Primary Spelling Bee Final

Junior Spelling Bee Finalists - Sophie Rowley, Savannah Carey, Isaiah White

Senior Spelling Bee Finalists - Rachael Evans, Madison Masman, Claudia Eastburn, Mia White
Principal’s News

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

Premier’s Spelling Bee

Congratulations to the Primary finalists in the Premier’s Spelling Bee. Students at Baradine Central School are continually striving to improve their spelling skills and the Spelling Bee is a great showcase of the talent we have.

Thank you to Miss Baker who organised this event again.

The next part of the process is the Regional Finals in Dubbo. Our representatives will be Sophie Rowley, Isaiah White, Claudia Eastburn and Madison Masman. Good luck!

Book Fair

Thank you to Mrs Hensby for managing the Annual Book Fair in the school’s library. This activity enriches students’ knowledge of quality books through the enjoyment of purchasing the texts they show interest in. It is also a fundraiser for acquiring new books for our library.

Scholarships

The Public Education Foundation is currently sponsoring a range of scholarships for Secondary Students. Students are encouraged to apply on the website for the scholarships valued between $1,000 and $10,000. www.publiceducationfoundation.org.au

Virtual Secondary School

As part of the Department of Education & Communities’ reform initiatives which include Rural & Remote, students in Year 10 are being invited to apply for enrolment in a new Virtual School in order to undertake courses of interest that they may not be able to access in their home school. The concept is based on the Xsel Program that Western Region co-ordinated in previous years. Students will be provided with packages next week.

Public Speaking

This year’s Public Speaking competition, set down for August has now been postponed until Term 4 due to our calendar being very crowded this year.

Secondary Girls Netball Finals

Best of luck to our netball team today who are a wild card entry into the Central School’s State Finals being held at Dubbo.

Safety Concerns

I have reminded Secondary students this week that deodorants in aerosol cans are strictly forbidden from our school due to the large percentage of our students who have asthma conditions and the effect the sprays can have on an asthmatics. Roll on deodorant is acceptable.

I will personally contact parents of any students who disregard this direction.

Dance Performance

All classes K-12 are busily rehearsing for our Annual Dance Extravaganza to be held on Thursday September 4. The evening will be thoroughly entertaining and not to be missed so please mark the date on your fridge calendar.

Cheers

Chris Clarke - Principal
Kinder/1 News

Welcome to Week 6. How the term has flown by quickly. We have been busy in our classroom practicing our steps and the music for our concert in Week 8. The students should be very proud of their efforts and ability to adapt when needed.

Thank you to Cheyenne Nielsen who was our Class Captain this week. You were a fantastic helper for me.

In Literacy we have been organising and sharing our thoughts about empathy and friendship. What we can give and share with others. Things that do not cost anything but give so much to the person receiving it, like feelings and assistance.

We are still looking at personal safety in our PD/H lessons and are learning about the different animals that live in BOTSWANA for our CWA competition.

It was a very cold start to the week and we had quite a few children away due to being sick. Just a reminder that if your child is away from school, upon returning can you please give them a note explaining their absence or give the office a quick ring. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Premier’s Spelling Bee

On Tuesday 19th August we held our School Finals for the Premier’s Spelling Bee. It was a great competition and all students from Years 3-6 participated well as either competitors or the audience. The children who will be representing our school on the 10th September at Dubbo West Public School for the Regional Finals in the Senior Division are Claudia Eastburn and Madison Masman, and in the Junior Division are Sophie Rowley and Isaiah White.

Congratulations to these students and good luck for the Regional Finals!

Thank you to everyone who competed and came to watch the competition.

Year 2 News

This week we have had another busy week. We had Mrs Cox visit on Wednesday to do some literacy lessons and help us with our reading and writing. Mrs Cox was so impressed with some children’s work that she came back and read us a special story at the end of the day.

We have really enjoyed the Book Fair this week and would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Hensby for all her organisation.

We have almost finished our mini projects on Botswana and really enjoyed having Mrs Robyn Campbell as our special guest to show her African artefacts to Year 2.

In Science and Technology, Mrs Horder has been very pleased with Year 2 and their listening skills, doing experiments and finding out about forces. They have been making some very clever predictions and conclusions.
Year 3/4 News  
Miss Christie Baker

We have had yet another busy and productive week in the Year 3/4 classroom. In Writing we are finishing our Poetry Unit by writing a free verse poem that has to have 2 language features in it. It is quite challenging! In Maths we have been focusing on learning our 9 times tables using the finger trick. We have also been learning about how to measure length with tape measures like teachers do at the athletics carnival.

In our HSIE CWA Country of Study Unit we have been researching and writing information reports about an animal from Botswana. Students worked in pairs to write these and they used the laptops and internet to research the information.

Last Friday in our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden lesson we were all very lucky as we all got to cook! We made Zucchini Pizza Bread and we even made the tomato sauce we used on them and also a zucchini, pea, mint and lemon pasta. Both dishes were delicious!

Year 5/6 News  
Miss Lucy Baldock

The Year 5/6 class are working extremely hard at the moment writing the biography of a member of the BCS staff. The students have already interviewed and written the rough draft of their biography. Now they are in the editing and publishing phase. I look forward to displaying these assessment tasks around the school for all to see.

In HSIE the students are continuing to study the country of Botswana. From their study the students will be producing a poster on two aspects of Botswana for the CWA Country of Study competition.

