**Principal’s News**

**Public Speaking Success**

Congratulations to all students who participated in the Primary and Secondary public speaking competitions last week. I have heard extremely good reports about both nights. The quality of the speeches was high and the topics well argued. I would like to congratulate everyone involved.

**Regional Student Leaders’ Camp**

From Monday April 8th to Wednesday April 10th, two members of the Student Representative Council, Nika Cuevas and Kelly Liversidge will be attending a Regional Leadership Camp at Tuross Heads. This is a great opportunity to meet other student leaders and gain a better knowledge of what leaders are and how to give leadership to one’s peers.

**Soccer versus Karabar**

The Under 15 girls will be competing against Karabar High in a soccer match on Tuesday April 9th. As part of the Bill Turner Cup competition our girls have been training hard and I am sure that they will give their personal best effort. The side is coached by Ms Jo Parsons.

**Chess versus Karabar**

A Braidwood Central chess group will compete against students from Karabar on Tuesday April 9th. The team will travel with the soccer players and are coached by Mr Wayne Fanning. I wish them well in their efforts.

**Rugby at the Bay**

Mr Greg Clarke will take students from Years 5&6 to a rugby gala day at Batemans Bay. I know that the side will have a great time and learn new skills.

**Primary Performance Day**

Our first in-school performance for this year is “Making Friends”. All Primary students will be attending the performance this Thursday 11th April. Making Friends is aimed at all age groups and uses verse, rhyme and imaginative texts to entertain and engage the students. It looks at interpersonal relationships, accepting, fitting in and dealing with bullying. If you haven’t yet sent the note and money for this performance and you want your child to attend, please see the front office or your child’s classroom teacher.

**Cross Country**

The Cross Country will be held this Friday 12th April. Primary students will start after recess at 11.30am. Secondary students start after lunch at 1.30pm.

**Holidays**

Term 1 has been very busy and quite long. The holidays will be very welcome for everyone. I trust that those travelling will do so safely and return ready for Term 2 2013.

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If you would like to receive the Braidwood Central School newsletter by email, please contact us at braewood-c.school@det.nsw.edu.au

The newsletter is also available to download each week from our school website.

**Front Office Phone**
4842 2249

**Canteen Phone**
4842 2251
**Deputy News**

**NAPLAN**

Please find attached a copy of the NAPLAN letter to parents of students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. The letter outlines the requirements for the NAPLAN tests held at the school on May 14th, 15th and 16th.

Students have also taken home a copy of the letter. If you have any queries please contact Peter Neilsen, Deputy Principal on 48422249.

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**Return Dates for Term 2**

**Staff Development Days**

**Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th April**

All students return to school **Wednesday 1st May**

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**Secondary & Primary News**

**BCS Students are Going to Japan!**

This Saturday, a dozen high school students will be travelling to Japan with Mrs Stephens and Ms Sargeson.

Aaron Rannard, Isobel Merriman and Jay Davies in Year 9, Anjali & Georgie Williams, Inga Neilsen, Tom Hurley, Forbes Corby, and Jess & Brittany Burgess in Year 10, and our two school captains Matilda Corby and Tim Callan from Year 12, will be spending ten days in Japan. We will visit cities including Tokyo, Kyoto and Hiroshima, ride the Shinkansen (bullet train), practice their Japanese language skills and experience Japanese culture first-hand. We'll even get to celebrate Matilda’s 18th birthday while we’re away!

For many students, this is their first time travelling overseas, and for some, it will even be their first time flying on a plane!

We will be keeping a record of our travels online - at [http://bcsinjapan.edublogs.org](http://bcsinjapan.edublogs.org) - if your child studies Japanese, or shows an interest in Japanese, we hope that you will follow along with the blog. (Japanese is mandatory in Year 8, and many primary school students have enjoyed “taster” Japanese lessons; reading our daily updates could be a great family experience!)

The easiest way to get notifications of our new blog posts is to “Like” our group on Facebook. You can do that at [https://www.facebook.com/bcsinjapan](https://www.facebook.com/bcsinjapan) - we hope to see you there, and over at our blog. We’d love to hear what you think of our journey, and know that your comments will help us not to feel homesick!

