



Week 2A - Term 2
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The Gazette



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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

As I commence my second week at Barellan Central School my head is spinning. I continue to be pleased with the level of professionalism I see from the staff at the school, as well as the care extended to me through a warm welcome.

I would like to thank the parents who have come up to meet me so far. That initial contact is very important for me to develop a broader understanding of how the school is serving our community. I look forward to meeting more parents on Tuesday night at the P&C meeting at 7:00pm.

The Learning and Support Team is taking shape and we have met to clarify the processes involved, as well as how to better approach families to support students. One of the key roles of our Learning and Support Team is creating and supporting teachers in implementing Individual Learning Plans (ILPs) for students with any specific need, and Personalised Learning Pathways (PLPs) plans to assist developing appropriate consultation between the school and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families. This Wednesday we are very lucky to have Matt Daniels, an Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer from Griffith Education Officer come to work with the Learning Support Team and Robyn Locke, the Learning and Support Teacher (LaST) to help refine our thinking around the importance of connection to country and community for our Aboriginal students.

I would like to extend a thank you to parents and students for completing the Tell Them From Me (TTFM) survey. This survey provides important information to the school. In my initial analysis of TTFM data it is clear that bullying is a challenge that many of our students are experiencing. We have put in place plans to develop a comprehensive Anti-Bullying Plan with our Wellbeing Team. This plan will include looking at prevention, early intervention, and the school's response and will be developed in consultation with the students, parents, and the school community. You will hear more about this plan in week 5.

As I mentioned last week, the school is working with a disciplined focus on improving literacy. An important part of that plan involves looking at how to develop the most effective early literacy program possible. Today and tomorrow Jeremy Campbell (AP) is attending a workshop on

Effective Reading (K-2) which will help bring the most recent research into shaping the learning of students in K-2.

We have been informed of some important audits that are taking place this year. In August as a part of a broader VET audit, departmental officers will be reviewing the school's VET processes, and in October the school will present a report on our self-assessment against the School Excellence Framework. Both of these processes are designed to help us as a school to develop an understanding of how we can constantly improve, and whilst both are daunting tasks, they will assist us in better serving the students.

In the news, you may have read about NAPLAN and questions around its validity. Can I please assure you that as the principal I have no intention to use NAPLAN other than a tool to help us as teachers to better tailor our learning to our students. We will not be using NAPLAN as a tool to 'teach to the test'. Consequently, as the NAPLAN tests approach please ensure that your children are not concerned about the assessment. Whilst they provide us with valuable information, they should not be any cause of undue stress. As teachers we use many different sources of information to target teaching, NAPLAN is only one of them. If you or your child are concerned about NAPLAN, please talk to us.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to wish all of the mothers the very best for Mother's Day this weekend. I'd also like to acknowledge my mother, who always did her very best for me as a child. One very special thing that my mother did for me was to always ensure that I was surrounded by books. I still remember getting the encyclopaedia one volume at a time, month after month and excitedly flicking through the pages to discover the world. That expression of love and commitment to my learning changed my life.

Have a lovely week,
Paul Laing

**keep
learning.**

BCS Calendar

May 2018



Fri 11	Primary District Cross Country Ganmain
Mon 14	Year 12 Half Yearly Exams Begin
Tue 15, 16, 17 NAPLAN Years 3, 5, 7 & 9	
Fri 18	Secondary Zone Cross Country - Coolamon
Mon 21-23	BCS Choir @ Town Hall Sydney
Thu 31	BCS Athletics Carnival

June 2018

Mon 11	Queen's Birthday Holiday
Thu 14	Riverina Primary Cross Country
Fri 15	Riverina Secondary Cross Country
Tue 26	Mobile Library
Fri 29	Secondary Zone Athletics - Barellan

July 2018

Wed 4	Primary District Athletics - Barellan
Tue 24	Mobile Library

Student Absences

Notes will be going home today for unexplained student absences for this year.

Please contact Mrs Male by email if you prefer to let her know why your child is away.

Rhonda.male@det.nsw.edu.au

Thanks

Mrs Male

P&C Supporting Our School

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2 - 2018	
Thursday 10th May	Friday 11th May
Tina Haeusler	Julie Kenny
Thursday 17th May	Friday 18th May
Kathy Bouchier	Michelle Alyuosif

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open every Thursday from 3.30pm - 4.30pm.

Come in to get all your Winter Uniform needs!!

Student Payments

Please place all student payments being received through the School Office:

- in an envelope or zip lock bag
- with the student's name
- permission slip (if applicable) and what the money is for clearly marked on the front.

If you would like a receipt, please indicate this with your payment.

Parents/Guardians are also reminded that payments for school activities/fees can be made through the Online Portal.

This is accessed through the School Website under the '\$ Make a Payment' tab.

Please do not use this payment method for uniforms, as this is controlled by the P&C.

Any questions regarding payments, please don't hesitate to phone.

Thank you

Vicki Tubb

School Admin Manager



STUDENT REMINDERS...

Term 2 - Week 2A

Years 3, 5, 7, 9

Week 3

NAPLAN

Year 9/10

Week 4

Monday - Period 1

Debating Assessment Task (In Class)

Year 12

Week 2 & 3

Half Yearly Exams



P&C Meeting

Tomorrow, Tuesday 8th March, 7pm in the Library. All Welcome.

K/1/2 TOYS MY PARENTS PLAYED WITH...



My dad gave me his little blue teddy and he is called 'Blue Ted'. He could move like a robot. Dad played table tennis with Ted. Normally I play catch with Ted. **Archie**

My Pop he gave me his blue teddy that never had feet and on the little badge that teddy junior is wearing it says, "My First Teddy." **Lynkin**

My dad gave me his brown bear and dad called him Bear. **Billy**

My mum gave me a teddy that was pink, blue and white and if you say something to it, it does it. **Chloe**



K/1/2 - Toys my parents played with...

