



# Brewarrina Central School News

## KINDERSTART 2012 HAS COMMENCED



Kinderstart has commenced once again at  
Brewarrina Central School.

So far we have nine (9) students enrolled but I am sure we  
will have more enrolments in the next few of days.

The teacher for Kinderstart is Ms Simmonds and  
Miss Courtney Boney is the aide.

Students started their day with a tour around the school.

I am sure all the students will have fun and enjoy kindertsart.

Brewarrina Central School

Monday 22nd October, 2012

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## SNAKE ALERT

Please speak to  
your children  
about the dangers  
of snakes.

A snake had been  
seen at school  
today  
(Monday 22nd  
October, 2012)

# Principal's Report

Welcome back to Term 4. It is already the end of week 2 and the days are flying by.

This week students from Primary travelled to Sydney to sing at the Youth EcoSummit being held at Homebush. They were performing the song written by them and their teacher Ms Jessica Fares. I know they all had a fabulous, if tiring time.

Two of our students, Jannalee Conroy and Savannah Moore also travelled to Sydney to run in the State Athletics representing Western Region. Well done on your achievements girls.

Also this week Country Rugby League held two Gala Days – one for Primary and another for Secondary. Congratulations to our 5/6 Boys who were runners up in their competition and the girls and 3/4 boys who were runners up and winners respectively in their competition. Everyone had a great day.

Also congratulations to the Senior Boys in Secondary who won their competition and the Junior Boys who won 2 matches, lost 1 and drew 1. Everyone had a great time. Well done on your behaviour and sportsmanship also – you did our school proud.

A big thank you goes out to Mrs Hertslet and the Senior Hospitality students who ran the canteen for two days. You all worked extremely hard and gained some vital experience in running a business enterprise.

# Principal's Report

As the weather heats up, don't forget to send your children to school with a hat for wearing in the playground and plenty of water to drink (or at least a water bottle).

The 'no hat, no play' rule is in force in Term 1 & 4 each year.

Also continue to check young children's hair for the ever recurrent nits as this time of year seems to be the worst for these pesky visitors. Please treat children promptly if you even suspect they may have nits.

Please remember that Kinderstart commences on Monday. If you have any children you would like to start in Kindergarten 2013, and they turn 5 before 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2013, please come to the school and fill out the enrolment forms. Please be aware however that birth certificates and immunization certificates are required by the department before children can commence kindergarten.

Year 12 have commenced their HSC and I know they are doing their best in all their exams. Our good wishes go with you for each exam.

All the best for the rest of the term,

Kerry Bryan

Principal



# INFANTS/PRIMARY NEWS

Today (Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October) two important excursions left Brewarrina Central. At 6.00am representatives from the Primary choir left our school to attend a two day meeting with other choirs, dancers and performers at Homebush in Sydney. Mrs Fares had entered the choir in a song writing competition last term. The song was judged first place so the choir has joined other singers and dancers at Homebush to perform their song. I know they will all have a fun time. My sincere thanks to Mr Peter Gordon, who drove the choir at such an early start to Coonabarabran to meet other performers, and then drove back arriving here in the afternoon. Thanks also to every parent who got up so early and made sure their child was at school by 6.00am.



We also saw Savannah Moore and Janalee Conroy depart after morning assembly to compete tomorrow at Homebush at the State athletics carnival. Savannah was the fastest 8year old girl over 100m in Western Region at the regional carnival in Dubbo last term. Janalee also earned a position to represent Western region after being timed to come equal 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 11 year old girls in 100m at Dubbo.

It has been a few years since we have had students represent the Western Region in athletics at a state carnival and also a few years since a choir has traveled to perform with other groups. We are all proud of these students who are wonderful role models for other students, demonstrating it is worthwhile to have a goal to achieve in areas which can be highly competitive.

We have a group of Primary students competing in the Country Rugby League Gala Day held in Brewarrina tomorrow (Wednesday). We have a year 3-4 team, a 5-6 team and an all girls team. Whilst it is forecast for a hot day, our students love football so I know they will have a great day. Thank you to the parents who ensure their child/ren had mouth guards, boots etc.



Learn to swim is still planned for weeks 8 and 9 at the local pool for Kindergarten and year 1. They will continue the program started term 1. If your child is in either Kindergarten or year 1 a note will come home the next few weeks for your permission for your child to attend the learn to swim/water safety classes.

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The program is run by Sport and Recreation NSW who have ensured our school has two sessions a year. We are also fortunate to have two swim teachers including Mr York who is a qualified swim instructor to work with the children during the 2 week program.

As the weather is becoming increasingly warm (if not hot) please remember to encourage your child to wear a hat. We are reminding students that “no hat no play” means playing in the shade only.