Alisa Stephens

**Two Fires Festival**

The Two Fires Festival celebrates Art and Activism and runs from Friday 12th to Sunday 14th April.

Many of our students have contributed posters and these will be on display for the Festival duration.

At 4.30-6.30pm there is an opening of an exhibition of works at the Left Hand Gallery. All students and their family/carers are welcome.

Kelly Baumann

**Secondary Sports News**

Two more Soccer matches coming up this term are:

- **Bill Turner Trophy for Junior Girls 15 years and under** (born 1998 or later).
- Rd 1 versus Karabar High School at Lambert Park, Karabar on **Tuesday 9th April**

Dimity Borra
Representative Sport Coordinator

**Homework Centre**

The Homework Centre is operating again this year. Mr McClymont is available on Mondays and Wednesdays in the Library from 4pm to 5pm.

Students are encouraged to use this quiet time to do research using the Library’s facilities and/or gain advice from Mr McClymont and other teachers who may be available.

**Norta Norta Program**

The Norta Norta Program is a tutoring program for Aboriginal students to get extra support in Numeracy and Literacy. The NSW Department of Education provides schools with financial assistance to employ tutors to assist Aboriginal students with their Literacy and Numeracy. Our small funding grant will allow Braidwood Central School to run a program of approximately 5 to 6 hours a week over the Second Semester. Tutors will work...
directly with the students in the classroom. Tutors will assist teachers in the classroom in the delivery of the teaching program. There is a role statement attached to this newsletter. Applications are invited for the Tutoring positions, with interviews held early next Term. It is envisaged that there will be more than one successful applicant, and the hours of work will be shared. Applications are open to qualified and non-qualified persons equally. NSW DEC is an equal opportunity employer, and this role is open to Indigenous and non-Indigenous applicants. For further information contact Iain Yule at BCS.

Primary News

Making Friends
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Scripture Classes
We are able to offer two Primary Scripture classes beginning Term 2. There will be a limited number of places available so if you wish your child/children to participate please return the permission note as soon as possible.

Bronze Awards
A number of Primary students received their Bronze awards at our recent PBS/Harmony Day whole school assembly. These students had either received 5 PBS merit awards since the beginning of the year or were nominated by staff to receive their Bronze. We would like to congratulate these students who have consistently displayed the school’s PBS values of consideration, responsibility, enthusiasm and achievement. With their Bronze award they also received a special folder to keep their awards and certificates in. All other Primary students will receive one of these folders during Term 2.

Student of the Week
Congratulations to the following:

Swans: Harry Williams
Diamantinas: Sean Oosting
Alligators: Patrick Shea
Daintrees: Sam Watson
Macquaries: Lily-Anne Miles
Parramattas: Logan Kendall
Cotters: Tyra Masland
Franklins: Brock McAdam
Miss Smith: Arna Dixon

Attention Year 5 & 6 - School Camp
A big REMINDER for all parents and students of Year 5 and 6 about the school camp proposed for November at Borambola Sport and Rec camp.

We REALLY need your permission notes and $50 deposit this week.

As soon as we have definite numbers of students attending we can organise a payment plan over the next two terms.

If you require help with payment but would really like your child to go please contact the school. If you have lost your blue note or didn’t receive one please contact the front office.

If you would like further information about the camp please feel free to contact Greg Clarke or Sarah Sweeney on 48422249.

It will be a great adventure and we would like to encourage as many kids to go as possible.

Primary/Infants Calendar

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2013
This program will start on Monday 8th April so could all families please start collecting the coupons so we can purchase classroom equipment. Last year we purchased glue guns for construction, and an Interactive Whiteboard Literacy Program for Years 1 & 2.

Eurobodalla/Brumbies Rugby 7’s Carnival
This Wednesday a senior primary squad will represent our school at the Batemans Bay Carnival hosted by the A.C.T. Brumbies. Over the past 2 years we have always made the finals, so I am confident our school will have a successful day.

Eurobodalla District NRL Trials
This Wednesday 10th April Ryan Castle will attend the U 11’s District Trials in Rugby League at Batemans Bay. We wish him every success on the day.
Braidwood Central School’s Annual Cross Country Carnival
This carnival will be held at the school’s “Ag Plot” down below the High School. Infants will start after recess at 11.30, weather permitting. If times or arrangements are to be changed another note will be sent home later this week.

