

21st November 2014

Term 4 Week 7

# Newsletter



## Exchange Teacher



Mr Miles MacFarlane has been on teacher exchange for this year from Leila North Community School in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. Mr MacFarlane has greatly enriched our school this year with his beliefs, knowledge and experience as a middle school generalist teacher.

**Principal**  
Mrs Chris Clarke

**Head Teacher Secondary**  
Mr Tim Lloyd

**Assistant Principal**  
Mrs Lizzie Horder

**Administration Manager**  
Mrs Wendy Leonard

**Sports Coordinators**  
Miss Lucy Baldock  
Mr Jack Ramage

**AECG President**  
Ms Suellyn Tighe

**AECG Representative**  
Mr Richie Milgate

**P&C President**  
Miss Sharon Wilson

**What's On**

Tues & Thurs - AAS

**WEEK 8**

Mon-Fri 24th-28th Nov  
Year 10 Work Placement

Wednesday 26th Nov  
Year 7 Parent Information  
Session 9:30am

**WEEK 9**

Mon-Fri 1st-5th Dec  
Swimming Scheme  
lessons  
Year 10 Gold Coast  
Excursion

**WEEK 10**

Mon-Fri 8th-12th Dec  
Swimming Scheme  
lessons

Monday 8th December  
Presentation Night

Tuesday 9th December  
P&C meeting at 7:00pm

Thursday 11th December  
Year 6 Graduation

**WEEK 11**

Tuesday 16th December  
K-2 Santa Party and Years  
3-6 Pool party



**Principal's News**

Mrs Chris Clarke

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to talk to you about the **curriculum** offered at BCS. Basically, there are six Key Learning Areas that are used to group most subjects. Four of these are changing slightly over the next 3 years with the introduction of a new **Australian Curriculum** for English, Mathematics, Science & Technology and History. The senior curriculum for Years 11 and 12 will not be changing between 2014-2016, nor will the PDHPE & CAPA for K-8.

Baradine Central School has been implementing Phase 1 of the curriculum changes this year in:

- English K-6
- English 7-9
- Mathematics 7-9
- Science & Technology 7-9
- History 7-9

Next year the implementation phase will move to:

- Mathematics K-6
- Science & Technology K-6
- English 7-10
- Mathematics 7-10
- Science & Technology 7-10
- History 7-10

Then in 2016 the new syllabus for History K-6 and 7-9 Geography will be implemented.

Students at BCS follow the curriculum K-12 as detailed below.

**1. English Syllabus**

- K-6
- 7-10
- Yr11-12 mandatory Standard/Advanced

**2. Mathematics Syllabus**

- K-6
- 7-10
- Y11 optional courses include Standard and General Mathematics

**3. Science & Technology syllabus**

- K-6
- 7-10
- 7-8 Technical & Applied Studies e.g. Food Technology, Textiles & Design Agriculture, Woodwork.
- 9-10 electives Industrial Technologies, Agriculture, Food Technology, PDM.
- Y11 optional courses include Senior Science, Biology, Chemistry, IT,

Industrial Technologies, Agriculture, Food Technology

**4. HSIE (Human Society & Its Environment) syllabus**

- K-6
- 7-8 mandatory History & Geography, Language Other than English
- 9-12 optional courses Geography, History, Languages, Legal Studies.

**5. PDHPE (Personal Development, Health, Physical Education)**

- K-6
- 7-8 mandatory
- 9-12 optional courses include Sport Lifestyle & Recreation (SLR), PASS

**6. CAPA (Creative & Performing Arts)**

- K-6 Visual Arts, Dance, Music, Drama
- 7-8 mandatory Music, Visual Arts
- 9-12 optional courses Visual Arts, Music, Drama, Dance

Outside of these key learning areas are the courses referred to as Vocational Educational training (VET) that are usually run by TAFE. When BCS has VET trained teachers, some courses can be delivered in our Trade Training Centres.

Students can choose these as electives from Year 9 onwards. Students also have the option to study such courses as School Based Traineeships and Apprenticeships at BCS and also have them count towards HSC.

- Metals & Engineering (welding)
- Automotive Studies (mechanic)
- Hairdressing
- Animal Care (vet nurse)
- Hospitality (chef)
- Primary Industries (rural sector)
- Industrial Technology Timber (building)
- Children services (childcare)

Students K-12 at Baradine Central are supported to access their curriculum with a range of initiatives and strategies designed to meet each individual student's needs.

