# Bundairia Central School News

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The girls open touch team travelled to Tamworth to play in the first three rounds of the CHS girls open knockout. They played Barraba Central School and won 6-1, Oxley High School and won 7-1 and finally against a fresh Armidale High side won 5-3. This means they are now in the top four high school sides in the North West and await an outcome from the Inverell section of the draw. Mr Henley was very impressed with all the girls teamwork, skills, sportsmanship and persistence during the day, especially as they played a fresh team in each round on the same day. Well done girls and good luck for the next two rounds.



BCS student competing in the barrel race at the recent Barraba Horse Sports Day



Year 11 and 12 Hospitality students undertook an assessment task in food preparation and handling under the watchful eye of a teacher from Dubbo School of Distance Education. The students cooked a delightful lunch for staff for a cost of \$5.00 per meal.

# Principal's Message

Today brings to an end a very busy school term. We have had a number of successes both academic and sporting, and great events for the students. At today's assembly students will be acknowledged for their efforts this term, then to finish the term the Primary students will be having a picnic lunch and fun activities in the afternoon.

Over the holidays I would ask that you encourage your children to continue reading. One of the most important skills to maintain is reading but it is important that your children read for pleasure. Please ask questions about what they read and encourage discussions with them. Secondary students, especially those in Years 11 and 12 need to do some study through the holidays. A website that can be very helpful is the School A toZ site.

### http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/en/homework-and-study

This site gives many useful tips for studying but also provides starting prompts for answering homework questions and links for research on various topics.

There are a number of events happening next term starting with our ANZAC ceremonies. The school's ceremony will be at 12.10 pm Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2015 and the community ceremony will be on April 25<sup>th</sup> 2015. I will send home further details as they become available.

Term 2 marks the changeover to our winter uniform. I am very pleased with the comments I receive from the public about how well presented our students are. Our students being in uniform displays their pride in the school and in themselves and I would ask that you help our tradition of all students being in the correct uniform continue.

Finally have a very safe and enjoyable holiday and I look forward to another exciting term at Bundarra.

Mr David Bieler Principal

# **Secondary News**

In the final weeks of the term the Secondary Department has been very busy in assessing student performances this term, continued involvement in a range of sports activities and participation in extra curricula activities. Students have successfully participated in the Science and Engineering challenge and the Hospitality class prepared a delicious luncheon for staff to display their skills.

### Science students take on the Engineering challenge

On the 20th March, a selected group of students went to the Science and Engineering Challenge in Inverell. All had a great day and had fun working on challenges that we cannot duplicate at school.





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# **Secondary News (continued)**

### Social awareness in a creative writing task

This term Years 7 and 8 have been learning about the very important topic of 'Bullying'. Students have been learning about its devastating consequences and how to reduce it as much as possible. Students have developed Anti-bullying Posters, created a Children's Storybook on bullying and watched a documentary called 'Bully', as well as many other activities. As part of the topic, students had to complete an assessment task. The task was an in-class, creative writing task where student's had to write a story based on bullying for Primary school children.

Years 9 to 10 have been hard at work on a unit on sexual health, which has unsurprisingly captured their attention. Students have been learning about everything from the qualities valued in a partner and how to appropriately express their feelings to how to effectively plan and manage sexual health. The class has also began a unit on Driver Safety that they will continue to work on next term.

I wish all students a safe and happy holiday and look forward to helping them develop their knowledge and skills in PDH.

### History class undertakes practical learning

Over the past four weeks, students in Year 7 History have been looking at the Ancient Romans and how their lives were different to the lives we live today. The students have created posters on the daily life of the Romans, including what they ate and how they lived, and they have enjoyed looking at Roman soldiers. The students were also fortunate enough to be able to look at some of the equipment Roman soldiers would have used. This hands on lesson was of particular benefit to the students as it gave them first-hand experience of what they had been learning in class.



# Crossing the Divide making a difference

Participants in the program continue to undertake a diverse curricula that focuses on developing school to work skills. Coursework includes metalwork, timber and a TAFE delivered auto course. To enhance employment options the course participants are currently undertaking a licensing training course delivered in Inverell that will be completed during the school holidays.



