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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### Year 12 students

Our year 12 students have only one more week left in their formal attendance at school. Congratulations to Annabelle Geltch, Tyler Murphy, Lily Neville and Sarah Wilson. What an extraordinary path you have carved out for yourselves! Every year 12 cohort is unique, and your shared experiences will be something that unite you together with year 12 students across the state, connecting you not only to each other, but over 65 000 other students across NSW in a generational community. Through bumps and bruises, stumbling and soaring you have made it. Give yourselves time to momentarily gather your breath, celebrate safely your achievements and then launch yourselves back into your studies for one final disciplined thrust to peak the summit as you complete your final examinations. Best wishes and congratulations on behalf of the staff to you and your families and you navigate these final steps. We will continue to walk with you and please reach out to the team if you need any assistance.

### Kinder transition

As our eldest students step out, we have opened our doors to your youngest students with the launch of our Kinder Orientation program which runs every Tuesday from 9:00am until November. If you know any children who plan on starting with us next year who have not yet approached the school, please encourage them to now so that we can do our best to ensure a smooth and successful transition to school.

### Student leadership

Congratulations to our current student leadership team who have really shaken launched forward with numerous initiatives. Thank you to the current captains Nace Borland, Archie Elwin, Tamiah Kessey, and Zach Twomey. Together with your student leadership team and Mrs Julie Kenny you have made tremendous leaps forward with lots of initiatives. I urge the community to continue to support them as the continue down the path now with their major project fundraising for new cricket nets for the school.

### Important Dates

#### **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September**

Kindergarten Transition (9am -1pm)

#### **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**

Public Holiday

#### **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September**

Last day of Term 3  
SRC Badging  
Year 12 Farewell

#### **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October**

First day back of Term 4

#### **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

Year 7 Immunisation

Our student leadership candidature runs from Term 4 – Term 3 every year. This ensures that as our HSC students step to focus on their studies during Term 4, that we have a new leadership team to continue their work throughout the whole year. I've been thrilled to see the number of students nominating now for leadership roles in 2022-2023. We look forward to the student leadership speeches next week and announcing our new student leadership team by the end of next week.

### **Staffing news**

I'm thrilled to share with you that Mr Bill Cummins has recently accepted a permanent position as classroom teacher with us. His contribution this year to the primary school has been extraordinary. His permanent status with us ensures much needed stability for our students moving forward. Congratulations Mr Cummins!

### **Security**

I'm sorry to report that the school has experienced a few break-ins over the last couple of weeks. The senseless vandalism creates a sense of uncertainty, particularly for our younger students, and takes away important resources that could be used otherwise to directly support our students and teachers.

I'd like to thank the students and staff for maintaining their focus on learning despite the distractions around a security response.

If you become aware of anyone behaving suspiciously around the school out of hours, please contact the police on 000, and the School Security Unit on 1300 88 00 21.

### **Last principal's report from me for a while**

It's a strange emotion for me writing this last principal's report before I take leave. Whilst I'm excited to step away momentarily to focus on my study and family time, I also have a sense of sadness stepping away from the school. The principalship is such a privilege and whilst there are daily challenges, I am aware of how lucky I am to lead such an incredible team of teaching and non-teaching staff in service of the children of Barellan. Thank you for your ongoing faith in the school with your precious children.

The process to announce a relieving principal in my absence is yet to be finalised. We will make an announcement during next week.

Warm regards,

Paul Laing  
Principal

#### **In Summary**

- Congratulations to Annabelle Geltch, Tyler Murphy, Lily Neville and Sarah Wilson on completing your Higher School Certificate.
- Welcome to our youngest students joining us with the kinder transition program every Tuesday until November
- Congratulations to the student leadership team as you conclude your tenure from 2021-2022.
- Best wishes to all students nominating for leadership roles for 2022-2023.
- Congratulations to Mr Bill Cummins who is permanently appointed to Barellan Central School.
- There have been a few break-ins lately. Please contact the police if you have any information or see people acting suspiciously out of hours.
- We will announce the relieving principal for Term 4 and Term 1 next week.

# SCHOOL NEWS



This term 4/5/6 have been learning all about Barellan's local history. They have been using what they have learnt to write their own stories based on our town's history to be turned into their very own published books.

On the 25th of August, 4/5/6 went to the Barellan Museum to help with our English work. In English, we're writing about certain events in Barellan's history and going to publish our own books. We visited the museum and we saw loads of cool artifacts from the olden days. We were greeted by Val Hawker, Max Jamieson and Ken Inglis, who have lived in Barellan for a very long time. They knew lots about the history of our town. There were lots of cool books about Barellan's history and old school yearbooks from Barellan Central School. There were lots of pictures of Barellan soldiers that fought in World War 1 and 2. We all had a fun day and learned lots about the history. It also helped us with our writing.

