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Principal's Report

Sad and sudden passing of a staff member

As a school community, we are grieving the death of Danielle Kempton, our school counsellor last Friday night. Danielle joined us from Bossley Park High School this year, and she worked across 5 local schools in the Griffith area.

Danielle moved to Griffith at the beginning of this year and was quick to make a positive impression on the staff and young people at her schools. She adopted a very professional, caring and practical approach to her role. Many of you have passed on positive comments about the support she has provided to you and your students directly throughout this year.

Danielle will be a great loss and we feel for her family, friends and colleagues.

Year 12 Graduation

Whilst we still have restrictions at school around visitors onsite, mask wearing by adults, separating cohorts and around excursions, we are pleased to share that we now have approval for the year 12 Graduation ceremony to go ahead on Friday 10 December in Griffith. We are thrilled that Ebony, Jake, Paige, and Sharni will be able to celebrate their graduation together with their parents, peers and teachers from across the Riverina Access Program schools, marking their wonderful achievements.

End of year Presentation Assembly

Whilst we can get together for an end of year presentation assembly we are still bound by the following restrictions:

- Visitors (including parents and carers) are not allowed to attend (unless they are performing a specific function like presenting an award)
- The Assembly must be conducted outdoors.
- Cohorts should be separated with physical distancing in place

We will be running our end of year Presentation Assembly at school during the day, on Tuesday 14 December at 9:30AM. To share the event with families and the community, we will livestream the presentation and invite you to join us through our Facebook page.

Classes 2022

We have finalised the primary class structure for 2022, as follows, including the respective teachers:

- Kindergarten – Year 2 – Miss Teagan McKinlay and Mrs Julie Kenny
- Year 2 and 3 – Mr William Cummins and Mrs Julie Kenny
- Years 4-6 – Mrs Kirstie Overall and Mrs Jenna Woodland

Mrs Sue Flagg (Assistant Principal) will be working across all classes. Mrs Jenna Woodland will also be joining us in our exciting new role as our Assistant Principal Learning and Instruction for 2 days per week, where she will also be working across all classes and with all teachers.

Digital learning devices 2022

We have acquired a large number of new laptops throughout 2022 which are sufficient to ensure that all students from years 2-12 have access to a 1-1 laptop to support their learning. We have recently ordered 16 new iPads to support

primarily our youngest learners, and ordered some new laptops for our senior students next year.

There are a number of delays with production and distribution of digital devices. We appreciate your patience in 2022.

Staffing update

I'm thrilled to share that our non-teaching staffing has been finalised for 2022.

- Vicki Tubb leads the administrative team. Renae Ceccato has been successful in the merit selection process for the School Administrative Officer position. Renae will join us 3 days/week next year, and transition to full-time in 2023. She comes to us with experience working both with schools and the Department of Communities and Justice. We are also delighted, Rebecca Malone will continue with us next year as a full-time School Administrative Officer.
- Caryn Jones as the Head Teacher Learning and Wellbeing leads our School Learning Support Officer team together with Abbey Neville, Allison Prentice, Celina Laing-Morales, Karen Smith and Kristi Eldridge.

It is so exciting to lock in a broadly talented non-teaching team to support all students in their learning, and staff across the school.

Best wishes,
Paul Laing
Principal

In summary

- The year 12 Graduation will take place on Friday 10 December
- The end of year Presentation Assembly will take place on Tuesday 14 December at 9:30AM.
- Our primary classes have been finalised
- We anticipate a delay in our learning devices arriving in 2022. We have ordered 16 new iPads and new laptop computers.
- The non-teaching staff for 2022 has been finalised.

Important Dates - Term 4

Monday 29th Nov – Wednesday 8th Dec
Swim School

Friday 10th Dec

Altina Excursion (K-3)

Year 12 Graduation Ceremony - Griffith

Last day of Canteen

Tuesday 14th December

Presentation Day @ 9.30am (Live Streamed)

Santa Visit (K-2)

P&C Christmas Raffle drawn

Thursday 16th December

Students Last Day



School Visitor Check-in

A single School Visitor Check-in system for every school across the state is coming from 18 October! The Department of Education has partnered with Service NSW to provide a streamlined, digital school sign-in system for visitors and contractors at every NSW government school.

Benefits of the new system include:

- Accelerating your check-ins to as fast as 20 seconds!
- Linked to NSW Health's COVID-19 contact tracing ensuring every school is compliant with the NSW COVID-19 mandate. - <https://www.nsw.gov.au/media-releases/covid-check-mandate-expanded>
- Giving every school greater access to streamlined NSW Government services.

