Principal’s Report

Welcome Back

It is wonderful to see our students all back at school today! They are looking fantastic in their uniforms and have been keen to get into learning for 2015. Thank you to Jeanette Brumby for organising uniforms over the holidays so the students were ready for school.

It was a pleasure to welcome some new students to our school and we welcome their families into our community.

There are a couple of changes in our staffing for 2015. We welcome Ms Jayne Cole who is replacing Ms Murdoch temporarily until a full-time HSIE teacher is appointed and Mrs Denise McDermott who is replacing Mrs Conlan for 2 days per week. Mrs McDermott is also taking over our music program for this year – which will be exciting as this is a performance year!

Absences

Remember that if your child/ren are away from school you are required by the NSW DEC to provide an explanation within 2 days. Please send a note with your child/ren to explain their absence when they return to school, or please phone to school to ensure an explanation for their absence is provided.

Parent and Caregiver Information

If you have changed any of your contact details over the holidays please ensure that you provide us with this new information. It is extremely important that we have the correct contact details, for example, in the event that your child gets sick.

Have a great week – and don’t forget that punctuation is very important when communicating with others!

Notes, Notes, Notes

Parents/Caregivers are asked to please complete and return the permission notes attached to today’s Gazette as soon as possible.

Students please take note that there is NO CANTEEN operating this week. Normal canteen from next Monday.
Canteen Roster & News

No Canteen this week.
Canteen will re-open Monday February 2nd.

Calendar Term 1 2015

January
Wed 28 Students Return Term 1

February
Thurs 5 Canberra Raiders Visit @ 2.30pm
Tues 10 RAP Induction Camp 2 Days
Thurs 12 Twilight Swimming Carnival
Fri 13 Day off in lieu of carnival
Wed 18 RAP Secondary Sport Trials
Fri 20 Secondary Zone Swimming @ APCS Tennis Trials
Thurs 26 PSSA Swimming Carnival @ APCS

March
Fri 6 Secondary Riverina Swimming @ Albury
Mon 9 PSSA Riverina Swimming @ Albury
Visiting Performance ~ ‘Let’s Chat Habitat’
Wed 11 Primary AFL & Netball Trials
Tues 31 BCS Cross-Country (TBC)

April
Thurs 2 Last Day Term 1

Primary News……………..

• All primary student will be going to the pool this Friday afternoon to practice for the Swimming Carnival in Week 3. Please make sure you bring your towel, swimmers, rashie all clearly marked with your name. Primary students will be going to the pool each week in February for sport.

• Please make sure you have informed the front office with correct details of students’ after school activities so that the roll can be correctly marked.

• Primary teachers will be conducting 3-way conferences during Week 6. This will replace the previous ‘Meet & Greet’. More details closer to the date.

BCS Primary Student Requirement List

2015

Infants
Library Bag
Smock with long sleeves for art and craft - (if not already provided)
Hat
Box of tissues per Term
Homework / Reader Folder
Head Phones for computer learning
ALL ITEMS MUST BE CLEARLY LABELLED

Lower Primary
Students will need to replenish the first 5 items at the beginning of each term
HB Lead pencils
Sharpener
Eraser
Coloured pencils (12 pkt)
Glue stick
A4 Homework book
Homework / Reader Folder
Box of tissues per term
Paint shirt (if not already provided)
Library bag
Hat
Pencil case (small/barrel style)
Head Phones for computer learning
USB for storing computer tasks
ALL ITEMS MUST BE CLEARLY LABELLED

Upper Primary
Students will need to replenish the first 5 items at the beginning of each term
HB lead pencils
Blue/black/red pens
Glue stick
Coloured pencils (12pkt)
Eraser
Sharpener
Library bag
Box of tissues per term
Paint shirt – if not already provided
Pencil case (small/barrel style)
Hat
Head Phones for computer learning
USB for storing computer tasks
ALL ITEMS MUST BE CLEARLY LABELLED
**BARELLAN CENTRAL SCHOOL SUMMER UNIFORM ORDER**

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**UNIFORM ORDER FORM**

Orders and money to be returned to school by Friday February 6
Cheques made payable to Barellan Central School P&C

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Total Amount Enclosed $$
Sunday 22nd March 2015
Barellan Showground 6am
(turn over the railway line opposite Commercial Hotel)
$5.00 Gate Entry

SWAP MEET &
MARKET STALLS

CARS, BIKES & TRUCKS
“SHOW & SHINE”
$5.00 Entry Fee per car/bike

ALL Proceeds to Barellan Aged Care Support
Fundraising to build Units for the Aged in Barellan

NO Fires or Alcohol on grounds

Attention Junior 2 Blues Netballers
Parents and Junior players (11s, 13s & 15s) are invited to attend a meeting on Friday, January 30 at 3.45 in the School Library, to discuss options for the 2015 season.

