



# THE GAZETTE



Friday 4th April 2025

Term 1, Week 10A

RESPECT - RESPONSIBILITY - RESILIENCE - EXCELLENCE



*Primary Young Leaders and the iconic Sydney Harbour Bridge*



*Handball competition*



*Secondary Leaders with Emma McKeon*



*Our Kindergartens*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Wednesday 9th April

Easter Hat Parade  
PBL Assembly

### Friday 11th April

Last Day of Term 1

### Wednesday 30th April

First Day of Term 2

### Friday 2nd May

Cross Country

### Wednesday 7th & Thursday 8th May

Mother's Day Stall

### Friday 9th May

Do it for Dolly Day

### Wednesday 21st May

School Photos



*K/1/2 last swim for the season*



*7/8 learning French*

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# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

## Anzac Day Commemoration

Yesterday the NSW Department of Education commemorated Anzac Day at the Anzac Memorial in Hyde Park in Sydney, with representatives from over 100 schools and 1500 students.

We will hold our Anzac Day commemoration on Monday morning next week at the morning assembly where we will reflect on the importance of Anzac Day and the sacrifice our service men and women made and continue to make.

## End of term celebrations

Next Wednesday at 11:30am we will be holding our Positive Behaviour for Learning assembly, followed by the Easter Hat Parade. We look forward to you joining with us.

## Uniform review

I've been approached by a few families recently expressing concerns about different elements of the school uniform. Schools are expected to review uniform every 5 years, or as the need arises. It's certainly due.

Rest assured; we will not be changing the school crest. The school colours will remain black, white and gold.

I'd like to call for parents/community members who are passionate about uniform who would like to join a working party to review the current uniform and prepare a proposal for community consultation on new options later in the year.

The working party will meet roughly every 2-3 weeks during terms 2-4 this year. The goals of the working party will be to:

- Conduct an item-by-item review of the current uniform

- Coordinate with external companies with consideration of the quality of the materials used, price and accessibility.
- Propose different options for broader community consultation
- Develop protocols around uniform (such as the school's response for students not wearing uniform that is appropriate, fair and consistent.

There will be public consultation on any uniform changes, separate to the working party.

If this sounds like you, please contact the school to express interest. Based on the number of responses we will determine the nature of the working group.

Finally, rest assured that there will be plenty of time for transitioning to any new items. The P&C and the school are committed to supporting all families being able to provide complete schools uniform for all students.

I wish you the best for the Easter Holidays. Staff will return on Monday 28 April and will be working on High Potential and Gifted Education. The office will be open from Monday. Students return on Wednesday 30 April.

Regards,  
Paul Laing  
Principal

## IN SUMMARY

- We will be commemorating Anzac Day at school next Monday
- Our end of term assembly will be next Wednesday at 11:30am
- The Easter Hat parade will follow the assembly next Wednesday.
- If you are interested in being part of a uniform review working party, please contact the school



# AROUND THE SCHOOL

## YOUNG LEADERS

### *Secondary.*

The Secondary National Young Leaders Day in Sydney, hosted by Halogen, was an unforgettable experience for our school captains. They had the chance to hear from an inspiring lineup of guest speakers, including Nikhal Autar, Emma McKeon, Catherine Laga'aia, and NSW Premier Chris Minns. Each speaker shared their personal journey, offering valuable lessons on resilience, leadership, and creating a positive impact.

A highlight of the day was Catherine Laga'aia, who captivated the audience with behind-the-scenes stories from Moana—including the moment she (accidentally!) punched Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson and her experience meeting Lin-Manuel Miranda.

Meanwhile, Lily took on the Clinker Challenge, though luck wasn't quite on her side this time!

Our captains left the event feeling inspired, empowered, and ready to bring what they learned back to their school community.



### *Primary.*

Last week Lara, Charli, Jake, and Dusty had the chance to travel to Sydney for Halogen's "Young Leaders Day," an annual event held across the country with an aim to inspire the leaders of tomorrow.

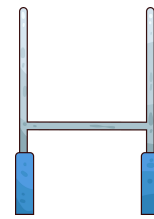
This year, they got to hear from four exceptional Australian leaders Catherine Laga'aia: the actress who will play Moana in the upcoming Disney live-action movie, Thomas Duncan-Watt: a multi-award-winning screenwriter and author, Emma McKeon: Australia's most successful Olympian and Anthony "Harries" Carol: one of the Bondi Rescue lifeguards.

In addition to a day of inspirational speeches and activities, they had the chance to sightsee around Sydney for an afternoon. They saw Sydney harbour, including the Sydney Harbour Bridge and the Opera House. They explored the Royal Botanic Gardens and saw the huge Moreton Bay Figs that are some of the oldest and largest trees in Sydney. And they finished their day with a ferry trip from Circular Quay to Manly for fish and chips on the beach.

