2015 SCHOOL LEADERS

On Wednesday 5th November at our Whole School Assembly, Baradine Central School Leaders for 2015 were inducted. Congratulations to: Caleb White (Vice Captain), Sophie Horder (Captain), Tyrone Biles (Captain) and Lahni Patterson (Prefect). We wish you all the best for your leadership in the coming school year.
Dear Parents and Carers,

Busy times are upon us with lots of extra curricula events for the students during this term.

Congratulations to all the winners in the Public Speaking competition – they did a magnificent job!

The Grandfriends celebration today was also a very special occasion for the K-6 children to communicate, entertain and impress grandparents and friends from our community.

You’re Invited………..

Anti-Bullying Plan Launch Day Thursday November 13.

The school has responded to the community’s belief that Baradine Central School has significant bullying issues by:

- Review and redevelopment of the BCS Anti-Bullying Plan – a draft version will be presented at P&C on Tuesday night and also distributed to parents who are asked for feedback over a 2 week period. It will then be put on the school’s website;
- Survey of all stakeholders in the school’s community on bullying at BCS – results will be presented at the Launch Day;
- Implementation of a teaching and learning scope and sequence for both Primary and Secondary on units of work on anti-bullying – this will be a fixture in the school’s curriculum and will also include ‘Bystander Action Training’;
- Visit by Police Youth Liaison Officer, Constable Robyn Smith from Tamworth to address Secondary students on the use of mobile phones and associated cyber bullying;
- Workshops facilitated by Centacare - presentation of anti-bullying messages to Primary classes and their parents;

A launch day for the new policy featuring an anti-bullying presentation for students and parents by renowned speaker Simon Clegg – see attached promotional material.

This will be a great day and will include:

- assembly items by each class on anti-bullying messages
- guest speaker – Simon Clegg
- special visitors
- a barbecue lunch
- a games afternoon

Cheers

Chris Clarke - Principal
YOUTH MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER BRINGS THE HARSH TRUTH TO PARENTS & TEENS

750,000 teens get pregnant every year

A teen dies from using drugs every 5 hours

In the next 24 hours....15,000 teens will attempt suicide

Simon Clegg, former professional skateboarder understands how teens today feel living in a world filled with an unprecedented amount of pressure and temptation.

Simon has risen to the top of his game becoming one of the leading youth communicators in Australia, New Zealand and the United States. His ability to connect with students on their level is something you need to witness for yourself.

Simon will be speaking to the students and parents of Baradine & Gwabegar at:

Baradine Central School, Thursday November 13th
Student Session at 10:00am.
Parent Session 1.30pm.

He is an expert in the area of Drug and Alcohol prevention, Bullying Prevention and also covers topics, such as Self Esteem, Self Worth and Social Media implications.

Simon has worked with REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUSTRALIA and many other recognized organizations worldwide. And, perhaps more importantly he has spoken to TENS OF THOUSANDS of teenagers live.

"I highly recommend Simon to any schools or organizations seeking to bring about positive change within today’s youth culture and I will be certainly working with him again in the future - he is without a doubt, one of Australia’s leading youth motivational speakers."

Simon was born in England, grew up in New Zealand and now lives in Australia. Growing up in New Zealand as a top skateboarder, at a young age he found himself going down a pathway of drugs and alcohol within some serious family dysfunction. He challenges young people to rise above whatever life throws at them and not to let the past dictate their future.

Simon Clegg is also the author of Pressure Makes Diamonds, an inspirational book that has helped countless teens to overcome many obstacles.

Download a media kit at:
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Kinder/1 News  Mrs Tracy McGlashan

Welcome to Week 5. This week was also busy busy busy! Swimming is going really well with Primary and they are so excited to get in the water and to learn new skills.

Thank you to Jayden Ryan for being a lovely Class Captain this week.

Grandfriends Day was today and we did our dance extravaganza item for everyone to see again. We only had this week to practise and most of the students still knew the dance from last term.

Just a reminder that we will be painting for art this term and I have asked for students to bring in a paint shirt. I only have 2 out of 14, so please remember to send a shirt to school.

The students are learning how to plan in their writing this term and can draw pictures of what they want to write about. This is making it easier to keep track of their thoughts and the sequence of the story.

In Maths we are touching on 2D and 3D shapes again as we seem to have forgotten some of their characteristics.

If you send fruit with your child to school, can you please ensure that the oranges are cut and also other fruit that may require assistance. I have an apple slinky in the classroom for apples and the students really love this, it is quick and makes it faster for them to eat their fruit.

We have had the pleasure of a Year 10 student in our classroom on Tuesdays to assist with the extra Transition children. Victoria Gundry has been a lovely help and has built a good rapport with the students.

I would like to wish everyone a lovely, relaxing weekend.

Year 2 News  Mrs Jenelle Eastburn

On my return from long service leave I was very pleased to receive lovely positive comments from the Year 2 casual teachers while I have been away. Congratulations to everyone and thank you for being so mature, helpful and cooperative!

I was lucky enough to see some of the fantastic poems being recited this week and heard lots of great comments about the children’s hard work leading up to the competition.