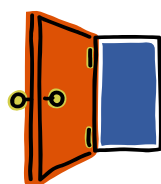
Our school attendance especially in the Primary has greatly improved especially during last term. If your child is away a short phone call to the office would be appreciated. Unexplained absences (no reason given) may cause the Home School Liaison Officers to become involved in monitoring a student's attendance.

You may also ask for an exemption if you know you need to leave town for a while due to a medical appointment or family business. Please do not hesitate to see either myself or Carol in the office if you think an exemption may be necessary. An exemption means the days away are not counted on a child's attendance record. A child being away for a few days sick does not qualify for an exemption.

Attached to this newsletter is information for **Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2** parents. Teachers are keen to run an **After School Literacy and Numeracy Centre** for children in these years on a Tuesday /Thursday afternoon from 3.00-3.45pm. Teachers can help children with reading, writing or number. Teachers are offering to also work with children who may like “harder” work than regular classroom activities.



If you would like your child to participate in the afternoons or even one afternoon please fill in the permission note and send it back to the office as soon as possible. We would like to start **week 4** which is the **30<sup>th</sup> of October**.



Our class room doors are always open for parents and family to visit and see the great work our children are doing. Children also love someone coming in and helping for a while or looking at their work. It would be good if you had some spare time to visit a class this term.

Regards  
Cathy Clark  
Deputy Principal (Primary)



# SECONDARY NEWS

Welcome back to term 4! The year is certainly flying by, and this term is especially busy.

Year 12 students have already started their Higher School Certificate examinations this week, with the English paper up first. Exams will continue for the next few weeks. We wish Beau, Casey and Shae the best of luck.

15 <sup>th</sup> October	English Paper 1
17 <sup>th</sup> October	English Paper 2
24 <sup>th</sup> October	Hospitality
26 <sup>th</sup> October	Ancient History & Senior Science
7 <sup>th</sup> November	CAFS

Year 11 has moved into the HSC course and now only have 4 terms of very hard work ahead. It is important to study and revise work daily, as well as ensure assessments are completed on time.

The Clontarf Foundation has joined our school as part of a program aimed at achieving positive outcomes for boys through sports and leadership skills. The program is aimed specifically at secondary boys and supports the school's PBL motto of Safe Respectful Learners. We welcome the Foundation and look forward to a team approach in supporting our students in the future.

Personalised Learning Plan (PLP) reviews will be done in the first half of this term. Parents/carers will be informed of a date that they can come to the school to discuss their child's plan.

A reminder that all students must wear uniform to school. As the hot weather is settling in, please remember that short shorts and thongs are not part of our uniform.

The Year 12 Farewell will be held, at this stage, on the 28<sup>th</sup> November. Parent/carers wishing to be involved in the planning process are more than welcome. Presentation Day will be held on the 11<sup>th</sup> December.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child, please contact the school.

Thankyou,

**Kath Hertslet & Sarah Trapman (Head Teachers)**

# SECONDARY NEWS

## **TIPS FOR PARENTS: HELPING ADOLESCENTS– USING THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF READING**

Many of the things that parents do to build and encourage the literacy development of their young children are applicable to adolescents as well. Find out how to use the building blocks of reading.

- **Be a role model:** Demonstrate that reading is important in your life. Read the newspaper, books and magazines, e-mail and information on the internet. Let your child see you read
- **Read to your child:** Share articles from the newspaper or from magazines. Look particularly for items of interest to your child—those that have to do with their school, their favourite sports team, movie star or band, or a special hobby. Talk about what you read with your child
- **Make your home reflect the importance of reading:** Give adolescents plenty of opportunities to read. Keep books around– you don't have to own them all: library books work just as well– and read them. Ask your son to read you the measurements and ingredients from your recipe card as you prepare dinner. Ask your daughter to look up a phone number in the phone book for you or ask her to look at the cereal box and tell you how much sodium is in the cereal your family eats for breakfast
- **Allow your adolescent to choose what he/she wants to read:** (Within reason off course). Everyone's interests are different and if your child wants to read, let her read what she wants to read– reading teen idol, fashion and hairstyle magazines can lead to reading biographies or the style section of the newspaper
- **Using a computer can provide both incentive and opportunities for adolescents to read.** From looking up interesting facts about a new movie coming out, to researching for a school report, the Internet is a tremendous (and fun) resource for adolescents. There are many computer games that require and even foster reading ability. (Parents, of course, may want to monitor the materials available to their adolescent child on the computer)

# SECONDARY SPORTS NEWS

Term 3 saw Brewarrina Central School achieve some great feats on the sporting field. These included the Opens Boys Rugby League team becoming runners up at the Neville Thorne Gala Day and Briane Conroy representing the FWAS in netball. We also played a friendly year 7-10 Rugby League game against Bourke High School in which we won in devastating fashion with Aytash Shearer and Nathan Johnson scoring 7 tries between them.

Term 4 sport will include CRL Gala Days, an all girls sporting event and the Davidson Shield. We hope to see some great results and good support from friends and families.

