



# Brewarrina Central School News

*Term4, Issue 1- 2019*

## Kinderstart 2019



## Principal's News

Welcome back to Term 4...I hope that everyone had a restful holiday and have come back feeling refreshed, rejuvenated and excited about all that Term 4 has to offer. While this is the final term of the school year it is expected that all students will attend school until Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December and be involved in meaningful work. At Brewarrina Central School all students from Kindergarten to Year 11 are expected to be at school until the holidays begin.

Term 3 was busy right up until the end with a Rugby League Gala Day for students in Years 3 to 6 where we were joined by students from Weilmoringle and St Patricks. Miss Turvey organised the event in collaboration with Country Rugby League, Miss Williams and Miss Nicholls ran an awesome Kiosk and the referees were some of our Secondary students who received training and also did an awesome job. It was a fun filled day where good sportsmanship and spirits were displayed. It was wonderful to see so many families watching the games and enjoying their skilful participation.

The End of Term 3 Assembly where the Farewell of Year 12 was celebrated was a wonderful event. Thank you to Mrs Hertslet and her team for their wonderful organisation. Aunty Kim Hardy, SLCE, organised the Morning Tea that was enjoyed by many families, Year 12 students and staff. One of the highlights of the Assembly was the performances by the primary choir organised by Miss Austin and Miss Kitson and the dancers under the direction of Miss Morgan and Miss Murphy. It was wonderful to see so many of our children performing.

Book Week was celebrated in the final week of term and again it was wonderful to see the colourful costumes worn by students and staff. It made judging the 'best' costume very difficult. Miss Austin and all the K-6 staff were very enthusiastic in their participation. It was again

another wonderful opportunity for our families and community to be involved.

Congratulations are also extended to Miss Nolan and the Year 9-12 students who were involved in the Art Project around town, particularly on the Amenities Block in Bathurst Street. They are stunning.

Since we have been back at school there have been so many events and activities as well as the usual engaging teaching and learning occurring. Years 3 and 4 were involved in an excursion to the Blue Mountains and Bathurst. It was an awesome trip and I would like to thank Miss Moylan McGuirk for her wonderful organisation and thank Miss Murphy, Miss Nicholls, Mr Stankey and Aunty Christine for accompanying the students. They all had an exciting time.

We were also visited briefly by Wahallow Public School. Miss Williams liaised with our visitors and they thoroughly enjoyed their stay in Brewarrina.

Kinderstart has also commenced this week with Miss Skuthorpe and Aunty Jenine. It was lovely to go and meet our new 'Kinders' who seemed to be adapting to 'big' school with aplomb.

The HSC also started in the first week of Term 4 and is almost near the finish for our Year 12 students. We wish them all the best in their exams and look forward to seeing them and their families at the Year 12 Formal which will be held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at the Wing Garden Restaurant at the Brewarrina RSL.

Last week it was my pleasure to attend the Fit4Home Program Graduation Ceremony at the Brewarrina Visitors Information Ceremony. It was lovely to see Lara Bennett, Tara Lea Kirby, Mia Rae Murray, Kaylee Rose, Stevee Hammond and Brooke Ford receive recognition for their involvement at the ceremony. Other recipients were Jana Lee Conroy, Molly Murray, Alley Rose, and Maylee Bloomfield. The girls received a certificate, gift and their Certificate of Attainment for Hygienic Practices for food Safety and

Preparation and Service of Espresso Coffee from TAFE Western.

Clontarf have also been busy with visits to the Travelling Barber, a Year 11 Leadership Camp, and a Year 7 and 8 Bourke Cricket Carnival.

The AECG AGM was held last week and saw the election of the following Office Bearers: David Kirby, President, Peter Gordon Vice President, Danielle Boney, Secretary and Kelsie Lovett Treasurer. The Delegates to attend the Regional meetings are: Sue Gordon, Loreen Coffey, Dianne Hardy and Samantha Gordon. Congratulations to all those who were re-elected and to all the new office bearers...Brewarrina Central School looks forward to working with you for the remainder of 2019 and into 2020.

The Year 6 into 7 Transition has also commenced this week and has been progressing well. I look forward to meeting with all our 'new' Year 7 2020 parents on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November.

Our Year 8 students were involved in VALID this week and approached the assessment very seriously.