Grandfriends Day was held today and it was a wonderful opportunity to make all the older people in our families and community feel special.

Year 3/4 News  Miss Christie Baker

We have had a great week and been participating in lots of school activities. On Monday all students participated in Public Speaking and they all delivered their poems beautifully. Congratulations to everyone and especially Sandy Vallette and Molly Murray for making it to the Finals of the competition on Wednesday.

Today we had Grandfriends Day and we really enjoyed having special visitors at school and being able to serve them some morning tea.

Last Friday, 31st October, we really enjoyed going to watch a visiting band from St Johns College in Dubbo. They were fantastic! Isaiah White even got to conduct them for a little while!

In class students have started to publish their animal information reports using Google Chrome with Mrs Draper. It is very exciting because they can all work on the same document at the same time and see all the additions and changes that others are making. In Maths, Mrs Draper taught the students the formula to work out the volume of a shape. There could be some future mathematicians in the class!

Thank you to Sophie Rowley for being a great Class Captain this week. She has been very helpful and responsible completing some jobs in the classroom and around the school.

Year 5/6 News  Miss Lucy Baldock

Another busy week in the 5/6 classroom! Public Speaking, Grandfriends Day, Fund Raising Calendars and all our usual learning activities. The students have been working extremely hard this week.

Our Term 4 speaking and listening homework was assessed this week, all participating students did a fantastic job. In Numeracy the students have been using their knowledge of addition and subtraction of decimal numbers to solve different problems for the ‘Ogerville’ canteen.

In Science the students have been investigating how light is refracted through water and how different optical illusions can be made using a pencil, a glass and some water.

STUDENT SUPERVISION
Please remember that student supervision commences at 8:35am. Students who arrive at school prior to this must report directly to Mrs Clarke.
Public Speaking

This week our focus was: “Respect”

Show good manners and use school appropriate language. This focus has been highlighted this week with all the excellent audience manners used by all the students for Public Speaking.

Kinder-Year 2
1st-Emily Murray, 2nd-Riley Siemsen, 3rd-Cheyenne Nielsen
Year 3-4
1st-Sandy Vallette, 2nd-Molly Murray
Year 5-6
1st-Claudia Eastburn, 2nd-Melissa Owers
Year 7-8
1st-Fox Jones, 2nd-Levi Jackson
Year 10-11
1st-Sophie Horder, 2nd-Victoria Gundry

Judges:
Mrs Helen Muller
Mr Merv Sutherland
Mrs Bernie Underwood
Music News

Bands from St Johns College, Dubbo visit Baradine

On Friday 31 October, the bands from St Johns College in Dubbo visited Baradine as part of their Regional Tour. Three music students from Baradine Central School together with some music students from St Johns Baradine rehearsed and performed with the band during this event, which was held in the Baradine Memorial Hall. The music students from BCS who participated were: Claudia Eastburn (flute), Madison Masman (clarinet) and Sophie Horder (flute). The students learnt two pieces for the concert and these were Power Rock and Fiesta Grande. They then participated in a one-hour workshop with the Junior and Concert bands combined, before participating in the concert. All of the BCS Primary students, all of the students from St Johns in Baradine and a few parents attended the concert. The concert featured the Colleges’ Big Band with soloists, Junior Band, Concert Band, String Ensemble and Marching Band. The band members introduced the various instruments to the audience and showed them what the instruments sound like as well. It was lovely to see the College students introduce the various pieces of music as well and engage the young children in the audience. Two of the BCS Primary students even had the opportunity to conduct the Junior Band! The BCS and St Johns Baradine musicians joined the Junior Band for their part of the program and did an excellent job! Eliza Rowley and Rachel Evans also participated in a dancing workshop and then joined the St Johns Dubbo dancing students for a routine with the Marching Band. These girls did a fantastic job as well!

Thank you to the following people who made this event possible: the Baradine Schools Band Committee for all of their generous support; Mrs Clarke for her support; Mr Paul Dunn, the Head of Music at St Johns College in Dubbo, for all of his help in organising things from his side; the Primary staff members for accompanying their classes to the concert.

Congratulations

Attendance Monkey for Term 4 Week 4

Primary - Year 5/6 92%  Secondary - Year 9 98.2%

Year 7 News

This week Year 7 performed their Public Speaking. It was great to see all students participate and talk about who inspires them. Congratulations to Levi Jackson on coming 2nd in the competition.

With exams coming up next week we have all been busy preparing and studying hard.

In Science we have been learning about light and electrical energy. Some of the experiments we have been doing have been really fun.

Written by Chontelle Vallette.
Year 8 News

In Year 8 this week we have been very busy learning! In History we have been learning more about the interactions between Native Americans and British colonists and the treaty that was signed between the two groups.

In English we are learning about the Dewey Decimal system and utilising the library and all its resources.

In TAS we are at all different stages making our stools, with all of them taking shape really quickly. We are also getting ready for our exams, which will be next week.

Written by Caleb White.

Year 9 News

In Maths we have started a new topic 'Quadratic equations' and were happy that in general we all did well on our test in the last topic of 'Indices'.