Watch our short [parent video](https://youtu.be/g2LKZxKpxBo) - <https://youtu.be/g2LKZxKpxBo> to see how it works for parents or our [contractor video](https://youtu.be/PxXMiW2Fy2s) - <https://youtu.be/PxXMiW2Fy2s>

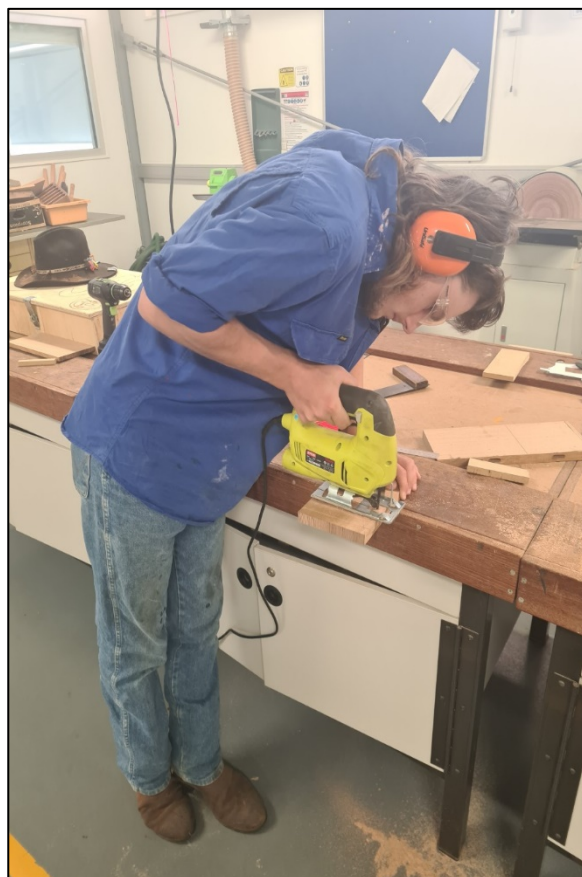
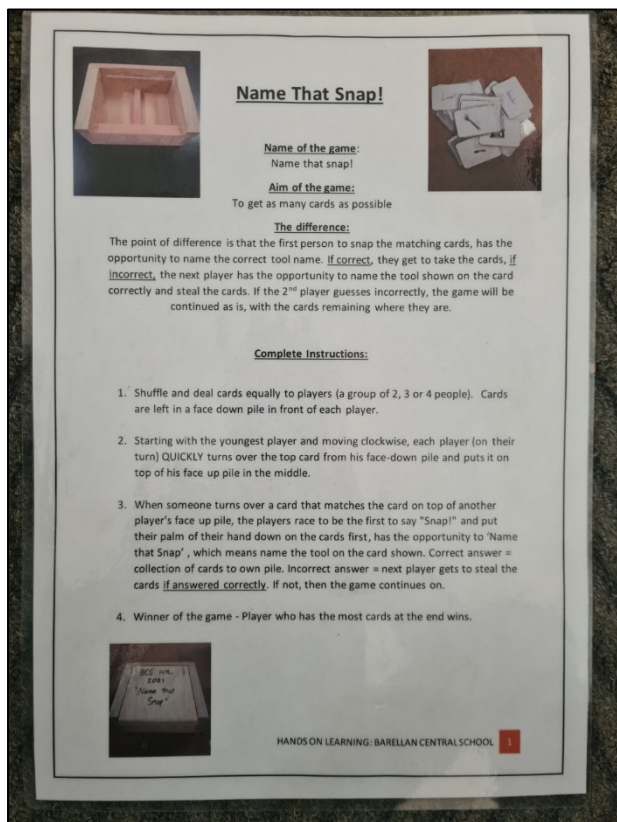
Who can use School Visitor check-in

- Visitors such as parents and carers, contractors, service providers and volunteers.

Students or visitors under the age of 18 are not required to use School Visitor Check-in. School Visitor Check-in will be ready from 18 October at all NSW Government schools. For more information visit School Visitor Check-in on the department website.

'NAME THAT SNAP'

The boys were asked by the Hands-On Learning team in Melbourne to design a card game for future Hands-on Learning students to use. The boys came up with a card game called 'Name That Snap' which is similar rules to normal 'Snap' however to collect the cards, the player must correctly name the tool shown.



JENGA

The Hands-on Learning students have handmade this Jenga game and are wanting to gift it for students and teachers of Barellan Central School to use as part of play and development for years to come. The Jenga game has been stored in the school gym as pictured for everybody's use. Enjoy!



Leeton Museum K-4

BY K-4 STUDENTS

On Tuesday we went to the museum in Leeton to see the "How Cities Work" exhibition. We got to touch lots of toys, and build towers and draw pictures of our towers. We also got to explore and learn about sewers.

At the museum, we watched a movie about horrible inventions. We really liked learning about how they invented the rocking boat.

Our favourite parts of the day, was when we saw dynamite explode in the movie, and we saw toy trains driving around in circles when we pushed the button.

