

# **Bundarra Central School News**

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Week 10, wonderful to have our students back at school

Up & Coming: Friday 17th September: Last day for Term 3 Tuesday 5th October: First day for Term 4















A small school with big hearts and bigger opportunities

Some parent's don't even know that their children have social media accounts/ profiles.

Below are some comments from actual students about what they are doing on social media that their parents have no clue about. SCARY STUFF!!



## cat.fish [kat-fish] verb

**Negative Effects** 

OF SOCIAL MEDIA

To pretend to be someone you're not by posting false information.

Overeating

DS

I talk to people I'm not supposed to and I have an Instagram account when I'm not supposed to.

That it keeps me connected to my extended family and my fake account lets me express my opinions and frustrations. I'm often manipulated to think that if I stop talking to people they'll attempt to harm themselves or something.

What my parents don't know about social media is that I'm on it till like 2am every day



**PARENTS:** 

This is what

are really doing on

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• PTSD Trigger

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What my parents don't know about social media is..... I swear so much and talk crap on everyone. I get nudes from boys I don't even know. I expose and make fun of everyone and I love catfishing.

What my parents don't know about social media is that I have a secret rant account that I talk about my mental health. I also have internet friends.

That it's the only thing to go on when we are bored and that's why we created a spam account to post weird pictures of us.

## **Catfish THE TV SHOW** What my parents don't know about social media is there is a lot of cyber

bullying, sexting, porn and

about you and try to make

people that don't care

vou feel like crap.

You can send nudes,

receive nudes, sext, buy

drugs and drug related

What my parents don't know about social media is that kids really get bullied & there is a lot of inappropriate things & nudity. A lot of kids have secret accounts or send inappropriate things.

material

## **Principal's Message**



Term 3 is ending and what a crazy term it has been. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for supporting your children and the school during this time. Education is a key to success in life. Whilst in the moment the future looks narrow this will pass and our children will have bright futures if we provide them with the right outlook and education. I am grateful that this school is a small family school

I am grateful that this school is a small family school that can provide each child with individual support and care. Our students do not get lost in the big crowds and are provided quality education by fully qualified, expert teachers. Thank you to the teaching and SASS staff for all the support you provide our students. I really think some people do not realise how lucky we are to have such a dedicated and experienced staff.

Congratulations to the Principal Award recipients Luka Reynolds, Darcy Williams, Jayden Groth, Daniel Sisson, Shanae Gleeson and Concetta Panuccio. It is pleasing to see so many PBL silver recipients this week and wonderful to award Shanae Gleeson and Holly Orchard with their Gold PBL Awards. The girls were able to select either a drink bottle or our PBL caps as part of the award.

I would like to thank the secondary students for all complying with the mandatory mask rule both indoors and outdoors. It has been uncomfortable for the students to get used to, however a willingness to just get on with it has been adopted and this has made it better for all.

Some concerning behaviours around students use of the internet has been occurring. These include catfishing, bullying, accessing violent and pornographic material and adopting strangers as friends. Please keep our students both psychologically and physically safe by being aware of the behaviours that can occur on the internet playground.

Normally this time I would be farewelling our Year 12 students with their valedictory. This year, with the movement of the Higher School Certificate to November our students will be taking the first part of Term 4 to study and revise with their teachers. We will be holding the Paint the Wall and dress up day on Friday 15 October. We hope to hold a valedictory celebration on Friday 22 October and a formal dinner at the General Merchant on Friday 3 December. I commend the Year 12 students for completing their trial HSC in such difficult circumstances and am very proud of the way they have conducted themselves. I am sure we wish them a bright future.

#### Mrs Jennifer Cox Principal





## **Secondary News**

Congratulations to the year 12 students recently completing Trial Examinations and final assessment tasks. Well done to parents who managed this task while students were learning from home.

The NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) has recently released a revised timetable for the HSC examinations beginning 9 November and ending on 3 December. NESA will provide HSC data to UAC so that ATARs can be released just before HSC results are released on 24 January 2022. The timetable has been distributed to students and is available from <a href="https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/hsc/key-dates-exam-timetables/hsc-written-exam-timetable">https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/hsc/key-dates-exam-timetables/hsc-written-exam-timetable</a>

Year 11 students final assessments have been rescheduled to be due at the end of week 1 term 4. These are modified tasks due to the impact of the state-wide lockdown. Good luck with the preparation and completion of the final preliminary assessment tasks. Stage 5

Year 10 into 11 subject selections were originally to be finalised this term but now will be completed early next term. Early next term the school will make contact with parents to discuss Year 11 2022 subject selections.

#### Mr Shaun Taylor Head Teacher, Secondary Studies

Term 3 has by no means followed our standard teaching and learning schedule with the Regional NSW Lockdown and the health restrictions within schools and

communities. Throughout this term we have seen some excellent examples of dedication to learning with our students during the 'Learning From Home' period. This week has been a great opportunity to connect with all students while highlighting the importance of staying engaged and connected.

While young people are spending more and more time online for learning and socialising it is critical that they are using technology responsibly and safely. It is important that students are

not putting themselves at risk while using online applications. As they are growing up in such a technologically advanced time it is important we help your children safely navigate their digital world and educate them to avoid harmful online experiences. The eSafety

Commissioner has some great resources for parents and young people which I would highly encourage you to have a

look at on their website: <u>https://</u>

#### www.esafety.gov.au/parents

I would like to thank all the parents, carers, staff and particularly students for the commitment and resilience this term, it has been a compliment to those who have worked tirelessly regardless of the situation. Have a relaxing break over the next two weeks and stay safe.

#### Mr Hayden Sims Head Teacher, Teaching & Learning (Rel.)



### **Primary News**

## **Hockey at Bundarra Central School**





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Teachers were very happy to have K-6 students return to learning this week. Thank you for returning laptops, headphones, readers and library books to school. If you come across any items over the holidays please return the first week back. Students will develop their hockey skills following the program sent home. This was a 4 week program so it will continue at the Beginning of Term 4.

Mrs Vicki Light 4/5/6 Teacher Assistant Principal













Weather conditions change regularly so please ensure that your children are suitably clothed for all seasons.

Students are required to wear a broadbrimmed hat for sport and play. If they wear a cap their broad-brimmed hat is on top. This is the time to check that all clothing is labelled with their names. Teachers are encouraging

students to place the items they take off in their bags as soon possible.







Happy Spring Holidays Mrs Light Assistant Principal

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