It was also my pleasure to attend the opening of the Brewarrina Hair and Beauty Salon at Blessings yesterday. Year 3 performed the National Anthem in Wayilwan under the direction of Miss Melissa Kirby and supported by Miss Murphy and Auntie Raeleen. This was a very poignant performance so much so that they had to repeat it. Belmont (Monty) McHughes also did the Acknowledgement to Country in Language and of course did so beautifully. It was so lovely to see the young models display the beautiful hair styles created by the graduates of the Hairdressing course. It was a credit to the women involved and such a positive for the Brewarrina Community.

We are also getting closer to School Spectacular time and the seven dancers are practising very diligently with Miss Morgan and Miss Murphy. Miss Murphy has been AMAZING in being able to secure sponsorship for the trip...Brewarrina will certainly be making its mark in School Spec.

The advertisement for the GA Position has had an Extension of Advertisement as it was brought to my attention that some potential applicants may have missed it during the holiday period. Please let all interested people know that it has been re-advertised and closes on 15<sup>th</sup> November.

To assist with the running of the school's Canteen it is requested that all Lunch Orders are placed by 10 am and that any account is paid in a timely manner.

It is with some sadness but also excitement that I announce that Miss Kellett and Miss Dove have received transfers for 2020. Miss Kellett, who has been at Brewarrina Central School for over 20 years will be moving to Albury next year and Miss Dove, who has been here for 5 years will be moving to Broken Hill. We wish both ladies all the best and thank them for all their wonderful work that they have done while they were at Brewarrina Central School. They will be sorely missed.

I look forward to working with our students, staff and families to ensure we have a productive, happy and engaging Term 4. There is so much to look forward to and I hope our students take the opportunity to be involved in all the school has to offer. Please contact the school if you have any concerns or queries on 02-68392 186.

*Best wishes, Christine Grieves*

### **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.



## Infants/Primary News

It has been an awesome start to the term!

Last week, Years 3 and 4 went on their excursion to the Blue Mountains. The students and staff had a wonderful time and will no doubt treasure those memories for a long time. There were many lovely photos shared on Facebook and the kids were super excited to talk about their time away when they returned to school. A big thank you to the staff who accompanied the students- Aunty Christine, Ms Nicholls, Mr Stankey, Miss Murphy and Ms Moylan-McGuirk. An especially big thanks to Ms Moylan-McGuirk for her excellent preparation and organisation of the trip.

This week Year 6 have started transition to Year 7. They are eager to learn with High School and look forward to learning with 'new' teachers. I am sure they will have a great time.

Book Fair has started this week in the Library and there many lovely books that would make great Christmas presents. Don't forget to pop in over the next weeks and it check out.

Next Wednesday Year 2 will be going to Lightning Ridge for their school excursion. The kids are going to have a great time learning about opals, fossicking and having a pizza lunch. Thank you to Ms Dove organising this lovely experience.

Miss Kitson is finalising the Years 5 and 6 excursion to Canberra. Notes and payments are due by the end of the week and we hope everyone can attend. Equipment lists will be going out this week. This is going to be a wonderful trip! Thank you to Miss Kitson for your organisation.

The Year 6 Farewell is not far away and Miss Green and Aunty Sherrie are working hard to make it an awesome night. The date is Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December and invitations are on their way.

There are many more things happening this term including PLP reviews, Intensive Swimming, PBL Pool days and Presentation Day.

Please feel free to call in and have a yarn.

*Take care, Beck Williams*

### *Year 12 Farewell*

2<sup>nd</sup> December

@6.30pm

Wing Garden Chinese  
Restaurant

Brzwarrina RSL Club

### **Year 6 Farewell**

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>**

**December**

**@6.00pm**

**To be held at Muddy  
Waters Coffee Shop**

## Secondary News

### Secondary News Week 3

Welcome back for the last term of the year. The year has flown by at an amazing pace and as always Term 4 is very, very busy with quality teaching & learning happening in our classrooms, acknowledgement of student achievements, development & writing of student reports and planning for the celebrations that the end of the school year brings. However we have another seven weeks of time in the classroom to consolidate learning from throughout the year before we get excited for the summer holidays.

HSC exams – are underway. Five students from BCS have prepared for them and most students only have one or two exams to go. At the end of last term Year 12 were acknowledged at the Term Assembly. A formal farewell for the students and their families which was to be next week will now be in December due to circumstances beyond the control of BCS. Best of luck for the future.

Year 11 are now our senior students. It is essential they attend every day and apply themselves completely to their studies. There will be assessment tasks that must be completed, planning for major works that is required before the end of the year and the opportunity to nominate for our school leadership positions. A parent meeting for our Year 11 students will be scheduled in the next few weeks. At that meeting the expectations of being a Year 12 student will be outlined, including requirements for major works. All Year 11 students and a parent / carer will be expected to attend that meeting.

