

# Always Was, Always Will Be.

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## The Gazette

Week 5B - Term 4

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# Principals Report

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **Congratulations Year 12!**

Last Wednesday students completed their final HSC examination. Congratulations on completing the final steps in your secondary education. We have already heard some wonderful news with Chelsea Gordon receiving her unconditional offer to study a Bachelor of Agricultural Science at CSU. We can't wait to share your success stories to continue to inspire our younger students and to share your celebrations with the community.

## **NAIDOC week celebrations**

I'd like to congratulate our Aboriginal students for the touching ceremony that you led on Monday morning to inaugurate NAIDOC week celebrations. There was an audible gasp across the school as the boys proudly marched to their places to share their traditional dances. It was a privilege for me to see our Aboriginal students proudly sharing their culture with the whole school. I would also like to thank Mr Matt Daniels, Aboriginal Community Liaisons Officer and Mr Samuel Daymond, Head Teacher Secondary Studies, for your leadership in this important work.

## **School Plan 2021-2024 - Survey**

Thank you to the parents who have completed the parent survey, either directly with the school administrative staff on the telephone, via an online link or a paper version. We have completed responses from more than half of the families from the school, including detailed responses about your individual children, as well as your views of the school as a parent. If you haven't been able to finish the survey's that have been sent out yet, please complete them promptly for our consideration. Your views are very important, and we act based on them.

## **Community mentors**

In the parent surveys, we asked if you thought that developing a mentoring program for our students using local community members was a good idea and over 90% of parents responded that you supported this. Around half of parents indicated that they would either like to be a mentor, or would consider it. We look forward to making this a reality in the future and will be approaching you with more details before the end of the year about how you can contact us to be involved.

## **Antisocial behaviour**

Narrandera police are aware of a number of recent reports of antisocial behaviour of a weekend and they will be increasing their patrols. Please ensure you continue to report antisocial behaviour directly to the police.

## **P&C meeting**

On Tuesday evening we met with the P&C for once again a productive and broad ranging conversation including future whole school events, the impact of the P&C fundraising, future staffing for the school as well as having a nice chat. I really encourage you to join the P&C; your voice is important and has a direct impact on the school. It's also a nice way to connect with other parents from the school in productive, solutions focused conversations around our collective efforts for constant improvement.

In closing, I'd like to congratulate once again the outgoing HSC students on your leadership and dedication to your studies. Thank you for your service to the school and your studies. Best wishes from me on behalf of all the staff,

Paul Laing

Principal

### In brief:

- Congratulations to year 12 students who have now completed their HSC studies.
- We have celebrated Aboriginal culture this week through our NAIDOC week celebrations.
- Please complete the parent surveys you have received if you requested one (either online or a paper version). If you have changed your mind and would prefer to complete it over the phone, please contact us at school.
- We will pursue establishing a program with community mentor in the future. Thank you for your overwhelming support in principle for this initiative.
- Narrandera police are taking reports of antisocial behaviour seriously and are increasing their patrols of Barellan.
- Please consider joining the P&C – it is a place for broad and productive conversations to seek constant improvements for your children.

## P&C CANTEEN ROSTER

### CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 4 - 2019

Thursday 19/11	Friday 20/11
Volunteer Required	Chantelle Booker
Thursday 26/11	Friday 27/11
Volunteer Required	Volunteer Required
Thursday 3/12	Friday 4/12
Volunteer Required	Leah Irons
Thursday 10/12	Friday 11/12
Volunteer Required	Leah Irons
Thursday 18/12	Friday 19/12
Tina Haeusler	Special Day

## SANTA VISIT: REMINDER

It's almost that special time of year again and as part of our Christmas celebrations at Barellan Central School we would like to focus on the importance of giving at Christmas time. This year we will be supporting the Australian Defence force by sending them care packages. All families are welcome to donate goods for these care packages to the front office. To prevent spoiling, please ensure any items donated are non-perishable goods and do not exceed 2kg in weight or 31cm x 22.5cm x 10cm in size. Providing gender-neutral items will ensure an equitable distribution of parcels among Australian deployed personnel. Remember FUN STUFF is always a winner and written LETTERS are more than welcome and will be responded to by the service men and women themselves. Parcels CANNOT contain tobacco, alcohol, inappropriate or culturally offensive material, or dangerous items. Liquid items of any form are also highly discouraged. We thank you in advance for your support and generosity in helping to give back to our service men and women this Christmas.



