



Brewarrina Central School News

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with our students where he was able to meet both our teachers and students. It was a wonderful morning where members from the AECG and various community organisations had attended the opening.



Principal's News

Week 8 already - How quickly this term is going. Semester 1 is nearly finished!!!

Brewarrina Central School has been buzzing with excitement. The students have been very busy in class and their attitude towards their learning reflects this. It is wonderful to hear the teachers' talking amongst themselves about how the students in their classes are going, and how their enthusiasm for learning is great to see in the classroom. This is something which I hope, and I know it will, continue throughout the year.

A big thank you to Ms Nicholls for taking our students to participate in the Naidoc Public Speaking competition held at Bourke last week and to Mr. Beames, Aunty Lyn and Max for taking our students to Bourke again to participate in Outback Challenge. Congratulations to all students who participated in the Outback Challenge last week. They displayed wonderful sportsmanship. The sustainability visit was so exciting. The students enjoyed all the displays and were active throughout the visit. The snake was awesome and I really enjoyed the honey. A big **thank you** to Ms Williams for all her effort in arranging this fantastic visit.

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Naidoc Week celebrations are being organised for the last week of term. It will be an eventful occasion and one which brings great pride to our community. We are expecting another Minister's visit during that week as well. The Minister for

Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education The Hon. Leslie Gladys WILLIAMS is planning to visit Brewarrina on Tuesday 28th June 2016. We are looking forward to showcasing all the exceptional work which is evident at Brewarrina Central School.

Warm regards

Ms. N. Dukic

Relieving Principal.

Infants/Primary News

We have had some fantastic things happening over the last few weeks and it doesn't look like the fun is about to end.

Ms Nicholls took a group of students to Bourke last week for a public speaking competition. Malakye Biles and Sienna Kirby did a great job and won lovely prizes. Fred Gibson, Rehannah Russell & Ashlei Williams accompanied the competitors to offer support and prepare for next year's event.

Mr Beames, Uncle Bob & Aunty Lyn accompanied our 5/6 rugby league teams to the Bourke Outback Challenge last Wednesday. Both teams showed great sportsmanship and put a great effort into all their matches. They are all looking forward to the next competition.

Thank you to all of the organisations that presented workshops on the Sustainability Day. The students and staff had a fabulous time and learnt so much information. There is an article in the newsletter with lots of photos from the day.

This week we have had the athletics carnival. It was lovely to hear children cheering on the friends and family as they were running. It was great to see everyone "Give it a go", just like Gidgee says. Next week is also jam packed. On Monday year 3 will be cooking with Laura from Health Outback Kids. Tuesday Kinder and year 1

will be going over to the ICFC for story time and Kinder to year 2 will be attending the Family Fun Day on Wednesday. Before we know it, it will be NAIDOC week and school holidays.

Next term I will be doing 'talk & walk' sessions at recess. It is an opportunity for me to eat my recess while getting some exercise walking around the block of school. Any children who has a signed local excursion permission note can join me for a yarn. If you do not want your child to walk around the school block then please notify the front office.

Thank you for your continued support over the term. Please feel free to call in and see me if you would like to discuss anything.

Beck Williams

Primary Awards

Kinder- Harmony Kelly, Shannika Orcher, Javontae Boney

Year 1- Nikeisha Bloomfield, Sidney Coffey, Amelia Hamilton, Georgjette Orcher, Tiffany Frail

Year 2- Vanessa Vincent, David Gibson, Jemma Hamilton, Benson Barker

Year 3- Billie-Jean Williams, Jeanette Bonsy, Beau-Dean Williams, MJ Barker

Year 4- Kasey Croaker, Jai-kel Waites, mason Scott, Maddison Gordon, Colin Gibson

Year 5/6 P- Tara Orcher, Ty Boney, Bryce Waites, Mattia Higgins

Year 5/6 C- Tanika Shillingsworth, Janayah Dennis, Dylan Rosser, Keelan Nicholls, Raymond Orcher

Library Award- Year 2S

Ms Nicholls Award- Jamahl Vincent

PBL Greenslip Award- Karl Knight & Harmony Kelly

Class of the Week- Year 5/6 C

Congratulations to all those students and classes.

