

BARADINE CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWS

June 11th, 2020



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Great News!

A new Ipad for every student!



Year 7 students - Maddison Johnston, Braiden McPherson and Gian Worrell

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents & Caregivers,

Attendance Matters

Students enrolled at BCS are required to attend every day. Exceptions are made for illness and injury and a medical certificate is required after two consecutive days absence. Exemptions can apply for extraordinary circumstances.

Our current BCS attendance data for the last two weeks, suggests some students need their attendance rates to improve dramatically.

School is in for approximately 200 days in the year. Continuity of learning, through daily attendance during each term, is the key to successful learning and academic growth.

Going to school regularly is important for your child's future. ... Parents are legally responsible for making sure that children attend school. If your child doesn't go to school, you could get fined or prosecuted.

There is no safe threshold to missing school. Each day of school missed makes a difference, with effects on kids accumulating over time.

All school days matter. The correlation between absence and achievement is consistently negative and declines in achievement are evident with any level of absence.

Did you know:

- Students are required to complete Year 10 before they can access their RoSA (record of school achievement).
- Students cannot leave school before their 17th birthday, unless they enrol at TAFE or have permanent full time employment.
- It is highly recommended students complete Year 12 with a Higher School certificate plus a RoSA and in so cases, certificates for completion of school based traineeships and apprenticeships.

I have attached further information on attendance for your convenience.

100% Attendance Recognition

On a positive note, congratulations to the following students for 100% attendance since school resumed from COVID-19 restrictions on May 25:

Kinder – Tyler Anderson, Lexi Andrews, Clarry Carey, Braxton Siemsen

Year 2 – Ruby-Ann Catt, Thomas Curry, Brax Hinchliffe, Reegan Siemsen

Year 3 – Indianna Carey, Michaela-Rose Catt, Preston Lennon, Lachlan Ryan.

Year 4 – Storme Anderson, Sonia Pagett.

Year 5 - Lincon McConnaughty.

Year 6 – Tyson Dunn, Sharney Egan.

Year 7 – Suzannah Carey, Matthew Hyde, Brianna Jackson, Justin Lennon, Aiden O'Grady, Samuel Pagett, Abby Thompson, Alex Wicken.

Year 8 – Kaleb Biles, Jake Cannon-Cornish, Jorja Carey, Tayla Dunn, Shannia Egan, Austin Hayman, Emily Hoffmann, Dimitty Leedham, Olive Lennon, Claudia McConnaughty, Sally Owers, Hannah Percival, Montanha Pettman, Riley Siemsen.

Year 9 – Trent Biles, Zali Hyde, Bradley Owers, Jack Thompson, Jordy Whillock.

Year 10 – Savannah Carey, Annalise Edwards, Alice Harris, Dusty Lennon, Ashanti Pennell, Tess Rawson.

Year 11 – Madison Masman, Holly Woodham.

Year 12 – Regan Evans, Madisen McGill.



Baradine Central School Historical Photographs

Can you help we are requesting permission to copy any photos you might have in treasure chests and willing to share, such as the one below. BCS is planning to compile a social history of school life over the last 100 years.



Cheers
Chris Clarke

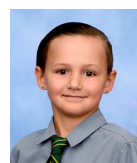
Principal's Awards of Recognition



Bond Jones
Excellent growth in spelling.



Paige Stonham
Excellent growth in spelling.



Jace Saunders
Excellent growth in spelling.



Samantha Rowley
Significant growth in reading.



Elijah Myers
Proficiency in spelling.



Joe Bell
Excellent growth in spelling.



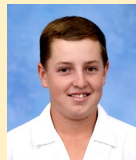
Bradley Owers
Significant growth in reading.



Anna Arndell
Significant growth in reading.



Savannah Carey
Significant growth in reading.



Bradley Worrell
Significant growth in reading.



Dusty Lennon
Significant growth in reading.



Congratulations

Applications Open for Aurora 2021.

Aurora College is the NSW Department of Education's virtual school, providing students in rural and remote communities with the opportunity to connect locally and learn globally. Aurora students connect with their teachers and classmates in timetabled lessons through a virtual learning environment which comprises web conferencing software, a learning management system, and a range of communication and collaboration tools.

If your child is interested in entry into Aurora, applications are now open for maths, english and science for Years 8, 9 and 10 in 2021. Students who did not qualify and/or did not apply for entry in Year 7 have the opportunity to apply again for Years 8, 9 and 10, providing there are vacancies available.

An application must be made to the school and include:

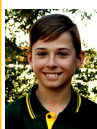
- a completed application form (available <http://www.aurora.nsw.edu.au/learn/secondary-students/enrol/>.)
- copies of school reports (Semester 1 from the current year and Semester 2 from the previous year)
- results in academic competitions (eg Australian Mathematics Competition)
- evidence of performance in literacy and numeracy (eg NAPLAN results).

For further information, please contact Melissa Leistra by contacting the school or by email at Melissa.Leistra@det.nsw.edu.au

Applications must be received before **Friday 26 June 2020**.

Secondary Awards of Recognition

Student of the Week



Year 7
Braiden McPherson - Excellent application across all subjects.