Santa has also requested some support from his helpers again this year in getting ready for his visit to see our primary students on Friday of Week 9 (11/12/2020). He has asked if all special book presents for all Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students could please be delivered to our lovely office ladies before this date, so he doesn't have to carry them all the way from the North Pole while he is busy getting the rest of the present ready for Christmas. He wants to extend his thanks in advance for this help.



# NAIDOC Week Celebrations

The theme for NAIDOC Week 2020 is 'Always Was, Always Will Be'.

'Always Was, Always Will Be' recognises that First Nations people have occupied and cared for this continent for over 65,000 years.

'Always Was, Always Will Be' acknowledges that hundreds of Nations and cultures covered this continent. All were managing the land - the biggest estate on earth - to sustainably provide for their future.

Through ingenious land management systems like fire stick farming they transformed the harshest habitable continent into a land of bounty.

NAIDOC Week 2020 acknowledges and celebrates that our nation's story didn't begin with documented European contact whether in 1770 or 1606 - with the arrival of the Dutch on the western coast of the Cape York Peninsula.

The very first footprints on this continent were those belonging to First Nations peoples.

NAIDOC 2020 invites all Australians to embrace the true history of this country – a history which dates back thousands of generations.

It's about seeing, hearing and learning the First Nations' 65,000+ year history of this country - which is Australian history. We want all Australians to celebrate that we have the oldest continuing cultures on the planet and to recognise that our sovereignty was never ceded.

Barellan Central School celebrated NAIDOC Week with an assembly on Monday where students showcased a 'Welcome Dance' they created. We then completed some crafts activities on Wednesday including; Basket Weaving to practise being precise and delicate, Painting to practice story sharing and fine motor skills, Dreaming and rope making to practise patience and listening, Beading to practise resilience, and Scratch art to practise using quills for art. We rounded off the week with Traditional Indigenous games to help build skills needed for traditional hunting.

Our Aboriginal students stepped up and coordinated all these days and demonstrated their leadership qualities throughout the various activities. I am extremely proud of the effort our students put in and the pride they have shown in their school and their culture. I am looking forward to many more events being coordinated by this group.

Mr Daymond



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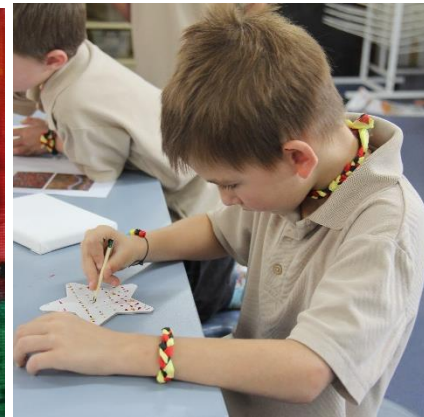
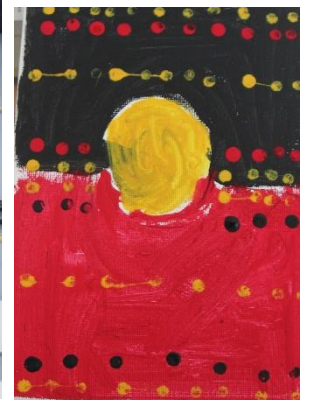
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Checkout some photos from our Wednesday activities, led by Zach Kessey, Tre Kessey, John-Thomas Noakes, Koby Irvin, Seth Hickey, Lynkin Robertson, Tamiah Kessey and Grace Eldridge.









# Remembrance Day

“On 11 November 1918, the Western Front fell silent after four years of continuous fighting.

More than 330 000 Australians served in the First World War and over 60 000 were never to return home. On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month we, as a nation, take a moment to commemorate the sacrifice those servicemen and women made for our country.



Remembrance Day falls within NAIDOC week this year and this makes it all the more important for us to recognise the contribution of Indigenous Australians, not only in World War 1, but those who have served in every conflict and commitment since.

It is estimated that over 1000 Indigenous Australians fought in the First World War. When war broke out in 1914, many Indigenous Australians who tried to enlist were rejected on the grounds of race; many got through by telling recruitment officers they were Maori, Pacific Islander or even Jewish. As a result of this it is impossible to know exactly how many Indigenous Australians served before 1980, when better records were kept.

They came from a section of society with few rights, low wages, and poor living conditions. Most Indigenous Australians could not vote and none were counted in the census. But once in the AIF, they were treated as equals. They were paid the same as other soldiers and generally accepted without prejudice.