Please come along and help make decisions which will keep our children playing netball. For more information call Julie on 0448553225.

2015 Catholic Debutante Ball

Any girls who would like to make their Debut in Barellan this year are asked to contact Vicki Tubb 0427875000 or Bernadette Bandy 0402864024 to confirm your interest.
The Ball will be held on Friday, April 10.
As soon as we have numbers we will organise a meeting with the Debs.

Night Tennis
Night Tennis Competition starts Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th February.
Tennis Coaching starts Wednesday 4th February.
Junior Tennis Competition resumes Friday 5th February
Please contact Louise on 0409 587 838.

Barellan Rural Fire Brigade AGM will be held on Monday March 2nd at the station. The meeting will commence at 7.30 after training at 6pm.
All members and interested persons are invited to attend.

Site Fees
$20.00 Outside
$30.00 Inside Pavilion
BBQ Breakfast & Lunch & Refreshments available.
Camping sites available - $10 per night extra for powered sites.
Accommodation also available at Commercial Hotel
(Ph. 02 6963 9249)

For more information
(02) 6963 9151 OR 69 639411
Email: shortcol66@gmail.com
2015

Dear Parents/Guardians,

During the 2015 swimming season our students from Kinder to Year 12 will be involved in swimming as part of their physical education, life saving program and sport. This permission note will cover all attendances at the pool. If you do not hold a season ticket for the pool your child will need to pay the pool entry fee for each attendance. As with all outdoor activities in summer, a hat and sunscreen is required. If you would like your child to participate in the program, please complete a separate permission note for each of your children and return it to the office by the beginning of Term One 2015.

S Luppi
Principal

PERMISSION NOTE FOR SWIMMING 2015

Student’s Name: ______________________ Age: __________ Class: _______

Do you have a Season Ticket? Yes / No

How would you rate your child’s swimming ability in a fresh water pool?

_______ Strong (able to swim more than 100m unassisted)
_______ Fair (able to swim more than 50m unassisted)
_______ Weak (able to swim more than 10m unassisted)
_______ Non swimmer (unable to swim unassisted)

Does your child require flotation aids? Yes / No (If yes you will need to provide these aids)

Does your child have a medical condition that swimming may have effect on? Yes / No

If ‘yes’ please give a brief description.

Is your child an asthmatic? Yes / No

If ‘yes’, please ensure you have given the relevant details regarding your child’s asthma to the school

I hereby give permission for my son/daughter ______________________ to participate in the swimming activities in physical education, sport, swimming carnivals or any other school activity being held at the Barellan Swimming Pool. I understand that this involves walking to the pool, being in the pool or on the Swimming Pool grounds. I understand that I can be present anytime and that my child is able to use flotation aids supplied by me if I feel that it is warranted.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: __________________________ Date: ________
Dear Parents/Guardians,

WALKING NOTE FOR 2015

During 2015 students may be walking to various places within the boundaries of the township of Barellan. This note will give your child/ren permission to leave the school grounds with a teacher for a school-based activity. This is a legal requirement.

Please be aware that these walks will involve crossing roads. For example, students may walk to the Community Hall or to sport venues within the town for school related purposes.

Please indicate if your child has a medical or allergy problem that needs to be taken into consideration, for example asthma and the need to carry a puffer, or an allergy to bees.

Please complete the note below and return it to the school as soon as possible.

S Luppi
Principal

WALKING PERMISSION NOTE 2015

I give permission for my child/ren to walk from the school premises to a designated area within the boundaries of the Barellan township. I understand that this may involve crossing roads and/or playing sport on non-school grounds.

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Signature of Parent/Guardian: ___________________________ Date: __________________
2015

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The use of the Internet at Barellan Central School is provided to promote educational experience through facilitating resource sharing, innovation and communication. Students may use the Internet only if they are engaged in educational activities, which fit within the objectives and goals of the Barellan Central School curriculum. The Internet must be considered as a public place in cyberspace. Accordingly, students are expected to exhibit the standards of behaviour on the Internet, which are expected at all other times, and in all other places.