The work will continue in Term Two with the Secondary students displaying Anzac memorabilia at the school, a ceremony on the 22<sup>nd</sup> April and then at the official luncheon on the 25<sup>th</sup> April to celebrate the one hundred years since the ill-fated Gallipoli campaign.

Lyndon (Jack) Dolby Head Teacher, Secondary Studies

# **Primary News**

As the term comes to an end and a well earnt holiday is looked forward to the children can look back on a very productive ten weeks. There has been an educational mix of academic, cultural and sporting activities. It has been particularly rewarding to witness all children from K to Year 6 willingly participating in the ten minute morning fitness sessions. Research has shown that this is a great mind stimulus with which to begin the days learning activities.

By the time this newsletter arrives home all classes will have designed and made their Easter hats or bonnets, participated in the K-12 assembly, enjoyed a picnic lunch together and finished the term off with fun sporting activities. Thank you to parents and caregivers who were able to join the teachers and children for some or all of these activities. Your presence is greatly appreciated.

Last Monday Irene Hickman tried out for the North West Soccer team. Although not making the final team, Irene reported back that she had a great day, benefiting from the experience of playing with other girls with similar skills. Well done Irene. We are very proud of you.

Congratulations to Wade Powell who rode impressively at the Barraba Horse Sports on the 20th March. Wade was placed third in the Hack, second in boy rider (10 years), first in the barrels, first in the straight bends, first in the running tee and third in the flag race.

The final newsletter for this term features reports from the Creative and Practical Arts while Years 5 and 6 present the focus page.

Our best wishes to Mrs McKinnon who is at present celebrating the birth of her first grandchild, Edward Phillip.

Enjoy a safe and happy Easter break. We look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday 21st April.

# Mrs Pam Doak Assistant Principal

In Visual Art lessons students in Kindergarten and Year 1 have been studying a unit called 'Me'. Within this unit students have studied self portraits and created their own self portraits using a variety of mediums and techniques. In Music lessons students in Kindergarten and Year 1 have been learning to sing a collection of songs including the National Anthem. Drama lessons have seen Kindergarten and Year 1 students learning the difference between verbal and non-verbal communication. Students have been learning a collection of nursery rhymes and learning how to present them to the audience

using mime and readers' theatre.

In Art Years 3 and 4 have sketched a portion of the Gwydir River and copied buildings of Bundarra from photographs. Years 3 and 4 had a very enjoyable lesson in the sandpit building castles and decorating them. The class I-pad was used to photograph the sandcastles so they could be printed. Drama has been a discussion and decision making unit about the type of play they will perform. Students have listened to a variety of stories so far. Their decision will be made early Term 2 with props being created. Singing has been the focus for Music during Term 1. The songs have been related to Australia and places then, now and tomorrow. They have enjoyed songs such as Waltzing Matilda, The Old Bark Hut and Song of Gold.

Visual Arts and Music lessons have mainly related to Years 5 and 6 English unit 'Lighthouse Girl.' Students have produced artworks incorporating characters and scenes from the novel. They had tried their hand at grid sketching, using a charcoal finish. As Gallipoli has been a theme this term, students have created artworks with well-known ANZAC James Martin and studied music such as the "Revielle" and "The Last Post." They also analysed Redgum's Song 'I Was Only 19'.

This term in Art, students in Years 2 and 3 have been completing a unit called 'All About In this unit students have completed a range of art pieces about themselves. Students have sketched self-portraits and portraits of a friend. Years 2 and 3 researched the artist Andy Warhol and then completed a piece of his artwork. This piece included four exact pictures of the students that were coloured in different colours. This artwork turned out impressively. All students should be proud of the effort they showed throughout this unit. In Music students have been learning to sing 'Hakuna Matata' from the Lion King. This song has been split into parts so that each student has the opportunity to shine. Parents will get the opportunity to hear this song later in the year.

