On Wednesday 21st May, Madison Masman, Claudia Eastburn and Sophie Horder participated in the Narrabri Eisteddfod. All three students performed musical pieces on their instruments - Madison on clarinet, and Sophie and Claudia on flute. The students played really well and achieved excellent results. Both Madison and Claudia were awarded Highly Commended and Sophie was placed First in both categories in which she participated. Baradine Central School is proud of these students! A big thank you goes to Mrs Bronwyn Masman for taking the students to Narrabri and bringing them back home again.
Dear Parents & Caregivers,

Cancer Institute NSW Evidence of Practice Grant

Great news! Our school has been successful in an application to the Cancer Institute for funding towards Sun Protection K-12. The grant of $50,000 will support the school’s plan for more shade structures as well as much needed awareness raising workshops on sun protection for students and staff.

The school has raised another $5000 from the recent Fete and the P&C are contributing a significant amount as well.

Quotes obtained last year identified the need to raise close to $100,000 for suitable shade structures around the school site.

Early bus

It has been brought to my attention that some Secondary students are skipping half of Period 8 to catch this bus.

I wish to remind parents that the school’s ‘Early Bus’ run is only accessible for students who reside on the eastern side of Baradine Creek as well as K-2 students who reside in the town precinct. Students in Years 3 to 12 are not to use the Early Bus, as advised by bus proprietor, Mr Joe Matthews.

This will be enforced from Monday.

Attendance

Student attendance is monitored daily and those students who are attending less than 85% in any two week period with unexplained absences, appear immediately on the DEC’s tracking system. When the school cannot resolve the absence issue with the parent, the matter is referred to the Home School Liaison team for case management.

Apart from the legal requirement for students between 6 years and 17 years to attend school daily, it is in all students’ best interests to participate in continuous education for obvious reasons.

Parents Seeking Interviews with Staff

Recently, there have been several people who have presented at the office or classrooms during school time, seeking an interview with a teacher. The staff welcome all contact with parents and carers but request that you make an appointment at a suitably convenient time for both parties. It is not acceptable to expect a teacher to leave their class during class time or playground duty time to meet with you as they have a legal obligation to provide duty of care during these times.

P&C AGM

A reminder to please come along to this very important AGM on Tuesday afternoon. If the P&C don’t have a full complement of office bearers, the canteen will be in jeopardy of closing.

Cheers
Chris Clarke - Principal

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**Primary News**

Stage 3 Leadership Opportunities

Our Primary Captains and many other Stage 3 students have had many opportunities to put their leadership skills into action so far this year. Our Captains have had the opportunity to attend a Young Leaders Conference in Sydney, represent the school at a number of official functions, welcome and thank special guests and participate in a number of school assemblies.

Other stage 3 students have had the opportunity to represent the student cohort through the SRC, lead sporting teams and be positive role models to younger students. Stage 3 is a great time for students who want to inspire and lead younger students by embodying the schools four key PBL principles of respect, participation, quality and safety.

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**Principal’s Awards**

Term 2 Week 4

Mia White - First in her spelling test
Chloe Anderson - First in her spelling test

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Education is a progressive discovery of our own ignorance. Will Durant
PRIMARY RUGBY LEAGUE KNOCKOUT

On Thursday 22nd May, selected Primary boys travelled to Narrabri to contest the second round of the PSSA Rugby League Knockout Competition. The boys were joined by students from Gulargambone Central School for the day. The boys played a hard game against Narrabri Public School who were a much bigger side and came runners-up. It was great for them to gain some valuable experience and meet new friends.

Well done boys!

Max McGlashan, Clinton Lennon, Regan Evans, Billy Carey, Dusty Lennon, Blake Olsen, Liam Ryan.

Kinder/1 News

To start the week off this week we have been working really hard and focusing on the structures of information reports. We now know that they have several important parts to include. We did an information report on Ladybirds and the students really enjoyed learning more about them, as most students had seen some in their backyard. They were so pleased to know that ladybirds do not bite.