Students:

- have access to the World Wide Web for uses related to the curriculum. Students shall not undertake mail, news, chat or other activities without permission
- are forbidden to access or transmit material that is violent, racist, sexist, pornographic, illegal (e.g. bomb construction), threatening (e.g. chain letters), discriminatory, inflammatory, offensive or of a personal or private nature
- must not break copyright law by copying and/or redistributing another’s work
- must not copy the ideas of others and present them as their own, this is plagiarism
- must use their own credentials - password and username

If students become aware of any breach of these rules they must report it to a teacher immediately

Under no circumstances should a student ever reveal personal information that may identify himself or herself to someone else, e.g. full name, home address or telephone number. Failure to observe these guidelines will result in loss of Internet access at Barellan Central School.

S Luppi
Principal

ACCEPTABLE INTERNET USE POLICY AGREEMENT FOR 2015

We have read and discussed the Internet Policy. We understand the expectations of student’s use of the Internet at Barellan Central School. We agree to abide by the policy and understand that failure to follow the policy will result in immediate loss of Internet access.

Student’s Name: ___________________________ Signature: ___________________________ Date: ________________

Student’s Name: ___________________________ Signature: ___________________________ Date: ________________

Student’s Name: ___________________________ Signature: ___________________________ Date: ________________

Parent/Guardian: ___________________________ Date: ________________
2015

Dear Parents/Guardians,

From time to time the media approach the school requesting co-operation in photographing, filming or interviewing students. The school also seeks to promote the achievements of students by naming them in material provided to the media or by arranging for them to be included in photographs for newspapers, Facebook, the Internet or vision for television.

If you are willing in 2015, for your child/children to be photographed, filmed, named or interviewed on topics that do not involve current issues or do not offer a personal insight, would you kindly sign the consent form below and return it to the front office.

This consent applies to local newspapers, radio, television, Internet (including Facebook).

You will be contacted specifically if your child/children may be required to offer an opinion on an issue or may be required to discuss something that could give a personal insight into themselves, your family or friends, or the request is from media outside the local area.

The school understands that there can be many reasons why families may prefer that their children do not appear on the media or Internet and respects your wishes. If you sign the consent form, but later wish to withdraw it, please notify the school so we can adjust our records accordingly.

If you wish to discuss consent for your child/children to appear in the media or Internet, please feel free to contact me.

S Luppi
Principal

PERMISSION NOTE: MEDIA PERMISSION for 2015

**I do give / do not give** (Please circle appropriate) permission for my child/children ____________________________ to be named, photographed, filmed and/or interviewed in local newspapers, by radio stations, Internet (including Facebook), television, in the School Gazette and School Magazine published each year.

Signed: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

Parent/Guardian
Dear Parents,

The administering and supplying of prescription drugs to students is becoming an increasing factor in the day to day of life of many students.

For this to happen smoothly we need you to only send in one week’s supply of tablets e.g. if one a day then five tablets with a doctor’s letter confirming the dosage and time.

This medication must be sent in a pharmacy container or one labelled with a pharmacy sticker. If you do not have a spare pharmacy container/box or you prefer to use the weekly container please ask your chemist to give you an extra label to place on the container you are using.

It is Department Policy that all prescription drugs are sent in a pharmacy container that clearly states the name, dosage etc.

If you would like to discuss the Department’s policy Student Health in Public Schools on this matter please ring and make an appointment to see me.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Stacie Luppi
PRINCIPAL
STUDENT BANKING

Parents and students are now able to open School Banking accounts through NetBank (for existing Commonwealth Bank customers) or by visiting your nearest branch. **Note: if you open the account at a branch it can be completed on the spot, and not be involved in filling out the forms!**

For parents who can’t get to the local branch we have a limited number of paper application forms in the office. Alternatively you can download these forms at:

commbank.com.au/personal/apply-online/download-printed-forms

When the forms are completed and identification requirements fulfilled, please either post to:
Commonwealth Bank
Locked Bag 3220
Melbourne Vic 3001

Or

Send in to the school office for them to post in a reply paid envelope supplied by the bank. Allow two weeks for processing and for the student to receive their welcome pack.

Students can bank as little or as much as they wish each week. It is an important learning tool for their future. They just fill in the deposit book supplied by the bank with the money to be saved and hand into the office. The office will then pay the money into the Post Office and notify the bank of the amount each student has. Alternatively you can make the deposits at your local branch.

For more assistance you can ring the School Banking Helpdesk on 1800 674 496
APPLICATION FOR HOME LUNCH PASS 2015

Students
Please provide a reason stating your purpose for acquiring a home/lunch pass.

