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Newsletter

TERM 4 • WEEK 6 • 18TH NOVEMBER 2020



Year 12 Assembly



Year 12 Graduation Dinner

CALENDAR

Term 3

Thursday 19th November

Hearing Screening

Friday 20th November

PASS Snorkelling - Nambucca

Monday 23rd-27th November

Work Experience Year 10

Tuesday 24th November

Cricket NSW K - Yr 6

Port Macquarie Observatory Excursion

Wednesday 25th November

Kinder Transition

Friday 27th November

PASS Snorkelling - Nambucca

Monday 30th November

Primary Swim School Commences

Monday 30th November -
4th December

Work Experience Year 10

Wednesday 2nd-4th December

SMILE Camp - Year 9

Gumbaynggirr Yarning

This week's word list is:

Water

bay	baaga,gulaany
bogged	baginy
creek	yamaan, gulany
flood	duulgam

Gumbaynggirr has the following sounds:

a as in but	ng as in sing
i as in bit	aa as in path
u as in put	ii as in feet
b as in baby	uu as in boot
d as in did	ny as in onion
g as in gag	r as in very
l as in lily	rr like Scottish 'r'
m as in mum	rl like 'butter'
n as in nan	w as in wow
	y as in yet

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Congratulations to our HSC Students

Last week marked the end of the 2020 HSC, a day that many teachers, students and their parents will have been looking forward to for a long time. Congratulations to all students and teachers, and to their amazing support teams, on reaching this important milestone.

What a year we've had. You don't need me to remind you of what the class of 2020 has faced, but I do want to say that it has been truly humbling to watch our school prepare students for their final exams. I thank all teachers, non teaching staff and parents for their amazing efforts throughout the year.

For now, it's time to celebrate the end of an important chapter. On Tuesday night we held the Year 12 Graduation Dinner at Nambucca Heads RSL club following the health advice and COVID-19 guidelines. It would have been easy, as many schools have, to have cancelled this event but due to the hard work of staff and the energy of our Year 12 students we were excited to celebrate their 13 years of education.

Finally, while I think it's important for our students to take a break at this time, the recently-launched Summer Skills initiative is worth a look for school leavers. There are dozens of fee-free courses designed to give students some valuable skills. Links to these courses can be found at on the education NSW website: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/>

Once again, congratulations to all students, teachers and support staff. You've done well.

Change to the start of the year next year – students return Monday 1st February 2021

There are five school development days planned for 2021. Two at the start of the year, one at the start of terms 2 and 3 and one on the final day of the year. We can make the decision to move one of these days and we have chosen to move the day at the end of the year to the start of the year. Due to the public holiday the school year was supposed to start with school development days on Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th January then students were due to return on Friday 29th January. We have decided to make this day a School development day which means that students will now return on Monday 1st February. This way we start the school year on a Monday and we kick off with all students attending. The front office and uniform shop will be open from Wednesday 27th January for fees and uniforms.

Best Regards

Dave Taylor

SCHOOL NEWS

Stronger Smarter



Daniella 100 Readers



NAIDOC Week at Bowraville Central School

Students were thrilled to receive their very own NAIDOC shirt to wear proudly as part of their school uniform to mark the commencement of NAIDOC Week 2020. The shirts were made possible through the 2020 NAIDOC Local Grants funding round. The limitations applied due to COVID restrictions meant the shirts provided a unique artistic avenue to display the “Always Was Always Will Be’ message of 2020. Local Gumbaynggirr Elder, Uncle Martin Ballangarry, conducted the Smoking Ceremony at the Monday morning assembly, followed by Year 11 student, Tiarra Taylor-Flanders, speaking of the meaning of NAIDOC. The school captains then raised the flags.

Students spent the rest of the week celebrating via a number of activities like ‘Creation stories’ learning about kinship, totems, Dreaming and local Gumbaynggirr sites. Year 11 students attended an ‘on country’ excursion later in the week. Aboriginal Education Officer, Diana Flanders rounded the week off with some fun games and activities involving staff and students.



BCS Year 12 of 2020



Bowraville Central School

Student Use of Digital Devices, Online Services and Social Media Policy

PARENT/CARER

FACT SHEET

Purpose

Our school acknowledges the educational value of digital devices and online services in supporting and enhancing educational outcomes and student wellbeing. We also recognise they may cause harm if used inappropriately and that we need to support our students to use them in safe, responsible and respectful ways.