BCS is at the cutting edge of innovative curriculum delivery including video conferencing in our connected classrooms. Such facilities enable our students and teachers to work and learn across rural remoteness to access and share expertise with other schools.

Cheers  
Chris Clarke - Principal



# Principal's Awards Term 4 Week 7

*Congratulations*

Olive Lennon for an outstanding drawing of her family  
Zalia Curtis & Peter Evans for being excellent school citizens

## Primary News

**Mrs Lizzie Horder - Assistant Principal**

Next Wednesday Year 5 students will be making their all important speeches for Captain at the whole school assembly. This is a very important event in the lives of students, so I encourage all parents of Year 5 children to help with writing and practising their speeches.

child does require a day away from school it is vital that the absence be explained.

Attendance in some classes is dropping off a little, I remind all parents that children should be attending school each and every day unless they are sick. If your

At the pool on Tuesday I noticed a large number of students were swimming without a rash shirt. Please remember to pack your child a shirt suitable for swimming in. Perhaps a rash shirt would make a good Christmas present ready for Term 1, 2015. I look forward to seeing more students in swimming shirts on Tuesday.

## Kinder/1 News

**Mrs Tracy McGlashan**

Welcome to Week 7, it's all but over already. Thank you **Paula Evans** for being such a helpful Class Captain this week.

In Maths we are starting to do addition with our friends of ten facts and separating our numbers so that we can add the tens first. This is very tricky for some although there are some clever little people in our class that already understand the place value of their ones, tens and hundreds columns.

In HSIE with Mrs Horder the students are extending their knowledge about our country and some symbols that represent us as Australians. They have looked at the map of Australia and have identified the kangaroo as a national symbol and also learnt that the wattle tree is flora symbol that represents Australia.

Thankyou to Mr Ramage for taking the class for a special PE lesson on Tuesday, they all thoroughly enjoyed their time with you.

In English we are learning about nouns and proper nouns and we now have a solid knowledge that our towns, cities and country all deserve a capital letter when we write about them in our stories and factual texts.

Painting is always popular and we are enjoying learning about the different techniques that can be used by using different materials and tools. You should be very proud of your children they are continuing to work hard in our class and show beautiful manners at school.

## Year 2 News

**Mrs Jenelle Eastburn**

This week we have been busy with two visits from our L3 facilitator on Friday and Wednesday, where we were able to be involved in a numeracy and literacy lesson with Mrs Cox and some visiting teachers. We all enjoyed working in small groups to do some addition concepts using multi-sided dice and also using 'Matilda', our class novel to write descriptions of some of the characters featuring in Matilda's life. We have also been doing lots of editing with our class novel.

motivation and independent work in reading and comprehension activities.

Mrs Hensby is very pleased with the students in her literacy group and has been practising their self-

We had our Bullying No Way day last week where the students all enjoyed listening to other class presentations with their versions of what bullying is about. We have strategies to put in place to make sure bullying does not become an issue and Simon Clegg reinforced these steps at our Whole School Assembly. Year 2 enjoyed presenting their item which had come about from discussions over the past few weeks in class.



## Year 3/4 News

Miss Christie Baker

This week we have had a busy week involving lots of assessments! Students have put their best effort into all of these and consistently tried their best.

This week our Class Captain was **Lilly Frazer**. Thank you Lilly for all your help with jobs around the classroom.

We wrote an information report in Writing this week and in Technology we have been working on publishing our

information reports about either animals or places using a word document. Students also had some time on either Reading Eggs or Mathletics.

In Music we have been playing our recorders and practising playing the notes G and A, and reading music notes using a staff. We also learnt what a sharp sign looks like.

## Year 5/6 News

Miss Lucy Baldock

In PDH this week the class completed their 'Nutritious Designer Sandwich' learning activity. On Monday the students reviewed their plan, created their sandwich, tasted it and evaluated its taste and nutritional content. This was a great practical activity that allowed the students to demonstrate their understanding of the requirements of a balanced diet.

In Science this week the students have been investigating how and why shadows change in size. The students used torches at different angles and distances away from an object to experiment how it affects the shadow.