Year 8
Karla Gardner - Improvement in her work output during Design and Technology.



Year 9
Zali Hyde - Fantastic effort in all classes.



Year 10
Tess Rawson - Amazing work in English and all of her other subjects.



Year 11
Nigel Lennon - Dedication to Modern History.



Year 12
Madisen McGill - Dedication to her studies during home schooling.

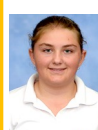
Positive Behaviour For Learning



Year 7
Jayden Ryan - Participation in all Maths activities.



Year 8
Austin Hayman - Doing great work in Design and Technology.



Year 9
Valarie Dunn - Completing work to a fantastic standard.



Year 10
Molly Murray - Fantastic work in all of her subjects.



Year 11
Zarli Ruttlely - Improvement in attendance and application to senior studies this fortnight.



Year 12
Clinton Lennon - Producing quality work in all Classes.

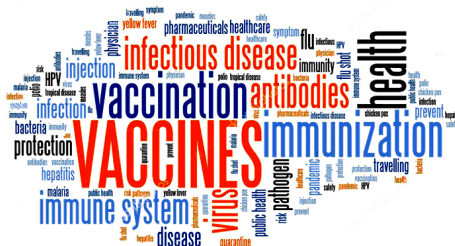
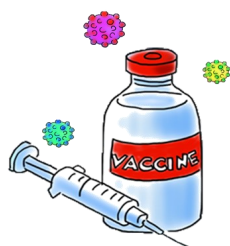
Congratulations



2020 Vaccination Clinic Dates

Tuesday 16th June - Year 10 (Next week)

Tuesday 27th October - Year 7



Primary Awards of Recognition & News

Kinder/Year 1 - Miss Lummis



Student of the Week

Rosannah Gundry - Effort and application in all area's.



PBL Award

Kenzie Stonham - Following class and school rules.

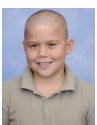


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This week K/1 will have their weekly sound/spelling list. We are focusing on the letter and sound 'f'. There will also be a 3D shapes worksheet as this will be our focus in maths this week.

If your child has any readers or work from their learning from home packs, can these please be returned to the school.

Year 2/3 - Ms Baldock



Student of the Week

Leon Ruttley - Fantastic effort with his learning.



PBL Award

Indiannah Carey - Follows all staff instructions.



News

Homework is given out every Monday and is due in every Friday. It consists of home reading, spelling practice, number facts and a choice rubric. Readers can be changed as often as necessary, please return them to school with your child when you need a new one.

Please return to school any working from home exercise books and worksheets, I am looking forward to marking the students work.

Year 4/5/6 - Miss Dorman



Student of the Week

Lincon Mconnaughty - Being a respectful and focused class member.



PBL Award

Jordan Pagett-Following all staff instructions in the classroom and on the playground.

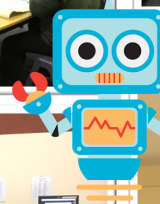
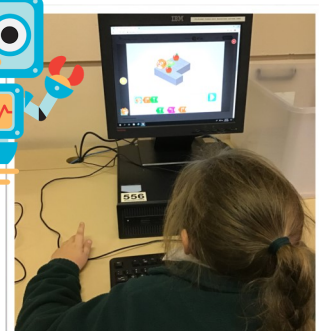
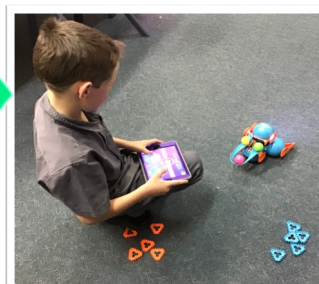


News

Welcome back to school 4/5/6!

Homework is distributed each Monday and is expected to be returned for marking every Friday. In order for your reader to be replaced please return your previous weeks reader. Students who hand in their homework 5 weeks this term will receive a reward.

On Friday afternoons this Term, Year 4 students will join with Year 3 students, complete coding, and technology activities. Year 5/6 students will participate in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program. They will be required to wear enclosed leather shoes to participate in cooking and gardening activities.





Compulsory School Attendance

Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

What are my legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age. The *Education Act 1990* requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards for homeschooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

The importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An *Application for Extended Leave* may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.





**My child won't go to school.
What should I do?**

You should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support networks. The principal may seek further support from the Home School Liaison Program to develop an Attendance Improvement Plan.

What might happen if my child continues to have unacceptable absences?

It is important to understand that the Department of Education and Communities may be required to take further action where children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unexplained or unjustified absences from school.

Some of the following actions may be undertaken:

- Compulsory Schooling Conferences

You may be asked, along with your child, to attend a Compulsory Schooling Conference. The conference will help to identify the supports your child may need to have in place so they attend school regularly. The school, parents and agencies will work together to develop an agreed plan (known as Undertakings) to support your child's attendance at school.

- Application to the Children's Court – Compulsory Schooling Order

If your child's attendance at school remains unsatisfactory the Department

may apply to the Children's Court for a *Compulsory Schooling Order*. The Children's Court magistrate may order a Compulsory Schooling Conference to be convened.

