



# Brewarrina Central School News

*Term 3, Issue 1- 2021*

## Student Voice Committee

Congratulations to our new Committee! Eli Walsh, Ta'Shaei Ford, Noah Trapman, Koesha Morris, Jharal Jackson, Georgina Vincent, Ashton Simmons-Biles, Charlotte Andrews, David Gibson, Teirah Nicholls, Ezekiel Hardy, Jenette Boney, Colin Gibson, Maddison Gordon, Ty Boney, Savannah Gordon, Brody Walsh, Kobi Bennett, Lara Bennett and Steven Salt. All students self-nominated and after voting were successful. The Primary and Secondary Captains/ Vice Captains are also part of the Committee and will help run meetings as part of their roles.

On Friday 23/7/21 a Recess was held to formally congratulate students on their achievement. It was planned originally for parents/ caregivers to attend but as a result of COVID restrictions it was held with staff and students. We hope to have something for parents as well to share in their child's achievement after COVID restrictions are lifted. All students were also presented with badges as well as certificates.

We will begin holding our formal meetings in the near future. I can't wait to support our students in sharing their voice and vision for our school.

Mrs Turnbull

SVC Coordinator



## Principal's News

Yamma,

Schools are a lot like a river, they change daily with the seasons and the time. My time now sees me privileged to be your relieving Principal at Brewarrina Central School for the remainder of this term.

As a pair of fresh eyes, I am happy to report that;

- The school is focused on learning and caring for all students
- Staff are working hard each day to support the differentiated needs of all students not just to grow knowledge and skills in curriculum also, to nurture life skills
- The community is respectful, welcoming and keen to support the learning of their children
- Students say hello, have a great sense of fun and work hard to achieve our school goals as safe, respectful learners

The timeline for the school to find a new substantive Principal is progressing as planned. Advertising across NSW closed yesterday, and short listing will take place in the next few days followed by an intensive interview process. It is the intention of the department that the school have the merit selected Principal in place as soon as possible.

COVID updates are being monitored daily across all NSW schools in line with NSW Health to protect the safety of all students, staff and community. For our school, we will continue a Level 2 rating until notified. That means only essential staff and services should enter the school with masks, social distancing and hygiene procedures in place. Unfortunately, that means that parents across all our NSW schools including Brewarrina Central are still not permitted on school grounds. Having said that if you need to contact the school please ring to make a phone appointment. Further details can

be found on the school website and our Facebook page.

For our HSC students this is an unsettling time with recent changes announced to support them as best as possible both more time to prepare for their HSC exams. This includes;

- Extend the hand in date for all major works by two weeks and, the hand-in date for industrial Technology extended by four weeks
- Reschedule written exams to begin one week later to the 19<sup>th</sup> October with HSC results out on 17<sup>th</sup> December

We will keep you notified of any further updates as they come to hand.

*Kind regards,*

*Mark Hall*

*Rel. Executive Principal*

## Infants/Primary News

Welcome back to Term 3! It has been a bit of a bumpy start in relation to COVID and some restrictions. However, the students have handled it really well and settled into their routines and learning. Unfortunately, we've had to postpone some of our planned events for this term including Indigenous Games, District Athletics, Healthy Harold and Ricky Walford/Jenny Wright events. A big thank you to all our families who have adapted to the changes and made arrangements for canteen orders and payment over the phone, as well as making telephone appointments to speak with staff. Hopefully this will change in the very near future!

Please don't forget to check out our Facebook page for what is happening within the school. It is lovely to see photos and videos of student learning and performances. Soon we will be having our Book Parade and this will be a great place to see all of the action!

The Attendance Team meet each Tuesday to discuss student attendance and ways we can support families to get kids to school and learning. If your child is sick, then please ring the Front Office on 6839 2186 to explain the absence. If you are having any issues with getting your child to school and would like support, please don't hesitate to contact me.

*Take care, Beck Williams*

## Secondary News

Welcome back to Term 3. A reminder that in high school, all students are expected to have their own materials for learning- that is, books, pens etc. **Book packs are available from the Front Office for \$15.** Uniforms can also be purchased from the Front Office- secondary students wear a white polo with black or navy bottoms.

Welcome to Mr Hill (day to day relief K-12) and Mr Peterson (Science). And to Mr Hall, our relieving Executive Principal.

