

Brewarrina Central School

CONGRATULATIONS

A big <u>CONGRATULATIONS</u> to the following students who completed Year 12 at Brewarrina Central School.

Peta-Maree Gordon

COURTNEY BONEY

Natasha Barker

Sam Simspoli

brodie bussey

"We hope your dreams take you to the corners of your smiles, to the highest of your hopes, to the windows of your opportunities, and to the most special places your heart has ever known."

Good luck and best wishes with your future endeavours.

Brewarrina Central School

Friday 16th September, 2011

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Infants/Primary Report

Parents who have children in years 3, 5 7 and 9 would have received their child's NAPLAN results. Whilst staff has not as yet examined results in detail, there is evidence some children who completed NAPLAN in 2009 in years 3, 5 and 7 have improved their results in 2011.

One of the problems for Brewarrina Central in analysing school performance is that year groups can be small in numbers. Sometimes a student with a low mark can influence the school results more so than if they were in a school with multiple classes for a school year, eg 4 year 3 classes.

If you have received your child's results and are not sure of explanations or how your child performed please do not hesitate to make an appointment to see the class teacher.

In early September (2nd), a group of students travelled to Dubbo to compete in the regional athletics carnival. Our school had three relay teams; junior boys, junior girls and senior girls. Each team member in the relay did a fantastic job. The changeover of the baton was smooth and runners worked well together in their respective team. Well done to all students who competed on the day. They did themselves, family, school and community proud.

Many thanks to the parents who either travelled to Dubbo and joined us overnight, or the parent s who travelled to Dubbo on the day of competition. Children appreciated your support and encouragement and it was lovely to see so many parents there.

Discos have been planned for the last week of this term. Please check further in this newsletter for times. There is a separate disco for infants and years 3-6.

The importance of reading and improving reading skills is undisputed. The following is part of an article highlighting the benefits of a program in the Mudgee area known as the "Dads Take Home Reading Project".

"Data from the Mudgee Dads Take Home Reading Project ... indicate reading levels are improving. The program which encourages fathers and other male role models to become actively involved in their child's education by reading books with them every week was launched in 2009. Each student involved will have access to 20-25 new books throughout the year..... Mr Walker (Principal of Gulgong Public School) said books would enrich the literature environment at home where people tend to buy Playstations and Nintentos rather than books. Mr Walker said establishing a regular pattern of quality time children spend with their dads had positive effects on the students' education, relationships and emotional development.

Infants/Primary Report cont'

A recent *Early Child Development and Care* journal, study revealed that fathers who spent significant time with their children said they felt the youngsters' wellbeing was improved and their own sense of worth rose. Keeping students interested in reading plays a huge role in their educational development...."

Whilst Brewarrina Central School does not have a reading program like the one in the Cudgegong area, Ms Williams from the library each year organises a home reading program that any child in the Primary department can participate in. Please encourage your child to join this program or see Ms Williams for further details.

Students from year 12 must be counting down the days of this term as the last term they will have formal lessons at school. After the holidays they will start the Higher School Certificate exams. We wish them well in their exams and the future. They should be extremely proud of themselves and the achievements they have made already including completing 13 years of education.

The Primary Department has altered some arrangements in the playground due to the play equipment being reconstructed. Students are not allowed on the equipment in the mornings until 8.45am. During the first half of recess and lunch the equipment is not to be used. Monday, Wednesday and Friday is designated for infants, Tuesday and Thursday for Primary students. There is a teacher on duty specifically for the play equipment. As the weather is becoming warmer can you encourage your child to wear a cap or hat in the sun?

As the term is nearly finished may I remind parents and carers to ensure all notes or doctors certificates relating to your child being absent from school are given to the front office? This ensures absences your child may have had are explained. There are strict guidelines surrounding attendance of children at school and all absences should be explained. Children are expected and required to be at school under the law. Any unexplained absences may result in referral to the Home School Liaison Officers.

Enjoy your holidays with your family and if travelling take care.

Regards

Cathy Clark Deputy Principal - Primary.



SECONDARY NEWS

Well the end of term 3 is nearly upon us, and I am sure staff and students are looking forward to a break from all their hard work this term. It has been fantastic to see students improving on their behaviour and applying themselves in class.