All in all, it was an extremely productive and exciting trip. Congratulations to our young leaders for stepping into such a big adventure!



# RUGBY UNION MIA CUP



This week 3-6 had the chance to play in the MIA Rugby Gala Day, organised by the Brumbies. Barellan fielded two teams – the 3/4's and the 5/6's. Each team got the chance to play three or four games against various teams from around the Riverina Area.

The competition was extremely tough, but both teams demonstrated grit and determination each time took the field. Congratulations to all the students who attended on a great day!



## NETBALL

Charli Smith and Lara Sanderson took part in the Coolamon/Ardlethan Zone PSSA netball trials last week, and both played exceptionally well!

A huge congratulations to Lara for being selected for the Zone Netball side! Well done, girls.



## Rugby Trials

Jake Irons travelled to Wagga to Wednesday to compete in the Riverina Rugby League trials. We are pleased to announce that Jake was successful in selection for the Riverina team to compete in the State Championships in June in Sydney. Congratulations Jake!





## BASKETBALL

On Wednesday 26th March, Our Open Girls RAP Basketball team travelled to Narrandera to take on schools from the region. We were off to a dramatic start, with only five players able to take the court for our first game, against Korrungal

High. Georgia McCormack, Till McCormack, Kacey Eldridge, Lily Curran and Dakota Smith took the court with no subs available. Despite this, our girls dominated the court. Georgia sunk 13 points in the first half, with Matilda, and Dakota joining her on the score board in the second. Despite the rough game, with high fouls against us. RAP worked together to win by 17 points.

By game two, the rest of our team had arrived, with Breanna Bartholemew, Natasha Peters and Alyssa Peters joining the others in heading to the court for a tough game against Narrandera High.

Breanna, Dakota and Georgia all put points on the board. While we ultimately went down to the strong Narrandera team, everyone worked tirelessly to maintain a respectable points gap.

Our final game was against Yanco Agricultural High School, where we were playing for third on the ladder. This game was neck and neck the whole way. With a tall YAHS defence, and quick offensive plays, the girls worked hard at both ends. The final minute of the game came down to one point between us. With Georgia sinking a three pointer on the buzzer to cement our overall win by 6 points.

It was great to see the girls working together and enjoying themselves on the court. Well done RAP girls!



## TENNIS

RAP Girls have made it through to the next round of tennis after a win over Murrumbidgee High School Wade in Griffith on Friday 21st March. The girls excelled in their doubles winning all four doubles matches. This was backed up by another good performance from the girls in the singles matches. Overall the girls won 6 out of the 8 sets played, with a game score of 39 to 25. Elsie, Georgia, Lily and Dakota are all to be congratulated on their efforts on the day and the manner in which they played all of their games.

The boys were unlucky not to progress but did produce some good tennis to win some sets in both singles and doubles.

Overall, the boys results were 3 sets to 5 won and 26 games to 40 won. I would like to thank Memphis, Lleyton, Leo and Mason for their sportsmanship and participation on the day.

- Mrs Bray



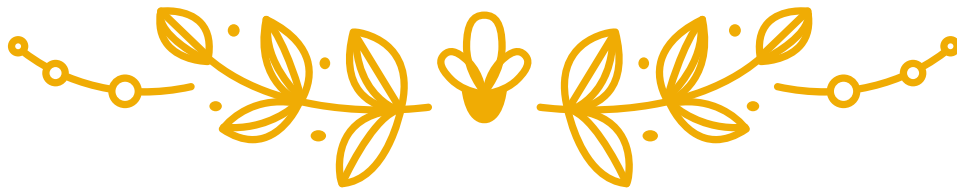
## 7/8 TECH

7/8 Technology's (Mandatory) topic is Timber this term. The class has made cutting / cheese / serving boards from timber pieces.

Students have selected the types of timber they wanted to use, glued, sanded and finished the board.

7/8 are now working on making a Chess/Draughts/Checker board, again in timber and will have these finished by the end of the term. Game pieces are supplied.

Students will be able to take these home ready for the school holidays.



# BARELLAN ANZAC DAY MARCH 25TH APRIL 2025

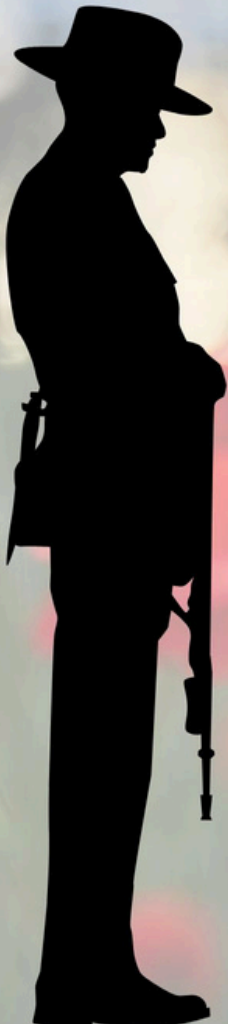
Barellan Central School students are invited to march and participate in the town ANZAC ceremony on Friday 25th April 2025. Please be aware this is in the last week of the School holidays but an excellent opportunity for our students to show their commitment to their community. Last year a pleasing turnout of B.C.S students represented our school.

