



# Brewarrina Central School News

Term 5, Issue 4, 2022

It was a real honour to be involved in our school's Annual Presentation Day last Wednesday morning. I am proud of all of our students for the success they have had this year and I would like to congratulate the award recipients in our academic, encouragement and sporting fields.

Thank you to Uncle Brad Steadman for working with the students on their cultural activities throughout the year, that the students were able to showcase at the Presentation Day assembly. Well done to our primary dance group and the primary choir, for your performances!

#### **Year 6 Farewell**

Our Year 6 farewell was held on Thursday, 8th December, from 1pm to 3pm at the Brewarrina Olympic pool and Aquatic Centre. It was a lovely day to celebrate the students achievements with staff and family.

#### PBL Acknowledgement Day

Our PBL Rewards Day for our whole school was a pool party last Friday, 9th December at Brewarrina Pool. Another great celebration of student achievement.

#### **Year 12 Farewell**

Our Year 12 Farewell Dinner was held in the Community Hub on Monday, 12th December. from 6:30pm. Congratulations to Brody, Mythys, Jayden and Kobi on graduating this week.

We enter our last week of school for the students this week. All students finish on Friday, 16th December. Staff will be working on professional learning on Monday, 19th and Tuesday 20th December (half-day), prior to starting their holidays on Wednesday, 21st December.

It has been a warm, friendly welcome that you as a community have given me in undertaking this role as Principal. I chose to come to Brewarrina to lead this school into 2023 and beyond, so I hope we can all work as a team to improve the educational outcomes of the students of the Brewarrina Community.

#### **Teaching Staff 2023**

All of our teaching staff will be returning next year, with the addition of Miss Caitlin Skinner in the Primary school, who will become permanent at Brewarrina Central School at the beginning of next year, and Miss Madeleine Challender, who has been appointed as our new permanent High School Visual Arts teacher at Brewarrina Central School for 2023. I am sure you will make them feel very welcome at our school next year.

We wish you all the very best for a positive summer holiday. Merry Christmas from the staff and I at Brewarrina Central School. We look forward to working with you all in the new year.

Mr Shaun Graham Executive Principal





#### **Secondary News**

Things never seem to slow down, and we are all busy in the Secondary Department as the end of the year closes in on us.

Year 6 to 7 Transition has now concluded. The Secondary teachers have had great enjoyment helping the Year 6 students get a taste of high school.

End of year reports for Years 7-10 will be out the mail by the end of term. It was great reading through them and seeing the feedback from teachers on how students can improve on their learning next year. The reports did highlight a common theme- the importance of attending school, and class, regularly. Also, coming to school with the right attitude to learn. I am hoping to see our students refreshed and eager to learn at the beginning of 2023.

A massive thankyou to our students, as well as our dedicated and hardworking staff this year. Our secondary team is so fortunate to have the ongoing support of Clontarf, NASCA, the Executive, parents and the community. Despite challenges, everyone is here to support our kids to achieve their best.

On behalf of the secondary staff, I wish all of our families a happy and safe holiday period, and hope that your Christmas is filled with love and joy. See you all in 2023.

#### **Mrs Trapman**

#### Head Teacher, Secondary





### Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Safe
Respectful
Learners

Everyone was excitedly looking forward to the PBL Pool Day coming up. A fantastic way to end the year and celebrate our achievements as Safe Respectful Learners. Thankyou to a fantastic PBL Team, who are so dedicated and committed to improving practices and processes to support staff and students.

There are many things the team wants to achieve in 2023, including giving students a stronger voice in things we can do to improve our school. We are always looking for new ideas and ways to teach and recognise positive behaviour- at school and in the community. We are also continually reviewing policy and processes to ensure we are meeting the needs of all our students and create a positive school environment.

## From the PBL team- Merry Christmas and looking forward to a productive 2023.



#### **Books in Homes Assembly**

Friday, 9th December, 2022 at 10am, Brewarrina Central School, celebrated its Term 4 Books in Homes Book Gifting Assembly. The books the students had selected at the beginning of Term 4 finally arrived after being held up in Walgett for a number of weeks because of the 2022 Floods. We had to postpone our Book Gifting Assembly on Friday, 18th November, because our Books in Homes order had been waylaid due to the flooding occurring along the Barwon and Bogan Rivers and their tributaries.

We were joined by our Model Writer/Reader, Lynda Calder, over Zoom. She was a fabulous presenter who encouraged us to read and write because of the amazing worlds that can be explored and how our lives can be changed as we read about the world and other peoples lives. She inspired us to take our new books home and engage in the new experiences that they could offer us.

