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### Issue 17

Week 4, Term 4, 2019

# A small school with big hearts and bigger opportunities.



Scripture 14th November: P&C Meeting @ 3pm 18th - 22nd November: Years 7-10 Examinations 19th November: Year10/12 Formal 20th November: K-6 Gymnastics 22nd November: K-12 Sports Assembly 27th November: K-6 Gymnastics 5th December: Presentation Night 6th December: Primary Assembly 9th - 13th December: Years 9-10 Work Experience 12th December: Year 6 Celebration SRC Fete 13th December: Secondary Assembly 9am

- 18th December:
  - Last day for Students for 2019
- 29th January 2020:
  - Students Return to school

(Dates and times are subject to change - all care will be taken to give sufficient notice)

## **Principal's Message**



Our small school, with big hearts yet again showed how we are involved and engaged with opportunities that benefit our community and our world.

The Bundarra Central School Cattle Club students represented our school in an exemplary manner at the Scone Beef Bonnza Week Competition. Elise Smith gained fourth place in her section and the students led and looked after the cattle well. I would like to thank Mr Taylor, Mrs Light and Mr Masterson who gave so much of their own time to ensure our students had this opportunity to learn and grow in the cattle industry. I would also like to thank the parents and community for supporting our school's endeavours to educate our students about smart farming and hopefully providing a future in the agricultural industry that is vital to our country.

Today Year 5/6 competed in the public speaking competition. It was impressive to hear so many well thought out speeches that had a social conscious and a heart. The topics ranged from the drought, mental health, impacts of the horse industry, our beautiful community and the impact of the bushfires. I would like to congratulate all the students on their efforts and their ownership to create speeches that reflect themselves and our world.

Our Year 12 students have been sitting their final exams and have approached these with a calmness and maturity. Luke Berry will be sitting the final exam (Physics) on Monday. On Tuesday 19 November we will be farewelling these students from our school at the formal. Many thanks to the staff and P&C who are busy making the final preparations for this celebration.

We have a busy time ahead with various celebrations, wrap-ups and events. Please keep up to date via our Newsletter calendar, Facebook page and Website as we do not want you to miss these special occasions. Following the Sports Assembly on Thursday 21 November we will be hearing the nominees for the 2020 SRC and voting. Please encourage your children to become involved in these leadership opportunities and to contribute to our school.

A huge thank you to Ku-ring-gai Netball Club in outer Sydney. The netball club have donated 2 huge boxes of food along with a generous donation of \$2800 in aid of reducing the impact of the drought on our students and families.

Mrs Jennifer Cox Principal



## **Secondary News**

#### City Country Alliance Student Leadership Camp - Sydney 25th -28th November - Student Leadership Community Group

The City Country Alliance Student Leadership Camp is rapidly coming up again with most permission notes handed in from students in the Leadership Community Group. The camp includes visits to The Great Synagogue, a guided tour and lunch at the Botanical Gardens, self-guided tour of The Rocks and walk across the Harbour Bridge and Lakemba Mosque. There will also be famous speakers to inspire students as well as a visit to a Sydney high school. It is a fantastic opportunity for students to develop confidence in leading their peers as well as public speaking.

#### Mr Richard Sowden Head Teacher, Teaching & Learning

### SMART FARM

All of the hard work by the smart farm community group paid off at the Upper Hunter Beef Bonanza. After 90 days preparing, grooming and taming steers they were transported to Scones White Park where students continued caring, feeding and parading the steers. All students participated in judging cattle quality. Parading our steers students competed with hundreds of other student's where Ellie Smith was rewarded by placing 4<sup>th</sup> in her heat. Meat Standards Australia assessment of our Charolais Angus X steer donated by Clerkness placed 7 out of 130 plus steers in the light middle weight class.

#### 2020 Preliminary HSC Subjects

Year 10 students are in the final phase of subject selections. Vocational courses are part of the curriculum offered for 2020 including Hospitality, Primary Industries and Automotive. Subject selections will be finalised in next week. Please contact Mr Taylor if you would like any further information.

### Absentee Tracking

Our school has been sending text messages for students who are absent from school for whom we have not received notification on a daily basis. Streamlining the absence monitoring process will make it easier for parents to contact the school with absence details. Please check that we have your current mobile phone contact details.

NSW Public Schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of all students. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

**Mr Shaun Taylor** 

Head of Secondary Studies

He/She is only missing just	That equals	Which is ????	And over 13 years of schooling
10 mins per day	50 mins per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly 1/2 A YEAR
20 mins per day	1 Hour 40 mins per week	Over 2.5 weeks per year	Nearly 1 YEAR
30 mins per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 YEARS
1 hour per day	`1 hour per week	8 weeks per year	Over 2 .5 YEARS



Congratulations Secondary Students:
Hannah Palmer
Charlette Gibson
Tahleah Gleeson
Dean Orchard
Abbey McLennan
Paige Vickery
Thomas Palmer
Dakota Bradbery
Holly Orchard
Chloe Hughes
Jaiden Gleeson
Olivia McLennan
David Fox
Lily-Rose Elliott

## **Primary News**



Congratulations to the Primary students who represented the school at the Upper Hunter Beef Bonanza in Scone last week. They participated in workshops and had a great learning experience whilst away. The Charolais Angus X Steer placed 5th in the carcass competition for their class.