Our School's Approach

- **Primary students are not permitted to bring devices** including mobile phones to school. Technology is provided in all classrooms.
- **Secondary students** may bring mobile phones and other devices to school.
 - Mobile phones can be used in the classroom for educational purposes only when the "Phone Go" sign is displayed.
 - At other times, mobile phones should be turned off and in school bags.
 - Tablets and computers may be brought to school by secondary students, for educational purposes, to operate on the internet under the guidelines of the Student use of digital devices and online services policy.

Students using mobile phones and devices inappropriately

Depending on the circumstances, action can include:

- **confiscating mobile phones from individual students**- When a student chooses not to follow school expectations they will be asked to hand their phone or device into the office. If this occurs parents/carers will be notified via SMS (Please ensure your mobile phone details are up to date). If it occurs a second time the phone will be held at the school until the Parent/carer comes to collect the device. A Parent/carer-teacher conference may also be necessary in some circumstances to re-establish the shared commitment to the school's policy.
- **School may require students to hand in their mobile phones to the office** at the beginning of the school day for collection when students go home.
- Applying **student disciplinary provisions** including suspension of internet access.
- In some extreme cases it may be necessary to report the matter to the Office of the eSafety Commissioner or the police.

Term 4 2020 Week 5 - Amnesty Week, let's learn together Week 6 16.11.20 - Policy Starts

Environmental Health Officers - Food Technology

As part of our HSC Food Technology course students are studying the Australian Food Industry and Policy and Legislation. They were allocated roles as Environmental Health Officers (EHOs) to report on the school kitchen – the Bowra Nest Café.

Environmental Health Officers Zahra and Alexi filed the following report:

Results:

- We came across four items out of date foods in the dry store cupboard, as well as some foods that were stored incorrectly that could lead to contamination and harming a customer.
- There was chipped plateware in the cupboard which a consumer could harm themselves on in the future.
- There were some issues with the fixtures and fittings, including the racks that run under the sinks with one foot missing and one of the racks in the fridge, which was carelessly placed under boxes of vegetables.
- Additional thermometers are required to double test the fridges and freezers in the future

Findings:

From these findings we calculate that the Bowra Nest Café is a 4 star rating out of 5, but will give the head of kitchen an improvement notice of 2 weeks to improve on these breaches.



BCS places Second in ‘Looking through our window’ competition

Bowraville Central School has placed equal second in the NSW Education Department’s ‘Looking through our window’ photo story competition that celebrates the people, places and spaces of rural and remote education through a series of ten photographs. The competition sought to capture the unique perspectives of schools and their context. The Rural Education team intend to use the photo stories submitted in various forms of media to build an understanding of the context and highlight the great things about rural and remote schools.

Our photo story truly captured the hearts of the judging panel which included representatives from the NSW P&C Federation, Isolated Children’s Parents’ Association, Aboriginal Education Consultative Group and a Director, Education Leadership from the NSW Department of Education. The school will receive \$1250 prize money to be spent on a project to enhance their learning environment.

More than 180 entries were received from 129 schools with several schools given an honourable mention.

See our photo story on the opposite page:-





KINDERGARTEN 2021

Kindergarten Enrolment 2021

'Starting School Successfully' at Bowraville Central School

Transition dates for Kindergarten 2021

9.30 - 11.30am

WEEK 4 - Wednesday November 4th Kindergarten room visit

WEEK 5 - Wednesday November 11th Kindergarten room visit

WEEK 6 - Wednesday November 18th Library/Science/ Food tech

WEEK 7 - Wednesday November 25th Farm visit

WEEK 8 - Wednesday December 2nd Teddy Bears Picnic

Children can only attend if they have completed an enrolment form.

Week 6 Kinder Transition

Music with Mr Briggs



Cooking with Mrs Riches



PBL Awards - First Primary Students to reach Soaring



Year 2/3/4 Cooking

Each week Tawny Tigers have participated in cooking in the classroom. So far they have made pancakes, fairy bread & banana muffins. This week's lesson involves constructing fruit kebabs, which were a big favourite with the whole class. We also made fortune cookies.



60 SECONDS WITH

Claire from Year 1

What is your favourite colour?

Pink

What is your favourite thing to do outside?

Playing on my slide at home.

What is your favourite thing to do at school?

Learn about numbers.

What do you want to do when your grow up?

Be a pizza girl and make pizzas.

What is the most awful thing you have ever eaten ?

Spaghetti

What is the one thing you can't live without ?

My family - mum, dad, Charlie and Lachlan.