- Prosecution in the Local Court

School and Department staff remain committed to working in partnership with you to address the issues which are preventing your child's full participation at school. In circumstances where a breach of compulsory schooling orders occurs further action may be taken against a parent in the Local Court. The result of court action can be the imposition of a community service order or a fine.

What age can my child leave school?

All New South Wales students must complete Year 10 or its equivalent. After Year 10, and up until they reach 17 years of age, there are a range of flexible options for students to complete their schooling.

Working in Partnership

The Department of Education and Communities recognises that working collaboratively with students and their families is the best way to support the regular attendance of students at school.

We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child to fulfil their life opportunities.

If a student misses as little as 8 days in a school term, by the end of primary school they'll have missed over a year of school.

Further information regarding school attendance can be obtained from the following websites:

Policy, information and brochures:

Please visit the Department of Education's *Policy library*

The school leaving age:

Please visit the Department of Education's *Wellbeing and Learning* website

Do you need an interpreter?

Interpreting services are available on request, including for the hearing impaired. The Telephone Interpreter Service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week on 131 450. You will not be charged for this service.

For further advice and questions contact your educational services team

T 131 536

Learning and Engagement

Student Engagement & Interagency Partnerships

T 9244 512

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY



June

- Josie Campton 3rd
- Eliza Rowley 3rd
- Katrina Gardner 4th
- Sophie Rowley 5th
- Bradley Owers 7th
- Leon Ruttlely 10th
- Madisen McGill 12th
- Ethan Rowley 16th
- Brendon Evans 19th

Parents

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Coonamble Aboriginal Health Service

If you wish your child/children to attend this highly valuable service please ensure you have signed and returned the consent form.

Clinic dates for BCS were cancelled due to Covid-19

New date to be advised by Health Service.

Extra consents forms are available at the office.

School Hours

Primary and Secondary

8.30 am - 3.00pm

Students should not arrive at school before 8.30am as there is no playground supervision.



Help stop the spread



Maintain social distancing



Wash your hands thoroughly



Sneeze or cough into your arm



fever



sore throat



cough



shortness of breath

For more information visit health.nsw.gov.au/coronavirus



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Finally back into routine!



Hooray!



Hooray!



Influenza vaccination during COVID-19 pandemic

FAQs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

Why?

Why should I get the flu jab?

Influenza is often called the 'flu'. It can be a serious disease and can cause death. Our mob is at a high risk of getting very sick with flu. Complications are most common among Elders, bubs and people with other health problems (lung or heart problems, or diabetes). The flu jab helps you stay healthy and strong and can protect you and your mob from the flu. If you are pregnant, the flu jab will also protect your baby against the flu.

With COVID-19 around, it is even more important to protect against flu so you don't get two infections - flu and COVID-19 - at the same time.

While there is no vaccine yet for COVID-19, it's important to get your flu jab early to keep you and others in the community healthy this winter.

Who?

Who should get the flu jab? Is the jab free?

All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people older than 6 months should get the flu jab.

The flu vaccine is FREE for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people 6 months and older, so let your doctor know that you are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

When?

When should I get the flu jab?

To protect our mob, all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people 6 months and older should get the flu jab every year in April or May (before the flu season starts, which is usually from June to September), but it's never too late to vaccinate even if after May.

Where?

Where can I get the flu jab?

You can get the flu jab at your doctor, Aboriginal Medical Service or local pharmacy.

Other?

What about other routine vaccinations during the COVID-19 pandemic?

It's very important that during this pandemic you continue to get your routine vaccinations, including keeping your bub's routine childhood immunisations up to date. Your clinic will have special processes in place to ensure safe vaccination. You can check on this when you make appointment to get your vaccine.

You can get your routine vaccinations at the same time you get your flu jab. Ask your local Aboriginal healthcare worker, doctor or nurse.



For more information about vaccination for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people see www.ncirs.org.au/VFDM

Prepared by National Indigenous Immunisation Coordinator Katrina Clark and the team at NCIRS.

May 2020

A BETTER START PROGRAM INITIATIVE



YOUR CHILD'S NDIS PLAN



You are invited to a free info session on how to implement your child's NDIS Plan

Designed for parents and guardians of children 0-12 years with disability or developmental delay who are looking for support with starting or using their child's existing NDIS plan more effectively.

Session topics include:

- Understanding your child's NDIS plan
- How to make changes to the plan
- Plan management
- Self-management tips
- NDIS plan reviews
- Early childhood Intervention best practice
- Finding and choosing service providers
- Latest NDIS updates on COVID-19

If you would like to attend but cannot, please let us know. This will help us to plan future sessions.

EVENT INFORMATION:

We are running a number of sessions contact us to register

Date: Wednesday 3 June 2020
Time: 4:30pm-6:00pm

Date: Friday 5 June 2020
Time: 11:00am-12:30pm

Date: Tuesday 9 June 2020
Time: 11:00am-12:30pm

Date: Thursday 11 June 2020
Time: 4:30pm-6:00pm

HOW: Online via a Zoom Meeting
COST: Free
RSVP Call: 02 9280 4744 or
Email: betterstart@carersnsw.org.au

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