



# Brewarrina Central School News

*Term 4, Issue 3- 2018*

## Years 3-6 Excursion



## Principal's News

Last week 33 of our Year 3 to 6 students boarded the bus to head to Newcastle to stay at the Koala Shores, Port Stephens Holiday Park for one night then on to The Great Aussie Bush camp at tea Gardens for three days. From there they headed to the Taronga Western Plains Zoo in Dubbo for a one night ZoosnooZ program. They were accompanied by Miss Dove, Miss Williams, Miss Moylan- McGuirk and Aunties Tahnee, Jenine, Christine and Lyn. From all accounts they had an awesome time and the photos and videos on Facebook would certainly confirm that. I would like to thank all the students and staff who attended for being such great ambassadors for our school. I am sure that the experiences that each of them had will stay with them for ever. The students were involved in a lot of activities that taught them so much all while they were having fun.... I would also like to thank all the staff who ensured that the usual routines were maintained while we had so many staff and students on the excursion.

Last Tuesday, we also had the pleasure of a visit by an ex student, John Kirby and a team from EIC Activities who talked to the Secondary students about the career opportunities in all aspects of Engineering. They then involved them in a practical application of engineering skills where they worked in groups to produce a prosthetic arm using limited materials. It was a delight to watch the students and their teachers work in groups to 'problem solve' this task. They then gave a demonstration of their finished product, including John. It was great to see the array of responses to the same problem using the same materials. I would like to thank EIC Activities for allowing John, Sheltma and Lucy to visit Brewarrina Central School. It was both informative and inspirational.

The Kinderstart and Year 6 into 7 Transition programs are in full swing with all those involved

thoroughly enjoying their experiences. Diondre Murphy in Year 12 attended the Cairns Clontarf Camp for graduating students. He was accompanied by Chris Bell, the Brewarrina Clontarf Director. This week Clontarf will be hosting the Brewarrina Amazing Race.

This Wednesday all staff will be involved in the Mandatory CPR and Anaphylaxis Training in an extended Whole School Staff Meeting. On Friday some of our girls aged 12 and above will be involved in Wiyi Yani U Thangani Program which is being auspiced by the Human Rights Commission. They wish to hear what is important to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and girls in many areas of Australia. They are holding a Community event for women at the Visitor Information Centre from 10am to 2pm on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. This is a wonderful opportunity for women and girls to express their views and concerns.

We have also been visited by a film crew from iTeach.nsw who spoke with some of our teachers as part of a state wide campaign to encourage teachers to come to Rural and Remote areas. We look forward to seeing the results.

As you can see Brewarrina Central School continues to be a busy and exciting place to be. There are so many opportunities for students to be involved in a range of activities both within and beyond school. Next week some of our Secondary students will be attending the University of Western Sydney to explore the possibilities of further education. We can look forward to a report about this trip in the next newsletter.

If you have any concerns about your children's progress, please contact me or the Deputy Principal K-6 or Deputy Principal 7- 12 by making an appointment at the school's Office.

***Christine Grieves.***

## Infants/Primary News

Wow this term is moving along! We have marked the middle of the term with the years 3 to 6 camp. I was very fortunate to attend and it was wonderful to spend five full days with our kids and have fun with them. We started at Port Stephens for the night and then made our way to the Great Aussie Bush Camp. It was lovely to see our kids extend themselves and get out of their comfort zone whilst having fun. Activities included a flying fox from one side of a lake to the other, rock climbing, high ropes, a giant swing and many team building activities. The children enjoyed six meals a day, yes six, and all of the kids had a great time. We then moved on to our ZooSnooz experience and it was amazing. One of the highlights for me was sleeping in the tent near the billabong and listening to the animals in the zoo, it was lovely. After working up our appetite we did our best to polish off the 26 pizzas that Ms Dove had organised before we left. It was a very well organised, wonderful excursion and I would like to thank all the staff who attended for giving up part of their weekend, spending time away from their families and being on call and caring for our kids 24 hours per day. I would also like to thank the staff who stayed behind and kept the primary school going, led by Ms Nicholls. They did an awesome job!

At the moment teachers are busy finalising reports to go out. Very soon we have our Year 6 farewell, PBL reward days, end of year assembly and PLP reviews. It doesn't slow down at BCS!

Please feel free to call in and see me or come in and visit your child's classroom.

*Take care, Beck Williams*

## Secondary News

The Secondary students enjoyed a visit from previous student John Kirby, who did a workshop focusing on STEM and engineering. He

encouraged our students to think of the possibilities of their dreams- our students have so many opportunities to succeed and experience things that help them pursue their passions. It comes down to the individual embracing those chances and going for it. Thankyou to John for coming, how great to see him again.

With lots of things happening as we hurtle towards the end of term, the secondary students have been so fantastic at being adaptable and flexible around our usual routine. This is much appreciated.

A reminder there is still a few weeks left in the school year, and we are still doing plenty of teaching and learning, so it would be great to see our students maintain regular attendance. The PBL Reward Day will be held at Lightning Ridge Pool on Thursday 13 December (Week 9). For students to earn the reward, they need consistent positive behaviour.

Yearly Reports should be mailed out to parents by the end of Week 9.

Safe Respectful Learner Awards:

Theo Francis, Xanthe Eyre & Bailee Nicholls

*Sarah Trapman*

## Attention Parents & Caregivers

Please contact the school in person or by phone on

02 6839 2186 to update all

contact information. We require updated addresses,

phone numbers and email addresses.

## Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

At our school we are	Canteen
<b>Safe</b>	-Line up -Wait your turn -Walk away when you get your food
<b>Respectful</b>	-Use your manners -Wait your turn
<b>Learners</b>	-Put orders in on time -Be prepared -Line up

- consulting children as to the contents in their school lunches and allowing them to assist in shopping and preparation where possible.
- planning and creating a small garden at home for growing fruit and vegetables.
- modelling good eating habits at home and limiting access to the type and amounts of highly processed foods available such as chips, chocolate, lollies and biscuits.
- providing healthy snacks
- talking to your children about food sources and how the food they eat reaches the table.

Check out these websites:

- [Healthykids.nsw.gov.au](http://Healthykids.nsw.gov.au)
- [Raisingchildren.net.au](http://Raisingchildren.net.au)

A reminder of our expectations when at the canteen.

We are a Healthy School Canteen- promoting healthy options and encouraging our students to have a balanced approach to their eating choices.

Strategies that you can try at home include:

- substituting sugary drinks with water at home and in lunchboxes.
- including children from an early age in meal planning and preparation. Planning meals together, compiling shopping lists, including children in the shopping trip and allowing children to assist in the preparation and cooking of meals spikes interest, motivation and creates healthier eating options.
- encouraging older children and young people to plan a dinner menu for a day with support to compile a shopping list, purchase and prepare meals



## *Safe, Respectful Learners*

# Stage 3 Science - Tsunamis

Throughout this term, Year 5 and 6 have been learning about tsunamis. Students have been researching and investigating the causes of a tsunami and the effects that it can have on people, animals and the environment.



Have a look at some of the photos from our hands-on Science experiment. Students were asked to create a mini tsunami, then use different natural resources to save the houses from being destroyed. It was a fantastic effort by all students!



# Visit from Mark Coulton- Federal Member for Parkes

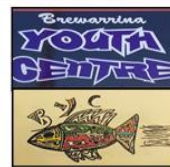


*More Pictures from our Years 3-6 Excursion*





# Brewarrina Shire Council Youth & Family Centre presents



## Times Running Out!!



## Bush to Beach 2019

Brewarrina Shire Council Youth & Family Centre is assisting South Narrabeen Surf Club to search for Children and Supervisors from the communities of **Brewarrina, Goodooga, Weilmoringle & Bourke**. We are seeking **40 Children** aged **8-13 years of age** & **7 responsible adult's** for the trip on the 17th to the 21st January 2019

**Children must undergo a AUSTSWIM lesson before entering the bus**

All Volunteering Adults Must Have:

- A Current Working with Children Check or willingness to obtain one
- A genuine interest in supporting our children positively & representing your town

**All Children will need their notes signed and Swim lesson completed before Christmas**

**Bourke Interests** please contact James Moore at SOS Birrang/Maranguka on 0427085305,

**Goodooga - Volunteer & Children's Positions** Are already filled for Goodooga

**Brewarrina & Weilmoringle Interest** - please email Danielle Boney at [youth@brewarrina.nsw.gov.au](mailto:youth@brewarrina.nsw.gov.au)

**Volunteer Positions** are filled for Brewarrina

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## November Program

Week 4	<b>19th</b> <b>Midterm Break</b> Board Games, ping pong, Pool, Air Hockey Coloring, BBall, relax and chill, listening to music <b>11am-4pm</b>	<b>20th</b> <b>Your Space</b> Board Games, ping pong, Pool, Air Hockey Coloring, BBall, relax and chill, listening to music <b>4pm-7pm</b>	<b>21st</b> <b>Craft Day</b> Get Crafty!! Painting, Coloring, Crafting, Beading. <b>4pm-7pm</b>	<b>22nd</b> <b>Court Sports</b> Tennis, BBall, or Netball at the town courts <b>4pm-7pm</b>	<b>23rd</b> <b>Outreach</b> Activities at the pool Cricket, ball games <b>Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult</b> <b>4:30pm-6:30pm</b>
	<b>26th</b> <b>Outreach</b> Bourke PCYC <b>Children that attend require a signed permission note</b> <b>4pm-7pm</b>	<b>27th</b> <b>Your Space</b> Board Games, ping pong, Pool, Air Hockey Coloring, BBall, relax and chill, listening to music <b>4pm-7pm</b>	<b>28th</b> <b>Craft Day</b> Get Crafty!! Painting, Coloring, Crafting, Beading. <b>4pm-7pm</b>	<b>29th</b> <b>Court Sports</b> Tennis, BBall, or Netball at the town courts <b>4pm-7pm</b>	<b>30th</b> <b>Outreach</b> Activities at the pool Cricket, ball games <b>Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult</b> <b>4:30pm-6:30pm</b>

Bus is available upon request for more information please call youth Centre on (02) 6839 1817

# Notice Board

## Dates for this Term

- 5<sup>th</sup> December- Year 6 Farewell
- 11<sup>th</sup> December- Clontarf Awards Night
- 12<sup>th</sup> December- Presentation Day
- 19<sup>th</sup> December Last Day of School

## REMINDER PARENTS

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



## Brewarrina AECG *Re-establish Meeting*

**Date:** Monday 3rd December 2018

**Time:** 4:00 pm

**Venue:** Brewarrina Central School  
Community Hub

- \* Afternoon Tea Provided
- \* All Parents, Caregivers and Grandparents are encouraged to attend
- \* All Aboriginal Community members are eligible to vote
- \* \$2 to become an associate member

If you require any further information please contact Des from the NSW State AECG INC

37 Cavendish Street, STANMORE NSW 2048, Phone: (02) 9550 5666

See you all soon! THANKS