Alani Booker

## Excursion to the Barellan Museum

On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> of August, Year 4/5/6 went on an excursion to the Barellan Museum. Will and Declan were focusing on the silos. We saw a model of some silos and some trains. The model of the train was in 3D. We were talking to Val Hawker about the silos and when they were built. They started building the silos in 1902 and finished them in 1910. The silo stopped being used in 2009.

By Declan and will

For our writing lessons a man called Max Jamieson took lots of time off so he could help our class, 4/5/6. We asked him if he could come visit us in class to answer some of our questions that we didn't ask at the Museum. He answered loads of questions about farm and sheep, a little bit about the railway station, the Moombooldool silos and also some people asked about the war times! It really helped us with our writing because most people didn't have enough information for their Barellan Old Time Writing! We are very grateful, thank you Max Jamieson!

By Archie Elwin



## Snippets of student's stories

Marching along a dirt road singing Waltzing Matilda with my soldier friends. We're terrified about going to war. I tried to distract myself by looking around at all the old musty building and the brick path with dirt all over it. We see the sadness of our families faces, as they cry worrying about us not coming back. The old pub is going to be full tonight because our parents will be there all together remembering us.

***By Lynkin Robertson***

The hungry bleating of the sheep means it's time to take them to get a drink at the flowing sandy creek, and take them to a new paddock of long ryegrass.

Closing the gate behind him, William Elwin looked up and saw the peppercorn and eucalyptus swaying in the wind. The leaves were falling off. It will be winter soon. The miasma of sheep manure filled William with excitement, he was eager to pick it up and put it into the veggie patch to grow homemade veggies like corn, tomatoes, carrots, potatoes, and pumpkins. They would grow nicely and be a healthy source of food.

***By Billy Irons***

The car with black felt and golden wheels quickly drove down the wide dirt road to the large wooden homestead known as Merribee Station. The road was lined with big trees. As they pulled up, they saw a beautiful garden filled with colourful flowers and butterflies. There were big brown buff horses in the paddock ready to be used to round up the big herd of sheep. They saw workers using their tin buckets to milk the black and white cows with their bare hands. As they were entering their house they saw old décor on the wooden tables, and chandeliers hanging from the high ceiling. They were happy to call this place home.

***By Addison Dalley***

The warm spring sun filtered through the bulky trees as the sensible school children practiced their drills over and over, in and out of the chambers. The sound of the bees buzzing along and the scent of the pollen filled the air, the smell of the fresh goods from the bakery made me salivate. Magpies swooped at women in their long puffy dresses, bonnets covering their hair. I could hear the testy horses trotting along the main road in Barellan. Their ears twitched and their tails swung side to side. It was so peaceful.

***By Grace Evans***

## FOOD TECHNOLOGY

Marian Davies, Madison Davies and Erica Messom represented our school by serving the Country Women's Association centenary lunch at the Barellan Hall on 15-8-2022. They performed at their best and the ladies there have given them a huge applause for their poise and competence in hospitality.

They made a good impression in enhancing the school's reputation. Hon Sussan Ley MP, was gracious & enthused about our BCS students being involved in the community. Well done girls.

- Mrs Gibbs



## 7/8 SCIENCE

7/8 Science have been exploring all things 'beneath the surface' including the formation of volcanos and igneous rocks. This week they got the chance to make some delicious igneous rocks (honeycomb) and create a wax model of a volcano.





## DANCE GROUP

Alani, Lara and Charli have started up a lunch time dance group. The girls (with the help of Miss Cooper) are creating a routine that they hope to perform for the school later in the year. The girls started by running a very fun warmup before working on the routine.



## YARN TIME

Our students from Yarn Time have been busy decorating 4 Clydesdales for the Barellan Working Clydesdale "Clydie Art Trail".



*B (L to R) Izaak Clark, Lynkin Robertson, Koby Irvin*

*F (L to R) Cooper Arnott, Tamiah Kessey, Krystian Gore*





# RU OK? DAY™



4/5/6



K/1/2



2/3

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September was R U Ok? Day. Although the colour run that was planned didn't go ahead due to the bad weather, Miss Jones along with her helpers Dakota Smith and Toby Inglis, were busy making and delivering donuts to the students.

It was lovely to see the smiles on the students faces when they received a donut.