Students thoroughly enjoyed the Circus of Life performance where not only did they learn how to manipulate items as jugglers but they also learnt about bullying and strategies to put in place to remedy the situation.

K/1 had a great morning on Monday with their grandparents and grandfriends. Artwork, reading and playing.

This week, primary students from Years 2-6 completed PAT testing for this term providing teachers with another source of data to improve teaching and learning across the school for the remainder of this term and to plan and program for 2020. Primary students also participated in the Questacon Science Circus and the Public Speaking Assembly for Year 5/6 students.

Sarah O'Grady represented the school at Primary State Athletics, competing in 1500m, 200m and High Jump with pride. What a busy week it has been.

All students are looking forward to the gymnastics excursions to Armidale in the coming weeks on the 20 & 27 November. We are very lucky to have obtained a sports grant to assist with most of the costs for this excursion. It is always easier if families only have to pay the transport costs.

5/6 are looking forward to their excursion to Lake Keepit next week. Remember to check the what to bring list and what not to bring list (can also be found on the school website (<u>https://bundarra-c.schools.nsw.gov.au/</u>) under 'Upcoming events').

Mrs Vicki Light Assistant Principal, 5/6 Teacher

### **Congratulations Primary Students:**

Andrew Fox Ada Lawton Robyn Fox Madison Smith Lachlan Kemp Darcy McLennan Gavin Little Asha Bradbery Achilles Mazaraki Chase Bradbery Mya Gibson Macklin Groth **Brydee Harper** Shania Kruger Jemma Azzopardi Jayden Groth



Students in 2/3/4 have been busy this term. This week they have been collecting packaging for a mystery maths activity. What will they be doing with all these boxes and tubes? The answer will be revealed on Friday.

For the literature unit, Asian and Other Cultures, 2/3/4 are studying the book *Mirror* with Mrs Dezius and

*The Little Refugee* with Mr Henley. The students have retold the early part of the story using descriptive language. Some examples are shown here.

Anh Do was scared and frightened because of the angry dark storm. They were squashed and crowded in the stinky small wooden boat that was about to sink. Soon after the storm had ended the cruel vicious pirates leapt on the small smelly fishing boat. The mean evil pirates stole precious special gold coins and even gold teeth.

### by **Shania**

One dusky night Anh Do crept out to an old stinky fishing boat and zipped away. As they were zipping away an angry giant storm came. All the food and water got ruined. Once the storm had passed pirates came and stole all of their money and gold. One pirate picked up a baby and was ready to throw him overboard but instead he threw him at his mother's feet.

### by **Kadie**

Once we got on the rickety boat we set sail. We got about 30 kms off the shore and a vicious raging storm hit us. It was destructive. The storm hit hard, it destroyed the food and water so we were horrified. After the storm had passed the next thing that happened we will never forget. The next morning we woke up to father yelling out, "There's an old fishing boat coming towards us! We are safe!" But we weren't saying that when the boat pulled up beside us. Large men leapt into the boat and waved a heavy duty minigun in the air and said, "Sit down!" Immediately we all listened to save our lives. Next he took all the valuables and cruised off. They got 50 metres away and shot rounds and made holes in the boat to sink our boat. We were horrified the boat started sinking and the only thing that saved us was ten life saving rings that father had brought in case the boat sank.

### by **Jaiden**

Art has been linked with the literacy unit and students have made silhouettes and are working on creating a Moroccan style doorway.

The Term 4 history unit is about family life in the past and celebrations. Students have looked at old photographs and made comparisons between the photos and how they celebrate different events. Picnics 100 years ago were definitely a fancier event than they are today.

Mrs Jenny Dezius Classroom Teacher











## Upper Hunter Beef Bonanza



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PREMIER'S ANZAC MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP | 2020

AUSTRALIANS AT WAR REMEMBRANCE TOUR



## Premier's Anzac Memorial Scholarship Tour to Singapore and Greece September/October 2020

Bundarra Central School has been invited to encourage students of Years 9 and 10 to submit a project focussing upon the scope and nature of warfare change from the First to the Second World War. 20 students from across the state (of which a Bundarra student will be attending) will be visiting significant historical sites in Singapore and Greece where Australians have served. Students will learn about the scope and nature of warfare in the First and Second World Wars, and commemorate the service of Australian men and women in these conflicts.

Tour Dates: 25th September to 9th October 2020 Submission of application form and piece of work : Friday 7th February 2020

The costs of the scholarship (airfares/accommodation/meals/tour cost) are covered by the NSW Government. The successful applicant will need to hold or obtain a passport with six months validity and is the responsibility of parents/caregivers. There is also a mandatory pre-tour meeting for Scholars at the Anzac Memorial in Hyde Park in Sydney on 15 April 2020. See Mr Sowden for further information and an application form.





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## Grandparents Day, Questacon & Public Speaking



























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MEETINGS 2<sup>ND</sup> WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 1PM ALL WELCOME

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- ♦ Boom spraying 24m boom
- ♦ GPS guidance
- ♦ Computer controlled
- ◊ On farm loading with Bobcat includes scales

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