc will be gratefully appreciated.

Donations can be left with Marg West or Colleen O'Grady or can be brought to the stall on the day.

They will also be running a raffle.

All proceeds go towards the Units for the Aged in Barellan.

Wanted to buy.....

1 x BCS School Jacket Size 14

1 x BCS White Polo Shirt Size 14

Please contact the school if you can help.



*Sunday May 8th
Join us for Lunch
at the Commercial Hotel*

Barellan

Roast Lamb & Dessert \$20.00

All diners also receive a glass of wine.

Please ring for bookings by

Friday May 6th.

Phone 0487803585



*Don't forget to order
your flowers for Mother's
Day from the Barellan
Post Office.
Call and see Trish for
a full list of prices etc.*