__________________________________________________________________________

I have read the Home/Lunch Pass policy.
I agree to abide by the policy at all times and understand that failing to do so will result in the termination of the home/lunch pass.

Student Signature ____________________________ Date __________

Parent/Caregiver
I give permission for my child ____________________________ to leave school grounds during school lunch hours 12.52 pm – 1.39 pm.
Please outline the exact locations you give your child permission to go to during school lunch hours.

__________________________________________________________________________

__________________________________________________________________________

Please outline the **days applicable** for the pass.
All school days
Only when canteen is closed (Tues, Wed)
Other ____________________________

Acknowledgement
I have read the Home/Lunch Pass policy.
I understand that breaches the policy will result in my child’s lunch pass being revoked.

Please contact the school immediately if you require any future changes to this application.

Parent/Caregiver Signature ____________________________ Date __________
1. Objectives - Policy statement

1.1 Ensure safe equitable procedures for secondary students in leaving school grounds for lunch which adhere to NSWDEC Common Leave Pass Policy.

1.2 Ensure the sustainability and promotion of the school canteen and healthy diets of Barellan Central School students.

2. Audience and applicability

2.1 This policy applies to all Secondary (7-10) and Senior(11-12) students at Barellan Central School.

3. Context

3.1 Secondary students are permitted under the School Attendance Policy (Common Leave Pass) to leave school during the schools lunch hours (12:52pm – 1.39pm) provided;

3.1.1 The school has written permission from parents detailing the exact locations the student is permitted during these hours. (Lunch pass form)

3.1.2 Students sign in and out electronically at the front office using their student card. (Issued once Permission is received)

3.1.3 Students have their student card on them at all times when outside school grounds.

3.1.4 Students are required to show their student card to Staff, Police, HSLO officers if asked outside of school.

3.1.5 Students must consume their food and drink before returning to school.

3.1.6 No food or drink is brought back onto school grounds.

3.1.7 Students purchase food for their own personal consumption only.

3.1.8 Students return to school before 1.39pm.

3.1.9 Students comply with WHS Sun Safety Guidelines and BCS School Uniform Policy.

3.1.10 Students behave in a mature manner and uphold the values of the school at all times.

3.1.11 Students are not currently on Level 1 (Executive Monitoring Card) or Level 2 (Principals Monitoring Card).

3.2 Failure to comply with any of the above criteria will result in termination of student card and its associated benefits for a period of time negotiated by executive staff.
4. Responsibilities and delegations

4.1 Students
   4.1.1 Adhere to the entire context of this policy.
   4.1.2 Arrange other options for lunch when and if their pass is revoked.

4.2 Parents and Carers
   4.2.1 To provide written permission to the school as detailed in 3.1.1
   4.2.2 To support and assist the school by providing other options (packed lunch, school canteen) for their child when and if the child’s lunch pass is revoked.
   4.2.3 To promote and encourage a healthy diet.

4.3 Staff
   4.3.1 To enforce and monitor student compliance with the context of this policy.
   4.3.2 Role model acceptable behaviour by:
      4.3.2.1 Supporting the school canteen.
      4.3.2.2 Promoting healthy diet and lifestyle.

4.4 Principal
   4.4.1 Support staff in the enforcement of this policy.
   4.4.2 Notify parents of children’s lunch passes that have been revoked.

5.0 Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting Requirements

5.1.1 In consultation with the P&C and SRC the Principal will monitor the effectiveness of this policy.

6.0 Contacts

6.1.1 Mrs Stacie Luppi – Principal of Barellan Central School. Ph. 69639202
Regular School Attendance
Information for parents and carers

Did you know? If students miss as little as eight days in a school term, by the end of primary school they will have missed a year of education.

Why must I send my child to school?
Education in New South Wales is compulsory. This means all children from six years of age and under the minimum school leaving age are legally required to attend school.

From 2010, all New South Wales students must complete Year 10. After Year 10 and until they turn 17 years of age students must be:
1. in school or registered for home schooling, or
2. in approved education or training (e.g. TAFE, traineeship, apprenticeship) or
3. in full-time, paid employment (average 25 hours per week) or in a combination of work, education and/or training.

Principals are legally responsible for keeping accurate records of student attendance.

Principals are also responsible for deciding if the reason given for an absence is justified.

For this reason, Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation for long or frequent absences explained by parents as being due to illness.

If Principals don’t consider an explanation to be satisfactory, they will record the absence as unjustified.

