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#### **Principal's Report**

### Professional learning partnership with Lyn Stone

I'm thrilled to announce that we recently hosted Lyn Stone at BCS. Lyn is a world-renowned linguist and specialist in language acquisition. Lyn observed lessons and commented on the excellence of our explicit teaching, whilst providing subtle guidance on how we can further improve our already outstanding practice.

This partnership with Lyn will continue across the year and demonstrates our commitment to improvement in the spirit that emeritus professor of education, Dylan Wiliam means when he says that if we create a culture where every teacher believes they need to improve, not because they are not good enough but because they can be better, there is no limit to what we can achieve.

We will continue this partnership with Lyn across the year.



Lyn Stone

#### **Additional support services**

I'm pleased to share with you that Abby Molloy has joined us as our new school counsellor. Abby's arrival further strengthens our support services for students and their families which includes:

- Lauren Wetton, our wellbeing nurse.
- Bhais Manogharan, our speech therapist
- Jennifer Carmody, our occupational therapist

I remind you that these services are completely free.

#### Students arriving early

Recently there have been groups of students arriving at school quite early in the morning. Please remember that we offer supervision of all students from 8:30am.

#### The best education money can't buy

I am tremendously proud of our incredible school and our commitment to equity ensuring there is no barrier to students' success.

In the first two weeks, beyond daily lessons, staff and students at BCS have been involved in the activities including:

- Riverina Access Partnership sports trials (all secondary students)
- Whole school and representative swimming carnivals
- A senior student study camp at Borambola followed by a trip to Wollongong University
- Year 5-6 girls were involved in a SALT workshop (Supporting and Linking Tradewomen)
- We have had our first primary PBL assembly

- Run a well-attended parent information session
- Secondary staff have completed training with NSW Education Standards Authority on the HSC processes

#### **Aboriginal Education Consultative Group**

The AECG is the Aboriginal Education Consultative Group. It provides an important role for genuine consultation between schools and the local Aboriginal community viewpoint.

AECG's position statement on Cultural Safety states:

Cultural safety in Australia is a process to better enable First Nation participation (Phillips, 2015). It requires the accumulation and application of First Nations knowledge of ways of knowing and being, to be imbedded in structural and systemic reforms (Mason, 2013).

As a school, we rely on First Nations' knowledge of ways of knowing and being. Your participation in the local AECG will be an important step in helping us further develop our cultural safety as a school. If you are interested in knowing more, feel free to contact me directly at school.

Best wishes,

#### Paul Laing Principal



Parent Information Session

#### **Upcoming Events**

#### Monday 11th March

Riverina Primary Swimming Carnival @

#### Tuesday 12th March

Riverina Secondary Swimming Carnival @ Leeton

#### Thursday 21st March

Harmony Day – Wear Orange

#### Friday 29th March

Good Friday (Public Holiday)

#### Monday 1st April

Easter Monday (Public Holiday)

#### Friday 5th April

**Cross Country** 

#### Friday 12th April

Last Day of Term 1

#### **In Summary**

- Lyn Stone partnership: Lyn Stone, a renowned linguist, visited BCS to observe and enhance our teaching methods.
- New counsellor: Abby Molloy: Abby Molloy is the new school counsellor, enhancing our school's free support services for students and families.
- **Students arriving early:** Please remember that we offer supervision from 8:30am
- Wide range of free activities for all students: Staff and students have been engaged in a wide range of free educational trips, workshops and training.
- The AECG fosters consultation between schools and Aboriginal voices to enhance cultural safety and First Nations' knowledge in education.

# Swimming Carnival 2024



Age Group	Age Champion	
Jnr Primary Girls	Eleanor Goring	
Jnr Primary Boys	Riley Irons	
11yrs Primary Girls	Lara Sanderson	
11yrs Primary Boys	Jake Irons	
Snr Primary Girls	Jayne Eldridge	
Snr Primary Boys	Zayn Lemke	
Jnr Secondary Girls	Zahli Menzies	
Jnr Secondary Boys	Lynkin Robertson	
Snr Secondary Girls	Darcie Geltch	
Snr Secondary Boys	Archie Trudgett	















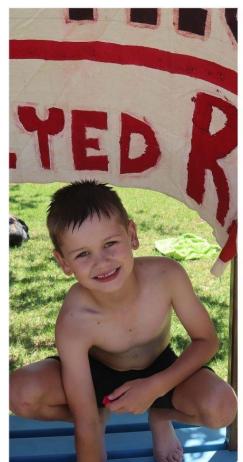




































# Zone Swimming Carnival Carnival Andlethan, at Andlethan,

Congratulations to our Primary and Secondary students who represented BCS at the Zone Swimming Carnival last Thursday and Friday.

