

The Central Loop

UPDATES FOR PARENTS AND CARERS OF BRAIDWOOD CENTRAL SCHOOL STUDENTS

Term 1
Week 11



Upcoming Events

Easter Hat Parade	April 10 (Thurs)
Last day of Term	April 11 (Fri)
Anzac Day - School closed	April 25 (Fri)
First day of Term 2 for students	April 30 (Wed)
Athletics Carnival	May 7 (Wed)
Whole School assembly	May 30 (Fri)

Harmony Day

Harmony Day (now Harmony Week) was celebrated by BCS on Friday March 21st, it is a day to recognise and embrace cultural diversity in Australia. With its signature message, "Everyone Belongs" this day is about inclusivity, respect, and a sense of belonging for all.

So many students wore head to toe, or a splash of orange. As the photos show – the day generated many smiles and hugs all-round.

Harmony Day



Beyond the Line

Last Tuesday BCS welcomed 10 student teachers, as part of the Beyond the Line Program.

The program supports second, third and final-year Bachelor of Education and Master of Teaching students to travel with the department on an expenses-paid, five-day study tour to experience teaching at selected regional, rural and remote NSW public schools.

These students visited both primary and secondary classes – joining in with Pridelands rehearsals, ag plot activities, textiles projects and maths group challenges. We hope they enjoyed their day in a rural central school and hope that we see them again.





Stage 6 News

On Thursday 20th March, Year 11 and 12 students attended a careers presentation by Alana Kilmartin, Unserious Careers.

Alana spoke about the transition from school to post-school options. Her personable, witty, 'real' approach to the transition from school to after school gave our students much to think about.

The key takeaways from the presentation include:

- That career choices are about choices – make those choices
- Never say no to an opportunity
- Allow yourself a 5-year casual jog
- Your career is for you – you don't have to eat the liquorice allsorts
- The need for a career fan – someone who supports and helps you
- Remember it's a career not an exam
- Don't settle



Student leadership

Our school captains, Meg Pailthorpe, Tate Doherty and Chelsea Pharaoh have further increased their visible leadership by now confidently conducting our secondary Tuesday morning assemblies. The entire secondary school gathers in house groups: Budawang, Tallaganda and Gillamatong, with the leaders delivering student notices, congratulating achievers, advertising upcoming events and distributing birthday chuppa chups.



SCHOOL SPORT

National Schools Sports Grant

Over the last two weeks BCS Secondary PD/H/PE classes have enjoyed skills clinics conducted by AFL NSWACT. Rogan Turner from National Schools Grants Program put students through an intensive skills trial, including:

- Kicking: Accuracy, power, and technique
- Handballing: Quick and precise hand-to-hand passing
- Picking up the ball: Picking up the ball while running at full pace
- Snap goals: Quick decisions and sharp reflexes



Touch Football Gala

On Tuesday 1st April BCS secondary welcomed 5 schools to the inaugural South Coast Secondary Touch football Gala Day. Teams travelled from Batemans Bay, Moruya, Narooma, Bombala and Monaro High Schools.

Open teams, both female and male, competed in a round-robin competition at the Braidwood recreation grounds.

Well done to all our secondary students who represented the school incredibly well at the Eurobodalla zone touch football carnival. Shoutout to our girls' team who won their game against Monaro High School as well as our Stage 4 boys who stepped up to play in the older age groups.

Open Girls

Amelia, Blinco
Kasey, Butcher
Zoe, Campbell-Davys
Natalie, Clifton
Josie, D'Arcy
Mollie, Dixon
Penny, Elliott
Emily, Fitzgerald
Josie, Hudson
Zara, Humphries
Kara, Moore
Meg, Pailthorpe
Reegan, Saunders
Grace, Tybell
Maddi, Williams

Open Boys

Reuben, Barrington,
Chase, Clark,
Jack, D'Arcy,
Archer, Halligan
Lewy, Haraldson
Billy, Hatch,
Alpha, Jalloh Karki,
Oliver, Remollino,
Charlie, Remollino,
Kieran, Saunders,
Danny Tilbury



Boys Players Player - Kieran Saunders

Honorable mention - Danny Tilbury

Girls Players Player - Amelia Blinco

Honorable mention - Zoe Campbell-Davys



Thankyou to Mr Nik Kaapro and Mrs Hayely Moffat for their coaching support. Also, thanks go to the PD/H/PE staff for yet another organisational success. BCS students are being afforded many extra-curricula activities, which build our sense on community and inclusion

Whole School Assemblies at BCS



Last Thursday 27th March, the K-12 student and staff body gathered to celebrate and reflect on Term 1 achievements.

