

BARADINE CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWS

November 24th, 2021



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Ms Kylie Hyde

Year 6 Transition To High School Program



Well done Domonic, Leila, Maddison, Akkash, Mia, Josh, Logan, Lincon, Bryan, John, Cooper, Artie, Alicia and Hazel on the completion of our Transition to High School Program.

Congratulations

See Transition article & more photo's on page 6.

NON SCHOLAE SED VITAE - Not in learning, but in life.



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Caregivers

COVID-19

BCS remains fully operational with COVID safety a continued focus. The recent outbreak in Coonabarabran is being monitored closely through official 'sources of truth'. At BCS, masks are recommended for everyone onsite, both indoors and outdoors. Teachers and secondary students are continuing to wear masks indoors as per regulations. Hand sanitising stations exist for every classroom and workspace. All classrooms within our school are well ventilated. Staff and students with symptoms are advised to not attend school but to get tested immediately then isolate until a negative result is returned.

Wet, Wet, Wet!

The November rain is impacting our attendance rates with so many roads compromised, both public and private. This has also provided another layer of challenge for our HSC students to be able to sit some exams.

Annual Report

The Annual Report is a comprehensive report detailing school data and analysis relevant to student learning and wellbeing as well as school performance measured against the School Excellence Framework. The report is currently being compiled in readiness for publication early next year. It will be available on the school's website.

Remembrance Day

The 11th hour or the 11th day of the 11th month, is a special feature on our Baradine School calendar. This year, due to COVID safety planning, only a small contingent of student leaders were able to participate and represent BCS at the cenotaph. The commemorative Remembrance Day Service was held by our local RSL subbranch.



Cooper Ruttley, Mia Bradford, Alice Harris & Molly Murray

P&C

P&C has been unable to meet in recent months due to COVID restrictions. However, a meeting has been scheduled for Monday 29th 1.30-2.30pm at the RTC in Wellington St.

This meeting has COVID-19 safety plan. Accordingly, you will be required to have evidence of double vaccination + mask.

Road Safety - Queen St

The school is currently collaborating with the Warrumbungle Shire Council traffic committee and local police, to address two road safety issues in Queen St.

1. Students are currently haphazardly crossing Queen St to go to their waiting parents, while buses are arriving and departing from the bus zone.

2. Buses are u-turning from the bus zone towards busy and congested, high density car park

The school has been unable to have a zebra crossing installed adjacent to the Queen St entrance, due to traffic regulations.

The school will provide additional supervision to prevent students running out in front of buses.

Parents and carers are requested to **not park** on the hardcourts side of Queen St. Pick up and drop off parking needs to be along Queen Street on the northern side so that students do not cross the road.

The official bus zone is sign-posted commencing near the corner of Narren St and ending near the school pedestrian access gates. The school requested council to remove the previous bus zone signage closer to creek bank end of Queen St.

Parents and carers will have more than 50 metres to pick up and drop off without children having to cross the road.

The school is also requesting the council traffic committee determine a solution to the bus turning issue.

Thank you for your co-operation.



Mrs Christine Clarke
Principal

Parents & Citizens Meeting

Monday 29th November
1.30pm at the RTC, Wellington St



President: Ms Kylie Hyde Vice President: Mr Troy Carey
Secretary: Ms Tiffany Andrews Treasurer: Mr Paul White

Principal's Award of Appreciation

Staff Thumbs Up Award



Jemina Moss



Jan Miller



Carol Hotchkiss



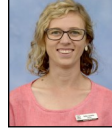
Marjory Drummond



Wendy Leonard



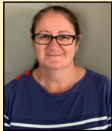
Maigen Brazier



Holly Lummis



Fiona Edwards



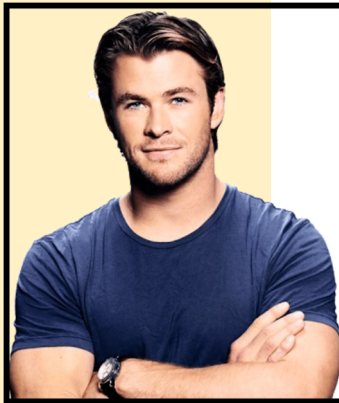
Wendy Woodham



Marjory Drummond



Mr Matt Edwards - Deputy Principal



How long have you been teaching, first school and your favourite thing about teaching?