We are going to ask mum or dad what they played with when they were little. Please write and draw about a favourite toy. If that toy is still with your family you might like to show it to the class.

We are going to interview our Pop or Nan to find out what their favourite toy was when they were little.

Mrs Kenny is looking forward to hearing about the historic toys that K/1/2 have in their families.



LIBRARY LIFE

Congratulations to 4 diligent Library users who have borrowed and returned books regularly in Term 1.



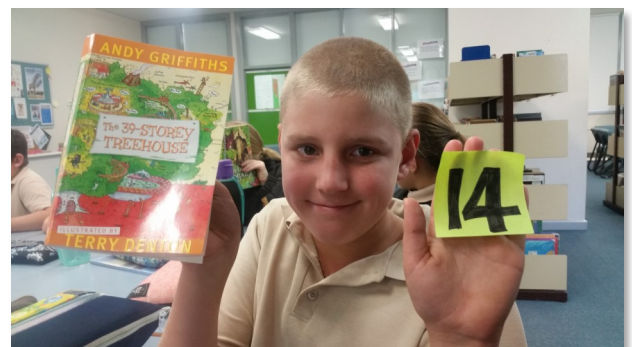
Alani Booker 42 books



Chloe Smith 17 books



Declan Trembath 17 books



John Noakes 14 books.



Read More in May 2018 Project

May is National Family Reading Month, Scholastic holds an exciting reading challenge, scholastic rewards and book vouchers can be won by individuals and our school.

Research shows that family reading time is one of the BEST ways to grow a child's interest in the wonderful world of books.

Kids who read, succeed!

- Read every day in May and go in the draw to WIN!
- Read for at least 10 minutes every day and colour in a book on the KOALA READING LOG.
- From 1 May -10 June 2018 you can go online to scholastic.com.au/nfrm and enter you and your teacher into the prize draw.
- Keep this Koala Reading Log in a handy place at home, and as proof of participation in case you are drawn as a winner!

Thanks for buying books from


Book Club

they help build our classroom resources



**Could all Book Club orders please be in
handed in to Mrs Male by 14th May.
Thank you**

JOIN OUR READ MORE IN MAY CHALLENGE!



To participate, colour-in a book for each day that you have read in May.

1	16
2	17
3	18
4	19
5	20
6	21
7	22
8	23
9	24
10	25
11	26
12	27
13	28
14	29
15	30
	31

Enter online before 10 June 2018 to go in the draw to win great prizes!

scholastic.com.au/nfrm

Name: _____

Teacher: _____

Parent's signature: _____

Keep this as proof of participation in case you are drawn as a winner!



Creative Minds

Students in the 7-10 Creative Project group have been working on producing a film to submit to the Focus on Ability competition. They have been using the knowledge they gain in PDHPE, English, History and Technology to produce a short film that explores the stigma surrounding mental illness. They have shown excellent leadership skills during the process of planning their film and they will begin set construction and filming in the coming weeks. Stay tuned into the BCS Facebook page to see the finished product!



BARELLAN UNITED
FOOTBALL & NETBALL CLUB

2Blues Juniors Update

This week we play The Jets Sat, 12th May

Netball and AFL times— Please check with your coach at training or watch for a text advising the time and place of your game.

Training— Thursday -If you can't attend let your coach know.

3.45—Auskick

4.30—Net Set Go, 11s Netball 4.30—11s & 13s AFL

5.00pm— 13s Netball

5.30—15s netball

5th May Narrander V Barellan

13s Football		Golden Grain Award Abe Forbutt	Ladies Auxillary Award Zach Twomey
11s Football		Golden Grain Award Tim Davies	Ladies Auxillary Award Jonty Conlan
15s Netball	Barellan 27 Nar'dera 14	Saint George Bank -Coaches Award Melissa Noakes	Ladies Auxillary -Players Player Paige Kenny
13s Netball	Barellan 24 Nar'dera Gold 23	Saint George Bank -Coaches Award Molly McCarten	Ladies Auxillary -Players Player Emma Morton
13s Netball	Barellan 13 Nar'dera 26	Saint George Bank -Coaches Award Clarie Burcham	Ladies Auxillary -Players Player Ruby Male
11s Netball	Draw 16 ALL	Saint George Bank -Coaches Award Grace EVans	Ladies Auxillary -Coaches Award Matilda Evans

Thank you - To our valued sponsors who donate junior player awards each week.



Jane & Matt Snaith



Jo Ohlsen, Jan Evans,
Sue Robertson & All
the Helpers



Michelle Evans - Branch Manager Griffith



LEETON UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB
REGISTRATION FOR LOCAL
COMPETITION
ONLINE REGISTRATIONS NOW
OPEN

@myfootballclub.com

Competition starts Sat, 12 May 2018

LOCAL JUNIORS (4 -15years)

Active Kids Vouchers Welcome

Enquiries: Rod Harrison 0417 450 546

Toni Lamont 0407 925 239

Lena Porcu 0418 652 075

Visit LUFC facebook page for info



Barellan Show Schedule Cover Design Competition

Don't forget to return your entries by this **Friday 11th May.**

The winner will :



Have their design in print on the cover of this years schedule



Win 24 Derwent Watercolour Pencils.

Please email all items for the gazette to:

tracey.gordon8@det.nsw.edu.au

All items must be received by 9am Monday Morning

Mother's Day at the Barellan and District War Memorial Club



Book a Table for lunch or Dinner and
receive a free bottle of wine.

Mother's Day Special Chinese Banquet

\$19 per person min of 4 people

Or order off the menu

Special Mother Day prizes draw throughout
the day.