This term is a particularly busy one for our Stage 6 students, with the Year 11 Yearly Examinations and the Trial HSC for Year 12 students. Yearly reports for Stage 6 will be going out at the end of this term. It is vital that students attend school and attempt all assessment tasks in their subjects. We have some great support systems in place to help students achieve this, but we need them at school.

Year 7 and 8 have begun online COVID intensive learning tutoring. They have been split into groups and participate in a Microsoft teams lesson delivered remotely. This occurs for an hour every Monday and Thursday. So far, students have been very positive about the experience.



Yondr pouches have begun here in secondary, and as expected there is some resistance from a small number of students. We will follow the policy in these cases- the pouch is designed to support students to have ownership of their phone and make the right choice in regard to preventing it distracting them and others from learning.

### Safe Respectful Learner awards:

Liam Trapman

Savannah Gordon

Kieran Boney

Mythys Grant

Cloe Grant

Tyson Warraweena

Tai Wharemahihimako

Faris Tawfik-Townsend

Cameron Fox

Wayne Smith

Well done for these students displaying our school values and giving a go! Students need to keep collecting their tokens as we work towards a Mid-Term Acknowledgement. The tokens box is filling fast, which is great.

# Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

**Focus Weeks 1 & 2- On time for learning**

**Focus Weeks 3 & 4- Following Rules**

**Ongoing focus all term is RESPECT**

PBL lessons are delivered in class every week to teach students the expected behaviour.

Positive behaviour is then reinforced through our school-wide token system and in-class rewards systems.

It is important for all students to be at school every day for their learning- academically, socially and emotionally. It is expected that when at school, students are timely in returning to class after breaks.

By following our school rules, students are demonstrating respect for themselves, respect for staff and respect for the school. We link this to following rules in the community and at home. Rules are in place to ensure all students have access to learning, that they are safe and feel valued.

Congratulations to our newly elected Student Voice Committee- the students enjoyed a special morning tea and received their badges. They are representing their peers so all students are able to have a voice in our school. It is also a great leadership opportunity and builds social skills and confidence.

Respect can be defined as **allowing yourself and others to do and be their best**. At Brewarrina Central, we want to create a mutually respectful atmosphere between all individuals within our school.



Gidgee the Goanna says "Give it a go!" and we love to see all our students doing their best to display our school values of SAFE RESPECTFUL LEARNERS.

## Maths Report

Today, critical thinking, problem solving, reasoning ability and ability to communicate mathematically are essential skills. These processes are the foundation of mathematics instruction in Brewarrina Central School.

This term our students are thinking and talking about mathematics around the five strands: number sense and numeration, measurement, patterning and algebra, Investments, data management and probability.

This year our Year 11 maths is involved with a pilot program that includes almost 10 school in the remote communities of NSW. The common online lesson every Tuesdays has allowed our students to interact with other students in a more cohesive learning environment. The program is new with its own technical challenges but our students are benefitting from the engagement and this has boosted their confidence.

**Mr Jone Rakesa**



## Year 4 News

Year 4 have had a great start to Term 4, learning about narrative writing and exploring character, setting and plot. We are reading lots of different texts, including Choose Your Own Adventure – *Mystery of the Maya*, and the fantasy novel *The Curious Dictionary*.

In Spelling, several students are now learning extension vocabulary and incorporating words into their own written work.

In mathematics, students have been consolidating their skills on telling the time and working with 5-digit numbers, as well as completing online tasks to improve their mental mathematics skills using the Think Mentals program.

At the end of last term, we took part in a fantastic NAIDOC Week and several students travelled to Bourke for the Outback Footy Challenge.





## 6A News

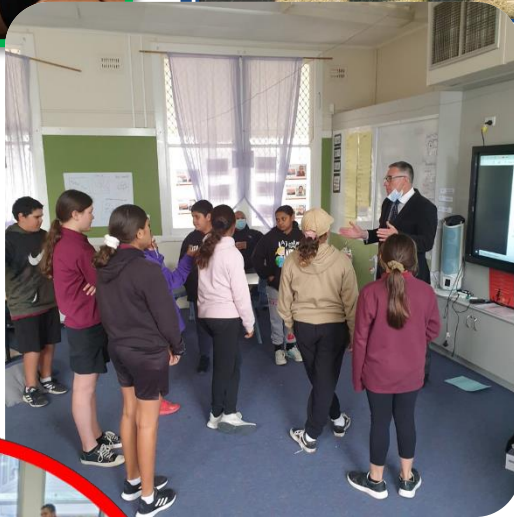
6A had an amazing end to Term 2, celebrating NAIDOC week and participating in the Outback Challenge!