While there is still some work to be done, the students are to be commended. The Executive and teaching staff have high expectations for our students, just as their parents and carers do, and it is important we keep stressing the importance of schooling and positive behaviours.

On that note, next week the high school will be having a disco as part of the school fundraising initiative as well as a reward for those students who have maintained positive behaviour during the term.

The disco will be held in the new school hall on Wednesday 21st September at 6:00pm. Students who have been suspended this term will not be able to attend. Notes will be going home on Monday and only those students who return notes will be able to attend. The cost is \$2 and there will be snacks available.

A lot of students have had lessons in the new hall and enjoyed it immensely.

This week some of the high school boys had the opportunity to play touch football with a visiting school, from St George. The students displayed great sportsmanship and given their maturity, there is a real possibility of future visits.

A reminder that money for the Great Aussie Bush Camp still needs to be coming in.

The University of Sydney will be visiting next week with an optics display for students in the high school.

SECONDARY NEWS cont

Our year 12 students only have a few weeks left of their school life before their HSC exams. It is a stressful time as they wind up their time at school and knuckle down to study. Parents, please keep in mind we need to support them as much as possible. Encourage them to talk about their plans and what they hope to achieve with their HSC.

Year 10 School Certificate exams are coming up. Study hard!!

Mrs Leigo, our Head Teacher Secondary Studies and Hospitality teacher, will be leaving us at the end of term, and everyone wishes her all the best in her new position in Dubbo. I am sure she will be a great asset.

The process of Personalised Learning Plans(PLPs) will be addressed in term 4. I will be overseeing the completion of individual plans for every secondary student. The process involves interviewing the student about their short and long term goals in relation to their learning. Then parents/carers are asked for their input regarding expectations for their child at school and some areas that the school can focus on for that specific child. It is a big process, but one that is vitally important to strengthening all students in targeted areas of their learning. Of course, if you have any questions regarding this process, please feel free to come up to the school.

I would like to remind students yet again that the school has a uniform, and coming into summer the high school students are expected to wear white shirts as part of their uniform. The wearing of uniform fosters pride in school from the students and community. Please ensure your child wears the uniform to school. Shirts can be purchased from the school shop at reasonable prices.

I hope everyone enjoys the holidays and if leaving Bre, drive safely!

Thank you,

Sarah Trapman (Head Teacher Welfare- Relieving)

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HOPSITALITY PRACEXAM





































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Year 6 only have one more Term in Primary School!

At Lunch time on Tuesday 20th
September come and drench the year six kids
with wet sponges to help them soak
in the memories of
Primary school

For 50 cents you can have a go at soaking a year sixer. For \$1 you can have three goes.

All money raised goes to the Year 6 Farewell!!



Mrs Walters and the Year 6 Crew!





CENTACARE WILL BE RUNNING PRACTICE SESSIONS IN THE HOLIDAYS FOR STUDENTS TO GET THEIR LICENCE.