All of our Brewarrina Community are so grateful to the Waratah Education Foundation for choosing the wonderful indigenous and other books included in the Term 4 Books in Homes Catalogue. Our Support Staff have enjoyed using these books to deliver Vocabulary Lessons to our students because the language has been so rich and culturally inclusive.

Students have taken their book backpacks home with pride to share with their families. Thank you so much Books in Homes, Toll couriers, Lynda Calder and the Waratah Education Foundation for making this end of year so special for our Primary students.

#### Mrs Kathryn Simpson





#### Food technology Secondary News -

#### 2022 - End of the Year

Welcome to our last newsletter of 2022. The year has flown by at an amazing pace and as always Term 4 has been very, very busy with quality teaching & learning happening in our classrooms, acknowledgement of student achievements, development & writing of student reports and planning celebrations that the end of the school year brings.

HSC exams have been completed. four students from BCS prepared for the exams.

Congratulations to Kobi Bennett, Mythys Grant, Jayden Johnson & Brody Walsh who completed their schooling at BCS and receive a HSC.

2022 saw a number of changes in staffing in our secondary department —thank you to all the secondary staff for your work at BCS.

Year 6 have recently experienced a great **transition to secondary school** and teachers presented wonderful learning experiences for them over the three weeks of the program.

**Food Technology** - Year 9 & 10 have been busy preparing treats to put into a small hamper for Christmas.

**Wood technology** – this class has produced some great work especially the most recent project – photo frames.



#### **Covid Online Tutoring**

During Term 3 & 4 students have continued to participate in **on-line tutoring** – delivered via Teams to support students through the Covid intensive learning support program – we are fortunate that – along with many other western schools we will be able to continue to support our students in this initiative in 2023.

**Final reports** have been prepared and will be available at the end of term. All our learning in 2022 has been considered in preparing our end of year reports.

Presentation Day – another great opportunity to highlight the great things that happen at our school and acknowledge the students who make an effort in the whole school year. Mrs Trapman (with help from Ms Moyan McGuirk) once again presented a highly organised event. It was great to see so many students acknowledged for their work in 2022. Well done.

#### **Getting ready for 2023**

Our planning for 2023 will support all secondary students to engage positively with their learning. All students will continue to have the use of their laptop and headphones everyday at school. Each student will also receive a backpack, bookpack, calculator (senior students), student diary and a Yondr pouch to ensure ALL students always have the required equipment for every class.

In 2023 BCS secondary department will again be a phone free zone – the interruption of Covid caused some issues with them however the expectation in 2023 is that they will be fully integrated into our wellbeing and behaviour policy. Any student who destroys their Yondr pouch will be expected to pay for a replacement. The pouch works by placing all phones, earbuds

/ earphones etc into the pouch – locking it – keeping it in your backpack and unlocking it at the end of the school day. As all students will have their laptop, phones will not be needed to find information etc. Parents and carers can call the school office (0268392186) if they need to contact their student.

#### **2023 School Captain**

Last week it was a pleasure to listen to the speech by the student who nominated for School Captain – putting yourself forward to speak in front of your peers and teachers is a huge step out of your comfort zone. Charlotte wrote a speech that reflected herself and her qualities.

Students (including Year 6 who will be Year 7 next year) & staff voted and at our Presentation Day our school leaders for 2023 were announced. Congratulations to 2023 School Captain — Charlotte Barker - she will be fantastic leader of our school along with our Primary school leaders. We wish her well in the role.

**Finally** -As we move into the last week of the school year, the secondary staff & students wish everyone a great, safe holiday.

We look forward to seeing all our secondary students back on Tuesday 7th February, 2023.

We wish everyone a happy Christmas. Please seek support if you need it through all the agencies that are available to help and stay safe with the flood waters that are still around.

Best wishes and take care out there.

#### **Kath Hertslet**

#### **Deputy Principal**



#### **Student Voice Committee**

What a busy end to our year! The SVC has been very busy making free snow cones for all staff and students. A massive thankyou to Deaken, Jazminn, Kysharn, Steven and Adam who ran these in their own time. It was great to see so many smiling and excited faces all over the school.

The team will be having their final meeting this week for 2022 this will be the final time the team are together as next year the students will elect new representatives. I am proud of all the members who stepped up, shared and acted upon the ideas and concerns on behalf of their peers and gave it a go. It takes a lot of confidence to try new things, this year we have had many students run meetings, organise and host various events and assist other school events. Miss Austin and I can't wait to support the new team for 2023.