We have had a great start back to Term 3. We have got straight back into learning and are working hard across all learning areas. Aunty Rae, Aunty Chris and Ms Ray have been extremely pleased with student's efforts.

Every student has received a home reader. Please remember to sign off when a child has read and have the student bring it back to school. Every student is encouraged to do some reading at home of a night.

We are excited for our year 6 fundraiser next Wednesday. We will be selling a range of sweet treats.

We are looking forward to all the exciting things ahead of us this year!



## Brewarrina Central School

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE TAKEN ON:

**Thursday 2 September 2021**

**ORDER NOW** go to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) and enter the code  
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Dear Parents,

School photographs are scheduled to be taken by **advancedlife**. Whilst an envelope and flyer will be distributed shortly, if possible it is our preference that ordering be completed online to reduce administration and potential security issues related to the return of cash and envelopes on photo day.

Orders for packages and sibling photographs can be placed securely online at [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) using our school's unique **9 digit advancedorder code**. Portrait and group package orders are due by photography day.

Should you wish to purchase a sibling photograph online, the order must be placed no later than the day before photography day. Sibling photographs will only be taken if an order has been placed.

Should you have any queries concerning school photographs or online ordering, please contact us at [www.advancedlife.com.au/contact](http://www.advancedlife.com.au/contact)

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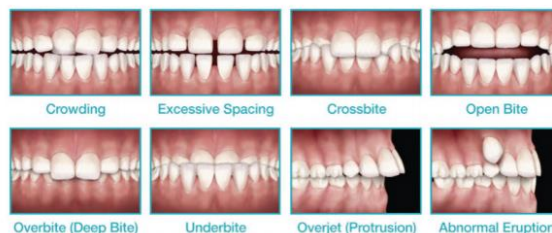
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Dear parents, guardians and carers

**Re: Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)**

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the *NCCD guidelines* (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the [Australian Government's Privacy Policy](https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy) (<https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy>).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the [NCCD Portal](https://www.nccd.edu.au) (<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

Kind regards

Principal



## Procedures for YONDR @ BCS

Enter school grounds, switch device off, place in pouch and lock pouch



Place the device in your bag until the end of the school day.



If device is sighted, by a staff member, outside of its YONDR pouch it must be handed over to the DP.



The confiscated device will be locked in the school safe and the parent/carer will collect it from the office. A formal warning of suspension will be issued.



Refusal may result in suspension.



If a student departs school early the pouch can be opened at the opening station at the Front Office / Deputy Office

# Notice Board

## Dates for the Term

- August 13<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> - Mid Term Break

-17<sup>th</sup> –20<sup>th</sup> - August Trial HSC exams

-6<sup>th</sup> September-Visual Art Major Works Due

-2<sup>nd</sup> September - Industrial Technology Major Works Due

-2<sup>nd</sup> September - School Photos

-6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> September - Year 11 Final Exams

-Weeks 8, 9 and 10 – ‘Tell Them From Me’ survey for Parents & Carers

**BE AMBITIOUS**

## SEMESTER 2 PATHWAYS PROGRAM

*Do you want to achieve your year 11 and 12 equivalent qualifications?*

*Do you want a Tertiary Entrance Score and go to university?*

*Do you want a supportive and flexible learning environment?*

Our Pathways Program consists of two courses:

10769NAT Certificate III Pathways to Further Study (1 semester)

10767NAT Certificate IV Tertiary Preparation (1 semester)

Enrol and complete our Pathways Program!  
Classes will be connected from your local TAFE campus  
into Dubbo through MS Teams.

Semester 2 Cert III PFS Timetable looks like this:

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
9:30am – 12:00pm	E-Learning & Careers	Human Rights	Language and Learning skills (English)
12:30pm – 3:00pm	Maths	Self directed study	Contemporary Australia Society

Scan the QR code to register your interest and one of our team will make contact.



### Questions?

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