Principal’s Report

National Young Leaders Day

Our Year 6 students are in Sydney today at the National Young Leaders Day. Thanks to Mrs Rowe for organising this trip. Students were up early yesterday to catch the bus with other students from the Riverina and enjoyed a night in Sydney.

The National Young Leaders Day is an annual event founded in 1997 to develop strong leadership values amongst young Australians. The Program consists of keynote talks, multimedia presentations and interactive learning that seeks a range of specific outcomes for young people who aspire to lead themselves and others well.

This year, students will get to hear from Bindi Irwin, The Hon. Mike Baird Premier of NSW, Rachael Leahcar, best known for her breathtaking performances on the first season of The Voice Australia in 2012 and Dylan Parker and James Norton who are paper plane pilots - whose story inspired the making of the film "PAPER PLANES".

Primary Student-Led Conferences

These conferences were a great success with students learning to articulate their learning goals to themselves, their teachers and their parents. Congratulations to all of the teachers and students for your efforts in making this a terrific event.

School Photos

Don’t forget that Thursday April 2nd is photo day. Full summer school uniform must be worn, including black shoes.

Survey

Thank you to all parents who participated in our school survey. Your ideas have helped to shape our School Plan for the next 3 years. The executive team has worked in many of the ideas you have presented to ensure the best learning opportunities for our students and teachers.

Cross-Country

Students are permitted to wear House colours for this week’s BCS Cross Country.

Leave

From Wednesday this week I will be taking personal leave until the end of term. The executive are a highly capable team and will be able to assist you with any queries or concerns.

Have a great week and see you next term.
Students please remember your lunch orders must be placed in the box before recess.

### Calendar Term 1 2015

**March**
- Wed 25: Shoe-Horn Sonata Excursion Year 12
- Fri 27: BCS Cross-Country
- Tues 31: MND ‘Blue Day’ casual BLUE clothes

**April**
- Wed 1: Whole School Assembly 12pm
- Thurs 2: School Photo Day
- Mon 20: Staff Return Term 2
- Tues 21: Students Return Term 2

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**Primary Excursion Fundraiser**
- **Event:** Casual Clothes Day
- **Date:** Wednesday, March 25
- **Cost:** Gold Coin Donation

Help the Primary students with their excursion to Canberra later in the year. Wear your casual clothes for the cost of a gold coin.

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**Congratulations to the following students who received awards in this year’s John O’Brien Writing Competition.**

- **Year 9/10 Poetry**
  - 1st Prize: Hannah Boyd
  - 2nd Prize: Abbey Neville/Jessie McDermott (tie)

- **Year 7/8 Short Story**
  - 1st Prize: Sandy Flagg
  - 2nd Prize: Jordan Boyd/Zoe Walker (tie)

- **5/6 Short Story**
  - 1st Prize: Norman Haeusler

- **Year 3/4 Short Story**
  - 1st Prize: Ruby Male

- **Infants Poetry**
  - 1st Prize: Anika Smith

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**Could the parents of Primary Students who travel home by bus, please advise the school of any changes to travel arrangements now that netball training has commenced and swimming finished. Thankyou**

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[Scholastic Book Fair](#)
**Hosted by the BCS P&C**

**BCS School Grounds Election Day**
**28.03.15**
**K/1 Weekly News**

Thank you to all parents/carers who attended student-led conferences last Wednesday afternoon. As this was the first time BCS has run meetings like this we would appreciate any feedback you may have. Congratulations to all students for sharing about their learning in the K/1 classroom. K/1 participated in the cricket clinic at BCS on Friday. All students had a wonderful time with the excellent opportunity. Thank you to Mrs Kenny and all volunteers for helping this run so smoothly and allowing such a great opportunity for our students.

Next week (Week 10)
I will be off class next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday to attend How2Learn training in Wagga. Rhiannon Clark will be taking K/1 while I am away.

Students are invited to wear blue next Tuesday and donate a gold coin to help the SRC raise money for MND.

Next Wednesday BCS will have their end of term assembly from 12 o’clock. After lunch all primary classes will perform and display their Easter creations (made at school) and prizes will be given, followed by an Easter Egg hunt.

