Week 9B - Term 4 Friday 11th of December 2020

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We wish yon a safe and Happy Holidays and a wonderful New Years!



Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Carers,

Presentation Day

This morning we met together to celebrate the new student leadership team, and the achievements of our students over this challenging year.

Thank you for joining us. At the time of writing this, we have over 160 views of the livestream. What wonderful support together to celebrate the achievements of our students. We will be adding a more refined video later today.

Planning for 2021

We are currently finalising two positions for the school for 2021, and will make a public announcement when we can. Teaching staff have additional planning days scheduled next week, so some lessons will be interrupted from normal operations. On the final two days staff will complete their face to face training in CPR and management of anaphylactic reactions, continue the school planning for 2021-2024 and engage in a professional learning activity on Aboriginal Histories and Cultures.

Senior student laptops

We have ordered new laptops for our year 11 students 2021 and they will be ready to go on the first day. The more powerful devices will ensure students can engage effectively with the increasing demands of the online worlds of a senior Access student. These will be loaned to our senior students starting in year 11, 2021, free of charge.

School Audit

Yesterday the school was audited, as part of a regular cycle of audits across all NSW schools, and the auditor was very happy with our procedures covering student attendance, work health and safety and a range of financial measures (banking, procurement, assets and so forth). Whilst we always take the responsibility of running a high performing school seriously, it's nice to get affirmation of our processes through formal processes such as these.

School during the holidays

We will also be having a number of works undertaking during the break, including some tree remediation work, the construction of a new garage for the shed, a new bell and PA system installed and numerous minor maintenance works completed.

I'd like to remind you that the school is not open for public access during the holidays. Whilst we are happy for members of the community to use the playground, basketball court and sporting oval during the holidays, the side with the main buildings, and the other spaces like the poultry shed and Ag Plot are not for public access. Please respect the school site during the holidays so we can keep the other spaces open for the public.

Best wishes

I'd like to end with a final note wishing you all the best for the end of year break. At the end of a very difficult year for all of us, please be kind to each other and yourselves. For my colleagues, please take the time to recharge to return energised for 2021.

From my family to yours, we wish you all the very best for the season however you choose to celebrate.

We look forward to see staff back on 27 January and students return on Friday the 29 January.

Warmest regards,

Paul Laing

Principal

In brief:

- Thank you for joining us online for the presentation day ceremony.
- Teachers are well on their way in the planning for 2021.
- Year 11 students in 2021 will be issued with a new laptop at the beginning of the year.
- There will be numerous works taking place at the school during the holidays.
- Staff returns on Wednesday 27 January.
- Students return on Friday 29 January.
- Best wishes for the holidays season.

Lost Property

Would all parents please remind their children to check out the lost property at school. There seems to be a build-up of jackets, jumpers and general clothing.

If the items are not claimed by Wednesday of next week (last day of Term 4), they will be added to our second hand clothing pool.





Library Reminder

With the year coming to an end, we would like ask all students to please return all library books.



Live Life Well @ School

GROWING UP DIGITAL AUSTRALIA



- Are you a parent, carer or grandparent of children aged 5 to 17?
- Do you wonder how digital media and technologies might affect their wellbeing, health and learning?

Gonski Institute of Education at the University of NSW is working on a ground breaking research project investigating these issues (supported by P&C Federation).

Have your say and support the research by 31st October: www.gie.unsw.edu.au/GUDAustralia/phase2survey



Presentation Day 2020

Unfortunately, due to the ongoing restrictions on large gatherings, we were unable to run Presentation Night with community attendance. However, we were still able to invite parents to join us virtually to celebrate our incredible students and their achievements this year, this morning for our live streamed Presentation Day. Congratulations to all award winners!

K/1 Award Winners:

Asher Smith: For his excellent dancing skills and batting skills in sports lessons.

Blake Brody: For outstanding improvement of his confidence, and fantastic effort, enthusiasm and participation in all subject areas.

Blake Lemke: For taking responsibility for his learning, always striving to achieve more, <u>AND</u> For outstanding developing in his reading and writing skills.

Chayse Irvin: For enhanced confidence and effort in all subject areas, as well as showing respect towards fellow peers and teachers.

Daryl Kessey: For fantastic participation in our 'Bears Lunch' and 'Going Bush' units in English, and his enhanced resilience.

Destiny Slater: For her fantastic ability to positively take on feedback to continue to grow and develop, and her supportive nature, helping others when she can.

Eleanor Goring: For consistently displaying respect to fellow peers and teachers and fantastic drama skills.

Joe Irons: For his fantastic sporting skills and reading ability.

Otis Whitney-Taylor: For his outstanding display of resilience towards his learning in all subject areas, <u>AND</u> For his enhanced confidence and his consistent effort and enthusiasm towards all class activities.

Riley Irons: For his outstanding responsibility with library borrowing and his fantastic participation in class discussions, always sharing well thought out ideas.

Ryder Kenmir: For his enhanced confidence and participation in classroom discussions, and his fantastic Maths skills.