In Maths, Year 1 students are working on tens and units and how to put them together to make numbers to 100.

Year 2 News

An excellent effort from Ethan Rowley this week being an efficient, mature and responsible Class Captain. Thank you for all your help in Week 4.

Last week Mrs McGlashan and myself attended a Maths course and were in-serviced on new and innovative ways to assess students. This week in Maths we have been learning about measuring in metres and also looking at the attributes of 3D shapes.

Year 3/4 News

This week in Year 3/4, students have been learning about trading in addition and subtraction during our Maths lessons. They are all getting very good. Students have also started to plan their own narrative about a birthday party. There have been some very creative ideas for problems that could happen at a birthday party!

This week the Class Captain is Molly Murray. “This week our class started an Aboriginal artwork. We are learning the meanings of different Aboriginal symbols to create a story or map artwork. Some of the kids in our class are participating in the Premier’s Reading Challenge. I have read 11 books already and only have 9 to go! My favourite book was Crusher Kevin.”

By Molly Murray

Mrs Tracy McGlashan

Mrs Jenelle Eastburn

Miss Christie Baker
Year 5/6 News

In R2L the students have commenced a new unit of work learning how to write an amazing information report. Students are focusing on the language features, vocabulary and text structure required to write a quality information report. In a couple of weeks the students will create an information report on an attraction they may get to visit on the 2014 Canberra excursion.

In PDH the class have been demonstrating their knowledge on what medicine is, where it can be purchased and how to take medication. The students created a flow chart of the procedure focusing on always reading the instructions, checking the dosage and seeking assistance from an adult.

Don’t forget homework is due and enclosed leather shoes are required every Friday.

Primary Sport Dates

 ⇒ Peachy Shield and Netball Gala Day (Coonamble) Thursday 29th May - Years 3 - 6
 ⇒ Zone Cross Country (Quambone) Wednesday 4th June
 ⇒ Athletics Carnival Friday June 6th
 ⇒ Regional Cross Country (Coolah) Friday 13th June
 ⇒ Netball and Football Training every Wednesday, 3:00 - 3:30pm - Years 3 - 6

Please return all permission notes to school by the date stated, or your child may not be able to participate in this representative sport.

Secondary Cross Country

On Wednesday the 21st May Secondary students ran their Annual School Cross Country. In warm conditions all students participated to the best of their abilities which was extremely pleasing to see. Congratulations to all the students who participated and thank you to all the staff members that helped to make the day run so smoothly.

Division Winners were:

SUB JUNIORS
1st Fox Jones & Samantha Owers
2nd Dylan Hinchliffe & Chontelle Vallette
3rd Levi Jackson & Nariah Cunningham

JUNIORS
1st Carl Lennon & Stephanie Bowling
2nd Marvin Mitchell & Rachel Siemsen
3rd Jacob Fitzgerald & Thalia Spinks

SENIORS
1st Daniel Siemsen & Mikaiyla Currin
2nd Shane Edwards-Rosser & Chloe Anderson
3rd Scott Edwards
PBL News

Week 4 - Respect

‘Treat others the way you wish to be treated’

Thank you to everyone who is following this important focus at school.

Secondary Head Teacher News

Last week was a very busy week with students in Year 7 & 9 completing their NAPLAN tests. This type of testing provides the school with very valuable external analysis of the progress of our students in Reading, Numeracy, Writing and Language and helps us to make decisions about how best to design our curriculum and teaching strategies to best support and improve our students.

However, these type of external tests do not tell us everything. It is important to reflect on what else school’s should be developing in our students. The tests don’t measure a student’s confidence, self esteem, team working skills, conflict resolution, problem solving or verbal communication. Baradine prides itself on developing the whole student and provides a huge range of opportunities for students to develop their basic skills (as reflected in their NAPLAN scores) as well as

Year 7 News

In English we have been looking at a number of different poems and discussing different techniques and in Maths we have been doing a lot of revision for our Maths exam coming up. Our Science class has been doing classification and keys to identify different organisms.