Miss Jones was particularly impressed with K/1/2, who shared their 'letters to themselves', which was an activity they completed that morning for R U Ok? Day with Miss McKinlay.



1. Ask



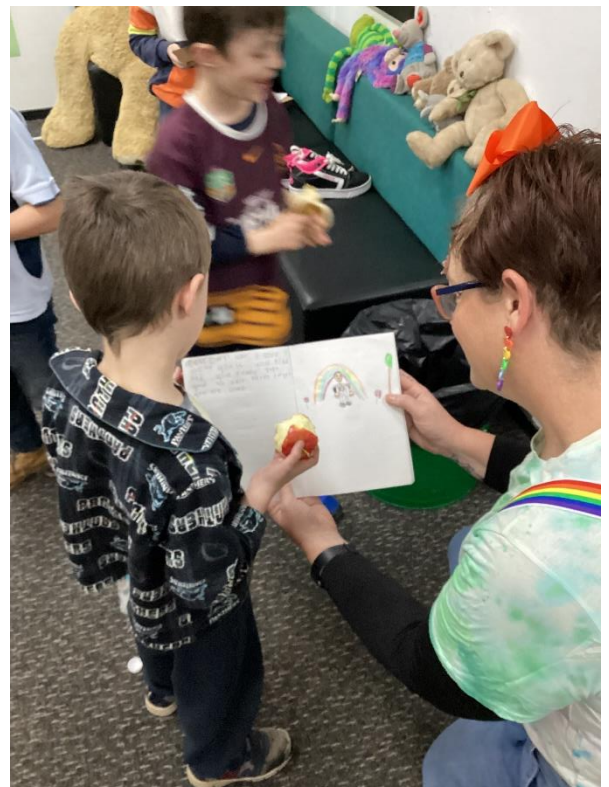
2. Listen



3. Encourage action



4. Check in



Daryl Kessey reading to Miss Jones

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Barellan Aged Care Support Group

Annual meeting will be held on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 at 7pm at the CWA room.  
All welcome. New members are needed to continue our working group, and plan for the future units.

- Val Hawker, Secretary

thank you!

Barellan Show was a success and on behalf of our Aged Care Support Group, a BIG thank you to everyone who contributed in some way for the morning and afternoon tea catering in the Carroll Pavilion. The cakes etc were fabulous. We appreciate your help

- Val Hawker, Secretary

## Barellan P & C Notice

We are looking for Canteen volunteers to help once again. We have been extremely lucky to have Rae and Deb do the heavy lifting in this space this whole year.

If anyone is able to do either a Monday or a Friday please contact Rae and help lighten the load. Even just one day would help.  
If it's been a while since you've done it and need a refresher, Rae is more than happy to show you.

I would very much like to thank Erica Messom for her very valued help at the Barellan Show Jumps.

Erica stayed the whole day and equipped with replacing the fallen rails and generally "doing what needed to be done" Thank you.

- Jan Evans



BARELLAN & DISTRICT WAR MEMORIAL CLUB  
PRESENTS

## Kids Disco

SEPTEMBER 24 6PM - 8PM

ALL AGES UNDER 18 WELCOME  
WITH DANCING, GAMES AND LOTS OF FUN TO HAVE





17 SEPTEMBER 2022

10AM-9PM



# NARRANDERA KOALA FEST



**TICKETS**

[narranderakoalafest.eventbrite.com](https://narranderakoalafest.eventbrite.com)

**Narrandera Showground**

# 2022 CALENDAR

*\*Please note that future dates may change due to unforeseen circumstances. Please check our website for the live version of our Calendar.*

## September

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1	2
				Father's Day Breakfast and Footy Colours Day
5	6	7	8 R U Ok Day! Colour Run	9
12	13	14	15	16
	Kindergarten Transition 9-11am			
19 PBL Assembly & SRC leadership speeches	20 Kindergarten Transition 9-1pm	21 PBL Rewards Day (Primary & Secondary)	22 Public Holiday 	23 Year 12 Graduation Term 3 Assembly SRC Badging
26 School Holidays	27 School Holidays	28 School Holidays	29 School Holidays	30 School Holidays

## October

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 School Holidays	4 School Holidays	5 School Holidays	6 School Holidays	7 School Holidays
10 Term 4 Commences	11 Kindergarten Transition 9-3pm	12 Year 7 Immunisation	13	14
17	18 Kindergarten Transition 9-3pm	19	20	21
24	25 Kindergarten Transition 9-3pm	26	27	28
31 Book Fair				