On the last Thursday of last term, the secondary students and staff participated in the most fantastic PBL Acknowledgement Day we have had for a long while. Mr Daymond spent hours putting together activities for everyone out at The Four Mile. It was a beautiful day weatherwise and the lunch organised by Mrs Hertslet and

students was lovely. Everyone enjoyed the johnny cakes

prepared by Auntie Sue and others. Thank you to Clontarf for help with transport and the boys and Uncle Bruce for helping with the BBQ.







Year 6 are now participating in Transition to Year 7 – this program will run for 4 weeks over the next five weeks. It is a great chance to ease into life in secondary school and workout the expectations of moving from primary to secondary schooling. A meeting for Year 6 parents will be held next Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 at 2.30pm in the Community Hub.

### So we have a great Term 4 at BCS

We expect –

- all students to attend school every day ready to learn ( in uniform & with their equipment) and remain in class every lesson for the whole lesson.
- students are in school uniform – secondary white polo shirt with a collar, navy PBL shirt, GirlFit shirt, Clontarf shirt and shorts, black or navy shorts or track pants and covered shoes. Short shorts and any form of tights (short or long) are not acceptable school wear. Uniform can be bought at the Front Office at great prices.
- Use of appropriate language at all times – speaking to friends, other students and staff – if swearing or inappropriate language happens then parents may be called to collect their child from school, and a warning of suspension or a suspension may be implemented

- Use of mobile phones – our school is moving towards a complete phone free zone in 2020 – currently students may use their phone at recess or lunch or in the classroom with teacher permission – on the understanding that if they are asked to put their phone away that it happens. Persistent misuse of technology will also be managed under the DoE and school procedures.
- Glass bottles are **not** to be brought into the school playground and students are encouraged not to buy drinks in glass bottles during school time.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child's education please contact me at the school and we can discuss the issue. (phone 0268392186)



# Mathematics

As usual a very busy term, full of exciting learning opportunities in Mathematics at all levels.

Year 11 has had a smooth transition into year 12 and are embracing the challenges ahead. I am confident that they will build on the knowledge that they have developed in the first three terms. Currently they are doing 'budgeting and household expenses' something they can relate to in real life. Years 9 and 10 students are working on "wages, salaries, overtime, commission, piecework and GST for the third week and targeted outcomes have been achieved. Year 8 students have giving their best in everything they do and are consistently improving their performance. Year 7 students are really focused in their work and this is encouraging.

## Mathletics Program

All our students have the opportunity to utilize the Mathletics program both at school and at home. Any of our students who have access to a computer and the internet can access this program at [www.mathletics.com.au](http://www.mathletics.com.au). They have their own individual password and can complete tasks relevant to their levels. This program is a fantastic way to improve a child's Mathematics progress, while enjoying the use of the computer. Also, it allows our students to compete with other students around the world. A huge thank you to Brewarrina Central School for funding Mathletics this year.

**Year 8 students with Aunty Bim doing assigned work with the Mathletics program.**



**Sample Mathletics record of work attempted by the students. They receive instant feedback on their performance as seen below.**

Brewarrina Central School									
Year 8 Default Group *									
Number of activities assigned	24	3	26	18	4	20	21	22	25
Dot Plots	90%	100%	90%	80%	100%	80%	90%	100%	100%
Coordinate Graphs	90%	90%	90%	80%	90%	90%	90%	100%	100%
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**Maths Teacher**

**Mr Rakesa**



# 3/4 Excursion

On Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October, Year 3 and 4 set off from BCS on their excursion to the Blue Mountains. During the trip, we did work in our activity books, or caught up on sleep! We had a lunch break in Dubbo, before continuing on our way to Jenolan Caves.



When we arrived, there was a steep hike up to our rooms to settle in, and then we enjoyed a lovely dinner in the grand dining room. After that, we went on a nice night walk with Mr Stankey, followed by a good sleep.



The next morning, we enjoyed a delicious breakfast of cereal, pancakes, baked beans, hash browns, croissants, pain aux chocolate, bacon and sausages. Afterwards, we hiked up to Carlotta Cave, and went on a bush walk around the Blue Lake, where we saw lots of lizards. Next, we took a guided tour of Chifley Cave, where the temperature is a constant 15 degrees.



When we finished, it was time to leave and travel to Scenic World at Katoomba. Our first activity was a ride on the Skyway, which took us across to the famous Three Sisters. After that, we caught the train down to the valley – it's the steepest train line in the world! To get back up to the souvenir shop and bus, we took the cable car.