Greg Clarke
Assistant Principal

Primary students excel at ‘Speak Out’ night
On the evening of Wednesday 3rd April, a group of 18 talented public speakers from Years 3-6 gathered in the library to deliver their prepared speeches in front of a live audience.

It was a delightful evening, with the large crowd impressed by the variety and depth of the speeches, all delivered under the theme of multiculturalism.

Special thanks must go to Ms Elisa Bryant, who gave each child thoughtful and passionate feedback on the strengths of their performance. Ms Bryant was asked to step in to this role at the last minute due to illness, and we thank her heartily.

Special thanks must also go to Mr Julian Davies, who has an unwavering commitment to public speaking at BCS. He gives up a lot of his own time to work with our students for which we are all very grateful.

Just four children will be chosen over the next term to compete in the next round of the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition. We have a depth of talent here at BCS and the choice will be difficult.

Well done to all the children - you are all winners.

The participants included: Sarah Williams, Maxyne Prothero, Cate Shea, Abbie Ray, Maxx Bigg, Jade Bunn, Jacob Kiff, Annabel Flack, Eli Mann, Laura-Kate Oosting, Myrtle Wild, Jasmine Potter, Drew Tisdell, Lily Morris, Meagan Donnelly, Sam Daniher, Sophie Cargill, Ashley Duffus and Aneka Jones.

Sarah Sweeney

National Young Leaders Day
On 25th March our four Primary Captains, Lucy, Sophie, Will and Sam went to Sydney for National Young Leaders Day. We spent the day learning how to be leaders by listening to five speakers. The five speakers we listened to were Jess Fox, Mike Martin, Creel Price, Nathan Hindmarsh and Brett Lee (no not the cricketer). There were over 5000 students and over 1000 parents, teachers and helpers.

Jess Fox told us her many school motto’s such as Opportunity Earns Success, Knowledge is Power, Our Children Our Future and Do Your Best. Mike Martin talked to us about leadership and influence. Creel Price spoke to us about six things, Initiative, Resilience, Vision, Integrity, Empowerment and Self-Belief, and how he had eight businesses before he left high school. Nathan Hindmarsh told us his story about how he grew up on a dairy farm and then got the chance to play for the Parramatta Eels, the NSW state of origin side and for Australia. Brett Lee spoke about Cyber Bullying and that we should treat the Cyber world like the real world because it is the same thing.
We would like to thank Melissa and Jenny for taking us.

Lucy, Sophie, Will and Sam
Primary School Captains

**Secondary News**

**SRC Purple Cake Stall**
This Friday, the last day of term, is Cross Country Day (in the secondary school). The SRC will also be holding a cake stall on this day, to raise money for Epilepsy ACT.

Epilepsy ACT supports a large number of people with epilepsy and their families across the ACT and the surrounding region. There are families in Braidwood who receive help from Epilepsy ACT, and we’d like to give something back to this organisation.

Please bring some gold coins to school this Friday to buy a cake (to help replace some of the energy you use by running the Cross Country!) and help the SRC raise much-needed funds for a charity which supports others.

Thank you,
The SRC

**P&C News**

**Uniform Shop**
With the cold weather arriving soon, don’t forget the uniform shop has polar fleece hats and scarves in stock for $6.00 each or $12.00 the pair, as well as polar fleece jackets and a few 1/2 zip jumpers in size 12 & 14. Please note that if you would like your purchases sent home with your child to include their class on the order form. The uniform shop is open on Wednesday morning from 8.30am - 9.30am and most Wednesday afternoons from 3.00pm till 3.30pm. Thank you.
Sue

**Permission Notes**

**Local Area Excursion – Infants and Primary 2013**

I give _____________________ Class _____________ permission to leave the school grounds to participate in local area excursions during 2013. I understand I will be provided with details of a particular excursion at the time it is to take place and students will be fully supervised at all times. Transport for these local venues will be by school bus or students will walk to the destination.