I have been teaching for 13 years at Baradine Central and my favourite thing is working in the classroom with the students building their knowledge.

What is the best advice you have been given when it comes to teaching?

To be well organised and don't take what is said to you too personally by the students.

When you first started teaching in your early years, is there anything you wished you had known prior to commencing at BCS.?

How to deal with Kindergarten students.

What accomplishments are you proud of?

Definitely the Canada excursion taking 25 students overseas. Some of these students hadn't travelled too far from home. Also seeing the student numbers at BCS increase dramatically in secondary classes.

What are the most common barriers within the classroom for you?

Mainly working with a large range of different abilities in the same class.

Do you tend to focus on the strength or weakness of a student?

Firstly, look at the area of strength to boost the confidence and encourage the student and then work on areas of weakness and then the student is more willing to have a go at the more difficult work.

What is the best thing about teaching at BCS?

Just being a small school, the relationship with parents, the support of the community and seeing kids grow and mature over 13 years of teaching.

Where do you see yourself in 5 years' time?

I would like to be still in a classroom teaching and eventually move to the coast.

What is your best childhood memory?

Going fishing with my Pop.

What would your last meal be and what food can't you bring yourself to eat?

My last meal would be woodfire pizza and the food that I can't bring myself to eat is prawns.

Which would you rather do – wash the dishes, mow the yard, clean the bathroom or vacuum the house?

I would rather mow the yard.

If you could hire someone to help you, would it be cleaning, cooking or yard work?

Definitely the cleaning.

If money was no object, what would you do all day?

I would go skiing in the Canadian Rocky Mountains.

If you could go back in time to change one thing, what would it be?

Invest in Bitcoin.

If you had a WARNING label, what would it be?

Too FUSSY- PERFECTIONIST!

If they made a movie about you, who would you get to play your part?

Chris Hemsworth.



PRIMARY

Semester Two Primary Reports

This semester Primary have adopted a reporting format to reflect the changing nature of learning due to COVID-19 and includes aspects of both classroom learning and learning from home.

It describes how your child has progressed in Semester Two, identifying areas of achievement and where further assistance or support is required. For this report the academic A to E scaling has been included for English and Mathematics for Years One to Six only.

Comments have been shortened for the key learning areas of Science and Technology, HSIE, PD/H/PE and CAPA. Baradine Central School would like to commend parents and carers for their commitment and flexibility during this semester.

If you have any questions regarding the content or new format of your child's report, please contact the school.



Mrs Lizzie Horder
Assistant Principal

Intensive Swimming has begun!



Congratulations 200 PBL's



Skylah Gundry, Lila-Rose Welsh Edwards, Lexi Andrews, Reegan Siemsen, Tyler Anderson, Patrick Gardner, Mia Bradford, Brax Hinchliffe, Domonic Sutherland and Ava Smith.
Absent from photo: Georga Gardner and Neo Hinchliffe

Primary SRC Guessing Competition

Primary SRC have decide to run a lolly guessing competition during Weeks 9 and 10.
Cost will be 50c a guess.

The winner will be the person who guesses, or has the closest guess to the amount of lollies in the jar.
They get to keep the jar and the lollies!



Miss Holly Lummis
Primary SRC Coordinator



December Dates

Positive Behaviour for Learning

- No Blue Slip Reward - Thursday 9th
- 100 PBL's DVD Pizza Treat - Friday 10th



Year 6 Graduation
Wednesday 8th



Infants Santa Party &
Primary Pool Party
Wednesday 15th

SECONDARY

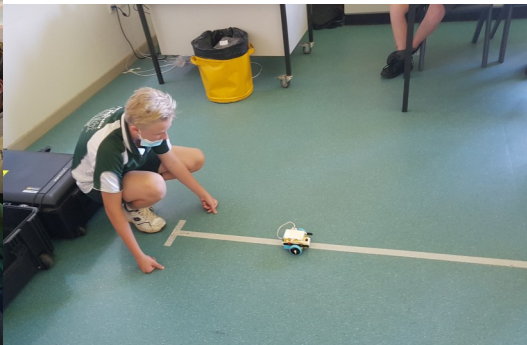
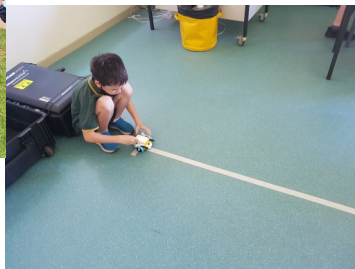
Year 6 Transition to High School Program

Year 6 students from schools in the area were welcomed at Baradine Central School on Monday the 15th to Wednesday the 17th of November for our annual Transition to High School Program.