Loyalty and patriotism encouraged Indigenous Australians to enlist, but many saw it as a chance to prove themselves the equal of Europeans or to push for better treatment after the war.

William Rawlings, a horse trainer from near Warrnambool, risked his life to clear a path for his fellow infantrymen during an attack at Morlancourt on the Western Front.

He was one of a thousand Indigenous Australians who volunteered when their country did not properly recognise them or their people, and he would die just a few months before the Armistice. They saw our country not just for what it was then but what they dreamed it would become.”

- An extract from the speech delivered by Tamiah Kessey and Kacey Eldridge

# Transition to Kindergarten

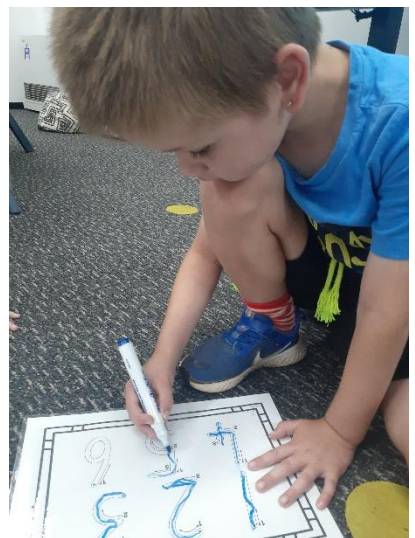
In week 2 of transition, we were lucky enough to have some nicer weather so we could explore some different areas that we can learn and play in at school.

In our 2nd week of transition we also learnt about the letter 'A' and the sound it makes. We made our own apples by ripping and scrunching crepe paper.



During week 3, we learnt the new letter and sound [T]. We played many games with the letters we have already learnt and made each of them with play dough.

We also made t - t – tractors.



We look forward to seeing you next week!



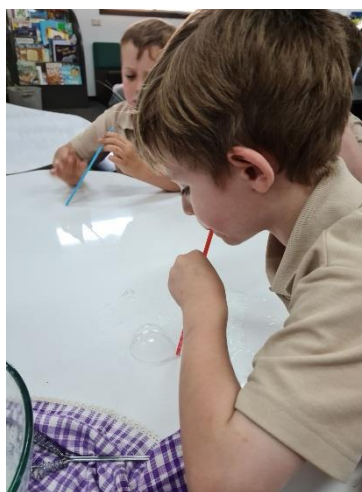
# K/1 in the Classroom

K/1 have been engaging in a variety of engaging lessons this fortnight.

During Maths lessons for example, K/1 have been learning about length. They each took a great jump and measured how long their jump was using unifix cubes. They then compared the length of their jumps.



K/1 also engaged in an exciting lesson using bubbles. Scan the QR codes below for a little snapshot into their interesting lesson!



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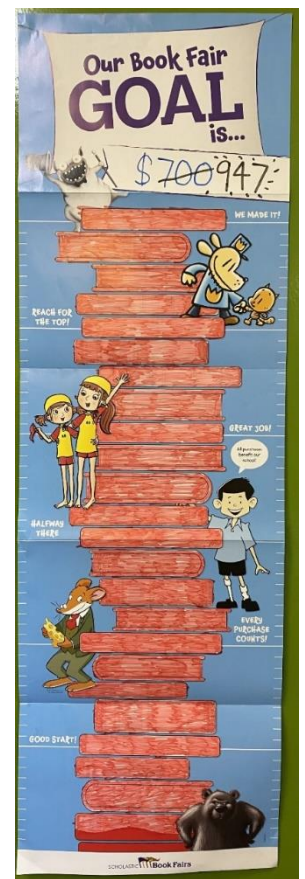


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## A group of six children in school uniforms standing outdoors. The child in the center holds a large poster titled "Our Book Fair GOAL" which features a staircase graphic and the number 126117. All children are wearing yellow lanyards with ID tags.

## Book Fair





# Curiouser and Curiouser Book Week at Barellan

Some Curious Creatures and definitely Wild Minds arrived at Barellan Central School for the annual Book Celebration recently.

It was an action packed day with a character parade, tiny authors book launch, students lead book activities and the premier of our class movies, so professionally recorded and edited by Mrs Sparkes-Carroll. The spirit of the day was embraced by all staff members who came in character.

