Bundarra Central School News

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Issue 2 **Week 4, Term 1, 2015**

(Above) Mrs McKinnon working with Years 5 and 6 students in Mathematics

(Below left) Year 11 students working with Norta Norta Tutor Laura Blacklock

(Below right) Kindergarten students using dice to recognise and match numbers

All young people deserve opportunities and support to succeed in life.

Principal's Message

As with any start of the year it has been a very busy time settling the students into their new classes.

The Student Representative Council has been very active in planning for this year. Their first meeting was a visit to the Uralla Shire Council to learn about meeting procedures and their importance in accomplishing goals. The Council is very keen to strengthen links to the school.

A number of students have competed in the zone swimming carnival and have done very well with some of our students progressing to the next level. It is always pleasing to see we show success well above what is normal for the size of our school.

This week we had a visit from a representative from Shanghai in China who arranges excursions for Chinese primary students to Australian schools. He has mainly worked with schools in the major cities but is interested in giving students a rural perspective. During his visit he was amazed at our facilities and teaching of students. He is very interested in making a connection to our school initially through a pen pal arrangement and possibly later arranging a visit by teachers and students.

I have noticed at the beginning of this year some students are crossing the road in front of the bridge rather than walking under the bridge. Please explain the importance of going under the bridge with your child to ensure the safety of all our students.

Mr David Bieler
Principal

Secondary News

Over the course of this week and next, the Year 11 and 12 students will be visited by a number of teachers from DSODE. These visits are important for the students as it allows them to have face to face time with their teachers and to also complete some practicals to better understand the topics they have been studying.

This past Tuesday members of the SRC travelled to Inverell accompanied by Mr Bieler and Mrs McKinnon. The students took part in a number of activities all of which aimed to improve on their ability to work collegially. The day was a great success and the SRC are now gearing up for a fantastic dress up day next Friday.

Over the next few weeks students will have the opportunity to take part in a number of different sporting events. It is important that any students that have received a permission note for these events return it as soon as possible. This makes it easier on the teachers organising the events and will also ensure that no students miss out.

This Friday is the last day for Year 10 and 12 students to pay their deposits for the seniors' jumper for 2015. Unfortunately late orders cannot be accepted and if the deposit isn't received students may miss out. If any students have any questions they can come and speak to me at either recess or lunch.

Finally, the students have looked very impressive in their uniforms over the first four weeks of this year. If for any reason students are out of uniform, they need to bring a signed note from home and give it to their roll call teacher. Failure to do so could see students not invited to take part in extra-curricular activities.

Mr Jarrod Carter
Teacher, Secondary

Primary News

On Wednesday of last week Clarry Tombs, Brianna Groth, Maddie Morgan, Jack Pye, Sarah O'Grady, Jai McLennan, Dakota Vickery, Paige Vickery, Lashyah Walker, Liam Rohrlach, Rudy Lowell, Erin Webb and Chloe Crosland swam at the Small Schools Swimming Carnival in Inverell. All students gave fantastic performances with Clarry Tombs, Brianna Groth and Lashyah Walker coming runners up in their age divisions.

Lashyah Walker, Sarah O'Grady, Brianna Groth, Erin Webb, Jai McLennan and Clarry Tombs represented our school at the Zone Swimming Carnival in Inverell last Wednesday.

Again all students swam well. Sarah O'Grady has made it through to the next level. Well done, Sarah.

Our first visiting performance will be on Wednesday, 2nd September. This performance G'Day Asia is an ongoing introduction to Asia where students will be encouraged to get up and participate in both traditional cultural ceremonies and colourful contemporary celebrations. After much discussion it was decided to book only one performance at this stage in the hope that another one appropriate to our students' learning experiences will come up as the year progresses.

This week's newsletter features a curriculum focus on Mathematics. Miss Williams and K/1 present the focus page.

Mrs Pam Doak
Assistant Principal

Years 5/6 began the year in Mathematics with whole number studies. Students are developing their understanding of very large numbers. Numbers have been expanded and partitioned. Our silent number line up proved interesting. So far this term students have studied 3D shapes and we are now investigating length measurement.

Students in Years 3/4 have been working on Whole Number and Addition. During the Whole Number lessons students have identified, read and written 3, 4 and 5 digit numbers using numerals and words.

After a mini assessment task students will break into 3 groups to complete some tiered addition tasks. This is all part of differentiation and having the students working at their ability levels. Years 3/4 have been working on written mentals tasks each day trying to speed up and obtain accurate answers. They have completed some challenging tasks like using 5 squares and 4 right angle triangles to create an octagon. They look forward to communicating and reasoning throughout the Maths lessons.

This term in Mathematics, Kindergarten students are learning to count to 20 and backwards from 10.

Year 1 students are learning to count on from 2 digit numbers to 100.

Students in K/1 are learning to collect data and to record the collected data in picture graphs. They have created picture graphs about their class. Students are also learning to compare and measure the length of objects.

This term in Maths, Year 2/3 have been learning about place value. Students have been playing a range of games to build their understanding in place value. Students have also been practising this skill in their homework at home.