They got the opportunity to get to know our Secondary Student Representative Council at second half lunch and enjoyed some coaching and training from our Stage 5 Physical Activity and Sports Studies class.

Students enjoyed participating in subjects they would experience in Year 7 at our school such as English, Maths, History, Art, Food Technology, Agriculture and Science/STEM.



The group were wonderful to have at our school, all students participated in all activities with enthusiasm and were polite and well behaved for the three days. We can't wait to welcome them into high school at Baradine Central in 2022.



Miss Maigen Brazier
Transition Coordinator



Time-Out with Cazza!



Leilamarie Louie - Year 3



Tell me your name, birthday and class that you are in.

Leilamarie Louie, I'm in Year 3 and my birthday is on the 31st October. It's Halloween as well.

Who is your teacher at the moment?

Miss Moss and she's really nice.

What do you like about school?

I get to learn things like Maths, Spelling and Reading.

What is the worst thing about school?

People swearing.

What is something that makes you mad?

When I'm talking in class and someone butts in and talks as well.

When you grow up what job do you think you will have?

Be a doctor at Baradine.

What is something you are really frightened of?

SNAKES!

What is an important rule at school and at home?

No swearing, no bullying, no pushing. At home no swearing.

What do you like doing that makes you really happy?

I like learning and playing with my friends.

What is your favourite food?

Plain pies.



What can you teach your teacher, Miss Moss?

That you can't eat ice blocks when you are playing.

Riley Siemsen - Year 9



What class are you in and what are your favourite subjects?

I'm in Year 9 and my favourite subjects are History, English and PE.

Are you enjoying secondary classes?

Yes, there are a lot of people around and a lot of support from the teachers. My Math's teacher was very proud of the work that I have achieved so far.

What is something that you are proud of either at school or home?

My family, they are always there for me and they love me.

Give me five words that describe you as a person.

Funny, honest, caring, gentle and hot headed. I'm a variety of things.

What irritates you the most either at home or school?

At school when I can't do something and I know that I really can do it. At home it's my siblings and I really try hard to be nice.

Where do you see yourself in five years time?

Working around town either with animals or kids at a pre school.

How do you like to spend your spare time?

Sleeping, I'm not going to lie. Mum tries to get me to do things but I just like sleeping.

What is something that you are scared of?

Big rain moths, I hate them.

If you could change something in the world what would it be?

Covid 19 and climate change, environment sustainability.

Tell me one thing you can't live without.

My family.

Is there any food that you dislike eating?

None, I eat everything and my favourite is spaghetti bolognese and tacos.



TREAT OTHERS
The way
you
Want to be
TREATED

Family is
LAUGHTER ♥ LOVE ♥ HAPPINESS
everything



November

Braxton Siemsen 27th

December

Mariah Gardner 1st
 Molly Murray 1st
 Madison Masman 3rd
 Lincon McConnaughty 4th
 Valarie Dunn 6th



DATES TO REMEMBER

November

Wed 17th Nov - Wed 1st Dec Intensive Swimming
 Fri 26th Primary Captain Speeches/Elections

December

Thurs 2nd Year 12 Assembly & Formal Celebration
 Wed 8th Secondary Girls Information/Pamper Day
 Wed 8th Year 6 Graduation
 Thurs 9th 'No Blue Slip Treat'
 Fri 10th 100 PBL Pizza & DVD Reward
 Tue 14th Presentation Day
 Wed 15th Infants Santa & Primary Pool Parties
 Thurs 16th Students last day for 2021!
 Fri 17th SDD

School Banking update from Commonwealth Bank

For 90 years, our School Banking program has helped children learn about money, reinforced the importance of regular savings and provided structure for parents to support their children to save.



School Banking



Though the program continues to have strong support from schools, parents and teachers, recent decisions by some state and territory governments because of a review by the corporate regulator mean we are unable to continue providing programs in schools, and we have had to make a difficult decision to close our School Banking program for all government and non-government schools across the country.

