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# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

## **Choice Theory**

Choice Theory is a psychological theory developed by William Glasser. Choice Theory is all about the idea that every individual has the power to control themselves through their own decisions, and that the only thing that they can control is themselves. At its heart, Choice Theory is about individuals taking control of their own lives through developing their ability to take responsibility for their own choices. Through Choice Theory, we see that we are responsible for ourselves, and for helping others take ownership of their own choices.

This week, four more staff members (Mr William Cummins, Mrs Sue Flagg, Mrs Kelly O'Keeffe, and Mrs Kym Stein) have completed intensive training in Choice Theory. This training has taken these staff members away from the school and their families from Tuesday to Friday. I thank them for their commitment to learning more about Choice Theory. It is so exciting that now more than half of the staff at Barellan have completed this training, and we will continue to develop Choice Theory across the whole school.

## Staffing news update

The advertisements for the School Learning Support Officer and Learning and Support Teacher have closed and we are still in the recruitment process. Thank you to the applicants. We will be contacting applicants over the next week.

I'm pleased to share that our Assistant Principal Curriculum and Instruction, Mrs Jenna Woodland, has accepted an offer to work on Thursdays as well. Mrs Woodland not only teaches the 4/5/6 class, but also plays an important role mentoring our staff and will also lead professional learning with staff on teaching literacy and numeracy.

## Mural

If you haven't seen it yet, I strongly recommend you drive by the front of the school and have a look at our new mural. It's certainly hit the mark, and it's been wonderful to receive the positive reaction from the community.

## **Important Dates**

## Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May

Griffith Schools Cup Netball
Narrandera Shire Mobile Library

## Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Zone PSSA Athletics Carnival @ Barellan

## Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Zone CHS Athletics Carnival @ Barellan

## Friday 10th June

CHS Netball Gala Day @ Leeton

## Playground

The demolition of the old playground is now complete, and the construction of the new playground is underway. The playground is based around a dual ninja course for our younger students. We expect the work to be completed over the next 2 weeks.

## **Aboriginal education in Condobolin**

Over the last two days I've been privileged to be learning more about our First Nations peoples at the Condobolin Wiradjuri Study Centre. All of the principals across the West Wyalong network have met together with the Director Karen Burke and the Executive Director for Rural South and West, Dean White. It has been a privilege to listen and learn from First Nations elders, and it will be exciting to open up more opportunities for our students to learn more about our First Nations peoples in the future.

Have a lovely weekend,

## Paul Laing Principal

## **In Summary**

- Choice Theory is a theory to help people take responsibility for their lives.
- Mr William Cummins, Mrs Sue Flagg, Mrs Kelly O'Keeffe, and Mrs Kym Stein have completed intensive training in Choice Theory this week.
- The SLSO and Learning and Support Teacher selection process will be finalised next week.
- Mrs Jenna Woodland has accepted an offer to work on Thursdays as well.
- The mural has been completed at the entrance to the school.
- The playground will be completed over the next 2 weeks.
- I have been meeting with the principals from our local network of 20 schools at the Condobolin Wiradjuri Study Centre.



# **SCHOOL NEWS**

## 4/5/6



Once a week 4/5/6 have art lessons with Mrs Overall and have been learning about different styles of portraits across a range of mediums. So far, the students have engaged in making realistic portraits of a classroom friend, cartooning of their own made up characters and creating their own African inspired model mask sculpture. The students have experimented with a range of techniques with drawing, cartooning, painting, pastels and clay. Students will be going on an excursion to the regional theatre in the coming

weeks, where they will meet up with the people from the Griffith art gallery to look at one of the exhibitions they currently have on display and engage in a class to improve their art skills. They will

then create their own masterpieces that we will have on display in their very own art gallery at school. Keep an eye out for dates of 4/5/6 gallery exhibition.





Top row left to right; Zayn Lemke, Mrs P, Seth Hickey, Harper Kenmir, Bottom row left to right: Krystian Gore, Cailin Ryan, & Will Evans



Alani Booker



**Addison Dalley** 



Archie Elwin



Billy Irons



**Grace Evans** 



**Declan Trembath** 



Mason Haddrill



4/5/6 students love watching BTN once a week with Mrs Flagg, learning lots of facts about happenings in the world. They pick their favourite topic from each weekly episode to practise their reflection and summarising skills, to share what they have learnt with the rest of the class.

Within weekly episodes different schools are featured, stay tuned to hopefully see our school featured in an upcoming episode.