Year 8/9/10 Agriculture students travelled to Gunnedah for Ag Quip to complete research on different types of beef cattle. All students had a good day out in the sun.

Students are all training hard for the Ronnie Gibbs knockouts in Bourke coming up next week, getting their teams sorted and fighting fit.

Secondary Head Teacher News  
Mr Tim Lloyd

The Secondary school has been very very busy in the past 7 days with the Year 12 students completing their HSC trials, taking them one step closer to completing their schooling. This is all in preparation for the actual HSC exams which start in Term 4. We wish them all good luck.

Year 8 News  
Mr Andrew McCutcheon

Year 8 have had a very busy week practising for the upcoming dance performance that will be in Week 8. There are going to be some serious shaking tail feathers!

In English with Miss Birrell we have been studying advertising and the different techniques that people use to sell their products.

In TAS we have been very busy learning how to cut finger joints to help us strengthen our tool boxes. Term 3 certainly has been busy!

Written by Fox Jones.

Year 7 News  
Mr Jack Ramage

This week in Science we have continued looking at the moon and sun. In History we are continuing on with our work on the stolen generation. We have discussed how these children and families would have been affected by being separated.

In Geography we have been using our atlases and looking at different towns, cities and countries around the world. We have been playing a lot of fun games with this and have been really enjoying researching these towns, cities and countries.

We have also been practising our dance for performance night! Mr Ramage has come up with some very interesting dance moves for us.

In PDHPE we have started a unit on netball. I think the boys are enjoying it more than the girls!

Good luck to our Open Netball girls team that have made it to Dubbo for the Central Schools Knockout!

Written by Chontelle Vallette.
**Year 9 News**

In PDM we are starting to explore 3D modelling and printing with some students designing their own mobile phone cases. In Science we are learning about the different body systems and how they work together. We recently wrote a letter from one organ to another asking some interesting questions.

The models, posters and letters for our HSIE project are coming together and the evidence is in, we are so artistic. Most of the Woodwork crew are putting the finishing touches on their foot stools and upholstering their bases.

By Dimiti Taylor

**Year 10 News**

Year 10 Ag student Stacey Tanner travelled to Gunnedah on Wednesday with Mr McCutcheon to attend the Ag Quip field day.

On Friday Year 10 students will be a part of our Netball team, travelling to Dubbo to participate in the Central Schools State Finals. We wish them all the best and look forward to hearing some good results.

In Science with Mrs Talbot, Year 10 have been looking at Body Systems, identifying different body parts and learning their functions. Mrs Talbot created a fun way to learn about systems in the body where each student has written letters between different body organs asking and identifying their functions in the body and how they interact.

Written by Stacey Tanner.

**Crime & Punishment**

We often think of developing behaviours in these terms: positive behaviour leads to rewards, and negative behaviour leads to punishments. There are though, many times in life where positive behaviour does not result in a reward — at least not one we can hold in our hands. For example: I wash the dishes… where is the reward? It is a positive behaviour and contributes to good hygiene and a clean house yet I am not paid, nor am I rewarded each time I do the right thing. So why do I wash the dishes? Why do I hold the door open for someone? Why do I pick up a piece of rubbish on the ground? Partly because it is the right thing to do, but mostly because it feels good – I enjoy seeing the kitchen clean, hearing a “thank you”, and experiencing the natural beauty of the world.

That feeling is what some call, “power” or a sense of accomplishment. Taking on and completing something that is a little challenging feels good, and that feeling is motivating. Our children need to recognise that feeling when they have done something good because that will keep them self-motivated to continue doing the right thing. Think about and appreciate the feelings that go along with doing a job well; recognise others with compliments and admiration when you see them doing something well too. It goes a long way to making the world a better place.

**ANNUAL SCHOOL PERFORMANCE**

The Annual School Performance is getting ever closer. Wait until you experience the thrill of travelling through a haunted theatre with our characters and witnessing some of the brilliant dancing masterpieces that were performed in the theatre in its hay day. Practices for all classes and the dedicated actors are heating up with the performance looming.

Stay tuned to this spot for further information on times, dates and ticket prices. Be prepared to support the hardworking students and teachers as they embark on this seemingly impossible journey by showing up and watching our theatre come alive with ghosts, ghouls, laughter and fun.

Save the date: 4th September.

**Extended date: 25th - 29th August**

**BCS Library**

Daily at 1:00-1:30pm and 3:00-3:30pm

Books can be purchased and donated to school or a classroom.

All book sales earn the school free books.

All parents and community members welcome.
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.

Baradine Central School
P&C Committee
Next meeting date: Tuesday 9th September
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.

Legacy Badge Day, 5 September

One unique organisation stands by the dependants of veterans who gave their lives or health in the service of their nation. Legacy cares for the families of defence force personnel killed in war or other hazardous service, in peacekeeping operations or in accidents whilst training for war, and those who have died subsequently or are incapacitated. Caring for this extended family is a big task as we seek to assist them in coping with their lives, both financially and emotionally, whether they are young or old. We help organise housing, education, medical expenses and important special things, like simple companionship. Legacy is funded by public donations, which enable us to perform our legacy of care.

Badges are available on the streets on 5 September, in $2.00, $5.00, $10.00 and larger denominations. We also have pens, wristbands and Army, Navy and Air Force bears.