It was great to see the team work and support for each other, along with some PB's being achieved.



**Primary Representatives;** Mason Haddrill, Amelia Mildren, Ryan Booker, Charli Smith, Lara Sanderson, Sam Sheehan, Jayne Eldridge, Dusty Evans, Aden Puppa, Eleanor Goring, Riley Irons, Poppy Irons, Jake Irons, Joe Irons, Jake Male, Otis Whitney-Taylor and Eddy Malone.



**Secondary Representatives;** Harper Kenmir, Archie Trudgett, Lily Curran, Dakota Smith, Zali Trudgett, Lynkin Robertson, Jack Millis, Zahli Menzies and Indilee Menzies



Peter Dobson Relay Team - Primary



Jake Irons – 11yrs Boys Runner-Up
Age Champion



Lara Sanderson – 11yrs Girls Runner-Up Age Champion

### PBL AWARDS

#### Resilience

Caleb Bischard

Jake Irons

#### **Respect**

Jake Male

**Eleanor Goring** 

Liam Male

Lara Sanderson

#### Responsibility

Lylah Bischard

Aden Puppa

Lincoln Franklin

**Declan Trembath** 

#### **Excellence**

**Eleanor Goring** 

Blake Lemke

Caleb Evans

Kylah-Rose Cameron

Mason Hillman

Zayn Lemke









### BCS Uniform Shop

As of this term the BCS P&C will no longer be handling the ordering/sale of uniforms. This will now be undertaken by BCS Admin Officer, Kylie Sanderson.

Kylie will be available on **Tuesday mornings from 9.00am – 11.00am** for parents wishing to place an order or have a look in the second-hand section.

Making a payment for uniforms can be done through our new online line payment system called School Bytes or a cash payment at the school office.

Please see the flyer attached to today's Gazette for information on how to register for School Bytes.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding uniforms or the new payment system, please don't hesitate to the call the school and speak to Kylie Sanderson, Rebecca Malone or Vicki Tubb.

#### SCHOOL BYTES

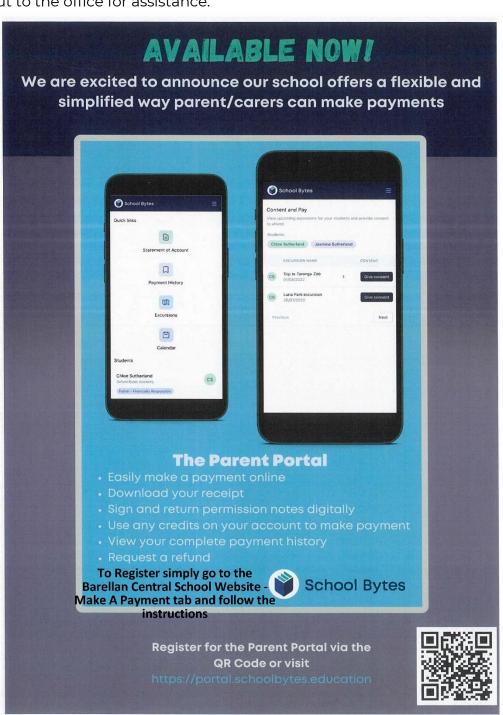
Our school has introduced the School Bytes system for managing payments.

Parents and caregivers have the flexibility to access the School Bytes portal at their convenience to make online payments, review payment history, and apply credit.

To utilise School Bytes, parents need to register and acquire a login, a simple process accessible by visiting the school's website. Click on the "Make a Payment" tab and then follow the "Registration and Access" link.

Parents can also refer to the How-to Guides available for instructions on adding School Bytes to their phones and making payments. For those who prefer cash payments, the option to pay through the school office remains available.

If parents or caregivers encounter any challenges during the School Bytes registration, feel free to reach out to the office for assistance.





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### 18 - 24 MARCH 2024

Harmony Week at Barellan Central School is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background.

All students have the opportunity to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving harmony in Australia.

Join us on Thursday, 21 March 2024

for

## A Taste of Harmony.

Parents, friends and students are invited to a multicultural feast beginning at 1:30pm.

Let A Taste of Harmony be the stepping stone to a world of cultural understanding and appreciation within our community.

# Your Wellbeing Nurse

#### You can talk to your wellbeing nurse about:

- · health and wellbeing concerns
- · healthcare options
- · finding health and community services.

Any student enrolled at a school with a wellbeing nurse and their family members can get support from a wellbeing nurse.

#### **Parents**

- Contact the school to ask to see or speak to the wellbeing nurse
- Let a teacher or the school learning and support team know you would like to see the wellbeing nurse.

#### Students 14 years and older

- Let a teacher or the school learning and support team know you would like to see the wellbeing nurse
- Approach the wellbeing nurse directly to speak with them privately.

