



Brewarrina Central School News

Regional Swimming Carnival 2014



Tanika Shillingsworth, Tarah-Lea Kirby, Xanthe Eyre, Karl Knight & Dylan Shillingsworth



On Thursday the 6th March 2014, 5 students travelled to Dubbo to compete at the Regional Swimming Competition. Ms Wright and Aunty Lyn Cochrane travelled with the students. Xanthe Eyre, Tarah-Lea Kirby, Karl Knight, Dylan and Tanika Shillingsworth all competed in events.

All students tried really hard and some bettered their personal times. The best part of the trip for the students beside the great swimmers on the day was dinner at McDonald's. All the students

were well behaved and represented the Brewarrina Central School with great pride.



Principal's News

Amazing Recognition

We were thrilled to be informed that *Nathan Johnson* and *Tai Gordon* have been chosen to represent all Clontarf academies from across Australia to receive a gift from the Governor General Quentin Bryce next month. This is a retirement gift from the GG to one of her favourite programs. Nathan and Tai have been chosen from the thousands of boys. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity.

Clontarf have also asked Charlie McHughes to accompany the boys. This is a tribute to the commitment, skill, knowledge and wisdom he brings to the program. It once again the quality of the Brewarrina Clontarf Academy and the fine qualities our boys are demonstrated.

A little school with lots of opportunities

Bre Central may be a small school, but we work hard to provide a range of learning opportunities for our students. This month alone students will participated in a Bangarra dance workshop, a "Sparkies" electro technology study block for seniors and a Clontarf carnival, a luncheon and a camp. Secondary students will participate in a Young Leaders Day. We will also be visited by the Senior Citizens, conduct a river safety program and participate in regional swimming. Health and wellbeing programs include Trachoma screening, Love Bites (Teenage Relationships and violence) workshop and dental checks.

Exciting news is that the school is entering the national Wakakirri Dance competition for the first time. This is where students are required to make a 5 minute video of a story told with music, movement and dance. Our Year 1 teacher Beck Crowther will be leading the entry. Watch this space for exciting news about this great program.

School facility upgrades

On Thursday 27 March a team of people from the Department, architects and construction companies will be visiting our school to look at a major upgrade of facilities. The highest priorities are an upgrade of the school oval and refurbishment of the classrooms.

The day will involve meetings and a community workshop. Key people participating will be the AECG, the Local Reference Group and staff.

Linkages with other schools

In the last two weeks we have forged new partnerships with schools in Newcastle to share and learn new ideas. A video conference was held with Wirrapang Public School in Gateshead. They presented to us their approach to literacy and numeracy. They have great ideas that will enrich our work. Early next Term Tonya Kellett will spend a week with them observing and sharing.

Three teachers visited the new Cooks Hill Campus in the centre of Newcastle and Hunter Sports High. Both schools use personalised learning programs developed by Big Picture Education so have a lot in common with our initiatives.

Infants/Primary News

It is hard to believe we are already past the half way mark of the term. All classes are settled and are producing high quality work.



I walked into Ms Skuthorpe's class and it looks wonderful. Year 2 is studying Celebrations and it looks like a party in their room.

Congratulations to Xanthe Eyre, Tarah-Lea Kirby, Karl Knight, Tanika and Dylan Shillingsworth for representing the school at the Regional Swimming Carnival.

On the 18th March, all K-6 students will have their eyes examined for Trachoma. Trachoma is a disease which left untreated can lead to possible blindness in adult years.

On the 19th March all Years 5-6 students will be participating in a River Safety Program so look out for the note coming home soon.

Bullying

The whole staff at Brewarrina Central School are committed to stopping bullying at school.

We are teaching lessons across the K-6 to help stop bullying. Those students who do bully are being withdrawn from the playground at recess and lunch.

We are also trialling after school detention where the students stay until 4pm.

We all need to work together to stop bullying at Brewarrina Central School. If any parents have concerns about bullying or any other matter, please contact the school.

Let's work together to stop bullying.



Year 2 Sharks

Hello all and welcome to Year 2 Sharks learning environment. Our class have been learning about:

Sentence of the Day

Sentence of the day is connected to learning sounds and blends for the week. For example: dr & ay.