1/2/3 Award Winners: ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE:

Academic Excellence in English: Archie Elwin Academic Excellence in Maths: Archie Elwin Academic Excellence in Science: Billy Irons Academic Excellence in PDHPE: Will Evans Academic Excellence in HSIE: Jake Irons Academic Excellence in CAPA: Zayne Lemke

MERIT CERTIFICATES:

Ryan Booker: For showing improvement in his confidence over the year and having the courage to go and give things a go.

Xavier Bray: For his application to his written work, and for having the confidence to give things a go.

Lachlan Elwin: For showing improvement in all areas of the curriculum through his developed resilience and application to his work.

Dustin Evans: For showing improvement in all areas of the curriculum through his developed resilience and application to his work.

Maddison Slater: For her developing resilience and her improved application to her work.

Declan Trembath: For his developed resilience to give things a go and preserve with challenging tasks.

Tarlissa Slater: For her respectful and helpful attitude, and the creativity she brings to the classroom.



4/5/6 Award Winners:

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE:

Academic Excellence in English: Ariarne Mota Academic Excellence in Maths: Ariarne Mota Academic Excellence in Science: Xavier Irvin Academic Excellence in PDHPE: Toby Inglis

Academic Excellence in HSIE: Ariarne Mota

Academic Excellence in CAPA: Naomi Praestiin and Rebekah Praestiin

MERIT CERTIFICATES:

Alani Booker: For excellent performance skills in drama, and fluent, expressive and entertaining oral presentations.

Grace Evans: For her excellent musical and sporting pursuits and for being the only girl to represent BCS at the district chess competition.

Seth Hickey: For presentation in his bookwork and focused contributions to class discussions.

Harper Kenmir: For enthusiastic participation in Creative and Performing Arts, enjoying selfexpression in music, art and drama.

Tamiah Kessey: For taking responsibility for the efficient presentation of activities during NAIDOC week and giving positive peer support.

Amelie Mota: For being organised and prepared to learn at all times and giving exceptional effort in all curriculum areas.

Lynkin Robertson: For outstanding leadership during NAIDOC week activities – he was a force to be reckoned with.

Kacey Eldridge: For responding positively to feedback, which has led to increased confidence in public presentations and leadership.

Koby Irvin: For being prepared to learn and taking on challenges in Maths.

Aslan Uzun: For representing BCS with pride while being a Chess master.

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Year 7 Award Winners – First in Subject:

Brianna Praestiin: First in English, Geography, History, LOTE, Mathematics, Music, PD/H/PE, Science, Technology and Visual Arts.

Academic Excellence in Year 7: Brianna Praestiin

Year 8 Award Winners – First in Subject:

Riley Curran: First in English, History, LOTE, Music, Science and Visual Arts.

Lachlan Ellis: First in Geography.

Bailey Winter: First in Mathematics, PD/H/PE and Technology.

Academic Excellence in Year 8: Riley Curran

Year 9 Award Winners – First in Subject:

Anika Praestiin: First in English, History, Mathematics,

Nace Borland: First in Geography, Mathematics, Science, Industrial Technology Metals and STEM.

Zacharia Twomey: First in PD/H/PE, Agriculture and PASS.

Academic Excellence in Year 9: Nace Borland

Year 10 Award Winners – First in Subject:

Annabelle Geltch: First in English, Geography, History, Mathematics, PD/H/PE, Science and Drama.

Lily Neville: First in Food Technology.

Academic Excellence in Year 10: Annabelle Geltch

Year 7/8 Widgiewa Academic Achievement:

English: Logan Dalley

Geography: Madison Davies

History: Darcie Geltch

Mathematics: Logan Dalley

Science: Madison Davies

Year 9/10 Widgiewa Academic Achievement:

English: Marian Davies

Geography: Marian Davies

History: Marian Davies

Mathematics: Marian Davies

Science: Marian Davies

Academic Excellence in Widgewa: Marian Davies

Year 11 Award Winners – First in Subject:

Agriculture: Jake Bourchier

Biology: Jake Bourchier

Business Studies: Jake Bourchier

Chemistry: Ebony Praestiin

Legal Studies: Sharni Winter

Mathematics Advanced: Ebony Praestiin

Modern History: Paige Kenny

Academic Excellence: Jake Bourchier

HSC Award Winners – First in Subject:

Agriculture: Chelsea Gordon

Chemistry: Kokulan Kandeepan

Design and Technology: Norman Haeusler

Mathematics Extension 1: Kokulan Kandeepan

Physics: Kokulan Kandeepan

Hospitality: Paige Kenny

Primary Industries: Jake Bourchier

Academic Excellence: Kokulan Kandeepan







Primary PBL Awards:

K/1 Respect: Eleanor Goring Responsibility: Blake Lemke Resilience: Otis Whitney-Taylor 1/2/3 Respect: Charli Smith Responsibility: Matilda Hornbuckle Resilience: Jayne Eldridge 4/5/6 Respect: Lily Curran Responsibility: Dakota Smith