Next Thursday will be the last day of school for the term. BCS will also be having school photos during the day. Please ensure orders for photos are in as soon as possible. The afternoon will be filled with K-12 activities.

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**This Week**

- **Library**
  A reminder that students need to return library books tomorrow.

- **PMP**
  A reminder students are to wear sport uniform and runners tomorrow as we will be practising our gross motor skills in the afternoon.

- **Cross Country–Friday**
  K/1 are running/walking 1km this Friday during the cross country. We will be walking from the school and aiming to get to the golf course at 11am. K/1 will complete their race while the primary students are walking the course. We will stay to watch some of the primary races before walking back to school before lunch. **Students are permitted to wear house colours.**

- **Primary Fundraiser–Wednesday**
  Students are invited to wear casual clothing and support the year 3-6 students with a gold coin donation to assist in their cost of their excursion later in the year.

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**Homework**

- **Home Reading**
  Well done to all of those students who had raffle tickets in the home reading draw on Friday. Congratulations to Kacey and Xavier for winning the draw. If students names weren’t drawn out their raffle ticket remains in the draw.

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**Awards**

- **Mathletics**
  Bronze–Dakota, Lily, Naomi and Rebekah.

- **Reading Eggs**
  Second–Xavier and Bailey
  Silver- Connor

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**Yr 4 Class News**

On Friday we were lucky enough to attend a cricket clinic which all the students enjoyed and also showed off some terrific skills!

Thank you to all of the parents and students who came along to our Student-led conferences this week. Considering it was such a new concept for our students they all did exceptionally well to present their learning to the adults in such a professional manner. It was also terrific to see parents interested in their child’s learning.

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**Library**

Just a reminder that our class library day is Wednesdays. It is important to remember to return their books each week as they can not borrow if they have not returned them yet.

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**AWARDS**

- **Mathletics**
  Bronze Award: Ben Taylor, Jack Inglis, Nace Borland, Zachary Kessey, Ruby Male, Anika Praesitni
  Silver Award: Jordan Spowart

- **Spellodrome**
  Millennium Helmet: Matisse Dewar-Herrmann, Jack Inglis, Zachary Kessey, Benjamin Giddings, Ruby Male
  Golden Bike: Anika Praestin

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**John O’Brien Primary School Winners**
Late last year, two of our students, Will Tiffen and Tom Jamieson, approached the Barellan SRC with the idea for a Motor Neuron Awareness day. The day included blue cupcakes, blue clothes and a walkathon which aimed to raise awareness and funds to help defeat this terrible condition. The day was a huge success and we thank all those that assisted in running it. On the day, a book was donated on behalf of Chris Daniher as a thank you for the school’s support towards MND. The SRC is now hoping to raffle off the book with all funds being put forward towards finding a cure for Motor Neuron Disease.

**Barellan SRC Motor Neuron Disease raffle:**

- **1st Prize:** “The Danihers” personally signed by Chris Daniher
- **2nd Prize:** $20 iTunes Voucher.

Raffle will be drawn at the End of term assembly, Wednesday 1st of April.

**Price:** $1 ticket or $5 for 6 tickets

Tickets can be purchased at the Barellan Central School Office, the Barellan Post Office, Golden Grain Café and SRC members will also be selling tickets.

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**Motor Neurone Disease (MND) Casual Clothes Day**

The SRC will be holding a casual clothes day on Tuesday, March 31, to continue to raise awareness and funding for MND research.

Students are invited to wear Blue clothing for the cost of a gold coin donation.
Some Expositions from Year 2/3: Toys Are A Waste of Money

Toys are a waste of money because I don’t really play with them anymore. We have a room full of toys so we don’t need toys. I don’t need them anymore because I am always working.

Lachlan Ellis

Yes I think that Toys are a waste of money. Firstly I think that toys are a waste of money because some kids like me and Harrison don’t play with them. I still think that toys are a waste of money.