## Year 7 News

Mr Jack Ramage

Now we have exams all finished everyone is getting excited for some of our end of year activities coming up in the next few weeks.

In Geography we have been looking at mining within Australia and what materials we extract from the ground.

In PDHPE we have continued on with looking at Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI's) and what they can do to our bodies if left untreated.

In Agriculture we have been heading over to the farm and helping Mr McCutcheon do a number of different things.

Written by Chontelle Vallette.

## Year 8 News

Mr Andrew McCutcheon

In Year 8 last week we were busy getting our Anti-bullying presentations finalised for the Anti-bullying day here at school last Thursday with Simon Clegg. It was a really good day with lots of good messages being given by all the different years at school.

We have finished our exams and now we are back into our learning. In TAS we are finalising our stools with

some very interesting modifications being made to some of them.

In Science we have been learning about volcanoes and writing a photo report on an eruption we have witnessed. There has been no slowing down toward the end of term!

Written by Fox Jones.

## Year 9 News

Mrs Alix Talbott

In Science we have started our own experiments based on things that interest us. Some are doing forensic science, some physics and some biomechanics. We can't wait until we start testing our ideas out.

In Maths our polynomial quadratic equationing has been terrific and we are starting to understand it all (we think).

In HSIE we are studying the life and politics of Gough Whitlam when he was Australia's Prime Minister. We are

also looking at Australia's position in the Asia Pacific region and the different countries we have treaties and agreements with.

In English we have been doing some work to improve our writing skills by looking at different nouns, such as collective nouns. Did you know that a group of owls is called a parliament?

Written by Stephanie Bowling and Lizzie King

## Year 10 News

Miss Emma Riley

We are currently out on work experience this week, different workplaces, including farming, metals and learning and developing work skills in a variety of engineering, teaching and veterinarian.

## Year 11/12 News

Mr Miles MacFarlane

### Mr McFarlane's poem to Year 11

Elevens are learning equations quadr-atic  
 Conscription and conflict in wars Asi-atic  
 Ramage is teaching them about things Aqu-atic

Lloyd covers criminals, trials, and their process-ses  
 Bio, Oximetry.. what's up in Scien-ces  
 McCutcheon, with wood, glue and nails makes some project-s's

Chemistry: metals for use in some batte-ries  
 Lifestyle science: there's chem in them groce-ries  
 English some reading, some writing and poet-ries

In all, a good term, but there's more yet to go  
 For Ebony, Scott, Daniel, Lahni, and So'  
 Mikaiyla and Mathew, that's all, there's no mo'

## Congratulations

### Attendance Monkey for Term 4 Week 5

Primary - Year 2 98.6%

Secondary - Year 8 98.3%

## YEAR 7 2015 PARENT INFORMATION SESSION



**Date: Wednesday 26th November 2014**

**Time: 9.30am**

**Venue: Baradine Central School VC Room**

## Band Workshop at Baradine Central School on Tuesday 25 November

The well-known Mark Walton has offered to conduct a music workshop and performance in Baradine with the music students from BCS and St Johns next week. This is a great opportunity for the musicians in Baradine to learn from him and to perform with the band from Mudgee Public School. The details for the day will be as follows:

Band workshop at 12:45pm:

The music students from BCS and St Johns will meet with Mark in the hall at BCS at 12:45pm. Mark will conduct a short workshop with the students. The school band from Mudgee Public will arrive and will set up and rehearse one piece with the Baradine music students.

