

Bundarra Central School News

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Up & Coming:

29th November:

- Breakfast Club before school
 Primary Bush to Beach Virtual
 Program
- Kindy Orientation

30th November:

- Kindergarten and Year 1 Library
- Breakfast Club before school
- PBL Rewards Day

1st December:

- Pop Up Café at Lunch time
- Years 2/3 Library
- Primary Gymnastics Armidale

2nd December:

Breakfast Club before school Year 7 Transition

3rd December:

- Years 4/5/6 Library
- Pop Up Café at Lunch time
- Presentation Day
- Year 12 Formal

6th December:

Breakfast Club before school

• Swim School 7th December:

- Breakfast Club before school
- Kindergarten and Year 1
 Library
- Swim School

8th December:

- Years 2/3 Library
- Pop Up Café at Lunch time
- Swim School

9th December:

Breakfast Club before school Swim School

10th December:

- Pop Up Café at Lunch time
- Years 4/5/6 Library
- Swim School

(Dates and times are subject to change, all care is taken to give sufficient notice:

A small school with big hearts and bigger opportunities

Principal's Message



As the year draws to a close it's time to celebrate all the good things that Bundarra Central School students have done. This year has been a tumultuous one with COVID 19, floods, Stay At Home Orders and rules to keep us safe. I would like to thank the staff and the community for pulling together and keep a focus on education, wellbeing and providing opportunities for our students.

Congratulations to Bundarra Central School for a fabulous Be Kind Day. The day was filled with, colour, wonderful food and big smiles. Our small school raised over \$700 for the homeless. It is important at this time of the year that we remember that it is a time to give and be kind.

We have welcomed our Kindergarten students for 2022 to the school through our orientation program. Mr Bradley Smith is looking forward to teaching K/1/2 next year and I am sure they will have the best start to school. In 2022 Ms Tanya Sinclair will be taking 3/4 and Mrs Light and Mrs Dezius 5/6. We have lots of wonderful experiences and exciting opportunities for all our students.

Year 11 2022 has moved into the Senior Homeroom and it is fantastic to see the room full of determined students focused on their future. The Year 6 students will have an orientation day into Year 7 next week. The Year 6 Celebration will take place in week 10 and we will be inviting vaccinated parents only (no extended family) to celebrate the achievements of our Year six students on Monday 13th December at 9am.

Next Friday 3rd December we will be holding our presentation day we will hold this as a K- 6 Assembly and a Secondary Assembly where we will recognise the wonderful achievements of our students this year. Unfortunately we are not allowed to have performances, so we have taken the decision to prepare a presentation of the award recipients for parents to see their child's achievements. We will present the awards to recognise the students and hope that you share a big heart with us in your best wishes as we do so we will not be having parents and visitors to this assembly due to the nature of 2021.

Congratulations to all on a wonderful year this will be our last newsletter as we will be providing each family with a booklet celebrating the year that was. To all our families, thank you for being part of our Bundarra Central School family and we wish you a wonderful Christmas as we approach the end of the year.



Secondary News

Secondary students only have a few weeks until school holidays. Learning activities will continue until the end of Week 11. During Week 11 special activities are planned for an event we call Term 5. A range of activities will be available for student participation, from building native bird boxes, cattle preparation for showing and sporting options.

Northern Schools Cattle Competition 2021 on the Hoof was a success - Our Simmental x steers were in the Medium 441-460 class and received 2nd and 4th placing.

Thankyou to Chris and Clerkness for your continuous support.

Stage 4 technology students have been busy



Love Bites is a program that Stage 5 have attended this week. Importantly this program is designed to build and foster respectful relationships. Delivered by our local Police Liaison Officer all Stage 5 students had the opportunity to attend the event that was held at the Bundarra Sport and Recreation club. The activities included ice breakers, discussions and information sessions.



HSC Students and Exams

Our wonderful HSC students have almost completed their final examinations. The NSW HSC examinations have been held a little later than normal due to the COVID restrictions earlier this year. Next week will be the final examinations that conclude for our students on Thursday afternoon. The timetable is available at <u>https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/hsc/key-dates-exam-timetables/hsc-written-exam-timetable</u>

Wednesday 1 December	Thursday 2 December	
Hospitality (VET) 9.25am – 11.30am <i>Kitchen Operations</i>	Information Processes and Technology 9.25am – 12.30pm	
	Investigating Science 1.55pm – 5.00pm	

On the evening of Friday 3rd December the Year 12 formal will be taking place. Well done Year 12 you have shown exceptional resilience in a very challenging time. All the best wishes from the staff and students at Bundarra Central school.