Again, our school captains – Meg Pailthorpe, Tate Doherty and Chelsea ably conducted the proceedings. They were supported by Abbie Brown and Heidi Clarke with the Acknowledgment of Country

Year 11 Music students provided the musical interludes: Lily Peters performed the National Anthem and Grace Tybell and Kara Moore performed an acoustic version of Missy Higgins 'Craters'

The highlight of our final term assembly was undoubtedly the Pridelands ensemble rendition of "I just can't wait to be King". This high energy, colourful crowd stopper left everyone smiling and cheering. The entire audience was impressed with the calibre of the performance – only after 6 weeks of rehearsal, this was entertaining and professional.

Our assembly also acknowledged the 100%'s. After 8 full weeks of school, 32 students attended school each day. This is a strong and obvious commitment to their education, and we congratulate them:

Hugo Chenery	Lachlan Kew
Liam Chinner-Kydd	Riley Long
Chase Clark	Farize Magsino
Jagger Clark	Alyas Mair
Cooper Cowling	Hunter Mayberry
Pippa Cowling	Jay Moore
Jack D'Arcy	Cedar Morris
Elli Dixon	Georgie Rose Singleton
Lewis Dixon	Harry Singleton
Delaraine Ernst	Benson Sisia
Natalie Clifton	Conall Talbott
Isla Hamilton Canty	Leilani Talbott
William Hatch	Edith Warner
Vincent Herbert	Archie White
Winnie Hudson	Maddison Williams
Ruby Kane	Ryan Young



Our BCS community has strong links with the annual Braidwood Show and we acknowledged many students who participated and were prize winners at the March event.

Mrs Kuchel our 7-12 Agriculture teacher, also acknowledged the ongoing hard work and commitment of our Show Team. These students from Year 7 – 12, dedicate many hours of their time over weekends and after hours, to learn and hone their animal handling and care skills.

Jess Dale

Dexter Faulkner

Ellie Hagel

Drew Hindmarsh

Alison Hindmarsh

Meckenzie Hoban

Jaxson Hoban

Hayley Holzhauser

Leilani Hopkins

Ben Jeffrey

Ruby Kane

Charlotte McGrath

Lawson Pinniger

Bailey Voormeulen



Our South Coast Regional Swimming Carnival Secondary and Primary representatives were recognised

Amelia Blinco

Natalie Clifton

Josie D'Arcy

Archer Halligan

Spencer Hoy

Josie Hudson

Liam Osmond

Charlie Remollino

Benson Sisia

Raine Weatherall



Finally, Principal, Mr Zanco distributed his week 9 Principal's awards:

1/K – Shanley James - Well done recognising two-digit numbers!

2/1 – Jason Clarke - Active participation in all areas of learning and for always challenging himself

3/2 – Layla Corkery - Improved skills in recalling multiplication and division facts

5/4 – Dot Smith - Remarkable commitment to her learning and being a dedicated and supportive peer to her classmates

6/5B – Oleg Kovalevskiy - Consistently showing Care in his learning

6/5S – Matilda Pinniger - Consistently working hard in all areas to achieve her best results

Supported Learning - Oscar Hassall - Diligence in his studies and utmost respect of both staff and peers

Gillamatong 1 - Rose North - Sustained effort and application in Geography

Gillamatong 2 - Lucy Waddingham - Positivity and enthusiastic participation in wellbeing

Tallaganda 1- Ash Little - Showing responsibility in being prepared for learning

Tallaganda 2 - Penny Elliott - Consistently attending roll call and encouraging others to participate in a positive and supportive manner

Budawang 1- Maddie Jacobs - Consistent effort and hard work

Budawang 2 - Sana Ernst - Applying herself diligently in health lessons

Year 11 - Alison Hindmarsh - Continued dedication to learning and demonstrating pride in our school community

Year 12 - Mark Radburn - Always punctual, presentable (school uniform), respectful and dedicated to academics



Pridelands

At last week's K-12 assembly, students, teachers, and guests were treated to a sneak preview of this year's musical production 'Pridelands'. Pridelands is a reimagining of Disney's The Lion King and students in years 5 to 8 have been busy at work during Period X on learning their lines and choreography. Period X students presented the iconic 'I Just Can't Wait to be King' number at the assembly and were joined by Miss Natoli's class and some keen year 3 dancers. Next term, we look forward to inviting all kindergarten to year 3 students to learn a few numbers which they will perform as part of the performances. Students can't wait to show you this year's musical. Stay tuned for how to reserve your seats!