For dinner on Tuesday, we had Domino's pizza and then watched a DVD. The following morning, it was time to go to Bathurst Goldfields, where we visited the museum and learned about how different types of gold were collected.



throwing boomerangs, before painting our own designs onto them.



Next, we watched the steam engine crush the quartz to reveal gold. After that, we went to the Blacksmith's, where some children had a go at being apprentice blacksmiths and made a poker.



After dinner, we told ghost stories by the campfire and toasted marshmallows. On the last morning of our trip, we went to Bathurst museum and learned about lots of different artefacts from the colonial era. We also went to the park to complete a scavenger hunt, before setting off on our journey back to Brewarrina. On the way, we enjoyed a treat of McDonald's for lunch!



After a sausage sizzle lunch, we tried our hand at panning for gold and then made damper and mud bricks. The girls and boys had a Tug of War and tent-building challenge, and then we had a go at



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## Extension of Advertisement

### EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

General Assistant

**Closes Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 4.00pm**

Duration: Term 4, 2019 with the possibility of extension

Hours: 7 hours daily

Start time: 7:30am-12:00pm

Lunch: 12:00pm-1.30pm

Return to work: 1:30-4:00pm

To be considered for this position you must be able to meet the following criteria:

- Maintain and care for school grounds
- Carry out minor maintenance of buildings & equipment
- Maintain and distribute stores
- Monitor school security systems and report faults to appropriate authority
- Excellent communication skills
- Be able to maintain confidentiality, punctuality be responsible and respectful
- Understanding of WH&S principles
- Perform related duties as directed by the Principal

It is a requirement of employment that a Prohibited Employment Declaration, Consent to Employment Screening Check and a Current Working with children Check is completed.

Expressions of interest of 1 A4 page (maximum) addressing the criteria with 2 contactable referees to be addressed to:

Executive Principal

Brewarrina Central School

Locked Bag 2

Brewarrina NSW 2839

For information please contact the school on 0268 392 186







## Australian Childhood Anxiety TREATMENT STUDY

### Free home-based assessment and treatment for 7 to 12 year old children with fear and anxiety disorders.

Does your child become very afraid of certain situations or objects, worry about a lot of things, get very distressed, or try to avoid things they fear?

#### About the study

Our team at Griffith University may be able to assist you. We are conducting a nationwide study that includes the following services at no cost to families:

- A thorough assessment of your child's anxiety with a trained psychologist via the telephone;
- Your child receiving one of two kinds of home-based treatments delivered on a PC, laptop or tablet; and
- Two follow-up telephone assessments with a trained psychologist 6- and 12-months after treatment to track your child's progress.

The study aims to find out if these two treatments are as effective as each other, and which children have the best response to each kind of treatment. This will mean that there are more evidence-based treatments available for helping anxious children.

#### About the treatments

Each treatment involves your child completing treatment sessions at home on a PC, laptop or tablet.

Each treatment involves your child learning practical strategies to better manage anxiety.

- One treatment helps children learn to control the focus of their attention on helpful things around them.
- The other treatment helps children learn to think differently and approach things they fear.

Each treatment includes information, telephone or email support for parents in assisting their child to better manage anxiety.

Prior studies have shown that children who complete each treatment experience significant reductions in anxiety.

#### Contact us

This study is being funded by the National Health and Medical Research Council and is led by Professor Allison Waters and a team of experts in childhood anxiety disorders.

For more information about our study and our team, or if you would like your child to participate, please contact us:



(07) 3735 3351



[cadrp@griffith.edu.au](mailto:cadrp@griffith.edu.au)



[griffith.edu.au/childhood-anxiety-treatment-study](http://griffith.edu.au/childhood-anxiety-treatment-study)



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## Bush to Beach

Caring For Kids  
Dedicated To Inspiring Hope, Confidence, Self-esteem  
& Promoting Education For Our Great Aussie Bush Kids



# Bush to Beach 2020

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 6-13 years of age & **8 responsible adult's** for the trip on the 17th to the 20th January 2020

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

**Enquire Now to secure your spot**

**Please Note if we do not get the Volunteers the trip will not go ahead**

**Bourke Interests**

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

**Goodooga Interest**

please Contact Karen Wood at Goodooga Youth Centre on 0447237424,

**Brewarrina & Weilmoringle**

Interest please contact Danielle Boney on 6839 1817 or Email [youth@brewarrina.nsw.gov.au](mailto:youth@brewarrina.nsw.gov.au)

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# **Brewarrina Central School will be a MOBILE FREE ZONE in 2020**



## Too Deadly News with Brewarrina Aboriginal Medical Service (BAMS)



BAMS do a school health clinic at the Central School on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Our friendly staff will be at the admin building on those mornings.