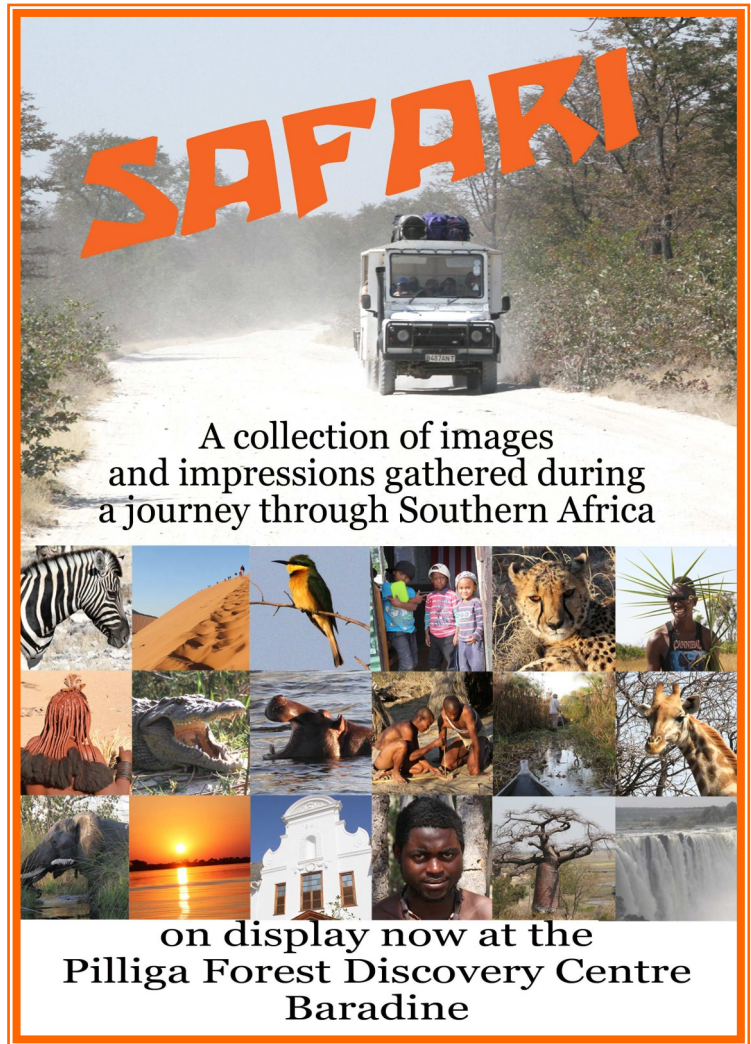
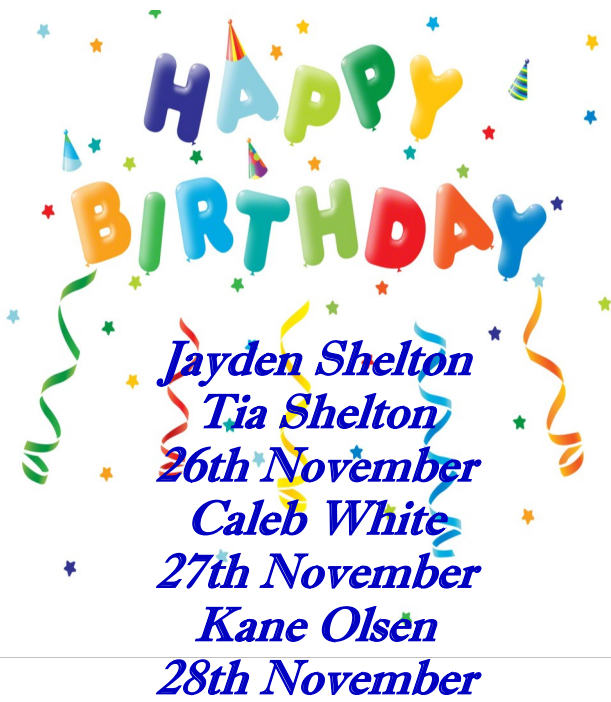
### Band concert from 2:00pm until 2:45pm:

The Mudgee band will perform a program of music and the Baradine music students will perform one piece with them. The whole of BCS Primary as well as St Johns Catholic School are invited to attend this concert. At 2:45pm the concert will be finished and students will go back to class.



**All parents, grandparents and other interested people are welcome to attend the concert. Please come and support our musicians as well!**





**PBL** This week our focus was:  
**“Respect”**  
 Treat others the way you wish to be treated.  
 Students at BCS have a greater knowledge of this aspect of PBL after last week’s Bullying No Way Day.

Baradine Central School



*Presentation Night*

DATE  
 Monday 8th December 2014

TIME  
 7:00 pm sharp

LOCATION  
 Baradine Central School Hall

*Everyone welcome*

This is a DEC event with strictly **NO alcohol** and **NO smoking**

**RSA**

Baradine Central School P&C committee are looking for people who hold a current RSA. Your help would be appreciated with upcoming fundraising events.

If you are able to assist please contact Karen Reinhardt on 0487 431 144.