In HSIE we are finalising our WWII models with suspended planes and elegant bridges.

In Science as part of our ‘Ecology’ topic we are learning about sustainability and a case study about fishing practices.

In all our elective classes we are continuing with our units on ‘Aquatics’ (SLR), ‘Food for special Occasions’ (Food Tech), individual projects (Wood) and film editing (PDM).

Written by Stephanie Bowling.

Year 10 News

Year 10 enjoyed the Halloween Disco last Thursday night, where we helped raise some funds for our Gold Coast excursion. Everyone looked great in their costumes and all had a great time.

A successful car wash was held last week, raising about $500 for our excursion to the Gold Coast, a huge thankyou to Mrs Liz Gundry for her assistance, it was very much appreciated. Also a big thank you to our helpers from other class groups.

Yearly Exams are coming up next week and all students should be studying regularly, going over their class notes and books.

Written by Caleb White.

Year 11/12 News

Congratulations to Lahni Patterson, Mikaiyla Currin and Sophie Horder who placed in the Public Speaking competition. All three confidently delivered their well-organized and researched speeches to the class. Sophie went on to compete in the whole school event and took first place in her category.

Daniel Siemsen, Mathew Gundry and Scott Edwards are excited to be starting their major project in woodworking. Scott has chosen to make a table with special features for those hot days when people want a cold beverage. Matthew is building a work bench to give him a place to work on his special projects. Daniel is constructing a coffee table which will serve him well over the years.

Written by Lahni Patterson.

Secondary Head Teacher News

Next week is a big week for our 7–10 students who will complete their end of year exams in their core subjects – English, Maths, Science and History/Geography. Revision is going on in classes but it would benefit all students to revise at home as well.

A lot of students aren’t sure how to do this and often just read over their notes. While this is a strategy that works for some, it is not usually the best way to revise as most people only retain about 20% of what they read – it's easy to think about other things as you scan across the words!

Another popular method is going through and highlighting the key points and again while this works for some it is not still the best method to study for most of us. For most people the best way to retain knowledge is to write up summary notes. This has 3 steps:

1. First read through and pick out what you think are the most important concepts, facts or information
2. Convert this information into your own words
3. Write up a set of study notes in dot point form

The process of reading, then assessing, then converting, then writing gets more information to stick in your head than any other way for most people.

I’m sure all students would appreciate a bit of time at home to study together with parents!
Enter our Australia Day Student Competition

PRIZES FOR
an art work (A3 size),
a project (1/2 sheet cardboard)
or descriptive writing on the theme of

Australia - Past or Present

Kindergarten/Year 1/2
Year 3/4; Year 5/6
Secondary
Entries must be received at the Rural Transaction Centre
no later than
TUESDAY, 13 JANUARY 2015

IMPORTANT – to be eligible for judging
name, class and phone number must be
on the back of each entry

A Baradine Australia Day Committee initiative

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2015 Australia Day Awards

Nominations for Baradine’s 2015 Australia Day Awards
are now open
Members of the community are invited to consider
submitting a worthy recipient.
The categories are

- Community Group Award
- Sports Team Award
- Individual Sports Award – Junior
- Individual Sports Award – Senior
- Certificate of Recognition

Nomination forms are available from
Wangman’s Newsagency
Baradine RTC

Nominations close on
FRIDAY, 28 NOVEMBER 2014

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Are you interested in making your debut?
The Baradine Hospital Auxiliary are seeking Expressions
of interest from eligible girls over the age of 15 who may
be interested in making their debut in 2015.

Please contact Joan Walton on 6843 1892

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Sport and Recreation’s Swim and Survive starting soon

Australian summers usually involve plenty of fun in and around the water, but no parent can forget how important it is to make sure children stay safe.

Sport and Recreation’s Swim and Survive classes for preschoolers and school-aged children help youngsters learn important ways to be safe and enjoy our pools, rivers, beaches and lakes.

The intensive nine-day programs give wonderful results, and are great fun as well. Plus, family discounts make our program affordable for all the children in the family.

Sport and Recreation runs Swim and Survive classes in pools throughout regional NSW, including somewhere near you.

Our instructors are nationally qualified and screened for their suitability to work with children.

Prices for nine lessons are $67 for school-aged children and $48 for preschoolers (prices exclude pool entry fee).

For more information or to make a booking, visit
www.det.nsw.gov.au/swimandsurvive or phone 13 13 02

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Baradine Central School
P&C Committee
Next meeting date:
Tuesday 11th November
Meeting time: 7:00pm
Meeting place: Meeting room
(at the Front Office)
P&C meetings provide a forum for parents to discuss the school's operation with the Principal and are conducted monthly every second Tuesday at 7:00pm.

Signing Your Child Out Of School
If you need to take your child/ren out of school early for any reason please ensure that you sign your child/ren out of school via the front office. The process is relatively quick, but most importantly assists us in the event of an emergency when completing a roll call check during our emergency evacuation procedures. Thank you for your assistance with this matter!

Year 7 students with their Italian style carnival masks that they made in their LOTE lessons