Below is a written reflection from Alani Booker. Great work!

## BTN SUMMARY – MARCOS, A PAST FILIPINO PRESIDENT

The Philippines just elected their new president! His name is Bongbong Marcos or Ferdinand Marcos Junior. His family has a political history. His father, Ferdinand Marcos, was a Filipino president, too! Many people didn't like him though. Here's why:

Marcos and his wife, Imelda Marcos, were filthy rich and they took all the money from taxes. His wife had over 3000 pairs of shoes and Marcos got a huge rock statue of himself.

Marcos would be outraged if someone had an opinion he didn't agree to. Because of all the things he had done, he didn't get voted for president in the next election and got kicked out of the country.

Bongbong Marcos has used social media to redeem his family's reputation. Many Filipinos are happy with how Bongbong is running the country so far.

## Debating

On Wednesday, 18 May the Barellan Central School Kangaroos and Goannas took on Coolamon Central Thunder and Lightning in Round 1 of the Premier's Debating Competition. The Goannas and Thunder chose to debate the topic "That all exams should be removed from Primary School". BCS won the coin toss and chose to argue in the negative. Some of their arguments for not removing all exams from Primary school were that it was the best way for teachers find out what students needed help with and that it was important for young people to learn how to deal with stress in a safe environment. Harper spoke first, introducing the rest of the team and setting up our argument so well that it was almost impossible for the opposition to find compelling rebuttals. She was followed by Alani who continued to convince the adjudicator that exams were important in Primary school with well supported arguments and a few biting rebuttals. Our third speaker, Grace, demolished the opposition's argument with her well thought out rebuttals and gave an excellent summary of her team's arguments. Will filled in at the last minute as our fourth member and was able to help the team put together an excellent argument during the planning time and contributed to many of the rebuttals used by the girls in their speeches. The Goannas were excited to learn that they had won the debate and were able to use the adjudicators feedback to make notes on how to improve their argument for future debates.

Next up were the Kangaroos, who took on the Lightning. The topic for this debate was "That primary schools should have extra science and math lessons, instead of music." Unfortunately, we lost the toss and had to argue for the affirmative. Some of the Kangaroos arguments included preparing for the jobs of the future and that it was easier to learn music at home because of the dangers involved in conducting science experiments at home. Our first speaker Tamiah skilfully set up our argument and gave some excellent, reallife examples of how important it will be to have people highly skilled in mathematics and science for future jobs. Seth followed as second speaker and gave a compelling speech about how dangerous it was to conduct science experiments at home. He also gave some advice on how people who are interested in music can access lessons at home, at little to no cost to parents and carers. Third speaker, Krystian, was furiously writing his rebuttals right to the last minute and managed to counter almost all of the opposition's arguments. Archie, joined the team as the fourth speaker and made invaluable contributions during the planning period and was able to provide some excellent rebuttals to support both Seth and Krystian. The adjudicator had an incredibly difficult job in choosing a winner for this debate, and the Kangaroos narrowly lost the debate. As always, the feedback provided by the adjudicator will help the team to improve and hopefully win some of their future debates. Members of both teams are pumped and excited to take on Leeton Public and Parkview over the next few weeks.

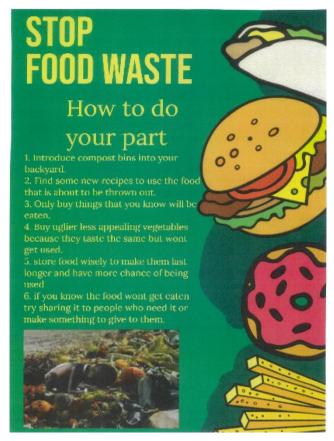




## 7/8 Tech

Students are learning about sustainability and promoting awareness of zero food waste in Food technology in term 2. Below is Dakota's (yr8) and Toby's(yr7) anti-food waste posters





## 9/10 STEM

Students are learning about food engineering and how digital technologies work. In this video (scan the QR code) Logan is coding to invent a game human-machine interactivity device by using potatoes instead of using a mouse, keyboard or game console.





# HANDSONLEARNING (S)

It's a new year, new room, new faces and new ideas.
Welcome to Hands on Learning 2022.

We can't wait to see what creative and exciting things you have to you show us.