Outback Debating Challenge

Five students Malakye, Sienna, Rhiannah, Ashlei and Fred travelled to Bourke with Miss Nicholls for Public Speaking, The Outback Debating Challenge in the topic Songlines. Judges on the day were very impressed with the Brewarrina Speakers and their knowledge on Songlines. Malakye and Sienna got runners up and are now selected to compete in the finals at Tottenham.

Wambangalang Visit

On Thursday 9th June we were very fortunate to have Sustainability Workshops for students Years 3 to 8. The workshops were run by Wambangalang, Warrumbungle EEC, Bee Aware, Taronga Zoo, Backyard buddies, Express your Nature, Redhill, Trash Talk, Netwaste Worm Power, Community Greening & Garden tucker.

The kids loved the day and no one noticed the rain. All staff were really impressed with how much information the children shared with each other the following day. It was a fantastic event and the children can't wait for the next one.

Many thanks to all of the organisations that attended and shared their knowledge with our kids.

"The trash talk group was good and we should do that every day. The teacher loved it and they showed us good options for trash."

Fred Gibson

"My favourite activity was with the Taronga Zoo because we got to see a python, frog, blue tongue lizard and bog-eye."

Cecil Mintern

"I learnt worms have saddles and hair and I got to eat fresh honey"

Kobi Bennett

"We learnt about cold blooded animals, bees, solar power, worms and gardening."

Raymond Orcher

"I liked the solar power workshop because it had fun activities."

Ashlei Williams

"I learnt about clean power like wind and solar and how it doesn't wreck the environment."

Jyle Waites

"I liked the Zoo workshop where all the animals were. The man told us if the animals climbed trees or not and which lizard climbed trees."

Jessie-Maria Walsh

"I liked when the man told us about all the bees. I learnt how to spray the smoke for when the bees get wild."

Shiara Waites

"We made a house for worms and they suck their food to eat."

Ava Orcher

"Bee keepers use a puffer to keep the bees calm. The natural honey was chewy and a bit stickier than the one I eat. I liked the chewy kind."

Maddison Gordon

"I had a mad day. I liked when we got to touch all the animals. I liked Brendan, he's my friend who played the didgeridoo. When I picked worms up they tickled my hand."

Eljeriah Cubby



5/6 Pirates



What a year 5/6 Pirates have been very busy with NAPLAN, Cross-country, Debating, Outback Challenge, Homework club, dance and Athletics carnival.

We have been focussing on healthy eating and exercise. A massive thank you to Miss Hayer for our garden. We harvested our lettuce and cucumbers but added tomatoes and cheese and made a delicious salad for lunch. We all tasted foods that we normally wouldn't eat and some even liked them! We have been looking at the food groups and created our own from foods we have found in magazines. We are just waiting for the corn to ripen.

We will be making some other simple healthy snacks throughout the term, we hope to come home and make them for our families.



Thank you to Uncle Bob, Mr Mendes, Auntie Leslee and Auntie Tahnee for all your assistance this year!

Thank you Miss Pratt and Uncle Bob

Secondary News

Year 11 interviews

All students in Year 11 and their carers will be meeting individually next week in an effort to support our senior students with the expectations that come with being in Year 11 and moving towards their HSC. We want all our students to succeed and achieve their best at school.

Reports

Secondary reports are on track to be out to parents/carers by the end of term.

Tackling Violence

A domestic violence workshop for students in Years 9-12 was held on Thursday June 9. Students were positive and engaged, as well as respectful to our guests.



Contracts

A student may be placed on contract in order to monitor behaviour. Contracts are a good way for students to manage themselves. They can be placed on contract for a range of things, for example truanting class, returning from suspension, disrupting others etc. At the end of a 5 day period, the contracts are sent home to parents/carers. This process is important to ensure all our students are engaging in positive behaviour at school and reflecting on choices they make, as well as being transparent for carers so that they know what is happening with their child.