# Bundarra Pony Club Mini Camp: 11th-13th April

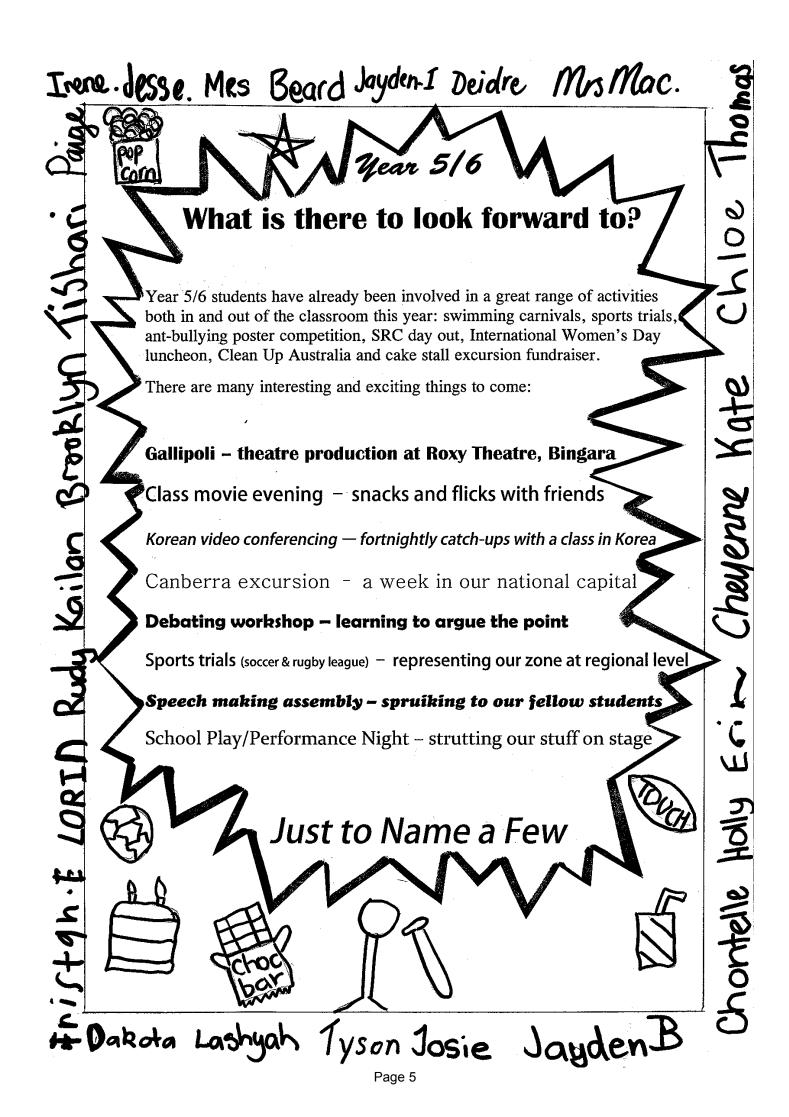
Open to all clubs, must be a member of a Pony Club.

Membership can be paid at beginning of the camp.

All riding disciplines will be covered, emphasis on show jumping.

For more information contact Sharon Irwin on 0416249529 or see Jessica Bindley at Bundarra Rural for forms.

We hope to see you there.



# P & C NEWS

# **Mother's Day Stall**

The P & C will be running a Mother's Day Stall on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May. We are asking families to donate small items that will be sold to the students for 50c & \$1. All items once purchased will be gift wrapped.

If you're stuck here are some ideas:

Coffee Cup Soaps Kitchen Items; whisk/spatula/wooden spoon Tea towels Hankies Make up Bath salts Stationary Candles

Anything small & pretty that you think you would like to receive. No need to spend a fortune, just a visit to one of the cheap shops should do the trick.

Please have all items into the school by Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May.

Any questions feel free to give me a call on 6723 7067.

Joan Kelly, P & C Secretary



### **CAKE STALL**

The cake stall at the election was a huge success raising \$409.

A big thank you to everyone who donated to the cake stall, you helped make it so successful, and to everyone who supported the stall on the day.

Have a safe and happy Easter.

Mel Lowell, President

Bundarra Central School Term 2 Calendar					
WK	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 A	20/4 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	21/4 <u>STUDENTS</u> <u>BEGIN TERM 2</u>	22/4 SPECIAL ANZAC ASSEMBLY (1:50—2:50PM)	23/4	24/4 BCS CROSS COUNTRY
2 B	27/4 SHINE PROGRAM (YEARS 7 & 8 GIRLS)	28/4	29/4	30/4 ARMAJUN HEALTH SERVICE VISIT TO BCS	1/5 IMMUNISATIONS

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