Last week we had our Student Voice Christmas Lunch. It was great to see family members coming in to celebrate with their child with a delicious feast. It was a beautiful way to end a busy year and one that we hope to make an annual event for their team and their families.

I hope you all have a Merry Christmas and enjoy the summer holidays.

Thankyou,

Mrs Turnbull

















### YEAR 6 GRADUATION

























#### **PRIMARY NEWS**

Wow what a year! The year is winding down and it is great to see so many kids at school.

Last week was one of the busiest of the term. We started with Intensive Swimming, moved onto Presentation Day and Year 6 Farewell and then finished with the PBL celebration. A lot of hard work and effort go into these events to make them special for students and community. Thank you to everyone involved in all of these; they were wonderful ways to celebrate student achievement and acknowledge the awesomeness at Brewarrina Central School.

Intensive swimming will come to an end on Thursday. A big thank you to Miss Austin for organising the program and instructing our students at swimming lessons. Thank you to Miss Murphy for taking Year 3/4 so it could happen. The students have made wonderful progress and have learnt valuable skills.

Congratulations to all of the students who were recognised at the Presentation Day. Our new school captains for 2023 are Koesha Morris and Tyler Jackson. The Vice Captains are Charlee-Sue Shillingsworth and Noah Trapman. All of the Year 5 children did a great job presenting their speeches and I know it would have been a very difficult decision for voters. Everyone should be proud of their efforts. Thank you to Mrs Trapman for organising another lovely Presentation Day and well done to the students who were very respectful throughout the whole assembly.

Last Thursday we had our Year 6 Farewell. It was an awesome afternoon at the pool with families. Everyone enjoyed themselves and it was wonderful that this is now becoming something the kids look forward to. The kids all looked lovely and after lunch all had a great time playing games and swimming in the pool with their friends from Year 5. Mr Kerrigan, Miss S, Aunty Christine, Aunty Lynne, Diondre and Ms Monrroy all did a wonderful job organising and setting up food and decorations. Thank you also to Diondre for cooking the barbecue.

This week students will be having class parties on Thursday. Miss Murphy sent out a flyer last week and students can come in Christmas attire. Thank you to Miss Murphy for organising this.

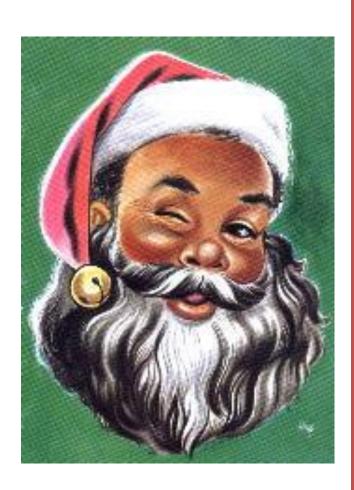
This year has been full of ups and downs. During our lowest points it can be a blessing to be part of a small community who look out for each other and come together. Thank you to all of the community and school "family" for the support you have shown staff and students. We are finishing on a high with all the wonderful acknowledgements. This is an indication of how much everyone at BCS rocks!

Have a very Merry Christmas from all of the staff at BCS. We hope you have a lovely Christmas and a safe, relaxing break. I look forward to catching up with kids in the holidays at the pool!