Signed: _____________________ Date: ___________
Parent/Caregiver
P & C Canteen News

We would like to like thank all of our mums, dads and grandparents for giving up their time to volunteer in our canteen.

The canteen needs more VOLUNTEERS this term. If you can do a 3 ½ hour day, one day this term please fill out the form below. It’s not a hard job and you can see how much the children enjoy seeing a familiar face on the other side of the counter. You also receive a $3.00 voucher for your child to use at the canteen; this is just a little thank you for giving up your precious time. As you can see on the roster there are A LOT of HELP NEEDED days. If you can help us out please fill in the form below or give us a call on 48422251.

Hoping to hear from you soon.
Heather Stuart (Canteen Manager)
Maureen McAuliffe (Assistant Manager)

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Donations of any shades of pink wool
Which will be made into a quilt made by the community to raise money for the McGrath Foundation

Please bring to Braidwood Central School Front Office

Thank you
Week 11

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8th April 2013

Thank you to all our Volunteers for giving up your precious time. If for some reason you can’t do your children’s rostered day can you please call Heather (Mon, Wed, Sat) on 489279 or Marilyn (Tues, Fri) on 4892521, Thank you from the Canteen Staff.

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Canteen Roster Term 2 - 2013
Safebook

**Think**
- Think before you post

**Friends**
- Only connect with friends
- Don’t share your password

**Kind**
- Be kind to others

**Password**
- Keep your settings private

**Privacy**
- Don’t be hurtful towards others

**Parents & Teachers**
- Join Facebook
- Understand how it works
- Teach safety and responsibility
- Privacy - check their settings

**Friends**
- **DON’T**: Stay silent
- **DO**: Help your friend
  - Report the bully
  - Tell your parents
  - Tell your teacher

**The Bully**
- **DON’T**: Respond
- **DO**: Save what they say
  - Unfriend the person
  - Block them
  - Tell a Friend
  - Tell your Parents
  - Report the person

Tell • Unfriend • Block • Report

This is our reaction to cyber-bullying. We must all play our part! Play yours - email design@fuzion.ie for a print ready file.

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8th April 2013
Advertisements

National Youth Week 2013
Friday, 5 April to Sunday, 14 April 2013

To celebrate National Youth Week 2013, Palerang Council is running a photography competition open to all young people who live in the Palerang Council area.

The theme for Youth Week is **Be Active. Be Happy. Be You.**

Why not be creative and take some photos of what this theme means to you. There are two categories in this competition:

- **PRIMARY SECTION:** 5-12 years of age
- **SECONDARY SECTION:** 13-18 years of age

The closing date for this competition is 5.00 pm Friday, 5 April 2013, and the photos will be on display in the Bungendore Council Office foyer from Monday, 8 April 2013. Judging and presentation of prizes and certificates will be held on Wednesday, 10 April 2013.

Entry forms are available from Council’s offices in Bungendore (10 Majara Street) and Braidwood (144 Wallace Street) or by telephoning 1300 735 025 or (02) 6238 8111. They may also be downloaded from Council’s website at [www.palerang.nsw.gov.au](http://www.palerang.nsw.gov.au).

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Guinea Pigs For Sale

Female and male, eight weeks old, various colours

$10 each

Call 48 422 845 AH
Come and join Braidwood Gamers

Braidwood Gamers is a new group designed to give people of all ages a place to get together and play games of all kinds. We are only just getting started but are looking to play card games (eg, munchkin, flux, game of thrones etc), board games (both traditional ones and adventure style) and even tabletop games (from warhammer to star wars miniatures).

At this stage we are trying to judge interest in the community. We are prepared to host on 1-2 nights a week and if there is enough interest will look to set up some competitive events.

There is no cost involved. We have a decent selection of games to choose from and members are encouraged to bring their favorite games. We will also be working to get two complete Warhammer 40K armies ready.

If you are interested please email us at braidwoodgamers@hotmail.com and we can try and get something happening. We would love to hear from gamers of all ages and parents are welcome to bring their kids along, after all we have a 10 year old who plays card games and we can put up a few sets of Pokemon cards for them to compete with.