Our School Banking program was established in 1931 at a time when having a bank account was not commonplace, and since then we have helped more than 15 million Australians take their first financial steps. This would not have been possible without the wonderful support we have received from schools like yours, including all the parents and volunteers, and for this we are deeply grateful. Thank you.

Even though this is a sad time, School Banking has taught so many young Australians, past and present, the value of money and we believe this should be celebrated. We have created a place for you to share your stories, fondest memories and lessons learnt through the program. To share your story and access our financial education resources, please visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking.

Even though the CommBank School Banking program will not be returning to your school after this year, you can continue to make deposits into your child's Youthsaver account through online transfers or at any CommBank branch. If you need further information please phone 132 221 or visit your local CommBank branch.

School banking update.



Snapchat

Your privacy and safety are important. Here are some steps you can take to make sure you stay extra safe!

Age Minimum:
 The minimum age for Snapchat users is **13 years old**

- Snapchat Etiquette:**
 Be kind and respectful to other Snapchatters. Be thoughtful about what you Snap, and don't send people anything they wouldn't want to receive.
- Snaps Disappear, But...:**
 Remember, even though Snaps are designed to disappear, a friend can still grab a screenshot or take a picture with another device.
- Privacy Settings:**
 Check your [privacy settings](#) to choose who can send you Snaps, or view your Stories and location on Snap Map.
- Friends:**
 Snapchat was made for keeping in touch with

- your close friends, so we'd suggest against friending anyone you don't know in real life.
- Report Safety Concerns:**
 If you come across something upsetting, or if anyone asks you to do something inappropriate or that makes you uncomfortable, please report the Snap to us and talk to your parent or a trusted adult about it.
- Bullying:**
 If someone is bullying or harassing you, report the Snap to us and talk to your parent or a trusted adult about it. You can also always [block that person](#) and [leave any group chat](#) where bullying is taking place.
- Password Security:**
 Keep your password safe and don't share it with any other people, applications, or websites under any circumstances. We also suggest using a different password for every service you use.
- Friends:**
 Friends' Stories are sorted based on who you keep in touch with the most, so you'll usually see mainly the people you care about. Learn more on how to [manage your friends](#) or [add new friends](#).

New School Visitor Check-in

Level 3 Covid-19 restrictions still apply - Non-essential visitors are not allowed on site including parents & carers

A single School Visitor Check-in system for every school across the state is coming from 18 October! The Department of Education has partnered with Service NSW to provide a streamlined, digital school sign-in system for visitors and contractors at every NSW government school.

Benefits of the new system include:

ALL VISITORS MUST CHECK IN AT THE OFFICE

- Accelerating your check-ins to as fast as 20 seconds!
- Linked to NSW Health's COVID-19 contact tracing ensuring every school is compliant with the NSW [COVID-19 mandate](#). [External link](#)
- Giving every school greater access to streamlined NSW Government services.
- Who can use School Visitor check-in**
 Visitors such as parents and carers, contractors, service providers and volunteers. Students or visitors under the age of 18 are not required to use School Visitor Check-in. School Visitor Check-in will be ready from 18 October at all NSW Government schools. For more information visit School Visitor Check-in on the department website.





TAFE NSW Coonabarabran is holding the following course:
Statement of Attainment in Animal Health and First Aid

This course will provide you the skills to provide first aid for animals by recognising and responding to an emergency using basic first aid measures. It will also give students the skills and knowledge required to provide assistance to experienced staff in the capture, restraint and assessment of animals and the preparation, application and documentation of treatments.

DATE: 11 – 14 January 2022
COST: fee free

Under TAFE NSW Summer Skills program, this course is designed for school leavers aged 16 – 24 years old.

To enrol please phone (02) 6842 0704 Abby Skinner or email abby.skinner@tafensw.edu.au

High Performing Students Team

Placement in selective high schools for Year 7 entry in 2023

Information for applicants

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 in 2023?

You must apply online at:
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

Key Dates
Application website opens: 19 October 2021
Application website closes: 31 November 2021
You must apply before this date.
Test centre and test authority advice released: 24 February 2022
Selective High School placement test: 10 March 2022
Placement outcome expected to be released: 8 July 2022
Please read this booklet carefully before applying.
There may be changes to the procedures in this document.
Check the website at education.nsw.gov.au/choice regularly for updates throughout the application and placement process.
Please check the website for information before you contact the Team.
After applying, you will be able to log into your application dashboard to change details and send and receive messages.