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Take care,

**Beck Williams** 



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### YEAR 12 FAREWELL















### 2022 Presentation Day Award Recipients

| Student Name              | For                                    |
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| Reece White               |  |
|                           | Academic- Kindergarten                 |
| Dean Boney                | Achievement- Kindergarten              |
| Braxton White             | Encouragement- Kindergarten            |
| Taye Boney                | Academic- Year 1                       |
| Nyleigh Frail             | Achievement- Year 1                    |
| Kezekiel Orcher           | Encouragement- Year 1                  |
| Emma Trapman              | Academic- Year 2                       |
| Kyari Weatherall-Morgan   | Achievement- Year 2                    |
| Douglas Gordon            | Encouragement- Year 2                  |
| Lewis Boney               | Academic- Year 3                       |
| Carter Trapman            | Achievement- Year 3                    |
| Deklan Boney-Eyre         | Encouragement- Year 3                  |
| Ta'Shaei Ford             | Academic- Year 4                       |
| Heaven Smith              | Achievement- Year 4                    |
| Kataiah Weatherall-Morgan | Encouragement- Year 4                  |
| Hank Kirby                | Academic- Year 5                       |
| Tyler Jackson             | Achievement- Year 5                    |
| Billie-Jo Walker          | Encouragement- Year 5                  |
| Deaken Boney              | Academic- Year 6                       |
| Tashahn Waites            | Achievement- Year 6                    |
| Jazminn Smith             | Encouragement- Year 6                  |
| Michael Trapman           | 1st in Science- Year 7                 |
| Taniqua Morris            | 1st in English- Year 7                 |
| Michael Trapman           | 1 <sup>st</sup> in PDHPE- Year 7       |
| Michael Trapman           | 1 <sup>st</sup> in HSIE- Year 7        |
| Isabelle Williams         | 1st in Mathematics- Year 7             |
| Michael Trapman           | 1st in Technology Mandatory- Year 7    |
| Taniqua Morris            | 1st in Visual Arts- Year 7             |
| Barran Lord               | Encouragement Award- Year 7            |
| Michael Trapman           | Overall 1st in Year 7                  |
| David Gibson              | 1st in English- Year 8                 |
| Darnell Heatherill        | 1st in Mathematics- Year 8             |
| Vanessa Vincent           | 1st in Science- Year 8                 |
| Luke Gordon               | 1 <sup>st</sup> in Visual Arts- Year 8 |
| David Gibson              | 1st in Technology Mandatory- Year 8    |
| Tierah Nicholls           | 1st in PDHPE- Year 8                   |
| Darnell Heatherill        | 1st in HSIE- Year 8                    |
| Darnell Heatherill        | Overall 1st in Year 8                  |
| Raquel Ford               | Encouragement Award- Year 8            |
| Aaryan Palta              | 1st in Mathematics- Year 9             |
| Liam Trapman              | 1st in English- Year 9                 |
| Aaryan Palta              | 1st in PASS- Year 9                    |

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| Jessie-Maria Walsh | 1 <sup>st</sup> in Visual Arts- Year 9    |
| Liam Trapman       | 1 <sup>st</sup> in PDHPE- Year 9          |
| Aaryan Palta       | 1st in Industrial Technology- Year 9      |
| Aaryan Palta       | 1st in Science- Year 9                    |
| Aaryan Palta       | 1 <sup>st</sup> in HSIE- Year 9           |
| Aaryan Palta       | Overall 1st in Year 9                     |
| Matthew Barker     | Encouragement Award- Year 9               |
| Jai-Kel Waites     | 1st in Industrial Technology- Year 10     |
| Charlotte Barker   | 1st in English- Year 10                   |
| Zoe Lord           | 1st in Mathematics- Year 10               |
| Colin Gibson       | 1st in Mathematics- Year 10 (Life Skills) |
| Sheree Morris      | 1 <sup>st</sup> in PASS- Year 10          |
| Charlotte Barker   | 1 <sup>st</sup> in HSIE- Year 10          |
| Charlotte Barker   | 1st in PDHPE- Year 10                     |
| Colin Gibson       | 1st in PDHPE- Year 10 (Life Skills)       |
| Charlotte Barker   | 1st in Visual Arts- Year 10               |
| Charlotte Barker   | 1st in Food Technology- Year 10           |
| Wayne Smith        | 1st in Science- Year 10                   |
| Kahleb Byno        | Encouragement Award- Year 10              |
| Charlotte Barker   | Overall 1st in Year 10                    |
| Savannah Gordon    | 1st in Standard Mathematics 2- Year 11    |
| Savannah Gordon    | 1st in Standard English- Year 11          |
| Savannah Gordon    | 1st in PDHPE- Year 11                     |
| Cloe Grant         | 1st in Visual Arts- Year 11               |
| Dylan Rosser       | 1st in SLR- Year 11                       |
| Savannah Gordon    | 1st in Design & Technology- Year 11       |
| Savannah Gordon    | 1st in Biology- Year 11                   |
| Savannah Gordon    | Overall 1st in Year 11                    |
| Ty Boney           | Encouragement Award- Year 11              |
| Brody Walsh        | 1st in Industrial Technology- Year 12     |
| Jayden Johnson     | 1st in PDHPE- Year 12                     |
| Mythys Grant       | 1st in SLR- Year 12                       |
| Brody Walsh        | 1st in Biology- Year 12                   |
| Jayden Johnson     | 1st in Standard Mathematics 2- Year 12    |
| Mythys Grant       | 1st in Standard English- Year 12          |
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| Lindsay Murphy     | Principal's Award                         |
| Savannah Gordon    | Principal's Award                         |
|                    | Principal's Award                         |
|                    | Principal's Award                         |
| Dean Boney         | Dr Evelyn Crawford Award                  |
| Kezekiel Orcher    | Teddy Simpson Award                       |
| Akeelah Frail      | Teddy Simpson Award                       |
| Wayne Smith        | Teddy Simpson Award                       |
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