It is important to understand that the New South Wales Department of Education and Training may prosecute parents (including carers) if children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unjustified absences from school.

Must I send my child every day?
YES. It is a condition of enrolment that you send your child to school every day.

A small number of absences may be justified if your child:
- has to go to a special religious ceremony
- is required to attend to a serious and/or urgent family situation (e.g. a funeral)
- is too sick to go to school or has an infectious illness.

Head lice infestations can be a common occurrence, particularly in primary schools. Parents should check their child’s hair regularly for head lice and undertake treatment where eggs or lice are identified.

Translated information about head lice and how to treat them can be found at https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/lanugagesupport/documents/headlice/infosheet.htm

Advice from NSW Health indicates that there is no need for students to be sent home or excused from school because of head lice. Head lice, is not a valid reason for prolonged absences from school.

Why is regular attendance at school important?
Regular school attendance will help your child to succeed in later life.

Attending school every day makes learning easier for your child and helps children to build and maintain friendships with other children.

If your child doesn’t learn the basic skills in the early years of school, they may develop learning problems in later years.
Why is arriving at school on time important?

Arriving at school and class on time:
- ensures that your child doesn’t miss out on the important learning activities scheduled early in the day when they are most alert
- helps your child to learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- gives your child time to greet their friends before class and therefore
- reduces the opportunity for classroom disruption.

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained to the school the same way as other forms of absence.

What should I do if our family is going on holiday in school time?

Parents and carers are encouraged not to withdraw their children from school for family holidays. Families should try to arrange holidays during school vacations.

If your family holiday is during school time, inform the school principal in advance and request leave and/or an exemption from school.

Depending on the circumstances and how long the leave will be, you may ask the school to provide tasks that can be completed while your child is absent.

Must my child attend all activities, including daily fitness and sport?

YES. Sport and other physical activities help to keep your children healthy. Children are expected to attend all regular school activities, including sport.

Do not keep your child away from school for the following:
- birthdays
- shopping
- minding other children
- routine check ups or care such as hair cuts
- minor family events
- sleeping in.

Medical and other health appointments for your child should be made either before or after school or during the school holidays.

What should I do if my child has to stay away from school?

If your child has to be absent from school, it is important to tell the school and provide a reason for your child’s absence. To explain an absence parents and carers may:
- send a note, fax or email to the school
- telephone the school, or
- visit the school.

All absences must be explained to the school. Bilingual absentee notes and further information on attendance can be found on the Department’s website under the heading School Attendance (School Attendance) at https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/language/support/documents/index_s.htm

The principal of the school has the right to question parents’ or carers’ requests for their child to be absent from school.

The principal may also question any explanation given for a child’s absence from school.

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. The principal may seek support from a home school liaison officer or Aboriginal student liaison officer.

Who are home school liaison officers and Aboriginal student liaison officers?

Home school liaison officers and Aboriginal student liaison officers have been specially trained to help you with your child’s attendance.

They work with school communities to encourage all students to attend school regularly.

For further information about the Home School Liaison Program you should contact the program manager at your local Department of Education and Training regional office. Contact numbers can be found at the website address: www.det.nsw.edu.au/contactus/index.htm or by telephoning 131 536.

Do you have problems with getting your child to school, for some of the following reasons?

- won’t get out of bed
- won’t go to bed
- can’t find their clothes, books, homework, school bag...
- school lunches not ready
- slow to eat breakfast
- homework not done
- watching television late at night or when they should be getting ready for school
- test or presentation at school
- birthdays
- screaming and not letting go of you.

Here are some suggestions which are based on setting regular routines:

- Have a set time to be out of bed
- Have a set time to go to bed
- Have uniform and school bag ready the night before
- Make lunches the night before
- Have a set time for starting / ending breakfast. A routine is important.
- Set time for daily homework activities
- Turn the television on for a set time and only if appropriate
- Be firm, children must go to school
- Provide lots of positive encouragement
- Be firm, a birthday is not a holiday
- Time arrival at school to coincide with bell time and leave quickly. If arranged with the teacher beforehand, place your child’s hand into that of the teacher and then leave.

Do you need an interpreter?

Interpreting services are provided where possible for parents and carers who do not speak or understand English well and for Deaf parents and carers who use sign language. For more information on interpreter services contact your school or phone the Telephone Interpreter Service and have them contact the school. The telephone number to ring is 131 450. Ask for an interpreter in the required language and the interpreter will call the school and stay on the line to assist you with your conversation. You will not be charged for this service.