Charlee-Anne Rowe

I think they are not a waste of money because they are playful. Firstly kids like to play with them. Secondly some toys are cool and colourful. Thirdly they are shiny and gold. I think they are good.

Riley Curran

Toys are a waste of money because your Mum and Dad will lose some of their money. Firstly, your Mum and Dad will lose their money. Secondly, you might get too much and your room will be a mess. Lastly, your room will fill up with toys. Toys are a waste of money because you will have lots and lots of toys.

Anika Smith

I believe toys aren’t a waste of money. Firstly, I believe toys aren’t a waste of money because they can be passed down from family cousin to family cousin. Secondly, they are fun to play with. Lastly, they keep your kids entertained. I believe toys aren’t a waste of money because most people will agree.

Jonathan Davies

2/3 Weekly News

Leaders: : Brianna, Madison & Darcie

Student Led Conferences - Wow, Mrs Mc Dermott and I were astounded by the thought and maturity each student used to discuss their learning. Any parents who have not been involved please call the school office and make a time.

Accelerated Reader

A.R has been working well thanks to the attitude of all students, being responsible for their book selection, completing summaries and quizzes. Mrs Bandy, Mrs Luppi, Mrs Prentice, Mrs Snaith and Miss Clark are all involved in our weekly routine. Any other parents who would like to be involved please let us know.

Easter, Easter, Easter...

The students are working on hat design and dance choreography in preparation for the upcoming parade on Wednesday 1st April.

Cricket Clinic - Well, Brett Lee didn’t turn up but hey, Luke, Roy, Sam, Sam and the bank of local heroes were so eager to help us out, who needs him.

The students had a great day and we all know so much more about the skills of cricket.

Reading Club

Winners Term 1 Week 7&8
Xavier Irvin & Kacey Eldridge
85s
2/3 - Madison Davies, Tre Kessey
5/6 - Olivia Ellis

Hospitality Fundraiser

Guessing Competition starting Wednesday. Can you guess how many eggs in the jar? See Hannah Kenny $1.00 a guess or 3 for $2.00. Drawn last day of term.
National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2015

LETTER TO PARENTS

In May 2015 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child’s level of achievement. Each student’s level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Student background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student’s right to privacy is maintained.

The NAPLAN tests will be conducted from 12-14 May 2015.

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In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. In Years 7 and 9 there will be two Numeracy tests: one where a calculator is allowed and one where calculators are not to be used. For the calculator test, the student should use the calculator that they currently use at school.

Friday 15 May – A ‘catch-up’ day is scheduled for students who missed a test or were absent on a test day.

Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if they:

- are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or
- have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests. Disability adjustments which reflect the student’s normal level of support in the classroom may be provided. Large print, Braille, coloured paper versions and electronic tests are available to meet the needs of individual students.

Access to disability adjustments or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents in consultation with the Principal. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests, a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Please make an appointment with the principal of the school your child attends if you would like to discuss your child’s participation in NAPLAN.

Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index.html.
**Barellan Red Cross Branch** thank everyone who has helped prepare for this year’s ANZAC Day service by knitting or red poppies. On Friday, April 10, we will be finishing and sewing on centres for the poppies. We ask anyone making them to bring them to the CWA Rooms anytime after 10am on the day, or leave them with Jean Inglis or Judy Findlay before then.

Anyone is welcome to come along and help with the sewing, even for an hour will be helpful.

Barellan Red Cross members appreciate the help of our community and also Barellan Central School for this project.

Contact: Jean 69639265 or Judy 69 639346

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**FLA Family Movie Night at Binya Public School**

**Date:** Friday 24th April, 2015  
**Time:** Gates open 6pm  
**Admission:** $20 per family  (Single $5)  
**Details:** The movie—newly released Paddington Bear adapted from Michael Bond’s beloved books. A great movie for young and old.

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**CHANGE TO WASTE & RECYCLING SERVICE DAY FOR GOOD FRIDAY**

Council wishes to advise that due to Good Friday (3rd April 2015) being a public holiday, collections on that day will be moved to Thursday 2nd April 2015. Affected residents will need to place their bin out on the night of Wednesday 1st April 2015. Normal services will resume after Easter Monday. We apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause.