Our History lessons have been making board games from the medieval times which has been lots of fun. In Geography we are half way through completing our rainforest modules. It has been fun to see what designs different groups have made up.

In PDHPE, Mr Ramage has been teaching us the correct techniques on how to throw a discus, shot put and javelin. A lot of students have almost doubled their throwing distances by doing this!

We also ran Cross Country which was very tiring! I think everyone’s legs are still sore.

Year 8 News

Year 8 students have been working very hard this past week with Cross Country being run on Wednesday during sport time. Most students competed well and set some impressive times!

In Geography with Mr Ramage Year 8 has started to build their rain forest models using modelling clay. This will allow their class mates and peers to gain a greater insight of the flora and fauna present within a rain forest in a three dimensional way.

In Year 8 Science students have been looking at Australian animals and how they have adapted to our harsh and sometimes extreme environments.

P&C AGM

Tuesday 27th May at 3:30pm
Meeting Room at Baradine Central School

All interested parents are welcome to attend.
Contact Sharon Wilson on 6843 1107 for any further information/interest.

Canberra Fundraiser

100 Club

Tickets available from the Front Office
Year 9 News

In SLR we are continuing to learn about Sports Administration and improving our soccer skills. We are starting our new project, a padded footstool. In HSIE we are studying Australian disasters, including the Coonabarabran fires and El Nino. We are investigating the cultural influences in Poetry and Pythagoras’ theorem in Maths. In Science we have been examining the evidence to support the theory of plate tectonics and starting to look at earthquakes.

The ideas are also flying as we start to prepare for the annual School Performance.

Congratulations to our Year 9 Cross Country stars.

Year 10 News

This week in Science we have been learning about the era of scientists that studied plate tectonics with Miss Talbot. In Maths we are continuing with our Pythagoras unit and starting to do some revision for our half yearly exams.

Everyone tried their best at our Cross Country event on Wednesday, even though some thought it was a long way they didn’t give up.

Fire Cadets continues this week and we are learning some great skills and also how to operate equipment and use specific tools.

Written by Caleb White

Year 11/12 News

Students are still working on the same units as last week and Year 11 are also preparing for exams in the coming week. They are also working on their contribution to the annual School Performance. Last year, Year 11 put on a performance from the 50’s. They have a big surprise for this year. Stay tuned for details.

Nurturing a love of Reading

If kids can learn to love books when they are young, it can set them up for life.

This article adapted from:


For kids today, reading books for pleasure has a lot of competition from many other pursuits, ones that seem require less engagement for an instant excitement return.

But books continue to form the cornerstone of childhood education and development, says Julie Wells, president of the Children’s Book Council of Australia (CBCA), and there is a large body of research to back this up.

“Nothing can fire up a child’s vivid imagination more than reading a book, or having one read to them, because it is their imagination that is creating the images from the words they’re reading,” she says.

Here in Australia experts recommend that parents read to their little kids about five books a day, or at least for 10 minutes a day.

Well-known children’s author Mem Fox says that children need to hear 1000 stories read aloud before they learn to read themselves.

“That sounds daunting. But when we do the sums, it isn’t as bad as we might think,” she writes. “Three stories a day will deliver us a thousand stories in one year alone, let alone in the four or five years prior to school.

The benefits of reading have been shown over and over again in research. A German review of 146 international studies and 10,000 students found that children who read a lot end up higher on the social ladder.

• Set aside a regular reading time to do comfortably at home.
• Join your local library and visit as regularly as possible.
• Get an idea of the better books from school librarians and staff at the school.
• Talk about books with your kids.
• Model good reading habits.
Old Photos Needed

Baradine will be celebrating their Sesquicentenary Anniversary in 2015 and are seeking any old photos that may be available of the following:

- War photos
- Township photos
- School photos

Could you please bring them to the Front Office at Baradine Central School or the Rural Transaction Centre where they can be scanned while you wait.