The Selective High Schools placement process for Year 7 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Team. It is referred to as 'The Team' in this document.

Contact Details:
High Performing Students Team, NSW Department of Education
Telephone: 1300 889 367
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/772251106301086/>

Rhyme Time

Introduce your child to the wonderful world of stories, songs, music and movement

Every Thursday 10:30am at Baradine Library

Free · Suitable for children aged 0-5 years

Bookings Required · Call 02 6843 1947

MACQUARIE REGIONAL LIBRARY

mrl.nsw.gov.au

Indigenous Literacy Day

- Art/Craft
- Morning Tea
- Face Painting
- Free Books
- Clay/Dough
- Drumming

10 am
Neilson Park
Thursday
December 9
2021

Contact: 0448 486 434

BE CONNECTED

BE SKILLED IN CULTURAL TOURISM

Course: SIT30116 – Certificate III in Tourism

Code	SIT30116
Duration	12 months – every Thursday
Cost	Fee exempt for eligible applicants
Location	Coonabarabran

WHAT YOU CAN BE
This course provides participants with the skills to deliver guided tours in the tourism industry. It has been specifically designed to meet the needs of cultural tourism targeted to Aboriginal communities. Participants will be able to design customised tours that promote the culture and heritage of your local area, in a culturally inclusive and appropriate way. This course enables the opportunity to develop a business in tourism from the skills that you will develop.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED:
Contact one of our Aboriginal Engagement Coordinators
Kate Ferguson (Coonabarabran) 6768 2306
NOTE: Participants must have basic computer skills, must be Aboriginal and identify with their community. Must have an interest in tourism and promoting Aboriginal culture and heritage.

ABOUT TAFE NSW
TAFE NSW is the largest training provider in Australia. We provide award-winning training and nationally accredited qualifications to new entrants and to industry. We pride ourselves in being responsive to industry needs and as such are proud to offer this targeted program to ensure the Cultural Tourism industry continues to flourish and grow.

Course outcomes including:
• The delivery of cultural tourism within your local area
• Prepare quotes and process reservations
• Use and implement appropriate safe work practices
• Sell tourism products
• Provide services to customers in cultural tourism
• Promote local history and culture within tourism
• Source and use information on the tourism industry

BE A GO-GETTER
To register your interest or find out more

Contact: Karen Bliss-Cook (Tourism and Hospitality | Teacher)
Phone: (02) 6768 2205
Email: karen.bliss-cook@tafensw.edu.au

BE CONNECTED | 131 601 | tafensw.edu.au

MEALS ON WHEELS

"WE ARE MORE THAN JUST A MEAL!"

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

BARADINE HOT FOOD DELIVERY – FUN FRIDAY MEALS

Do you have an hour to volunteer to deliver meals for Meals on Wheels on a Friday? If so please give Warrumbungle Community Care a call and they will give you all the information you need.

Meals will be picked up at the venue and delivered to our client's homes.

Volunteers will be on a flexible weekly roster.

Join us in helping our community.

CALL US ON (02) 6849 2200

Baradine
CHRISTMAS
 twilight
MARKETS
 a family event with gifts, produce, music and food stalls
Saturday, 4 December
 Wellington Street
 6pm to 10pm

Show Us Your Talent
 Competition with prizes

Kids photos with **Santa**

Stall bookings - contact Celia 0408 093 878

A Baradine & District Progress Association initiative

THE BEST PRESENTS
Baradine's Got Talent
SAT 4th DEC
REGGIES TATTERSALLS
1st Prize \$1,000
 2nd \$300 * 3rd \$100
Junior Section
 1st \$100 * 2nd \$50 * 3rd \$20

ENTRIES
0408 093 878

BARADINE
SURGERY
CHRISTMAS BREAK
 Closed
 Friday 24th December 2021
 Re-Opening
 Monday 10th January 2022

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Baradine Hospital Auxiliary
 is seeking
 Expressions of Interest
 from debutantes for the
2022 BARADINE DEBUTANTE BALL
 to be held on
Saturday, 9 April

Contact Chris on 0428 398 314
 Note: minimum debutante and partner age 16 years