All parents and carers are very welcome to attend our whole school assemblies. Term 2 WSA will be

Week 5, Friday 30th May – 10.00am

Week 10, Thursday 3rd July – 12.00 Midday

K-6 News

Dear parents and carers,

This term has gone fast and it is not long until the end of the term with still a lot to get through.

Congratulations to all students in Year 3 & 5 who completed the annual NAPLAN assessment many thanks to Mrs Glenday, Miss Fish and the primary team for their organisation. The information from NAPLAN results is triangulated with check-in assessments and in-school data to inform key actions for our Strategic Directions.

Our parent teacher interview evening was held last Tuesday evening. It was great see so many parents to discuss the start of the year and where to next with their child. If you were unable to attend that evening you are always able to contact your child's class teacher and arrange a meeting time. Three way conversations including your child, yourself and the class teacher will be held later in the year.

Our school Cross Country carnival will be held at the Rec ground on Friday 4th April between 11.00am - 1:00pm. Parents are welcome to come, watch and enjoy the day with their child. Students will need their local excursion note to attend. Students in Kindergarten and Year 1 and 2 (under the age of 8) will have a special opportunity to run a lap on the school oval in the afternoon.

The District Cross Country Carnival will be held in Term 2., Friday 9th May. Students who place in the top 6 at our school carnival in their age division will be eligible to attend.

We extend a warm invite to parents, grandparents, friends and little ones to attend our Easter Hat Parade. Our Easter Hat Parade will be on the Thursday 10th April. Hats are to be made at home and brought in on the day. We ask that no chocolate is to be attached to hats. It can be become messy on hot days.

Please support our P&C so they can support our students. Tickets for their Easter raffle can be purchased through the school canteen 24 app. The raffle will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade.

Our tennis program will continue into Week 1 of Term 2. All students are enjoying learning new skills and playing the game in their class Tennis session.



We will have a whole school ANZAC commemoration ceremony on Friday 11th April. Our school will also be participating in the Braidwood ANZAC March on the 25th April. All students are encouraged to wear full school uniform and join our school in the ANZAC march.

We would like to remind all families to have all clothing labelled clearly with their child's name, especially hats and jumpers. As the weather starts to change and the cold weather sets in, please ensure a school jumper is in your child's bag. School uniforms can be purchased from the front office.

Have a great last week of term and have a happy and safe Easter break.

K-6 Numeracy

Hints and tips for helping with mathematics homework at home.

As parents and carers, it can sometimes be frustrating trying to support your child with their homework. Here are some ways that you can assist your child:

- encourage your child to try, then keep trying
- encourage your child to think out loud when they are working through a problem
- try getting them to draw their thinking or use concrete materials
- try getting your child to check their answers by asking 'Does this answer make sense?'

If your child is getting frustrated, you can help by asking questions and giving instructions like:

- "What do you already know about this problem/question?"
- "How might you work it out?"
- "Explain why you think that is the answer?"
- "What could the wrong answer be and why isn't it correct?"

Remember, it is important to not focus on the correct response only, the process of doing mathematics is important. Allowing your child to experience a 'sweaty brain' is an essential aspect of the learning process.





Uniform reminder

Braidwood Central School supports the wearing of a school uniform. This promotes a sense of belonging for students and creates a positive identity for the school community. School uniforms also contribute to the personal safety of students by allowing easier recognition of students inside the school and in the community.

Students are expected to wear the uniform during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and when engaged in school activities outside of school hours.

We are very proud of how our students wear the uniform, in particular, the large number of senior students who are demonstrating leadership and inclusion.

As we move to the cooler months, parents are reminded that tights of any colour are not part of our uniform.

For questions about uniforms (sizing, availability, etc) please contact the front office.

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**We would like to pay our respects & acknowledge the traditional custodians of our land
and also pay respect to Elders both past & present**