Have you changed your phone number?

In case of emergencies, the school office needs up-to-date contact details for all parents, guardians and emergency contacts for each student. All parents need to ensure that their address and contact details are up to date with the school. If there have been any recent changes please contact the school office ASAP.

Footwear

We need to stress the importance of students wearing correct footwear to school. Shoes need to be leather to enable them to participate in practical activities. Students attending in incorrect attire will be unable to join classmates for elective and practical subjects.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday

Billy Carey - 28th May

Congratulations

Attendance Monkey for Week 3
Primary - Year K/1 89.5%
Secondary - Year 8 & 9 86%

Canteen Price List

HOT FOOD
- Small Sausage Roll $2.30
- Small Pie $1.00
- Large Pie $3.40
- Cheese & Bacon Pie $4.00
- Chicken Roll $3.50
- 2 Minute Noodles $2.00
- Lasagne $3.50
- Egg & Bacon Roll $3.80
- Egg, Bacon & Cheese Roll $4.20
- Pizza $2.30
- Sweet Chicken & Tenders $4.20
- Salt & Vinegar Tenders $2.00 each
- Hot Chicken Roll $3.80
- Hot Chicken Roll/Mayo $4.20
- Hot Chicken Roll/Gravy $4.30
- Chicken Burger $4.00
- Chicken Burger/Salad $4.50
- Hot Dog Roll $3.00
- Wedges $2.50
- Spaghetti Bolognese $3.60

SANDWICHES
- Banana $2.20
- Jam $1.40
- Tomato $2.00
- Cheese $1.70
- Vegemite $1.40
- Egg $2.40
- Curried Egg/lettuce $2.80
- Salad $3.50
- Fresh Chicken $3.40
- Fresh Chicken Salad $4.80
- Ham Salad $4.50
- Toasted sandwich extra 20c
- Roll extra 80c
- Wrap extra 80c

SALADS
- Salad bowl w/ lettuce, tomato, cucumber, beetroot, cheese $3.50
- Plus egg $3.80
- Plus ham $4.20
- Plus chicken $4.50
- With the lot $5.00

CHIPS
- Small $1.00
- Large $2.00

ICE CREAMS
- Blubongs $1.40
- Water Ice Blocks $0.60
- Mio ice cream cups $2.60
- Kebabry’s $0.60
- Jelly Sticks $0.20

DRINKS
- Big M (choc. Milk) $2.00
- Large chocolate milk $3.50
- Water $2.00
- Small Juice $2.00
- Large Juice $2.50

FRUIT
- Fruit available for recess and lunch when ordered in the morning various prices

Thank you
Sue Stonham
Canteen Coordinator
Coonabarabran Girl Guides Invite you to
COME AND TRY GUIDES!

Sunday 25th May 2014
1pm - 3pm

For Girls aged 6 – 16 years old
Guide Hall – Cnr Edward & Namoi St

This will be a FREE FUN day jam packed with
Guiding Activities – Indoors & Outdoors

Girls to wear warm clothes, hat and closed in shoes

Parents welcome to stay

Ring Vivian Evans 0429 424 335
to register and for further information
or visit our website
http://www.girlguides-nswact.org.au

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- **Secondary Fees/Electives:**
  - Science/Biology/Chemistry: $10.00 per term
  - Agriculture: $7.50 per term
  - Wood/Metal: $10.00 per term
  - Industrial Tech.: $15.00 per term
  - Food Tech./Hospitality: $50.00 per term
  - Photos & Digital Media: $2.50 per term

- **Important** – It is imperative that these fees are paid. They can be paid weekly/monthly as long as at the end of each term they are paid. Please note that Wood/Metal & Industrial Tech will have added costs for large project (can also be paid off).