We are privileged to have the talented Leeton Town Band involved in our service again this year and it is very exciting to announce that the ANZAC address will be delivered by Robin Dunlop, nee Irvin, who will share the local story of her mother Dawn's letters to her older brother Jim while he was serving as a soldier.

Students are asked to wear full winter school uniform including black footwear. We will assemble outside the Community Hall at 2.30pm for a 2.50pm march time. Please wear school hats and bring a water bottle if it is a hot day.

A collection for legacy will be taken at the conclusion of the ceremony and students are asked to have a gold coin for this collection. Afternoon tea will be served at the Barellan and District War Memorial Club following the ceremony, and everyone is most welcome to attend. The afternoon tea will be supplied by community members and donations of food will be gratefully received.

- Julie Kenny





# CAREERS CORNER

## YOUTH WEEK COURSES

Don't forget the Leeton Shire Council is hosting a series of training and workshop opportunities for Youth Week 2025 (9 – 17 April), aimed at equipping young people with important skills for the future.

Proudly funded by the NSW Government, all activities are free and open to youth aged 12 to 24\*.

### Course Schedule:

- **Barista Course\*** at Leeton Museum and Art Gallery | Monday 7 April 2025 and Thursday 10 April 2025
- **Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA) Course\*** at Western Riverina Community College (WRCC) | Wednesday 9 April 2025
- **Responsible Conduct of Gambling (RCG) Course\*** at Yanco All Serviceman's Club | Thursday 10 April 2025
- **Whitecard Course\*** at Western Riverina Community College (WRCC) | Tuesday 15 April 2025
- **Cover Letter & Resume Writing Workshop & Basic Banking with NAB** at Leeton Shire Library | Tuesday, 15 April 2025
- **First Aid Course\*** at Western Riverina Community College (WRCC) | Wednesday 16 April 2025 and Thursday 17 April 2025

\*To check eligibility and book in for the above courses, please contact WRCC Leeton Centre Manager Kim Handsaker via phone (02) 6953 3777 or email to [k.handsaker@wrcc.nsw.edu.au](mailto:k.handsaker@wrcc.nsw.edu.au). Please note the Cover Letter and Resume Writing and Basic Banking Workshop (15 April 2025) does not require bookings.

## WE'RE HIRING!

### Apprentice Gardener - Griffith City Council-Griffith, NSW

Council is seeking applications from enthusiastic motivated individuals for the following position.

**Hours of work:** 38 hours per week. Nine (9) day fortnight

**Salary and conditions:** Remuneration offered will be in accordance with clause 32C wage rates of the Local Government (State) Award 2023. Starting salary \$803.30 per week plus Superannuation

**Applications close:** Monday, 31 March 2025

### Apprentice Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Mechanic - Leeton NSW

GetSet has a position available for an Apprentice Air-Conditioning and Refrigeration Mechanic. Our client in Leeton is seeking a self-motivated person to assist them in all areas of the business. If you have completed year 11 or 12 you are encouraged to apply.

You will study Cert III in Air-conditioning and Refrigeration and learn the skills required to assemble, install, maintain and repair industrial, commercial, and domestic Air-Conditioning and Refrigeration systems and ultimately become a fully qualified mechanic. Training will be delivered at TAFE in Wagga.

#### A typical day will involve:

Interpreting drawings and specifications for job requirements

- Installation and service of refrigeration and air conditioning pipework, equipment and systems
- Working with electrical equipment associated with refrigeration and air conditioning systems
- Locate and correct faults in equipment associated with refrigeration and air conditioning systems
- Test refrigeration and air conditioning equipment and systems
- Provide high quality face to face customer service
- Clean and maintain a tidy work site.

#### Ideally you will have:

- The ability to follow instructions
- Strong problem-solving skills
- The ability to use hand and power tools
- Strong attention to detail
- A willingness to learn and become a part of our great team
- Good communication skills

**Applications close:** Friday 11th April 2025.

Please see Ms Jones if you are interested in applying for any of these positions.

Have questions or need some guidance? Reach out anytime!

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☎ Phone: 02 6963 9202



# BCS ARE GOING BLUE TO END BULLYING!

DO IT  
FOR  
*Dolly*  
DAY '25



Join us on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May for Do It For Dolly Day!