Engaging in the World of Native Bees

Thanks to a Bowraville Centrals successful grant application through the NSW Environmental Trust's Eco Schools Grants Program, Steve Hayes from Little Star Bee Sanctuary spent some time in the school raising awareness of the profile of Native Bees for future generations and highlighting their value in terms of strategies for diversifying bee keeping in the agricultural and food industry as well as increasing the number of Native Bees across the Mid North Coast as a whole. Steve spent time with Primary students and Secondary Agriculture students talking about the Native Bees and what will the project will entail. The group then watched on as Steve secured a hive to a tree in our playground. Face to face sessions will continue with students observing and interacting with Native Bees through sustainable hive splitting and honey collection using best practice methods.



Maths Problem of the Week

The missing \$1

Three people rent a room at \$30. They pay \$10 each and go up to the room. The owner realised she charged too much and it was only supposed to be \$25. She sends the bell hop up with the \$5. Each of the people keeps \$1 and they give the bellhop \$2 as they can't share it. So now each person has paid \$9 for the room (total \$27) and the bell hop has \$2... where is the other \$1???

ANSWER: The \$1.00 isn't "missing" -- it is an error to try to add the \$27 and the \$2. The \$2 is the difference of \$5 and \$3 -- it is not the true change in this transaction but is "change of change". The people paid \$30. They were given \$5 back as change, but \$2 of that change gets returned back to the owner as "change of change". In the end, the people have paid \$27 total, and the owner receives $\$30 - \$5 + \$2 = \27 , so it all matches.

Look at it this way: while the bell hop is going down the stairs, the owner has in his possession \$25.00, each of the three people has \$1.00 ($3 \times \$1.00 = \3.00) and the bell hop has \$2.00. $\$2 + \$3 + \$25 = \30 .

Then when the bell hop returns the \$2 to the owner, the owner has \$27 and the three people have \$3 in total.

Remembrance Day



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BCS ALUMNI - OUR PAST STUDENTS



Name: Martin Ballangarry

When did you go to BCS: In Years 7, 8 and 9

What did you do when you left BCS?:

I went to Sydney and worked for NSW State Railway. I was the delivery boy who took the keys out to trains in the suburbs. The key was secured to my wrist so no one could steal it. Another job I had was working as a telegram boy for PMG delivering telegrams on my bike around the St Peters area in Sydney. One day I had to jump off my bike as it ended up under a bus. I also worked locally in the banana industry. I did spend some time at Teachers College at University of New England in 1983 but with 4 kids at home I found it too difficult to continue.

What are you doing now? I am a Nambucca Shire Counsellor. I previously was Deputy Mayor for 6 months. I am a Gumbaynggirr Elder responsible for bestowing knowledge and cultural business throughout the Gumbaynggirr nation.

Memories of BCS: I remember when I first started at Bowra Central I was very excited to be around anything 'Science'. I didn't even know what a Bunsen Burner was. I also remember coming 3rd in a race – there were only 3 of us in the race!

Interests: Art, music and culture. I teach culture and perform Smoking Ceremonies. I like to make equipment and artefacts.

Other comments: I have 27 grandkids and 14 great grandkids. I played Rugby Union with the first local 'Goannas' back in the '80s. My best advice to anyone is 'no drugs, no drink'.

BCS STAFF IN FOCUS



Name: Leanne Davidson

Went to school at: Wyong High School on the Central Coast.

Experience/Background: Worked as a secretary at many well known companies such as TAFE, Herbert Adams Bakeries, Berkeley Vale Private Hospital, Lake Haven Shopping Centre and Tuggerah Lakes Golf Club. I've also taken on several volunteer positions within the community. I was treasurer at Argents Hill Hall where I successfully campaigned to stop the hall being demolished and restored the hall by securing funding with several grants totalling over 470,000. I was also Treasurer with the Macksville Ex-Services Junior Cricket Club and was able to secure several grants to purchase a mower for \$55,000.

Position/role at Bowraville Central School: Started working as a volunteer in the school. Decided to study for my Cert 111 in Education Support to qualify as a Teacher's Aide (SLSO). I work with the 2/3/4 class during the morning and middle session and the MC Class in the afternoon.

Hobbies/Pastimes: I love travelling and have been to Thailand, England, New Zealand, Scotland and Europe. I was lucky enough to be invited to Lord Howe Island twice to assist in running a kid's club. I was in charge of puppetry and singing. I also love making cheese and cooking. I love the challenge of puzzles. My goal is to become as self sufficient as possible. We had a bit of a setback in 2019 when the bushfire destroyed

95% of our property. We are slowly making progress with our recovery.