HSIE Celebrations – How people celebrate different events.



MATHS

Fractions – whole quarters and halves.

Chance and Probability

What the chances of Miss S dying her hair green?

(Unlikely) (Likely) (Very likely) (Very likely)

Literacy

Literacy groups, students are learning how to blend their sounds, multi, core and theme words every day.

Reading

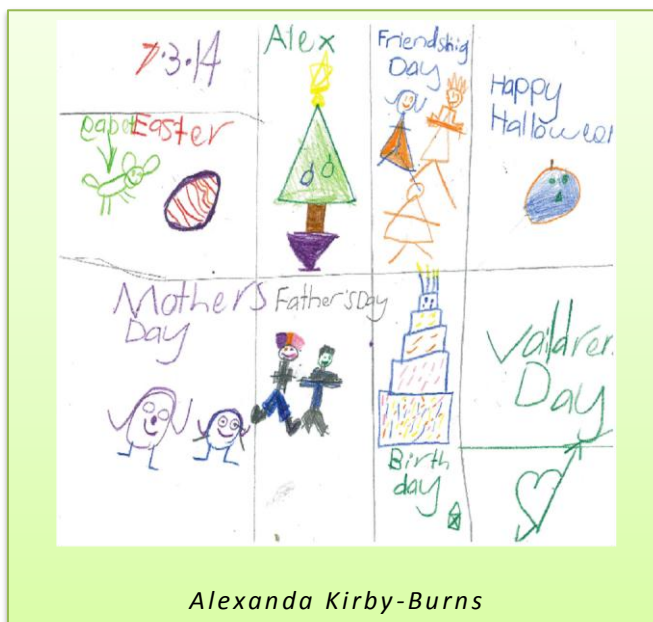
Students are reading and enjoying

Singing

Students are learning and singing nursery rhymes and songs which are connected to Bullying.

Ms Angela Skuthorpe (Class Teacher)

Aunty Sam Gordon (Teachers' Aid)



Alexandra Kirby-Burns

Work from Year 2 Sharks



Dakota Moore



Casey Croaker

Secondary News

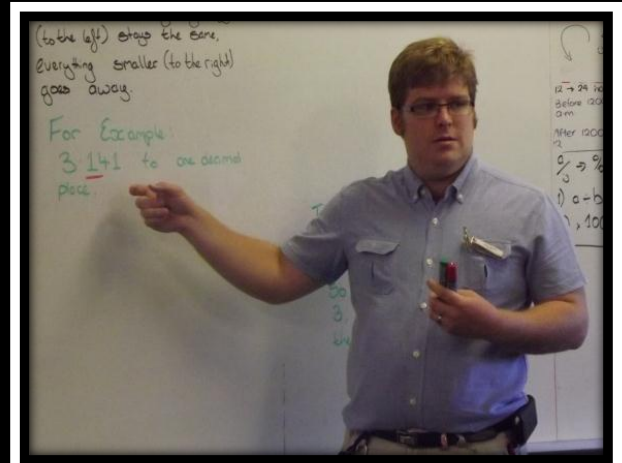
Exciting news in Secondary School with a major announcement coming about Clontarf, and particularly about Tai Gordon and Nathan Johnson – watch this space.

Our senior students have been hard at work, completing major projects in all their classes and working towards their HSC. In year 12 Modern History, much work has been done already in making fantastic presentations on the effects of the Apartheid in South Africa. In Senior Science, the Year 11's are beginning their second major practical for the term looking at the influences on germination.

The junior years had some disruption last week with staff away on important training. Everyone worked together to make it a trouble free week, and we even had time for "Clean up Australia" activities on the Friday. A big thank you to everyone who participated, the grounds look incredible. An even bigger thank you to Mr Rossi and Mr Morgan who taught classes.

Please make sure your child is coming to school in a school uniform as we are proud of our school and want to show that pride in everyone's attire.

Mrs Trapman (Head Teacher), Miss Shanahan & Mr Gower (relieving Head Teachers)



Our Math teacher Joel Scott and his wife have returned from extended leave, with a new baby. So far Evelyn is sleeping well and not causing too many dramas. Congratulations.