Do It For Dolly Day is an important event that reminds us of the power of kindness and the impact our words and actions have on others. This year, we're encouraging students to go beyond just wearing blue - let's spread kindness in every way possible! Whether it's a small act of generosity, a friendly word, or standing up for a mate, every action counts.

We encourage all students and staff to wear blue on the day as a show of support for Dolly's Dream and a commitment to making our school a safer, kinder place for everyone.



**DONATE HERE**



We are raising funds to support Dolly's Dream, an incredible organisation dedicated to preventing bullying and providing resources for those in need. If you'd like to contribute to this important cause, please visit our fundraising page here:  
<https://www.dollysdream.org.au/fundraisers/barellancentralschool> OR scan the QR code.

Every donation, big or small, helps make a difference.

**Together, we can help create a world where kindness always wins.**





# *Mothers Day* **STALL**

Let every Mother feel special

**7th & 8th MAY**

THE BCS SRC WILL HAVE A  
RANGE OF ITEMS AVAILABLE TO  
PURCHASE.

FREE GIFT WRAPPING AVAILABLE.







# ELECTION DAY BREAKFAST

SATURDAY 3RD MAY 2025

**\$5**



BARELLAN CENTRAL SCHOOL SRC  
WILL BE SELLING BACON AND EGG  
ROLLS OUTSIDE THE POLLING  
BOOTH AT THE SCHOOL LIBRARY  
THIS ELECTION DAY.

GET IN EARLY BEFORE THEY SELL  
OUT. PLEASE BRING CASH. WE  
LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU.

**8AM TO 10AM**  
OR UNTIL SOLD OUT



## School Photos

Wednesday 21st May 2025



**order your school photos now**

to order visit: [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au)

enter code: 4WG BBN X81



Students are  
required to wear  
Full School Winter  
Uniform.



or collect a cash order envelope  
from your school office



scan to order

**advancedlife**  
school photography & print specialists



**2025**

# YOUTH WEEK

**9th - 18th  
April**

## We are the future . . . And the future is NOW!

**FREE  
EVENTS!**

### Driving Lessons

**Wednesday 9th April -  
Monday 14th April**

Free driving lessons.  
Contact Community Liaison to book.

### Art Mural

**Thursday 10th April  
5.30pm at The Shack**

Kick off Youth Week with a night of epic vibes!  
Music, art, pizza. Be a part of a Youth Week Art Mural!

### Mind & Movement Clinic

**Saturday 12th April**

Rugby League skills with a Mental Health workshop with Greg Inglis.

### Reformer Pilates

**Monday 14th April 10am & 11am  
Tuesday 15th April 10am**

Movement is key to feeling your best.  
Empowr Health classes are designed to be fun and accessible for  
all levels and ages, especially for youth!

### Golf Lessons

**Monday 14th  
2 x sessions  
10 am - 11 am &  
11.30am - 12.30pm**

Golf Workshop designed for all skill levels! The first session is perfect for  
beginners to learn the basics of golf. The second session is for those with some  
experience, focusing on skill development and improving gameplay.

### Vaping & Smoking Workshop

**Tuesday 15th 11am  
Library Youth Space**

Breaking down the real facts about smoking and  
vaping!!

### Clay Hangers at The Hive

**Wednesday 16th 10.30am**

Fun and creative Clay Hanging Workshop where you can design  
and craft your own unique clay hangings to take home.

### Fishing Workshop

**Thursday 17th 10am - 12pm  
Narrandera Fisheries**

Hook, line, and sinker! Join us for a fun fishing workshop.  
Cast a line, and maybe even reel in a big one!

**All fishing gear provided.**

### Totem Skate Workshop

**Friday 18th 12pm - 3pm  
Narrandera Skate Park**

Thrilling day of SKATEBOARDING with a  
**FREE SKATE ~ CREATE ~ EMPOWER** program!

**AGES  
12 - 24****SCAN ME**

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Contact Community Liaison 02 6959 5510 for further information

# 2025 CALENDAR

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

## APRIL

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	1	2 PSSA Riverina Rugby Trial	3	4
7	8 Mobile Library Visit	9 Easter Hat Parade PBL Assembly	10	11 Last day of term 1
14 Start of School Holidays	15	16	17	18 Good Friday
21	22	23	24	25 ANZAC Day
28	29	30 First Day of Term 2		

## MAY

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			1	2 Cross Country
5	6	7 Mother's Day Stall	8 Mother's Day Stall	9 Do It For Dolly Day
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21 School Photos	22	23 Zone Cross Country @ Coolamon
26	27	28	29	30

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**Closing time for all advertisements/articles is 2pm Thursday, Week A**