Other comments / interesting facts: I have two teenage boys who attended Bowraville Central School since Kindergarten with Mrs Luck. Ethan finished in Year 10 to pursue a career in marine and diving. My younger boy, Beau is currently in Year 9. He intends to complete his HSC at Bowraville as he enjoys being at this school. The staff are extremely caring and fantastic teachers.

CLO CORNER

The students look great in their NAIDOC shirts that they received last week. Mr Taylor is happy for the students to wear these as part of their school uniform. We have a small selection of shirts left for sale in the Front Office. We have reduced the price for students to \$20 each. Parents are welcome to purchase a shirt for themselves but would have to pay the full price of \$50.

A parent fact sheet about the student use of digital devices has been included in this newsletter. Please take the time to read this so you are aware of procedures regarding mobile phones at school.

Megan Cochrane

Community
Liaison
Officer



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on Facebook

Mr Briggs and the Xylophone Band wearing their new shirts



CANTEEN NEWS

**BCS Canteen Open
Tuesday, Wednesday and
Thursday**



**Canteen Volunteers
Needed
See office for details**

**Note: Volunteers are still
permitted on the school site
Lunch Provided**

TUESDAY COMBO DEAL \$ 7.00

(Please choose one from each section)

Name: _____ **Class:** _____

MEAL

- Chicken / Ham & Salad wrap / sandwich
- Nachos
- Dino Nuggets x 6

DRINK

- Water
- Juice / Up & Go

FRUIT / TREAT

- Fruit
- Frozen Yoghurt / Custard / Fruit Stick



THURSDAY COMBO DEAL \$ 7.00

(Please choose one from each section)

Name: _____ **Class:** _____

MEAL

- Lasagna & Salad
- Chicken / Fish Burger
- Party Pies x 3

DRINK

- Water
- Juice / Up & Go

FRUIT / TREAT

- Fruit
- Frozen Yoghurt / Custard / Fruit Stick



Do You Have State Dept Recovery Fines?

Bowraville Central School is now a Work Development Order (WDO) Sponsor. The WDO Scheme enables eligible people who are experiencing significant hardship to reduce and ultimately pay off their State Dept fines through voluntary participation in unpaid work. Eligible volunteers receive \$30 an hour paid directly to the State Dept Recover Office. Volunteers must have a current Working With Children Check (WWCC) before they can commence voluntary participation within the school.

For more information or if interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact the school Student Support Officer

Email: edward.townsend5@det.nsw.edu.au
Ph: 0439630939

Follow Link below to apply for WWCC
<https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>

Applicants are required to complete the application online and attend the closest RMS registry with 100 points of identification to successfully apply for a WWCC. Application for a volunteer WWCC is free.

Volunteer Opportunity Notices

Bowraville Central School Breakfast Program

Commences Term 1 2021
Three days a week
8:00am to 11:00am = 3hours x \$30/hr = \$90 Paid off a day!

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Slop on sunscreen



Apply SPF 30 or higher sunscreen generously, re-apply every two hours.

Apply 20 minutes before going outside. Adults use about a teaspoon for the face, neck and ears; a teaspoon for each arm and leg; and a teaspoon each for the front and back of the body.

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PARENTS – CONNECTING – TOGETHER



A chance to yarn, have a catch up together and get involved in basket weaving with Jasmine. Northcott coordinators Lucas and Kate will provide morning tea, and support families to understand development and behaviour of your boys and girls aged 0-6 years.

Where: Bowraville Youth Hub, St Mary's Community Hall, Carbin Street, Bowraville.
Transport can be provided to the hall by Jaanyмили Bawrrungga Inc, call Penny on 0477 721 165

When: Once a fortnight, 10:00am - 12:30pm, commencing 15 September (September 15, 29, October 13, 27, November 10, 24) and ongoing if enough interest.

No cost to attend

Morning tea provided. Children welcome, parents and carers will be responsible for their children. Please let us know if you are interested in coming so we can organise catering for everyone.

Lucas and Kate are Northcott Early Childhood Coordinators from Coffs Harbour. Northcott is the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) Early Childhood partner providing support for all children 0-6.

For enquiries and RSVP, please contact Lucas Craig 0423 245 537 or Kate Reid 0439 016 193



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 Dinner: 6.00pm to 8:00pm Wednesday to Saturday
 Bingo: Thursday 11.00am start
 Raffles and Membership draw
 Wednesday and Friday evenings

THE COMMUNITY CLUB SUPPORTING THE LOCAL COMMUNITY



Nambucca Dental Surgery
 Phone: (02) 6568 6655 Address: 7 Sussex Street, Nambucca Heads 2448

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