

Brewarrina Central School News

Term 4, Issue 5- 2017









Primary Captains- Rehannah Russell & Mason Scott

Primary Vice Captains- Maddison Gordon & Colin Gibson



Principal's News

This is the final edition of the Newsletter for 2017!! It doesn't seem that long ago that we were just embarking on the journey that was 2017. Last week we celebrated our students' achievements in a wide array of areas at the Presentation Assembly. Thank you to Mrs Hertslet and her team who organised this Assembly.

This was a wonderful event where so many students were acknowledged for their achievements in the academic, sporting, cultural and creative arenas. Students were also for their excellent Attendance recognised records, their Positive Behaviour for Learning and their participation in Girlfit. The Clontarf Awards night had been held earlier in the term. We were also entertained by many students and there was a display of Secondary Artworks. I am sure there were many proud family members in the audience who enjoyed seeing their students recognised for outstanding contributions to the school, their learning and the community. Thank you to all the families who were able to attend to make the day even more special for our students. Our students are supported and nurtured to achieve by the unflagging efforts of the staff. I would like to thank all the staff for their dedicated support of our students. There have been so many events, experiences and activities that require the support of each and every staff member to bring them to realisation. I am sure that our students relish all the opportunities they are provided with and that the families are well aware of the thought and organisation that they involve. Well done!!

For those of you who maintain an active following of the Brewarrina Central Facebook Page you would have seen this week that the Year 9/10 PASS class were involved in two community events. Some students washed cars to raise money for Motor Neurone Disease and others made cakes and other delectable Sweets that they took to the Elderly in the Hospital. This week they are holding a BBQ for the Community. To see this has surely made my heart sing- Well done to all those involved!!! Please follow our Facebook page and share with as many people...we need to let everyone know about the amazing achievements and events that make up the Brewarrina Central School experience.

At the Presentation Assembly it was my pleasure (tinged with sadness) to acknowledge the outstanding contributions of the following staff members who will be leaving Brewarrina Central School at the end of this year- Mrs Close will be joining her husband Adam in Townsville and will be teaching up there; Mr MacNamara has received a transfer to Cessnock High School; Mr Beames has received a transfer to Erina Public School and Mr Smyth has accepted a temporary Assistant Principal's position at Bourke Public School for 2018. We wish all these teachers all the best for the future and thank them for their valued contributions to Brewarrina Central School.

Also at the Presentation Assembly the School Captains for 2018 were announced. Congratulations to these students who will be the school leaders in 2018.

Secondary – Tamika Nicholls

K-6 – Rehannah Russell and Mason Scott – Captains

Maddison Gordon and Colin Gibson - Vice Captains

I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and a wonderful Christmas and New Year. I hope you all enjoy spending time with your families and friends. I look forward to seeing and working with everyone in 2018. ALL students return on Tuesday 6th February. Be safe...and happy!!!



Christine Grieves

Infants/Primary News

It has been a fantastic year in Primary and the presentation day and PBL reward day were a lovely way to finish off. Congratulations to all the students who attended the whole school assembly; their behaviour was outstanding and the performances were awesome!

We say farewell to Mr Beames who will be moving to the Central Coast in the holidays. We thank you for your time here and wish you good luck, we hope you enjoyed working at BCS. Mr Smyth will be also be leaving us for a year and working at Bourke Public School as Relieving Assistant Principal. We wish Mr Smyth good luck and I'm sure we will see him around.

I'd just like to thank all the students, families and staff for making Brewarrina Central School a wonderful, supportive environment for learning. It is a team effort and we can't do it without everyone working together. THANK YOU!

I hope everyone has a lovely and safe holiday break and I look forward to working with you all next year to improve the educational outcomes of our students.

Take care, Beck Williams

Secondary News

As the term comes to a close, there is still no shortage of things to do in the Secondary Department. In the last week, we have a special lunch for all High School students and staff in recognition of a busy and productive year coming to a close. We also have a group of students heading off to Lightning Ridge for the Reward Day- well done to these students who are fantastic role models of exceptional behaviour. We also have an opportunity for parents to come up to the school on Wednesday Week 10 to collect their child's Yearly Report and reflect on their year, as well as look towards 2018. Last week we had an information session for students moving into Year 7 next year. Thankyou to all students being respectful to the Executive that came to speak, we are so looking forward to guiding you in your learning journey. And it was great to see some parents there as well- your children are in excellent hands next year.

The Secondary Department is sad to be saying goodbye to a few of our teaching staff- Mrs Close is heading off to Townsville. Her support for staff and students as English teacher, GirlFit coordinator and Head Teacher has been immeasurable. Mr MacNamara is off to Cessnock High after 5 years of dedication to our kids. We wish them and their families all the best as they head into new challenges and hope that they will always remember our school and community with fondness. They will be greatly missed. We are potentially farewelling other members of our staff over the Christmas break- if this eventuates we would also wish them all the very best and thank them for everything they have done for our kids at Brewarrina Central.

Thankyou also to our wonderful support staff in Secondary- it has been challenging, but all of our Aboriginal Educators are right behind our teachers and students to help them succeed. We are so grateful for everything you do. Also to Clontarf, for continuing to support our boys in every way.

This year has been so busy and all students have had some amazing opportunities- on behalf of all the Secondary staff, we wish you a wonderful Christmas, stay happy and safe.

> Sarah Trapman Head Teacher



Positive Behaviour for Learning

(PBL)

At our school we are

Safe

Respectful Learners

Thankyou to staff, students and families for helping the PBL framework stay strong within our school. This year we have achieved so much- big and small things that make a difference to support our students positive mental health, behaviour and wellbeing. And next year we will continue to dedicate ourselves to build the best school community we can.

Wasn't it fantastic to see so many students get recognition at Presentation Day for their consistent positive behaviour throughout the year? And another group of students were also able to attend the Reward Day at Lightning Ridge in Weeks 9 (Primary) and 10 (Secondary). We also constantly recognise the positive behaviour of all our students every single day, and use opportunities to teach them appropriate behaviour through our values and expectations.

Looking forward to an amazing 2018!





<u>Dhinawan Dancers</u>

What an amazing year and new tradition that has been rebooted at BCS. Aunty Lacey has worked hard this year to build a dance group that have the confidence and pride to share their traditional dances with our school and community. Thank you to all our dancers and speakers whom have practised and performed tirelessly throughout the year. Everyone is proud of your efforts and many say they even get chills when they watch you all perform. Thank you to all our families who have supported Aunty Lacey and the girls this year! We look forward to another amazing year ahead and new dancers who would like to join us.









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Staff- Monday 5th February 2018

All Students- Tuesday 6th February

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Brewarrina Central School would like to

thank all students, staff, parents, carers

and community members for their efforts and commitment in 2017.

It has been a very busy and productive year.

We would also like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe and happy, fun-filled New Year.



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"Happy Holidays and we will see you all back here in 2018."