Congratulations



Hi everyone, I'd like to take this opportunity to announce the birth of my daughter Evelyn Anne Scott. As you may have noticed I have been away for the last couple of weeks, helping my wife Clementine to prepare for and have her baby then making sure we're all settled in back in Bre. It's great to be back and a big thankyou to Ms Dove who has been filling in for me while I've been away. I'm really looking forward to getting back into the swing of things with our maths classes. All the junior classes have been working on some general problem solving skills, looking at how we can break a problem into what we **Know**, what we want to **Find** out and the **Process** we can use to solve the problem, (**KFP**, or Kentucky Fried Penguin...). With that in mind, here's a little problem for you all to solve...

You might know that babies need a change of nappy fairly regularly. Clem and I can change 10 nappies between us per day. If Evelyn has been in need of changing for 14 days now and I change two thirds as many nappies as Clem each day, how many nappies have we each changed all together?



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Notice Board

Uniform Shop

School Uniforms are available from the Front Office.

Maroon Jumpers and Track Pants for infants/primary.

Sizes: 3 – 12 starting from \$5 - \$15


Secondary Navy Hoodies for winter available sizes from 8-12 \$20.

The following items are always available

Maroon Shirts \$10.00

Black Shorts \$12.00

White Secondary Shirts \$15.00



Buy 1 get
1 Free

What's On in March?

17th March

"Sparkies" TAFE Block

18th March

Senior's Week K-2

19th March 2014

Trachoma Screening

River Safety

25th March 2014

Peachey Shield Cobar

27th March

Love Bites Day

31st March

Dental Check

Coming up in April

1st April 2014

K-6 Police Safety Talk

10th April 2014

Whole School Assembly

**Please ensure sure all
your contact and mailing
detail details are up to
date by completing our
form on last page and
returning to the front
office.**

ATTENTION

We need to update all contact details so that we have the correct details.

Even if you have already told the school your details we will need them again to check against our records to make sure we have the correct contact details.

Could all parents and caregivers please fill out the following form and return to school as soon as possible.

If you do not wish to fill out this form, please contact the school on 6839 2186 to give us your contact details.

All contact information given to Brewarrina Central School is CONFIDENTIAL.

Thank you for your assistance.

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Contact Name

Address (Where you live)

Postal Address (Where you want your mail to go)

Mobile Phone Number

Emergency Contact (Someone besides you)

Emergency Contact Phone Number



THE DENTAL CENTRE — BREWARRINA —

Dear **Brewarrina Community,**

I would like to say how privileged I feel to have received such overwhelming community support for our services. All of our staff are committed to giving you the best in oral health care. We look forward to helping you smile, speak and eat to the best of your ability.

Sincerely,

H. Sataka

Dr. Hitoshi (Henry) Sataka

Treatment Dates:

26th & 27th of Feb 2014	2nd & 3rd of July 2014
12th of March 2014	9th & 10th of July
26th & 27th of March 2014	14th of July 2014
9th & 10th of April 2014	30th & 31st of July 2014
24th of April 2014	11th of August 2014
5th & 6th of May 2014	27th & 28th of August 2014
19th of May 2014	10th of September 2014
4th & 5th of June 2014	24th & 25th of September 2014
16th of June 2014	

For appointments please contact the following:

Barwon River Medical Centre

Contact: Vivian

Ph: **6839 2294**

BAHS

Contact: Michaela

Ph: **6839 2150**

All children benefits and adult treatment vouchers are accepted.
Patients not having vouchers will be charged recommended Australian Dental Board rates.

Do you have a child in year 4, 5 or 6?

Have you
missed out
on thousands
of dollars?

In 2001 the Government introduced the 'First Child Tax Offset' and surprisingly many Australians did not know about it and have NOT claimed any benefits.

If you have **ANY** child that was born between **1 July 2001 and 30 June 2004** you may be eligible to receive up to \$12,500 of entitlements.

The government has a 30 June 2014 deadline on this entitlement so please email childoffset@twelve.com.au today to receive more information.

ACT NOW!
DEADLINE
JUNE 2014

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