Primary & Secondary Swimming

Congratulations to our Primary students who competed in Swan Hill. The following students came first in their event: Grace Morton – 50m Freestyle and Individual Medley, Chloe Gorman – 50m Freestyle and Charlie Ross – 50m Backstroke.

Congratulations to our Secondary students who competed in Hay last Tuesday. The following students came first in their event: Darcy Carmichael – 50m Freestyle, Drew Lloyd – 100m Breaststroke, Kobe Lloyd – 100m Breaststroke, Macy Lloyd – 50m Freestyle, 100m Backstroke, 100m Freestyle and our relay team consisting of Lani Dalton, Macy Lloyd, Hannah Morton and Faith Jolliffe.
PRINCIPAL’S PERSPECTIVES

I would like to welcome Katy Lambley to Balranald Central School. Miss Lambley has been appointed as a Primary teacher from Cessnock and is a recent graduate of the University of Newcastle. Miss Lambley will be here for the next five weeks while we advertise and fill the position starting in term two. Miss Lambley is excited and positive about the opportunity and is looking forward to working alongside staff, students and parents.

It was a very successful Parent/Teacher afternoon on Tuesday 23rd February. It is an important part of the school calendar and an opportunity for parents, staff and students to share their knowledge, ideas and expertise to move forward with improved student learning. The atmosphere in the library was friendly and inviting. The shared responsibility for great education was obvious and everybody is to be congratulated on their participation. We have received positive feedback about the online booking system and welcome any further feedback on our Parent Teacher evening.

I was lucky enough to attend the Secondary District Swimming Carnival in Hay on Tuesday the 23rd February. Congratulations to everyone who participated. Nine of our eleven swimmers have been selected to represent the district at the regional carnival in Leeton. For the first time in many years a Balranald Central School secondary relay team won their event and was selected to go the regional carnival. Congratulations to the U14s girls relay team.

Our first whole school assembly is this Wednesday 2nd March at 12.00pm. This is an opportunity to publicly acknowledge our students for their efforts during the term. We look forward to seeing many parents, carers and community members attending and supporting our student’s.

A reminder that the Study Centre is open every Tuesday from 3.00pm – 4.00pm in the Library. The centre is supported by staff. It is a great opportunity for student’s to catch up on some quiet reading, assignments or complete class work.

I would like to thank parents and guardians for supporting and reinforcing the school’s expectations around being punctual, behaving appropriately and following teacher instructions. I am conscious of the never ending demands placed on parents in supporting their children and the school; demands such as finance, travel and education requirements. Once again, I thank all parents and guardians for your continuous support.

Aaron Flagg

Weekly Quiz

This week’s quiz

Student’s Name: ______________________ Year: _____

1. What is the distance around a circle called?
   _______________________________________

2. Saint Patrick is the Patron Saint of which country?
   _______________________________________

3. Which country is home to the Giant Panda?
   _______________________________________
Year 5/6
Easter Egg Raffle
Could all primary students please contribute an egg for the Easter Raffle which will be drawn at the Primary Easter Hat Parade on Thursday, 24th March.

All donations of eggs and cane baskets greatly appreciated.

STUDY CENTRE IS OPEN EVERY TUESDAY FROM 3PM TO 4PM

Students of the Week
Macy Lloyd, Tristan Donehue, Jeremy Morris, Skye Haigh, Zanthia Kiernan, Charli Calleja and Alayna Dalton.
What’s happening in Visual Arts.................................

5/6 ART
5/6 are working on a program developed by the Wagga Wagga regional gallery. They are learning about Aboriginal art practice in NSW. They have been outside drawing using natural materials dipped in ink to explore their surroundings. Students will be working on drawing skills, printmaking and weaving over the next few terms and will choose one work to be displayed at the Wagga Wagga regional gallery in term 3.

7/8 ART
Year 7/8 are learning about the elements of art. They have learnt about colour, tone and line so far. They have made line bird drawings using complementary colours and different tones.
9/10 ART
Year 9/10 are working on sculptural self-portraits. They have been learning about Chinese Artist Ah Xian and are building a head, neck and bust with papier mache, plaster and clay.

YEAR 11 ART
Year 11 students are busy working on self-portraits inspired by the artist Frida Kahlo. They are using their visual arts process diary to draw up sketches before working on canvas. They will be using collage, ink and acrylic paint.

ART CLUB
Art Club has started up again this year and students have been getting creative making wizard drawings using mixed media.

ART GROUP
A group of students from primary and secondary are working on recycled sculptures with local artist Jan Lawler at the gallery on Thursday afternoons during sport. Students are working on this project over the next coming weeks. They are encouraged to bring in recycled materials to work with.

REMINDER: Could all primary students please bring in an old shirt/smock for when they are working in the art room. These will stay in the art room. Please make sure names are clearly put on the shirt.
We are trialing Redgum Book Club this term
orders close Monday 7 March

Redgum Book Club supports Australian authors, illustrators and publishers to provide books specifically relevant to our Southern Hemisphere and keep our Australian children's book industry strong. They offer a wide range of quality fiction and non-fiction titles and a large range of educational games and products.

Every order earns books for our school and includes a free gift for your child as a reward for choosing a great book to read!

Your child will have brought a catalogue home and you will need to order online at www.redgumbookclub.com.au by Monday 7 March. The website contains thousands of books from previous catalogues, so please use their search field to browse by author or series.

View the term 1 catalogue here http://issuu.com/redgumbookclub/docs/redgum_book_club_term_1_2016_school, and visit www.redgumbookclub.com.au to order. The home page includes links to all titles in the catalogue. They also have a permanent Bargain Basement on the Home page and accept payment by credit card or PAYPAL.

Orders will be delivered to the school between 21 – 31 March. If you have any queries or questions about Redgum Book Club orders, please contact Caroline Thomas at primary@redgumbookclub.com.au or call 1800 753 875.

Many thanks

The Library Team

and
Please be advised that swim club championships date has been changed to Wednesday 9th March
6.00pm start
(Barbecue and Ribbon presentation afterwards)

For more information contact:
Jayne Farnsworth 5020 1438/0488 201 900
Lou Bruton 5020 1134/0409 026 881
Lisa Papa 5020 1190/0427 086 907

Balranald Junior Football Club
Under 12’s and 14½’s
2016 Registration Night
All interested players are invited to our 2016 Registration Night
Monday, 7th March 2016 @ 6 pm
Junior Football Oval
$40 registration fee to be paid on the night
Free sausage sizzle

We are seeking coaches for the 2016 season for the following teams:
Auskick co-ordinator
Under 12’s
Under 14 ½’s

Applications close Tuesday, 1 March 2016.

Expressions of interest or for more information please contact:
President: Kane Farnsworth 0408 201 438
Vice-president: Gavin Lloyd 0409 460 336
Secretary: Nat Lay 0419 502 009
Treasurer: Michelle Gervasi 0400 590 849
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**CANTEEN SPECIAL**

**Thursday, 3rd March**

**Honey Soy Chicken Wings** - **$4.50**

& **Fried Rice**