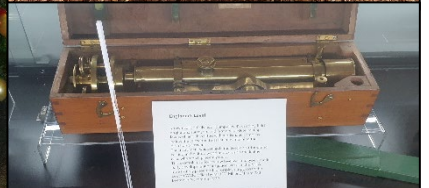
We got to walk to the park and play on the slide and flying fox after lunch.

Thank you to the teachers for taking us 😊

Leeton Museum on
on Tuesday the 23rd of
November there were me
K/M2/13/14 where at the
Museum and the big
park with a slide and it
was red. First we looked
at a Murray piper bridge
history. We built a
city with a red flag. Blake
you miss Flagg. Blake

Leeton Museum on Tuesday
23rd of November who
was there 13/1 and 13/4.
We were at the back
of the bus on the way
up to Leeton Museum
and looked at old things.
We pressed buttons
and vehicles moved.
At the end we went
down the big slide for
time. Miss Flagg. Blake
Riley. Irony-





VISIT OUR WEBSITE
FOR MORE PHOTOS

Borambola Excursion - Years 4-6

Due to Covid restrictions easing, we were able to go on an excursion FINALLY. On Monday, years 4-6, accompanied by Mrs Flagg, Mrs P, and Mrs Overall ventured off early to Borambola.

The day started with the kids engaging in Pioneering activities, where they were only allowed 6 pieces of material to build a 'land craft' as the lady called it (pretty much like a go kart). The teams had to plan what it would look like before getting the materials. They engaged in challenges to swap materials or to earn extra pieces of materials. They had to make sure it passed a shake test to ensure it was safe enough to actually ride, had to have a sales pitch to try and convince the teachers to buy their land craft and then had to race them. In the end a winning group was determined. Winners being William Evans, Archie Elwin and Billy Irons, for a sturdy and fast vehicle and good teamwork.

They then participated in archery. They learnt how to properly engage in archery and had a few practice rounds before playing some games. There was a competition to see who could get the most points and also a wheel of fortune game where we learnt our future vehicle, house, pet and how many children we would have. There were lots of improvements from start to finish and plenty of bullseyes with Koby getting the best bullseye of all. Mrs Flagg was very disappointed as she was the reigning champ for a long time and Koby snuck in and got her at the end.

Kayaking, was a blast, with a few falling in. Again, there were games and challenges. The challenge was to make a raft by holding 5 kayaks together with the outer 2 people being the only ones to be able to paddle and steer the group from one end of the lake to the other. The winning group was Bec, Naomi, Matilda, Cailin and Mrs Overall.

We finished the day with the mud run. This involved crawling through mud on our stomachs and on our backs, crawling through cement pipes, rock climbing, jumping through tires, various sorts of balance beams, a sneaky game of leapfrog in the middle and a maze to work your way through with a secret number to discover along the way, all but 1 team worked out the secret number.

Whisper has it, that there was one student very concerned about his luscious locks (mullet), and was wishing he had brought his shampoo after the mud run 😊

All had a great day and many agreed that kayaking and mud run were their absolute favs.

Check out our website for all the photos from the day, and scan the below QR code, to watch a video!