Term 4 will also see the introduction of the Clontarf Foundation into BCS. The Clontarf Foundation will be incorporating a rugby league program into the school for all the high school boys at BCS. The aim of the Clontarf Foundation is to increase and maintain attendance rates at BCS through sport. There will be a new man at school named Jason who will be directly involved in introducing and running the program. There will be more information coming out about Clontarf but if parents want further details go to [www.clontarffootball.com](http://www.clontarffootball.com) or ring the school.

This term we have also seen some fantastic moments within our PDHPE lessons. One in particular was Edward Simpson knocking off Daniel Ferguson from his self-proclaimed title of “king of the court” in rebound mini tennis. Another awe-inspiring moment was Rikkia Nicholls’ “Hail Mary” touch down in grid iron last week. Great stuff.



# SECONDARY SPORTS NEWS cont'

Sports and topics being covered this term in PDHPE include:

Year 7/8 – Road safety and volleyball

Year 9/10 – Building Healthy relationships and bat and ball sports.

PASS - Promoting Active Lifestyles

SLR – Healthy Lifestyle

HSC PDHPE – Health Priorities in Australia.



Students from Brewarrina receiving coaching session and new equipment from Tennis Australia representative Ken Wray.



# BREWARRINA CENTRAL SCHOOL 2013 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

2013 Kindergarten enrolments are now open.

Enrolment forms are available from  
the front office.

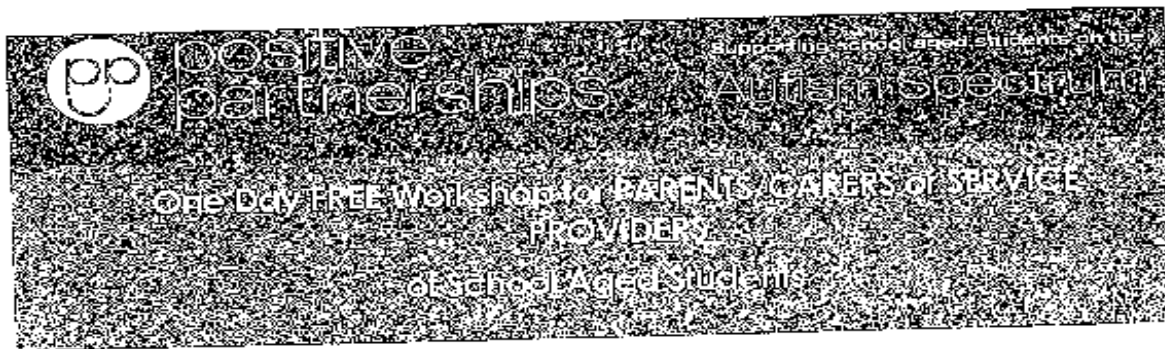
## THINGS YOU NEED

- •Birth Certificate
- •Medicare Number
- •Immunisation History Statement
- •Proof of students residential address
- •Contact Phone Number

## PLEASE NOTE

UNTIL ENROLMENT FORMS ARE  
COMPLETED AND THE ABOVE  
DOCUMENTS SIGHTED BY THE SCHOOL  
YOUR CHILD WILL **NOT** BE ABLE TO  
START SCHOOL





### JOIN US FOR A "Get Together"

**Where:** Brewarrina Visitors Information Centre  
57 Bathurst Street Brewarrina NSW 2839

**When:** One-Day Workshop – Wednesday 31 October, 2012

**Time:** 10.00 a.m - 2.30 p.m (Registration from 9.15am)

#### What is a "get together"?

- This get together is an opportunity for families and friends to come together to talk about the issues that are important to them about their child's behaviour.
- The get together is a safe environment where families can talk about autism and other behavioural and learning needs that may be affecting their child at home or school.

#### The "get together" is

- An opportunity to create a supportive, safe network for families, carers and service providers working with or supporting children with Autism or behavioural or learning needs.

#### The "get together" is NOT

- An autism, behavioural or learning assessment
- A lecture or presentation

Each family is invited to bring a trusted service provider or support person/s with them.

I have asked trusted people in the community to distribute this letter to lots of people in the community. If you have this letter please consider coming along.

To book a spot contact **Lee Casuscelli** on **0425 287 426** or **0404 022 843**  
lcasuscelli@autismspectrum.org.au



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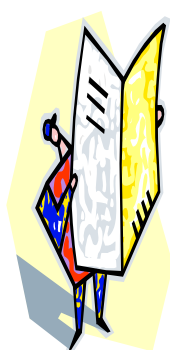


# SECONDARY FOOTY GALA DAY



## MESSAGE BOARD

- Monday 22nd October– Kinder start Commences
- Thursday 25th October– Mobfest Lightning Ridge
- Friday 9th & Monday 12th November– Staff Enterprise Days



Next newsletter will be out  
on Monday 5th November, 2012

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## BCS CHOIR