Mr Shaun Taylor Head Teacher, Second





Primary News

Cyber Safety Talk

Fiona McCormack visited 4/5/6 classroom last week to talk with students about Cyber Safety on their digital devices. It is important that your children are supervised when on devices and you know what they are doing and who they are communicating with.



and do online.



Block people who send nasty messages and don't open unknown links and attachments.



FLAG IT Flag up with someone you trust if anything upsets you or if someone asks to meet you offline.



To all the 4/5/6 students who nominated and presented a speech for the 2022 Leadership Team. It is wonderful to hear these students wanting to have a voice in the school to represent students in both Primary and Secondary.

Sketch and Scripture Outback Patrol

Gwen and Jack Colwell have been visiting Bundarra Central School delivering stories from the scriptures using sketches, spoken stories with puppets and songs. They donated Christmas books and book marks for students.

We have greatly appreciated their effort to travel around mostly to small schools giving their presentations purely because they love to do it. Bundarra Central School wishes Gwen and Jack a happy and safe Christmas.

Bush to Beach Virtual Program 2021

Bush to beach is a surf life saving program which

ensure that bush children know how to be safe when they visit the beach or any of our fantastic waterways around Australia. Students will participate in some activities next week.



Armidale Gymnastics Centre

K-6 students are looking forward to visiting the Armidale Gymnastics Centre to participate in activities for the day on Wednesday 1st December 2021. They may get to use the newly opened building this year with its new equipment.

Be sure notes and money are returned so noone misses out.

Students will need a packed recess and lunch (no lunch orders available). Students will wear their sports uniform.

Please ensure they have plenty of drinking water with them.





Mrs Vicki Light Assistant Principal

K/1 Library

K/l enjoying learning about new places and characters through reading and listening to books. Where will you go on your next book adventure? "There's always room for a story that can transport people to another place." – J.K. Rowling





This week is the last week for students to borrow books for this year.

Please **return** all books to the library by Week 10.







Be Kind day



Secondary Photo Competition



Winner-Amba and Hayley



Highly Commended- Indiana



Thank you to all the student who participated you all took lovely photographs

Police Liaison Program



Fiona McCormack, our Police Liaison Officer, Visited students today speaking about Cyber safety/Bullying and Vaping.



Year 9 Science have been involved in a unit on plastics and their negative impacts on the environment, especially ocean bio-systems. This involved an experiment of immersing plastics in a tub of water to see if the plastics decomposed.





Year 7 vaccinations Free vaccines for all Year 7 students

Dear Parent/Guardian

Teams of specially trained registered nurses will be visiting your child's school during Year 7 to offer free vaccinations against serious preventable diseases

Vaccines include:

- 1. Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine (2 doses)
- 2. Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (whooping cough) (dTpa) vaccine (1 dose)

THESE VACCINES ARE ONLY PROVIDED FREE FOR YEAR 7 STUDENTS

What do you need to do?

- ✓ Year 7 Parent Information Kit will be distributed by your school at the beginning of 1st term
- Read the information included in the Kit (translated copies are available on the website below)
- ✓ ENSURE FORM IS COMPLETED CORRECTLY, AND SIGN FOR EACH VACCINE REQUIRED
- COMPLETE CONSENT FORMS IN BLUE OR BLACK PEN ONLY

On the day of the vaccination clinic:

- ensure your child has eaten breakfast the morning of the clinic
- ✓ ensure your child is wearing clothing that enables the upper arm to be exposed

Ask your child for the record of vaccination when they arrive home on the day of the clinic – keep this record in a safe place (eg. baby's' blue book), ideally notify your GP for their records.

What if your child misses a vaccine?

You won't need to do anything. Every effort will be made to catch-up missed vaccines at other clinics at your child's school during the year or the following year when they are in year 8.

More questions?

Please contact Hunter New England Local Health District, Immunisation Unit on 49246477, <u>hnelhd-phimmunisation@health.nsw.gov.au</u> or visit <u>http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/schoolvaccination.aspx</u>



CARING FOR MENTAL HEALTH CARERS

Mental Illness Affects Families and Friends Too

Are you confused about what services are available?

Do you wish you had a better knowledge of mental illness?

Would you like to be supported as a carer one to one?

Would you like to meet others who understand what you are going through?

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Contact:

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