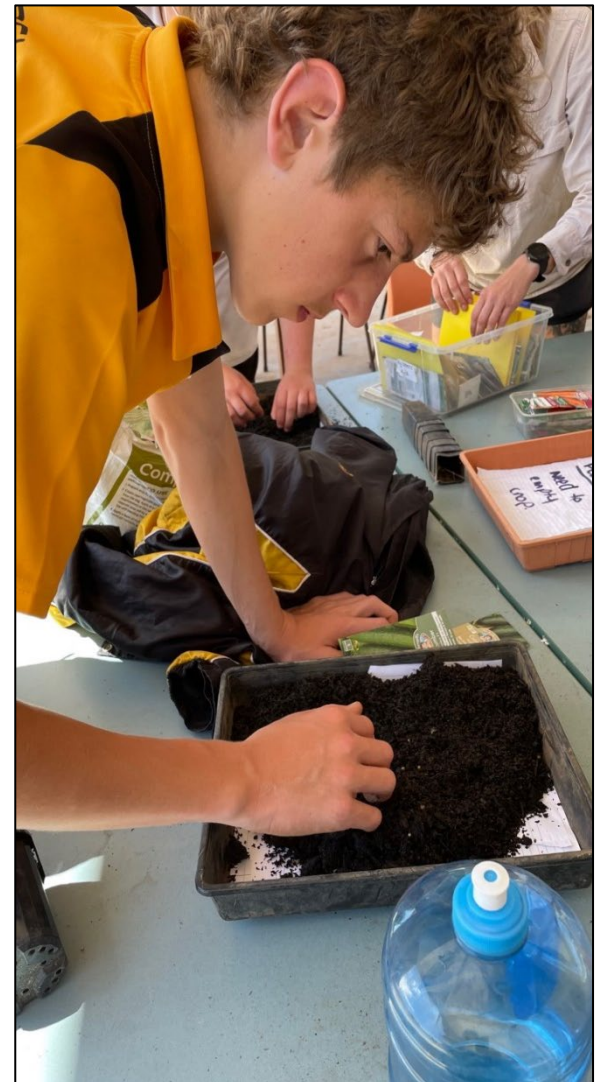
Agriculture News

SEE 'EWE' LATER

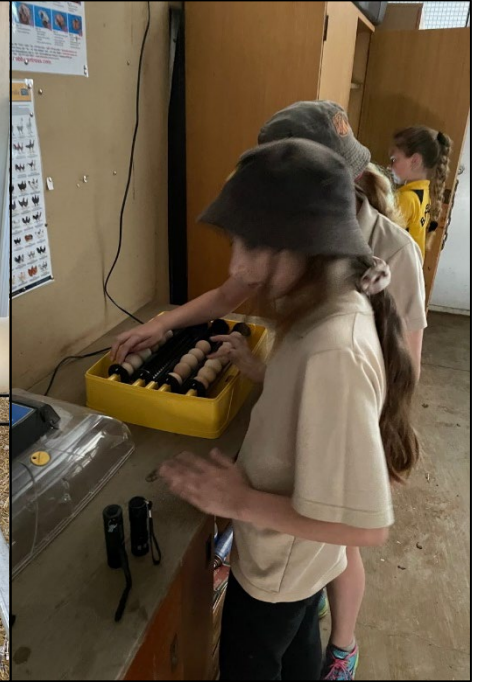
The time has come to say farewell to our little mob of sheep. Our year 2/3/4 students got to say goodbye to them, before they were loaded into the trailer, using our new portable sheep yards our Year 9/10 Ag students put together.



SEED PROPAGATION WITH 9/10



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SWIM SCHOOL

Monday 29th November - Wednesday 8th December

Swim school is back again this year for all grades. This is a great opportunity for all students to participate in learning about the safety around water.

PLEASE BRING

- ✓ Swimmers including swim shirt
- ✓ Towel
- ✓ Goggles
- ✓ \$3 entry fee for non-seasonal holders



PLEASE ENSURE ALL ITEMS ARE CLEARLY LABELLED WITH CHILDS NAME

SANTA VISIT

Santa has been in contact with the school organising his trip to visit our students. Santa will be arriving on Tuesday 14th December. He has asked that his helpers start to help organise the book presents for all of our Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students in time for his arrival.

The elves have already delivered his bag to the front office and Santa has asked to make the office the drop off point. He has also asked if you could please wrap and label.

If you have any questions relating to this, please contact your class teacher or the front office 6963 9202.





Barellan Central School Kid's Raffle

16 prizes \$1.00 per ticket

**Drawn- 2021 B.C.S Awards
Presentations on
Tuesday 14th December**

Supporting the P&C: supporting our
school...our children.



Parents and Citizens News

Following our last meeting:

**Congratulations to our Year 12 students, Jake, Ebony, Sharni and Paige, who are close to finishing their exams.*

**The Kid's Christmas Raffle is out please lend a hand in selling a book of tickets. They are only \$1 a ticket and there are 16 prizes to be won. Tickets will also be on sale at the school office and at locations in the main street. More books are available if any families can sell more, just ask the ladies at the office.*

Our next meeting is the AGM only on Tuesday 8th February 2022

in person or via zoom at 7.00 pm, at the Commercial dining room.

Contact Julie if you would like to order dinner- parma or fish- chips and salad.

The link can be accessed via the Newsletter tab on the school website.

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 806 262 2188

Passcode: 6F9CmV



CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 4 - 2021

Thurs 2 nd Dec	Friday 3 rd Dec
Lyndell Taylor	Rae McDonald
Thurs 9 th Dec	Fri 10 th Dec
Leah Irons	LAST DAY OF CANTEEN

The K/1 and 2/3/4 classes had a wonderful time at the Leeton Museum and Park on Tuesday

BARELLAN UNITING CHURCH



CLOSING SERVICE

Sunday, 19th December 2021

At 10am, followed by a "bring and share"
MORNING TEA.

RSVP by 10th DECEMBER TO
VAL HAWKER - PH. 69 639276
OR

JUDY FINDLAY - PH. or text 0418 639347.

(Numbers needed in case of COVID issues.)

 **Sapphire Coast:** 27th - 28th Nov, **Shoalhaven:** 4th - 5th Dec
Blue Mountains: 11th - 12th Dec, ~~**Griffith:** 18th - 19th Dec~~
Binya Hall:

WEEKEND

Cartoon Workshops

CHANGE OF LOCATION

KIDS \$100 Voucher



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