# Reconciliation & Harmony Day.



## Wednesday 8th June 2022

Barellan Central School Students are invited to wear orange the colour of inclusion and harmony and colours of the indigenous flag. They will be able to submit songs to be played all that week that have a harmony, kindness, reconciliation and inclusion theme.

In the days leading to this special day students will help to create a mural on the wall near the bubblers all about harmony, reconciliation and belonging.

All classes will be involved in cooking and eating a huge cultural meal.

The SRC will host a mini Olympic Games afternoon on the oval.

Students have the opportunity to bring along a gold coin to donate towards the Indigenous Literacy Foundation



Be Brave V Everyone Belongs V Make Change

## **P&C News**

P&C is calling for volunteers to help out in the sports carnival canteen with the Zone Athletics Carnivals next Thursday and Friday, 2&3 June.

Shifts:

Thursday: AM 8:30 – 12.30; PM 12:00 to 3:30 Friday: AM 8:30 – 12:30; PM 12:30 to 4:00

If you can help us out with a shift, please phone Rae on 0418 181 863 or Sal on 0407 789 608, or drop us a line on our Barellan P&C facebook page.

Due to the Zone carnivals, the regular school canteen will NOT be operating on these days.

Rae Bray

# LIBRARY LOOP



Narrandera Shire mobile library will be visiting our school next Tuesday 31st May 2022.

This service is opened to all school students and the Barellan Community.

Can students please make sure they return any books borrowed.

Thank you!

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**

# Leeton Town Band

... Join Now!



All ages welcome! 8yrs to 80+



Learn
to play an
instrument of
your choice!

Private tutor recommendations available!

FACT...
enhance
your science
and
math skills!



Try a sport with a difference...



Beginner
Band rehearsals
Wednesday's
at 5:00pm
Where: ...."

Never too late to learn something new!!! Provider under the NSW 'Creative Kids' scheme which provides up to \$100 per year towards activites and equipment involved in musical activities.

Contact Ruth 0427 188 693

.....· Salvation Army Hall...

> accessed from the car park off Dooley Lane, Leeton



# BCS Canteen Price List—Term 2, 2022

# Some like it HOT...

- \$5.00 \$5.00 Macaroni Cheese ...... Butter Chicken ....
- \$5.00 Canteen Made Rolls:
  - Chicken & Mayo Pork & Gravy - Chicken & Gravy - Beef & Gravy
    - Cup-a-soup (with dinner roll) ...... add cheese + 50c
- \$3.00 \$2.50 Pumpkin soup (with dinner roll) ......
  - Toasted Sandwiches · Ham & Cheese canteen made
- \$2.50 \$3.00 Cheese & Vegemite ...
- \$2.00 \$4.50 \$2.00 Vegemite ..... Cheese ..
- Others are too COOL

5x Chicken Nuggets /Chicken Chippees .....

Sausage Roll.

- \$4.00 - add cheese/chicken/ham + 50c each Salad Bowl .....
- add cheese/chicken/ham + 50c each

Salad Roll/ Sandwich/Wrap .....

\$4.00



# After lunch treats...

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# Just a snack...

\$3.50 \$2.50

Small Flavoured Milk.....

Feeling thirsty?

Large Coffee Flavoured Milk .....

Water (large for secondary students only)

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Orange Juice ..... Fruit Box .....

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\$2.00 \$1.50

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Monday/Thursday/Friday - lunch & recess

\$2.50 \$2.00

Hot Chocolate .....

Chill J/Juice Bomb .....

Orders to the office by 9.00am

BCS Canteen is operated by the Barellan P&C - All proceeds go directly to supporting the students of BCS

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Menu effective: 24 May 2022



















































































































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# **2022 CALENDAR**

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

## May

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2	3	4	5	6
RYDA @ Yanco (Yr 11)	Mobile Library Visit - 9am			Athletics Carnival Mother's Day Celebration
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
	K/1/2 Museum Excursion			AFL Clinic Primary & Secondary
23	24	25	26	Zone PSSA & CHS Combined Cross Country
30	31			
	Griffith Schools Cup Netball Mobile Library Visit			

## June

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	2	3
			Zone PSSA Athletics Carnival @ Barellan	Zone CHS Athletics Carnival @ Barellan
6	7	Reconciliation & Harmony Day – Wear Orange	9	CHS Netball Gala Day @ Leeton
13	14	15	16	17
		Career's Expo @ Leeton	Riverina PSSA Cross Country	Riverina CHS Cross Country
20	MND Day	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	
		SRC Social		