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**Flu Needles** will be available on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 Phone 69639266 to register.

**Child and Family Health Immunisation Clinic** Friday March 27, 2015. Phone 69531185 for appointment.

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**Barellan Club**  
**Friday Nights**  
**Free Raffle tickets for every player**  
**Club Voucher Prizes for Winners!**  
Names by 6pm, on the Green by 6.30pm  
Phone 69639301

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**Barellan Community Health News……….**

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**Wanting to hire** caravans for extra guests from Wednesday 8th April to 13th. Jeanette Brumby 69683258 or 0428 683258

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**Barellan Show Society** are looking for a secretary for the 2015 Show. Please phone Daniel Clark 0407854931 for more information.
BUNFC Ladies Auxiliary Meeting  
Tuesday March 24, 7pm at the Club.  
Attendance at this meeting is urgently required, as all positions will be declared vacant.  
All welcome and urged to attend.  
Christine Clark

BUFFNC are looking for any jars (lids not required) any shapes or sizes would be appreciated. Please contact Sally Irons or drop them on her front verandah.

2015 Season  
We are in need of helpers, is this for you? Boundary Umpires  
2 boundary umpires are required for each home and away games (must be over the age of 12 yrs)  
Are you interested in keeping fit and supporting your local club? Great incentives apply  
Would you like to be a Game Day Sponsor – home games only  
Seniors - $100 Reserves - $100  
Pls call Louise on 0409 587 838

Uni-grain Sponsorship  
Uni-grain have come on board to support the Two Blues. For every tonne of oats delivered to Findlay’s Barellan, Uni-grain will donate 50 cents a tonne to the football club.

Kiosk Bookings  
The keying system at the footy ground has been changed. “Key to Like” system has been installed. Old keys will no longer work.  
For all bookings of the kiosk please contact Nola Malone on 6963 9411 or 0429 639 411  
Please do not hesitate to contact the below people for any information or email us at twoblues2665@gmail.com

2015 MEMBERSHIP FEES  
Gate Membership - $100.00 per person  
Pensioner Membership - $50.00 per person  
Senior Player Membership - $200.00 (includes 2 pair’s shorts – home and away, socks & Gold Cover Insurance plus loss of income if injured)  
Each home game one $50.00 membership draw will take place for all Members, if member is not in attendance the money will jackpot and carry over until the next home game.  
Kim Hillman  
Secretary

President Mark Kenny 0427 695 532  
Vice President Simon Brumby 0429 683 258  
Secretary Kim Hillman 0427 861 678  
Treasurer Louise Hornery 0409 587 838

Holiday Tennis Clinic Barellan  
When: Wednesday 8th, Thursday 9th & Friday 10th April 2015.  
Time: 9am – 12noon  
(Friday 12.30pm presentation & sausage sizzle)  
Age: 5 – 16 years  
Cost: $20 per child per day  
Contact: Louise Hornery  M: 0409 587 838  
E: louie112@hotmail.com

Open House  
Saturday 28th March 2015 (Voting Day)  
46 Bendee Street Barellan  
9am - 3pm

*Brick Veneer  
*3 Bedrooms  
*Open Plan Living  
*Walk-in-pantry  
*Off Peak Hot Water System  
*Wood Heater  
*Gas & Wood Stoves

Peter Ohlsen 69639237 or Doreen Wilson 69639427

Calling all star Spellers and Wordsmiths!  
Shine Australia would love you to take part in a brand new and exciting TV pilot for kids.  
Are you aged 8 -12?  
Are you a Word Whiz and Spelling Superstar?  
If so, we want to hear from you!  
To apply for step one, log in here:  
https://wordplay.castsugar.com

*Please note, you must not be turning 14 yr or before December 31st 2016  
& must have turned 8 by March 21st, 2015
St Therese Catholic Church invites you to the

2015 Debutante Ball

Friday, April 10

Debs Presented at 7.30pm

Barellan Community Hall

Music by Dublé

Tickets $25.00 per head

Available on the night

BYO Drinks and Nibbles