Easter Hat Parade

Last term ended with a wonderful Easter Hat Parade with many wonderful creations adorning students’ heads.

Mother’s Day Stall

Year 6 will be running the stall on Friday 1 May. Gifts can be purchased for $5 or $10. The money can be brought to school anytime from now. If you would like to donate items to sell at the stall these can be sent into the front office.

P&C News

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Staff changes

After more than 10 years BCS farewells Mr Darran Lennon, who has moved to Camden Haven High School. Ms Francesca Nolan is also leaving us. We wish them all the best for the future.

Mrs Sue Robbens will be teaching Kindergarten from this term. Sue has been with us since 2014. She is a very experienced teacher and a former Assistant Principal. Please introduce yourself if you have not already met Sue.

Mrs Wendy Davis will be teaching the Year 5/6 Troops class.

New staff members in Year 7-12 include:
- Mr Grant Billett (pictured) who will be teaching 7-10 HSE classes.
- Mr James Gunderson returns to BCS and will be teaching Food Technology and HSE classes.
- Please make them feel welcome.

ANZAC DAY

Anzac Day services start at 6:30am with the Dawn Service. At 10:30 there is a march and Commemoration Ceremony at Ryrie Park.

Student involvement in the march and Commemoration Ceremony is always important, particularly this year as it is the centenary year of ANZAC commemorations, so the school invites all students to march on behalf of BCS. Siblings of BCS students can march with the school. Please assemble outside The Boiled Lolly at 10:15am, in full uniform, in preparation for the march to begin at 10:45am.

This is a great opportunity for you to show your leadership skills and get involved with your community.

In addition to the school group, 43 BCS students have been asked to march in a combined contingent with St Bedes and the RSL, on behalf of the fallen diggers of WWI.

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Parenting Tips from our counsellor

A child who is indulged will grow up to feel either entitled or incompetent. Many parents will ‘rescue’ their children, or protect them from every life experience; even older children. Often this happens because these parents have had a tough life and they don’t want their children to have the same difficulties. But young people need to learn to struggle, to face, and deal with, problems, to cope with life, and work out their own answers. Young people are amazingly resilient.

Of course we have to protect them from dangers that are way beyond their age ability to cope with, but to do everything for them is doing them no favours. Most children do want to be independent, and will say, ‘let me!’ or ‘I can do it!’ if they take some time to do it, for example, tie their shoe-laces, fasten buttons, does it matter? They will gain a sense of achievement when they can dress themselves, pack their school bags, make their beds, tidy their rooms, do their own homework, cook dinner for you – even if it isn’t done perfectly. Kids ought to learn certain tasks throughout their time at home.

Many young people leave home unable to cook a meal, make their beds, take care of pets, do the washing, resolve an argument with a friend, or do chores around the house (more on this later). This is very sad, and problematic for the individual, as well as those they live with. The job we have as parents is to guide them towards competence, and feel confident they can cope without us.

As a School Counselor I see the results of children who believe they can’t do what they are expected to do, and what they really can do. Maybe they haven’t heard it from anyone, but they have somehow come to believe that they are not very capable. What else do they believe they can’t do?

Allow children to make mistakes – the more mistakes they make when they are very young, the fewer they will make when they are older. Don’t rescue them when a friend is mean to them when they are 8 years old, then you won’t have to rescue them from a bad relationship when they are older. Don’t rush to defend them in a situation at school where they made a mistake and got into trouble, and they will take responsibility for a drink-driving charge when they are 21 – hopefully they won’t get one. Don’t do their homework for them when they are young, and they will be able to learn skills for themselves when they are older; and feel pride in the learning. They will grow in confidence. It often takes enormous courage to allow our children to cope with the difficulties of growing up, allowing them to take the consequences of their actions, good and bad.

Student of the Week

Our Students of the Week (one from each class) are chosen by the Assistant Principals, Mr Clarke and Mrs Davis. They nominate students who consistently display our PBs values of consideration, achievement, responsibility and enthusiasm. These award cards count towards the students’ Bronze, Silver and Gold awards. Congratulations to these students, who were chosen in Term 1, Week 10:

- Diggers: Ryder Nomchong
- Poppies: Oscar Stuart-Cameron
- Gallipoli: Mollie Dixon
- Lighthorse: Jasmine Knowles
- Squadron 34: Tayla Percy
- Coves: Luke McGrath
- Troops: Logan Kendall
**Term 2**

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**LIBRARY NEWS**

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB**
The library operates Scholastic Book Club for students K-6. Order forms will be handed out in class on Monday 27 April. Orders are due back on Monday 4 May. The order forms and money should be in a sealed envelope and need to be brought to the school library not to the Front Office.

*PLEASE NOTE* that all cheques need to be made payable to Scholastic not to Braidwood Central School. Please ensure that all orders are returned by the due date as no late orders can be taken. Any enquiries should be directed to the library.

Linda Bunn, SAO Library

**Notes that went out this week**

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If you have not received a copy of a note that is relevant to your child, you will be able to download them from our website or contact the office to obtain another copy.

**Roll up your sleeves and give blood**
The mobile blood service will be visiting Braidwood on Monday 18 May from 9:30am to 3:30pm. The truck will be located on Cnr Wallace Street and Kings Hwy. If you can make a much needed blood donation, please:

- **Drink** Have 3 or 4 glasses of water or juice in the hours before you donate.
- **Eat** Have a good sized breakfast or lunch. Please bring photo I.D. with you.

To make an appointment, phone 13 14 95 or go to www.donateblood.com.au

**Braidwood Preschool – Picture Products**

Braidwood Preschool are now taking orders for Picture products. To order please contact the Preschool on 48422128, or email info@braidwoodpreschool.nsw.edu.au by Monday 27 April.

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**Mobile Service Centre coming to Majors Creek**

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