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Early Childhood Music at the GRC

The Goulburn Regional Conservatorium is offering Early Childhood Music Classes for children as young as 18 months old and their parents. Classes are available every Monday and Wednesday morning. The course is highly interactive and progressive and offers young children and their parents the opportunity to learn and experience music together. Watch your child’s imagination come alive to the experience of music!

Enrol now for only $100 per term! Call 48321 8833.
FIND YOUR MUSIC SESSIONS IN BRAIDWOOD TERM 2

PRE SCHOOL MUSIC : SING BABY SING

Creative and playful groups for pre-schoolers from 6 months to 4 years with their parents. Singing, movement, saying and playing quality instruments. Lots of fun and a great introduction to music.
Mondays 9.30 and 10.45 at the Services club. Tuesdays 9.30 numbers permitting.
Bookings essential $80 per term and discounts for siblings.

CHILDRENS SINGING:LITTLE JILLY SINGERS

Small group singing for children from 6 to 8 years and 9 to 12 years.
The groups are designed to develop singing confidence, working in a group, composing, and the opportunity for performance in the community.
These sessions are held on Monday afternoons at the Services Club and bookings are essential.

INDIVIDUAL SESSIONS

A small number of individual sessions are available for children and adults to develop singing, song writing and playing guitar.
Sessions are tailored to the individual and the focus is on enjoying the music. These sessions can be shared with two students.

MARKET DAY SINGING

A singing for fun group session for adults held each market day from 1.30pm to 3pm.
The group will suit both experienced singers and those who just want to have a go. The songs are chosen from a range of musical traditions including folk, world, gospel and blues. Songs are sung in parts and rounds, easy to learn and lovely to sing.

All sessions are led by Merrilyn Simmons an experienced singer, songwriter, performer and Orff trained music teacher.

For Bookings and further info about any of the classes please call Merrilyn on 48421276 or email merrilyn@findyourmusic.com.au
Braidwood Community Bank Heritage Festival invites all members of the school and community to participate in the Photographic and Old Work Boot Decorating competitions, which will be judged on the day of the Festival, being Saturday 4th May 2013. All participants are requested to complete an entry form, to be submitted with your entry on the morning of the 4th May. Entry forms can be obtained by contacting the Committee at the email address below or from the website after the 1st April.

Entry forms can also be obtained from the Braidwood Central School Front Office.

MEDIA RELEASE

TWO FIRES FESTIVAL BRAIDWOOD 2013

The fifth biennial Two Fires Festival, celebrating the legacy of poet, writer, environmentalist and activist Judith Wright, will be held in Braidwood over the weekend April 12-14, 2013.

Strong themes in Art and Literature, Environment and Indigenous issues offer over 30 program items - panels, discussions, art exhibitions, talks, talks, creative workshops, music, film, performance, poets and writers' breakfast and two evening concerts.

Canberra's Chris Latham both directs and performs in the Friday night four piece chamber music concert and Shortis and Simpson and Microwave Jenny make up the bill for Saturday evening, both concerts being held in Braidwood's historic tin shed National Theatre.

Come one, come all, and enjoy. The heritage listed town of Braidwood will welcome you with open arms. You are invited to visit the festival website www.twofiresfestival.org.au to view the full program details and to purchase festival tickets on line.

Children under 18 years are admitted free to festival activities. Of particular interest to young people will be events in Ryrse Park - the Zine Fair, Humpty Building with Yuli Elder Uncle Max Harrison and the Creative Re-Use workshop.
WOMEN IN FARMING

SATURDAY, 13 APRIL, 2013

Celebrating the lives, stories and contributions of women on the land

Recreation Grounds, Majors Creek
9.30am - 3.30pm

Guest Speakers

Ann Burbrook
NIDA, Australian Ballet school, Actress and teacher

Jenni Roberts
Anglican Reverend and Rural Fire Service Chaplain

Petrea King
Author, teacher and founder of Quest for Life

Jennie Kieoskie
Mental Health specialist for Rural communities

FREE EVENT
RSVP Essential!

Call Kristy: (02) 4842 2594

Places limited.
RSVP by 5 April 2013

Morning tea and lunch provided

Catchment Management Authority Southern Rivers
**Little Finch**

**School Holiday Workshop**

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<td>Art and Journaling</td>
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