WHEN: Monday 26th September to Thursday 29th September, 2011



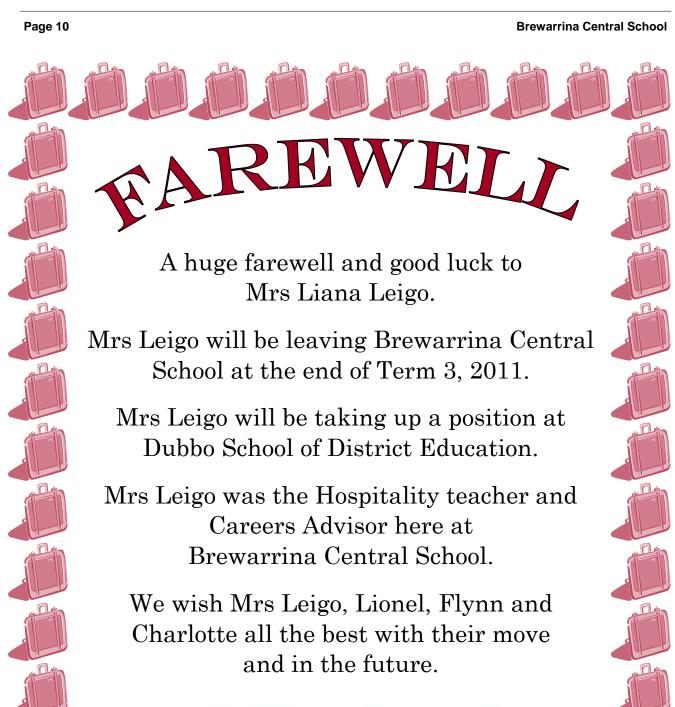
TIME: 10am to 1pm

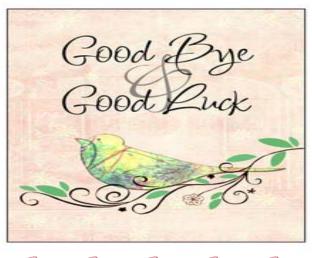
WHERE: Centacare,
Bathurst Street,
Brewarrina
(Opposite the
Police Station)



CONTACT: Les Trapman—6839 24403







INFANTS/PRIMARY SCHOOL PISCO

INFANTS

TIME: 4pm TO 5:30pm

WHEN: THURSDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER, 2011

WHERE: NEW SCHOOL HALL (ENTRANCE

AT WILSON STREET)

COST: \$2

GATES WILL BE OPENED FROM 3:45pm TO 4:15pm FOR INFANTS







PRIMARY

TIME: 6pm TO 7:30pm

WHEN: THURSDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER, 2011

WHERE: NEW SCHOOL HALL (ENTRANCE

AT WILSON STREET)

COST: \$2

GATES WILL BE OPENED FROM 5:45pm TO 6:15pm FOR PRIMARY





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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Expression of interest to lease/manage School Canteen.

Brewarrina Central School requires an expression of interest from the community members to lease/manage the school canteen.

The successful applicant will:

- Demonstrate an understanding of healthy eating.
- Demonstrate an ability to prepare and promote healthy foods.
- Demonstrate time management skills and ability to control day-to-day operations of a school canteen.
- Demonstrate experience in food preparation, food safety and handling.
- Demonstrate an understanding of OH & S principles.
- Demonstrate an interest in food preparation, nutrition and children.

Any qualifications in Food Safety and Hygiene will be highly regarded.

It is a requirement of employment that a prohibited Employment Declaration and Consent to Equipment

Screening checks will be completed.

If you have any queries please call the school on 6839 2186.







B.C.S will be running a BBQ at the Brewarrina Country Music Festival to be held in October.

We are looking for any volunteers, if you would like to volunteer any of your time, please call the school on 6839 2186.

B.C.S will be selling chocolates and slushy's, 1 day a week next term for fundraising.



- SCHOOL PHOTO'S WILL BE TAKEN ON FRIDAY 14TH OCTOBER, 2011.
- ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE FRONT OFFICE.
- MONEY NEEDS TO BE ACCOMPANIED WITH ENVELOPE.
- EACH STUDENT NEEDS A SINGLE ENVELOPE.
- MONEY WILL NOT BE TAKEN ON THE DAY.
- FAMILY PHOTOS ARE AVAILABLE. (ONLY TO STUDENTS WHO ATTEND BCS)
- PLEASE FIND STUDENT & FAMILY PACKAGES ON THE NEXT TWO PAGES FOR PURCHASE.



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SANDOLDISCO

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Notes will be going home on Monday and only those students who return notes will be able to attend.

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Gates will be opened from 5:45pm.





TERM 3, 2011 FINISHES ON FRIDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, 2011–3PM

HOPE EVERYONE HAS A SAFE AND FUN 2 WEEK BREAK



STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL ON MONDAY 10TH OCTOBER, 2011.



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MESSAGE BOARD

- Monday 10th October: Students return to school
- Tuesday 1st November: Final Payment Due for Middle Years Excursion
- Monday 17th October: HSC Exams Start
- Monday 7th November: School Certificate Exams Start
- Monday 21st to Friday 25th November: Middle Years
 Excursion



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SCHOOL PHOTOS ON FRIDAY 14TH OCTOBER, 2011 ASSERBAGE AT SCHOOL



SCHOOL HOLIDAYS START

MONDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2011