Project Based Learning

Viv White, from Big Picture Education, visited us this week to give us support in our implementation of Project Based Learning (Big Picture) across KLAS in the Secondary. We have some ideas about how we can strengthen the framework and incorporate the Big Picture ideals into our curriculum. Big Picture continues to evolve and change in our setting, and the main aim is that our students are learning and are connecting with school. The Tell Them From Me survey of students showed that our students feel connected and supported at school, and the framework will continue to help us address the changing learning needs through relevant project work.

PBL Rewards

Students continue to earn merits towards our PBL Reward Day. The Reward Day will be held on

Thursday Week 1. It will involve an awesome lunch and sports activities. All our students are Safe Respectful Learners.

If you have any questions regarding your child at school, please feel free to contact us at any time.

Sarah Trapman

Athletics Carnival 2016





Clontarf Foundation

Brewarrina Academy (BA)



Clontarf News

The Clontarf Foundation exists to improve the education, discipline, self-esteem, life skills and employment prospects of young Aboriginal men and by doing so, equip them to participate more meaningfully in society.

General Comment:

Week 6: Week 6: The short week got off to a great start with 18 fellas showing up to training. These fellas really had a great start to the week and made sure the school week started well with the bacon and egg muffins ready and waiting as everyone arrived. Thanks to Ms. Ingold who organized this in advance.

Wednesday afternoon the fellas were at the oval for junior RL volunteering. There was only a small turn out but the fellas put together some training drills to keep the young ones occupied. Great work!

Thursday we started the planning for the room with the Academy fellas coming up with some ideas to make it a better working space. We will now make some decisions together and start the process of re-arranging the room. We will keep you posted.

Friday we shared Toasties in the room. It was a nice warm feel and awesome to see the rain falling outside. It is always the best time to catch up and share some stories. Chaz kept some of the fellas occupied with his yarns.

WHAT HAPPENED IN WEEK 6:

- Monday No School.
- Tuesday homework club.
- Tuesday/Thursday morning training.
- Wednesday Warriors Junior Training.

- Wednesday JRL Volunteering.
- Friday Lunch and Room Clean.

WHATs ON THIS WEEK

- Monday Boot Camp.
- Tuesday morning training.
- Tuesday Homework Club.
- Wednesday/Thursday Moree Oz Tag
- Friday Athletics Carnival

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Moree Oz Tag Week 7
- Endeavour Visit Week 7
- Academy Awards Day Week 10

MORNING TRAINING TIMES (incl. pick-ups) Staff welcome!

Tuesday @ School Oval, 7:00-8:00 – **Football focus** followed by healthy breakfast

Thursday @ School Oval, 7:00-8:00 – **Fun focus** followed by healthy breakfast

OUT OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES (incl. drop-offs)

Monday Boot Camp, After school.

Homework Heroes, Tuesday after school.

Wednesday JRL Volunteering.

Thursday Chip and Putt after school.

CONTACTS

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Notice Board

Dates to Remember For this Term

- 27th June – 1st July NAIDOC Week Celebrations
- 4th July– School Holidays

NAIDOC Week

As you know NAIDOC Week is being celebrated at school from Monday 27th June to Friday 1st July 2016. Parents/Carers and community members are welcome to visit the school and to participate in our school activities.

Monday 27th June- Official Flag Raising Ceremony @10.40am

Tuesday 28th June- NAIDOC Week Community March @ 10.40am

Wednesday 29th June- Art Exhibiton @ 5.00 – 7.00pm

Thursday 30th June- Whole School Assembly @ 10.00am

We look forward to seeing you at school.

-Please note any visitors to the school are required to sign in at the administration block

REMINDER PARENTS

Nursing Staff from the AMS visit our school every Monday, Wednesday & Friday to conduct General First Aid

"Term 2

School Holidays"

Last Day of school

1st July

Holidays begin

4th July

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