The fortunate book parade winners of the Scholastic vouchers were Blake B, Daryl, Matilda, Billy, Lily and Kacey. Engaging book tasks were presented by the 5/6 leaders who were so prepared and helpful with the younger students.

My favourite thing from book week was when I played a game and you could be a ship or a light house. If you were a ship you couldn't crash into any chairs and you had to have your eyes closed. If you were a light house you had to stay in one spot and couldn't move. **Chayse**

My favourite thing from book week was going in our dress up parade. **Otis**



My favourite thing was dressing up and making hot air balloons. I dressed up as a farmer boy, a character out of the book "Farm Boy" by Michael Morpurgo. In the afternoon we watched Year 2 to Year 6's movies.

**Billy**

I dressed up as Marcus out of the book, "Diary of an AFL Legend". **Lachlan**

For Book Week I am being George the Farmer and I love reading. **Ryan**

We went to the library and we make telescopes and I dressed up as Woody. **Declan**





My favourite thing from book week was getting to dress up like Fantastic Mr Fox. **Ryder**



My favourite activity from book week was when we made kaleidoscopes in Grace's group. **Riley**



I read the book called "Three" by Stephen Michael King. After I read the book I got my group to write on a leaf about what they are grateful for. They drew some patterns on the back and painted over it with edicol dye. Then they played a board game. It felt good to be a leader for the younger kids. **Dakota**



Today we read a book called "I Need a Parrot" by Chris McKimmie. My activity was drawing and painting a parrot. It was good being a leader and I would do it again. **Kacey**



My favourite thing from book week was when we went on a treasure hunt with Dakota. **Eleanor**







For book week Ariarne and I read the book called "Tilly" by Jane Godwin. We did an activity which was a treasure hunt. Running this activity as a leader felt good. **Lily**



Today for book week I read the book, "Here We Are" by Oliver Jeffers. We made constellation viewers. **Toby**

My favourite thing from book week was when I won a voucher. I got to buy a book with my voucher. I also liked making a hot air balloon in Naomi's group. **Blake B**





# Primary Reading Group Plays

This term, our primary reading groups have been working hard to put together some wonderful plays. We have been uploading different videos to Facebook each day this week, but in case you have missed them, you can access them by scanning the QR codes below.



'The Three Little Pigs' starring Dustin Evans, Blake Brody, Charli Smith, Chayse Irvin and Declan Trembath (as the narrator).



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'Control Z' starring Archie Elwin, Alani Booker, Amelie Mota, Lynkin Robertson, Bec Praestiin, Naomi Praestiin and Tamiah Kessey.



'The Magic World' starring Matilda Hornbuckle, Casey Walker, William Evans, Zayn Lemke, Lynkin Robertson, Tarlissa Slater.



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'The Story of IO' starring Xavier Irvin, Toby Inglis, Dakota Smith, Ariarne Mota, Ronan Murphy, Aslan Uzun, Lily Curran and Kasey Eldridge.





# 1/2/3 in the Poultry Shed

1/2/3 would like to thank Miss Robertson for having them in the new state of the art Poultry Shed. They have had some eggs in the incubator and the chickens have now hatched. The students are excited and are having so much fun learning in this science unit 'Living Things Grow and Change'!





# PBL Awards

## Excellence - Danygamalabilang

Lillea Walker	Kindergarten
Otis-Whiteny Taylor	Kindergarten
Bianca Spowart	Year 7
Brianna Praestiin	Year 7
Suleyman Uzun	Year 7
Darcie Geltch	Year 7
Riley Curran	Year 8
Erica Messom	Year 8
Bailey Winter	Year 8
John-Thomas Noakes	Year 8
Logan Dalley	Year 8
Madison Davies	Year 8
Tre Kessey	Year 8
Lachlan Ellis	Year 8
Dominic Snaith	Year 8
Nace Borland	Year 9
Anika Praestiin	Year 9
Zacharia Twomey	Year 9
Marian Davies	Year 9
Spencer Tarlinton	Year 9
Logan Messom	Year 9
Annabelle Geltch	Year 10
Tyler Murphy	Year 10

## Resilience - Walandhuray

Blake Brody	Year 1
Seth Hickey	Year 4
Dakota Smith	Year 6
Zach Kessey	Year 9
Anika Praestiin	Year 9
Jack Inglis	Year 9
Jordan Spowart	Year 9
Spencer Tarlinton	Year 9
Zacharia Twomey	Year 9
Cooper Spowart	Year 10
Tyler Murphy	Year 10