Students have also been learning about length. The children have measured each other and placed it on a heights chart in the classroom. Students have also had a mini Olympics to see who could throw a straw the longest. They then had to measure their throws to the nearest centimetre.

Students have just started to learn about volume and capacity. Year 3 are learning to measure the capacity of objects to the litre. Year 2 are comparing and ordering volumes and capacities.

WANTED

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO HELP IN THE SCHOOL CANTEEN

ANY TIME BETWEEN
10:00AM TO 2:00PM

PLEASE COME AND SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL CANTEEN

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED
PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL
ON 6723 7102

Look at Me!
By K/1

I like the equipment.
I like learning stuff.
I like sport.

Meet Zippy and Snow White

K/1 having fun at the Teddy Bears' picnic.

I like going into the classroom and doing craft.
I like eating fruit.
I like playing.
I like Miss Williams.

1 2 3
4 5 6
7 8 9

It's **too** cold!

SRC Uralla Day Out

On Wednesday the 11th of February the newly elected Student Representative Council, which included Thomas Grant (President), Kodi Roberts (Secretary), Brian Berry, Recee Ritter, Bianca Nelson, Luke Berry, Paige Vickery (Primary Captain), Irene Hickman, Cheyenne Hosking and Tishari Morgan.

The SRC started the school year on a positive note by travelling to the Uralla Shire Council to be part of an educational day out. Driven and accompanied by Mr Bieler we arrived at the Council Chambers where we were warmly greeted by the Mayor, Mr Pearce.

From there we were given a delicious morning tea and drinks, we were then taken to the meeting room where Mr Pearce gave us an informative speech on how Council meetings are run and roles of a member of the Shire.

To conclude the educational morning, Mr Pearce finally gave us a tour of the chamber building. Overall all SRC members had a fantastic day, motivating and inspiring us to be better leaders and role models for our fellow peers.

Finally, on behalf of the SRC, I would like to thank Councillor Pearce for taking his precious time informing us on his inspiring work and Mr Bieler for transporting us and organising this wonderful day.

Tom Grant
President

Bridge Crossing the Gwydir River

The school's ANZAC Ceremony for 2015 will take place on Wednesday, 22nd April 2015 at Bundarra Central School. Mr Rick Sullivan will be attending our service and presenting the school with a seedling propagated from the original Lone Pine at Gallipoli. His relatives, Thomas Joseph Sullivan and Ernst Lawrence Sullivan both served at Gallipoli and their service records show they were members of the Bundarra Community and attended our school.

The Student Representative Council has enquired about the name of the bridge crossing the Gwydir River next to the school and have discovered it is not named. We have discussed the possibility of naming the bridge "The Lone Pine Bridge" to commemorate the military service members of the Bundarra Community have done for Australia.

If you wish to comment on our project please contact Mr Bieler at the school on 6723 7102.

Members of this years Students Representative Council with Mr Bieler with the bridge in the background

Respect Involvement Response

PBL Corner

Our Core Values

In the playground

Respect

- Look after the environment
- Be kind to each other
- Let others join in games and take turns
- Use polite, correct language
- Be honest
- Share equipment
- Follow instructions
- Listen to others

Involvement

- Accept being part of the whole group
- Support others
- Participate in group and individual activities

Response

- Stay within school boundaries
- Be tolerant
- React calmly to the comments of other people
- Be polite

Wear your uniform with pride
Do the right thing - put it in the bin
Slip, slop, slap, slide and seek

Respect Involvement Response

Parent tips

Primary and High school

Friendships to boost your child's learning

If children are happy socially they tend to be more engaged in their learning. So teaching your child about the importance of making friends is as vital as learning their ABCs.

Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/how-friendships-boost-your-childs-learning

Assignment starters for the arts

Videos are great resources for getting kids enthused about their assignments. These pages on cubism, percussion and critical studies provide key points to help them get started and links to useful sites to assist with further research.

Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-projects/the-arts/assignment-starters-for-the-arts

Primary school

Helping your Kindy kid succeed at school

A great way to kick off your child's formal education is to understand the school culture and what your child is doing in the classroom.

Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/helping-kindy-kids-succeed-at-school

Speech problems

All kids learn how to talk and listen at different rates but did you know there's a general pattern to your child's language development?

Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/speech-problems

High school

Year 10 subject selection

How can you help your teen decide on subjects for Years 11 and 12? These tips talk about balancing choices based on your teen's strengths, while keeping their options open.

http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/zh/homework-and-study/planning-for-the-future/year-10-subject-selection

Vocational education

Many kids now use Year 11 and 12 to get a head start on a traineeship or an apprenticeship, or gain other valuable industry experience.

Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/planning-for-the-future/vocational-education-at-school

PRIMARY MERIT CERTIFICATES
TERM 1, WEEK 3

Kindergarten
William Pye
Isabel Kenny-Bamberry
Harry Kelly
Jayden Groth
Phoebe Jukes

Year 1
Melina Randall
Maddison Harper
Asha Bradbery

Year 2
Nattasha Gibson
Ethan Webb
Sarah O'Grady
Lillie Kelly

Year 3
Jai McLennan
Chayce Riley
Mya Brooker
Dakota Randall
Elise Smith

Year 4
Clarry Tombs
Dean Orchard
Gemma Evans

Year 5
Paige Vickery
Irene Hickman

Year 6
Josie Eslick
Thomas Palmer
Chontelle Gibson
Jayden Brooker

True Blue Mate Award
Mya Brooker
Brianna Groth
Jesse Nelson
Luke Turner

Warm & Fuzzy Award
Maddison Harper
Kayley Smith

Pride and Presentation
Jayden Groth
Clarry Tombs

Respectful Audience Member
Liam Eslick
Melina Randall

PBL AWARDS

Phase 1, Merit 1
Liam Eslick

Phase 1, Merit 3
Ethan Webb

Phase 1, Mert 4
Maddie Pye

Phase 2, Merit 1
Lilly Milton

Phase 2, Merit 2
Isabelle Kelly

Phase 2, Merit 3
Dean Orchard

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Bundarra Central School Term 1 Calendar

WK	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4 B	16/2	17/2 DUBBO TEACHERS AT BCS SCHOOL COUNSELLOR	18/2 SECONDARY ZONE BASKETBALL BOYS & GIRLS (ARMIDALE)	19/2 P&C AGM AT 3:15 IN SCHOOL HALL	20/2 NORTH WEST PRIMARY & SECONDARY SWIMMING ENTRIES ARE DUE DUBBO TEACHERS AT BCS
5 A	23/2 NRL AMBASSADORS VISIT 15 YEARS NETBALL GALA DAY (ARMIDALE)	24/2 SCHOOL COUNSELLOR	25/2 ZONE RUGBY (ARMIDALE)	26/2	27/2 CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY
6 B	2/3 SECONDARY NORTH WEST SWIMMING TRIALS (ARMIDALE)	3/3 IMMUNISATIONS PRIMARY NORTH WEST SWIMMING TRIALS SCHOOL COUNSELLOR	4/3 15'S OPENS BOYS & GIRLS ZONE TOUCH TRIALS (INVERELL)	5/3	6/3 ZONE PRIMARY WINTER TRIALS AT INVERELL
7 A	9/3	10/3 BOYS & GIRLS NORTH WEST TOUCH TRIALS (INVERELL) SCHOOL COUNSELLOR	11/3	12/3	13/3 SECONDARY RUGBY TRIALS (ARMIDALE)
8 B	16/3	17/3 SECONDARY ZONE WINTER TRIALS LEAGUE, SOCCER, NETBALL (INVERELL) SCHOOL COUNSELLOR	18/3	19/3	20/3
9 A	23/3	24/3 SCHOOL COUNSELLOR	25/3	26/3	27/3
10 B	30/3	31/3 SCHOOL COUNSELLOR	1/4	2/4	3/4

BUNDARRA CENTRAL SCHOOL IMMUNISATIONS WILL BE HELD ON

TUESDAY 3RD MARCH AT 9:30AM. ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL

ON 6723 7102

Hunter New England Population Health

Direct Contact Details
Phone: (02) 49246477

NSW GOVERNMENT Health
Hunter New England
Local Health Network

NSW SCHOOL VACCINATION PROGRAM

WHAT VACCINE SHOULD MY CHILD RECEIVE

YEAR 7

dTpa vaccine includes protection against diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough and **is your child's first adolescent booster.** This dose is in addition to the DTPa vaccines given during childhood.

HPV vaccine is only offered in year 7

Varicella vaccine (against chickenpox) is for children who have not been previously vaccinated or had the disease. However, 2 doses of varicella vaccine can be safely administered.

YEAR 11-12 students

a single dose of measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) will be offered – please check how many doses of MMR vaccine (called MMRII or Priorix) your child has received by checking their baby vaccination book (blue book) or contacting Medicare on 1800 653 809. **DO NOT COMPLETE THE CONSENT FORM** if they have evidence of two previous doses.

What happens if a student misses a dose – they will be caught up at the next clinic – you do not need to do anything.

A RECORD OF VACCINATION CARD - will be provided to each student vaccinated at each clinic. Parents/guardians should ensure that this record is kept for future reference. A request for a duplicate record of vaccination is required in writing and will incur a fee of $33.00.

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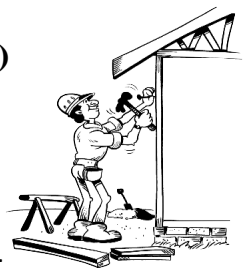

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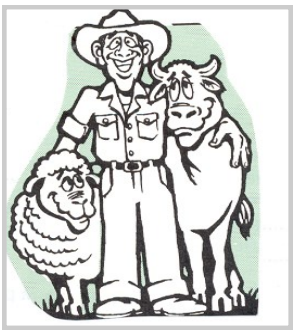

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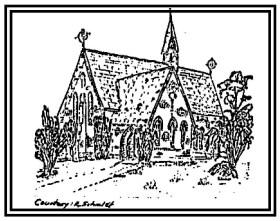

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