Resilience: Grace Eldridge

Secondary PBL Awards: Years 7 & 8 Respect: Brianna Praestiin Responsibility: Madison Davies Resilience: Darcie Geltch Excellence: Brianna Praestiin Years 9 & 10 Respect: Anika Praestiin Responsibility: Zacharia Twomey Resilience: Tyler Murphy Excellence: Annabelle Geltch Years 11 & 12 Respect: Paige Kenny Responsibility: Chelsea Gordon Resilience: Sharni Winter

Excellence: Kokulan Kandeepan







Special Awards:

Secondary Sportsmanship: Zacharia Twomey

Ruben F. Scarf: Annabelle Geltch

ADL Long Tan: Kokulan Kandeepan

SRC Leadership: Sharni Winter

School Captains: Sharni Winter, Norman Haeusler, Lily Curran and Toby Inglis.

DEL Primary: Koby Irvin

DEL Secondary: Annabelle Geltch

Connor Irvin Memorial Writing Award: Ariarne Mota

CWA Junior Poster Competition: Brianna Praestiin













Swim School

During weeks 8 and 9, students from Kindergarten to Year 10 participated in Swim School. Here are some photos from the sessions.



Santa Visit and K-3 Bush Christmas Incursion

Our infants students have been enjoying engaging in a variety of Christmas activites this week, the first of which was an engaging Zoom session, and the second which was a very special visit to K-1 from Santa Claus!



Widegwa Storybook Reading to K/1

Our Widgewa students have been studying picture books in their English lessons, and for our assessment task, students wrote and illustrated their own picture books aimed at Kindergarten.



HOL Achievements in 2020

On behalf of the Hands on Learning (HoL) team at Barellan Central School, I would like to thank both the school and local community, including all staff members and the P&C, for their support throughout the year in our numerous projects. Some of these projects included erecting signage for the RSL, assisting with the clean-up of the refurbished tennis courts, refurbishment of school outdoor furniture and the construction of sheep and chicken feeders.

Finally, I would like to congratulate all students who have been involved in HoL throughout the year:

- Lachlan Ellis
- Dominic Snaith
- Benjamin Giddings
- Jordan Spowart
- Spencer Tarlinton
- Ben Taylor
- Ryan Smith
- Cooper Spowart
- Tyler Murphy

Allison Prentice













Poddy Lamb Program 2021

If you have a lamb that is in desperate need of care and you are unable to take care of it yourself, please consider donating it to the school's poddy lamb program. Caring for poddy lambs is an important learning experience for all students in K-10, with students actively engaging in everyday care of the lamb. Every single student has an individual, hands-on experience feeding and engaging the lambs.

The P&C and Ag Farm successfully came together in 2020, raising successfully 3 poddy lambs. The lamb milk was donated by the P&C with the lambs kindly being donated by DD & DM Farming and MA & JA Kenny, all of which will be sold early 2021.

With support from the P&C, the program is looking to take on poddy lambs again next year for 2021. If you have a lamb, or are interested in donating for 2021 (or wanting to assist in any way possible), please contact Agriculture teacher Louise Robertson at the school.

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Parents and Citizens News

Following our last meeting:

- Thank you to Leah and Tracey who ran the RAP Study Day and to all the willing cooks who sent in delicious cakes and slices. Anika Praestiin, Emily Wilson and Marian Davies were an enormous help on the day preparing the cake and slice plates. This event raised \$1000 to support our children at B.C.S
- Congratulations to Kokulan, Sapan, Chelsea, Isabella, Kylie and Lily on completing the H.S.C. It has been wonderful to have you as positive role models at B.C.S. We wish you well in the future.
- Thank you to our supportive staff at B.C.S for their continued commitment to our children. We are privileged to have a group of teachers and support staff who are completely dedicated to doing everything necessary for our children to thrive.
- We are sad to farewell, Mrs Sparkes-Carroll and Mr Flenley, we would like to keep you both. Thank you for the tireless effort you have made in helping our students at B.C.S.
- We wish our two retiring staff members all the very best, Mr Ian Waide and Mrs Bernadette Bandy, the place will not be the same without you. Please do not be strangers, come back and visit anytime.



Our next meeting is on Tuesday 9th February 2021, at 6.30pm in person at the B.C.S library or via Zoom.

The link will be posted on the B.C.S Facebook page on the day of the meeting. The link can be accessed via the Newsletter tab on the school website. Go into the current gazette and click on the link.

https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/8062622188?pwd=bksvZk44ZlUySXZBeGg3SEFtMFlldz09

Meeting ID: 806 262 2188

Passcode: 6F9CmV

Agenda:

- Thermomix Demonstration Day
- School promotion ideas
- Alumni Where Are They Now and Education Fund
- To add agenda items please call Julie 0448553225

Another P&C contribution to the learning and wellbeing of students and staff at Barellan Central School.



The B.C.S bus, which will be on the road in 2021.

Term 4 Calendar



December

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
14	15		ast day of Term 4		18 School Development Day



January

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
25	26	27 First day of Term 1 for Staff	28	29 First day of Term 1 for Students