**NEWSLETTER**

STUDENT NEWS FROM BALRANALD CENTRAL SCHOOL  13 OCTOBER 2015  ISSUE 25

150th Anniversary Celebrations

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**BCS 150th Memorabilia**
If you missed out on buying any memorabilia on the weekend, we still have some books, pens, tea towels and mugs available for sale.

**Pictured:** Students and staff dressed up in olden day clothes as part of the celebrations for Balranald Central School’s 150 years of education on Friday, 9th October. (Please read report on page 4 of this Newsletter)
PRINCIPAL’S PERSPECTIVES

Welcome back to staff and students to term 4.

Once again congratulations to Year 12 on completing your formal schooling. The celebrations such as assemblies and the graduation dinner in the last week of term 3 were fantastic. Thank you to Ms Stobon Lloyd for all of her organisation and good luck to all of our Year 12 students sitting their HSC examinations over the next month. Remember life is not defined by your exams. It begins after they have finished. It is always important to give everything you do your very best shot, but make sure you keep some perspective. When you walk out of that final exam, you’ve got the world at your feet.

Well done and congratulations to Tearra Charles and Paynton Jolliffe for being elected as our 2016 school captains. It is an honour and a privilege to be the student leaders in our school and I look forward to working with you over the next 12 months.

Balranald Central School would like to Welcome Will Godber to our staff team. Will is From Gilgandra in NSW and studied at Charles Sturt University in Bathurst. He has been working as a PDHPE teacher at Griffith High School for the past two years and has a strong interest in all things sport particularly Cricket, Touch Football and Rugby League. Will is excited about living in Balranald and is looking forward to teaching PDHPE at BCS.

Our 150th Anniversary celebrations last weekend was a huge success. This success is due to the commitment and time given by so many parents and staff members. I particularly want to thank the 150th Anniversary Committee who planned and executed the organisation over a 12 month period. I found the event personally very rewarding as I had the opportunity to speak with so many community members, past staff and past students and hear old stories and their overwhelming positive opinions on the current school. I think everything that needs to be said about the 150th Anniversary has been said in many different forums. I would like to leave it by saying that I am extremely proud and honoured to be the Balranald Central School Principal.

Aaron Flagg
Farewell Year 12


On Thursday, 17th September Balranald Central School staff and students farewelled Year 12, 2015. On Friday the 18th the Year 12 students held their formal farewell at the Royal Theatre. Family, friends and teachers joined this group of students at their last official function as students of BCS. We wish them all the best in their HSC examinations and beyond.

2016 School Captains

Congratulations to Paynton Jolliffe and Tearra Charles on being selected Secondary School Captains for 2016. We wish them all the best as they take on their new role within the school.
Balranald Central School’s 150th celebration has been a huge success. Hundreds of people visited the school on Friday 9th October and Saturday, 10th October to partake in the celebrations. Past students and teachers from the 40’s through to the 00’s made the trip from all over Australia. We had visitors from Perth and Darwin as well as all along the East Coast of Australia.

Friday started with the current students involved in a range of activities including traditional sports and classroom, and bush dancing to name a few. BCS Principal, Aaron Flagg, along with our School Education Director, Ms Vicki Kempton, officially opened the celebration at 2.30pm. All the school students were presented with a limited edition commemorative coin, courtesy of the school and the P&C.

Visitors spent the afternoon catching up with each other, viewing a display of photos and memorabilia in the school hall and being taken for tours of the school. School students presented a range of entertainment in the afternoon followed by more bush dancing. Hot roast meat rolls cooked by the Lions Club and BBQ chicken steaks cooked by the P & C, along with a vast array of desserts made up the evening meals.

Friday evening finished with the “Greenhams” playing their greatest hits. Throughout the night a range of memorabilia was available for sale.

Saturday started with bacon, eggs and pancakes and more time to tour the school and renew old acquaintances. There was an official tree planting and a ceremonial burial of a time capsule. This was followed by morning tea and group photos in the library. Celebrations then moved to the 5 Rivers Festival at the Caravan Park.

The 150th committee would like to thank all individuals and organisations that contributed to the success of this celebration.
BCS 150th Celebrations
A huge thank you to all the students who entered their cake into the fundraiser for Schools Spectacular student’s on Friday. The cakes on display were outstanding!! The amount of effort and time that went into making the cakes was fantastic! Thank you so much to all the parents, students and teachers who bought a cake on the day! The money raised will help the Schools Spectacular students get to Sydney.

Thank you to Jamie Jackson and Janaya Gaston for judging the cakes. It was a very difficult decision for them to give first prize in each section. Thank you also to Adam Simpson in year 10 who auctioned off the cakes.

Prizes for winners will be given out this week.

WINNERS:
K/1/2 - Prue Harper  
3/4 - Grace Morton and Jorja Finch  
5/6 - Hannah Morton and Lauren Jess  
7/8 - Drew Lloyd and Faith Jolliffe  
9/10 - Chloe Calleja  
Teacher - Mrs Gorman

Weekly Quiz

Student Name: __________________________ Year: ___

Who was the Balranald Central School Principal 50 years ago in 1965?

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What is Balranald Central School’s Moto?

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List the four Balranald Central School Values?

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Students of the Week

Pictured: (L to R) Tearra Charles, Shania Box, Keely Gaston, Bonnie Jolliffe, Shelley Dalton and Sheridan Dalton.
## TERM FOUR – 2015

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*Italic: K-Yr 6  Normal: Yr 7-12  Bold: K-Yr 12*