Healthy Children = Healthy Communities

Sports drinks are not meant for kids.

Pack water for your little athlete.



Registered Nurse Mary Copp has joined the BAMS team. Mary plans to be here for 6 months. We also have two medical students with us for four weeks.

### **2019 Doctors Roster:**

There is now a doctor available at BAMS Monday to Friday.

**Dr Mervat Malek – 28<sup>th</sup> October to 8<sup>th</sup> November**

**Dr Belinda Janu – 11<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> November**

**Dr Faika Jappie – 2<sup>nd</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> December**

Please ring 6839 3333 for appointments.

### **Position Vacant**

Casual Cleaner required at Brewarrina Aboriginal Medical Service. Please contact Katrina Ward on 6839 3333 for further information.



### Disability Advocacy NSW– a voice for people with disabilities in Dubbo and the West

Disability Advocacy provides free, independent advocacy and information for people with all disabilities, their families and carers when they have been treated unfairly.

Our Advocates can support you to speak up and be heard if you do not feel you are getting a fair go

- with the NDIS
- from government departments, services and businesses;
- at work, school, TAFE and university
- with accommodation, transport and access;
- with legal, health care or money issues. **Note:** We do not lend money

Disability Advocate NSW can provide information sessions to families, carers and members of the community around Advocacy for people with a disability.

If people with a disability or their families/carers' need assistance, Disability Advocacy NSW can be contacted on 1300 365 085. Lea can be contacted directly on her mobile 0417 993 261, email [leanne.callan@da.org.au](mailto:leanne.callan@da.org.au) or through the Neighbourhood Centre, 1/80 Gipp Street, Dubbo.

## Aurora College

The virtual selective school for rural and remote students

Aurora College is NSW's first virtual selective school, offering a mix of online and residential school classes. The school provides innovative, flexible learning in a whole new context, by allowing students to connect locally and learn globally.

**Aurora offers selective classes in English, mathematics and science to gifted and talented Year 7-10 students from rural and remote areas across NSW.** Students connect with their teachers and classmates in timetabled lessons through a virtual learning environment.

The college also gives Year 11 and 12 students the opportunity to study subjects not available in their own school. For details please visit our website.

Aurora College offers students expanded career options through innovative partnerships with businesses and with scientific, cultural and tertiary education institutions.

Students in the selective stream are chosen in the same way as students in all other selective classes in NSW government schools.



**Applications for entry into Year 7 in 2021:**  
**Open 8<sup>th</sup> October 2019**  
**Close 11<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

Visit Selective High Schools website  
<http://bit.ly/shs2019>

For further information about Aurora College, visit our website  
[www.aurora.nsw.edu.au](http://www.aurora.nsw.edu.au) | or phone 1300 287 629



# Notice Board

## Dates for Term 4

- 28<sup>th</sup> October– 19<sup>th</sup> November Kinderstart– Every Monday & Tuesday
- 28<sup>th</sup> October–27<sup>th</sup> November Year 6–7 Transition (Every Wednesday)
  - 11<sup>th</sup> November– Remembrance Day
  - 11<sup>th</sup>–14<sup>th</sup> November Year 5/6 Excursion to Canberra
- 10<sup>th</sup>–15<sup>th</sup> November– Year 12 Clontarf Camp to Perth W.A.
  - 15<sup>th</sup>–18<sup>th</sup> November– Mid Term Break
  - 19<sup>th</sup> November– Clontarf Awards Night
- 17<sup>th</sup>–24<sup>th</sup> November– School Spectacular– Sydney
- 25<sup>th</sup>–29<sup>th</sup> November– Western Sydney Uni Camp
- 2<sup>nd</sup> December– Year 12 Farewell (Changed of Date from 4<sup>th</sup> Nov)
  - 11<sup>th</sup> December– Presentation Day
  - 11<sup>th</sup> December– Year 6 Farewell
- 12<sup>th</sup> December– Secondary PBL Reward Day

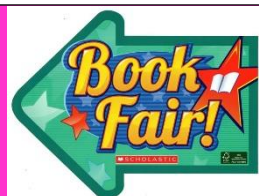
### School Reference Group (SRG)

#### Meetings

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November &

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December

To be held in the Community  
Hub



Book Fair is happening in the Library.

Please come along and have a look at  
all the great books, posters & nick  
nacks we have for sale.