Your wellbeing nurse is at the school on

Wednesday

Contact your wellbeing nurse

Lauren Wetton - 0459 362 065

lauren.wetton@health.nsw.gov.au

Your wellbeing nurse is a highly skilled registered nurse from NSW Health.

Your wellbeing nurse helps students and their family get health and wellbeing support.





Visit www.health.nsw.gov.au/whinprogram or scan the QR code for further information about wellbeing nurses.



Wellbeing and Health In-reach Nurse Coordinator program





### **Griffith /Leeton Riding for Disabled**

**Looking for** 

# Volunteers

Horse Leaders... Side walkers... Assisting children.. BBQ Helpers...

Ticket sellers...Facility Maintenance

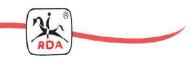
Are you able to spare time to enhance the life of children with a disability?

Riding for the Disabled operates Tuesdays and Wednesdays each week for about 3-4 hours each day, May till November

Held at RDA facilities @ Dalton Park GRIFFITH

If interested contact 0418 817 409

## GRIFFITH / LEETON RIDING for the DISABLED



Riding for Disabled is a volunteer organisation catering to the needs of children with physical and intellectual disabilities and social disorders through horse related activities.

The Riding program is held at Dalton Park Griffith from April to November each year during school term.

Current days of operation are Monday to Wednesday.

Lessons are instructed by a qualified coach with volunteers assisting.

During the 45-minute lessons, children learn the basics of riding horses according to their level of abilities.

Group lessons are limited in size, due to availability of suitable horses, specific riding requirements, and volunteers. Lessons are both valuable physically, mentally, and socially for all involved.

For the children, riding is a unique form of exercise and therapy.

The complex movement of the horse helps to improve coordination, balance, muscle development and strength and fitness.







Horse riding and horse related activities assist greatly and often dramatically in the development and restoration of personal confidence, self-esteem, communication skills, leadership and trust.



Vocal instructions by children to horses and handlers, promotes speech and confidence.

Interactive communication occurs between horse handlers, volunteers, and children. Handlers and volunteers aim to care for the child, making their daily experience positive and rewarding.

Our centre is run by a dedicated group of volunteers, aided by a committee of enthusiastic people committed to providing quality services to people with disabilities and disorders.

If there is a child (preferably Primary School age) you feel may benefit from this program, please contact Julie Groat (President), or Alison Morris who shall be able to provide information and answer any questions.

Yearly cost for this program is \$100 per child. Active Kids Vouchers may be redeemed.



#### Barellan Central School Uniform Price List

Shirts	
Polo Top - Pebble (Primary)	
Sizes	4 - 16
Price	\$25
Polo Top - White (Secondary)	
Sizes	XS - XL
Price	\$35
Polo Tops - Gold (Sports Days)	
Sizes	6 - 18
Price	\$40

Jumpers/Jackets			
Fleecy V Neck (BCS Logo)			
Sizes	4 - 16		
Price	\$25		
Knitted V Neck (BCS Logo)			
Sizes	S - 3XL		
Price	\$55		
Jacket (BCS Logo)			
Sizes	Children - 4-16		
	Adult - S - 3XL		
Price	\$85		

Dresses/ Skirts		
Summer Tartan Dress (Primary)		
Dresses made to order		
Sizes	4 - 16	
Price	\$55	
Winter Tartan Pinafore (Primary)		
Sizes	4 - 16	
Prices	\$55	
Skirts Black & White Tartan (Secondary)		

# Bucket Hat (BCS Logo) - Name Optional Sizes Small - 55cm Medium - 57cm Large - 59cm X Large - 61 cm Price \$25

Sizes On enquiry Prices \$55

Hat orders will be accepted during weeks 5 and 9 of each term to facilitate embroidery with the BCS logo and student's name. In case your child needs a hat at any other time, one will be provided without the BCS logo or name.



#### **Uniform Order Form**

Name:			
Phone:			
Item	Size	Qty	Price
Totals			

**Payment options** - Cash, paid to BCS Office School Bytes App

### 2024 CALENDAR

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

#### March

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				1
4	5	6 RAP Open Boys Basketball	7 RAP Open Girls Cricket	8
11	12	13	14	15
Riverina PSSA Swimming Carnival @ Leeton	Riverina Secondary Swimming Carnival @ Leeton			
18	19	20 RAP Open Girls Basketball	21 Harmony Day – Wear Orange	22
25	26	27	28	29
				Good Friday (Holiday)

#### **April**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	2	3	4	5
Easter Monday (Public Holiday)				Cross Country
8	9	10	11	Last Day of Term 1
School Holidays —	16	17	18	19
School Holidays —	23	24	25	26
29	30			
School Holidays	Term 2 Commences			

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