## Responsibility - Dhulubidyilinya

Harper Kenmir	Year 4
Grace Eldridge	Year 4
Lynkin Robertson	Year 4
Tamiah Kessey	Year 4
Seth Hickey	Year 4
Bianca Spowart	Year 7
Benjamin Giddings	Year 9
Jack Inglis	Year 9
Anika Praestiin	Year 9
Zacharia Twomey	Year 9
Annabelle Geltch	Year 10
Sarah Wilson	Year 11
Jacob Ashman	Year 11





# Parents and Citizens News

## Following our last meeting:

- Canteen Helpers- Karen has prepared the canteen roster for the term, if you are able to help fill spaces on this roster please call Karen-0428300729. Half-day help is also really appreciated.
- P&C Hot Dog meal deal held on the special book celebration day raised \$180. Thank you to everyone who got involved. Very special thanks to Mrs Whytcross who cooked the dogs and did not split one.
- Exciting news - the B.C.S bus has a bulbar and will arrive next Tuesday. The bus will have a shiny new shed as well.
- The P&C are appealing for a school community volunteer to take part in the SLSO- School Learning Support Officer interviews, which will occur in the coming weeks. You do not need to be a member of the P&C. Contact Julie on 0448553225 if you would like this experience.
- RAP Study Day-thank you to the parents who have offered help on the day and in donating cakes and slices. If you have not yet pledged a donation of food but would like to, please drop cakes and slices at the school office on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Dec. Any help is really appreciated.

**Our next meeting is on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm via Zoom.**

**The link will be posted on the B.C.S Facebook page on the day of the meeting.**

Join Zoom Meeting via a laptop or computer with this link

<https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/8062622188?pwd=bksvZk44ZlUySXZBeGg3SEFtMFllZ09>

**Meeting ID: 806 262 2188**

**Passcode: 127361**

## Agenda:

- Christmas raffle.
- Staff Christmas Lunch
- Thermomix use
- School promotion ideas
- Alumni - Where Are They Now
- We are very happy to discuss any new ideas please contact Julie. 0448553225



# COMMUNITY NEWS

**Are you passionate about the Barellan Two Blues and want to help out??**

**We have a Secretary Position available for you...**

## **Administrative Secretary**

This Position involves the running of the club

Preparation of meetings and typing of minutes

Roster for game days and other functions

Inward and outward correspondence including but not limited to registrations and clearances

Applying for grants and fundraising opportunities

Misc. Duties

Co-Ordinate Sponsorship Committee

## **Selection Criteria**

The successful application must have:

Excellent organizational skills and attention to details

Strong Communication Skills both written and verbal

Good computer skills mainly using word, excel, PowerPoint and outlook

Maintain confidentiality on relevant matters

Be able to organize, delegate, manage and supervise others in relation to secretarial duties

Be able to start work immediately

### **What's on offer:**

Figure to be negotiated with successful application.

Please forward your application addressing the selection criteria with Resume by 5pm Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2020 To Kim Hillman [hillmans86@bigpond.com](mailto:hillmans86@bigpond.com)

**Please email all items for the gazette to:**

[silvia.laingmorales@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:silvia.laingmorales@det.nsw.edu.au)

All items must be received by 9am on the Friday morning that the newsletter will be published.



## Term 4 Calendar



### November

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>16</b> 4/5/6 Library Borrowing Day  Transition to Kindergarten 9 – 1pm  Stage 5 Geography Excursion	<b>17</b> RAP Study Day	<b>18</b> 1/2/3 Library Borrowing Day  K/1 Library Borrowing Day	<b>19</b> 7/8 Library Borrowing Day	<b>20</b> Aboriginal Education sessions  Year 6-7 Transition
<b>23</b> 4/5/6 Library Borrowing Day  Transition to Kindergarten 9 – 3pm	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 1/2/3 Library Borrowing Day  K/1 Library Borrowing Day	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Aboriginal Education sessions  Year 6-7 Transition
<b>30</b> 4/5/6 Library Borrowing Day  Swim School				

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	<b>1</b> RAP Study Day  Swim School	<b>2</b> 1/2/3 Library Borrowing Day  Primary PBL assembly  K/1 Library Borrowing Day  Swim School	<b>3</b> 7/8 Library Borrowing Day  Swim School	<b>4</b> Aboriginal Education sessions  Swim School



