UPCOMING EVENTS

- 10th Nov — Awards Evening
- 17th Nov — Senior Dinner
- 18th Nov — Year 12 last day
- 21st & 22nd Nov — Year 6 Transition Days
- 24th Nov — Inter-house Swimming Carnival
- 25th Nov — Years 10 & 11 last day
- 29th Nov — Night Under the Stars
- 2nd Dec — End of Term 4
- 23rd Jan 2017 — School Commences

P&C Meeting
21st November
3.30pm, Primary Staff Room
It is hard to believe, but this is the second last newsletter for 2016. The yearly celebrations and ceremonies are now in full planning phase.

Our Prep-12 Awards Evening will take place on Thursday 10th November at the Shire Hall, commencing at 6:30pm sharp. All are invited. Not only will we acknowledge the excellent work of a large portion of our students but we will also announce the 2017 student leaders on the night.

Our students have achieved much this year and as a community we should all be proud of each and every one of them.

Also, Year 12 graduation will take place, with a full school, formal assembly in the Dance Hall on Thursday 17th November commencing at 9:00am. Parents and friends are welcome to attend this, the final assembly for our Year 12 students. The Senior Dinner will be held at the Shire Hall later that evening.

School Swimming Carnival

Our School swimming carnival, to select representatives for Central West swimming trials and to determine the best swimming house for 2017, will be held on Thursday 24th November at the town pool. All students in from Prep to Year 11 are encouraged to participate in some way. The reason for having the school carnival at this time, is due to the Central West Carnival being held early in the 2017 school year. The plan is, again, to begin the Carnival early, 8:00am, continue through the day with no formal break, thus completing the day around 1:30pm. This will hopefully avoid students and staff being in the heat and sun for an extended period of time. A note will go home soon regarding this.

Night Under The Stars

“Night Under The Stars” for 2016 will be held on Tuesday 29th November. Each primary class is in full swing with their preparations for their performances on this evening. A sausage sizzle prior to the performances will compliment what will be a great night. So please mark the Tuesday 29th November on the calendar for a great evening under the stars at the Barcaldine Prep-12 State School Multipurpose Shelter.

Subject Selections and 2017 Timetable

Most students in Years 8 and 10 have now chosen their subjects for 2017. This now allows the timetable for 2017 to be developed. It is important that students currently in Years 9 and 11, who wish to change a subject for 2017, see Mrs Wills to discuss the change.

In Primary, straight Year level classes will again operate. Parents and students will be notified of 2017 class teachers and rooms at the beginning of week 8.
Uniform

As we look towards 2017, I again encourage parents to ensure that when updating items of clothing for their children for school, that these items meet the school uniform requirements.

The school uniform is:

- Green/Gold Polo Shirt with school emblem worn tucked in unless actively participating in sport.
- Black Ruggers/Poly Cotton shorts, tailored shorts and/or skorts.
- Bottle green cricket hat.
- Black track pants and bottle green fleecy lined top in winter.
- Appropriate lace up or Velcro black footwear with predominantly white socks. School socks should be the standard sock and not ankle socks (that are not visible).

Student dress codes provide clothing that aims to contribute to a safe and supportive teaching and learning environment through:

- Ready identification of students and non-students at school
- Fostering a sense of belonging, and
- Developing mutual respect by minimising visible evidence of economic or social differences.

At Barcaldine Prep – 12 State School the wearing of the correct uniform is to be encouraged, as it is an important factor in developing self-respect and a sense of responsibility in the individual student.

Wearing the school uniform fosters good tone and pride in the school community and the development of the school’s traditions.

Til next time

In All Our Best

Grant Williams
Dear Families,

As we approach the ending of another school year, it is timely to briefly share with you all the upcoming arrangements for the end of the school year.

**Year 12 students:**

The Year 12 students will have notification sent home in the next week to advise families of the arrangements for their final week of school. In short, the Year 12 students will have their last day on the school grounds on Thursday, 17th November 2016, where they will be farewell by the Prep—Year 11 school body; families of all students are invited to attend this Assembly and hear of the marvellous achievements that many of these students have made.

Please be advised that all Year 12 students are required to be at school until their last official day of school, which is Friday 18th November 2016. Non or partial attendance may jeopardise the issuing of Exit Statements and the Queensland Certificate of Education. It would be appreciated if families of Year 12 students could please ask your child about correspondence regarding arrangements for the last week of school, upcoming First Aid Certificate and Hall preparation for the Senior Dinner. It would also be appreciated if all resources—text, computers and the like are returned to school prior to the last day of school please.

**Year 10 and 11 Students:**

Please be advised that Year 10 and 11 students officially finish school on Friday, 25th November 2016 and correspondence will be sent home advising of details for break-up day on the last day of school.

Year 10 and 11 students are well into assessment and the Year 11 students will undergo Moderation at the end of November, 2016, where course work is send in ready for panel in early 2017. All semester results will be based on course work over the last semester, however Moderation is for all of Year 11. In some Year 10 classes, course work has already rolled-over into Year 11 work.

All students are reminded that non-completion of assessment is not an option and all course work for assessment will be completed, before movement to the next year level will take place. Students are strongly encouraged to meet all assessment deadlines and to conference with a member of Administration should there be any concerns with meeting these timelines.

**Year 7—9 Students:**

Plans are underway to organise a fabulous break-up day for the Prep—Year 9 students. There last day for school will be Friday, 2nd December 2016. Notification of these details will be sent home, closer to the time.

I would like to extend my sincerest thanks and appreciation to all of those families who attended the recent Subject Selection Evening. I have had some students meet with me to collect 2017 Subject Selection Books. Should you have a child in Year 8 and/or Year 10 and he/she has not completed their Subject Selection for 2017, please have them go into their OneSchool Account and click on the Subject Selection Tab and they can then choose their subjects for Year 9 and 11 respectively. Should you like to meet with me to discuss options that you may be considering, please do not hesitate to make contact with me to arrange an appointment.
I look forward to sharing the upcoming 2016 Awards Evening with all of our families — see you there on Thursday, 10\textsuperscript{th} November 2016; where we can all share in the successes of many of our students.

In closing, I leave you all with some marvellous photos of our recent Meritorious Morning Tea...

Until next time

Meegan Wills
YEAR 6 ORIENTATION DAYS- 21st, 22nd November
On Monday and Tuesday, 21 and 22 November, Barcaldine Prep-12 State School will be hosting orientation days for transition of Year 6 students into Year 7. The program provides students with the opportunity to experience a typical school day in a Secondary setting with movement between classes and teachers. Parent information packages were sent home last week.

SCHOOL CAPTAIN SPEECHES
School Captain speeches for both Primary and Secondary School Captains in 2017 will occur on Monday 7th November. Parents are welcome to attend.

- Primary speeches-9am Performing Arts Hall
- Secondary speeches-12pm Performing Arts Hall

Voting will also be completed on this day.
Announcement of 2017 School Leaders will be made on Thursday 10th November at Awards Evening.

AWARDS EVENING
As mentioned in the previous newsletters, the annual Prep-12 Awards Evening will be held at the Shire Hall on Thursday 10th of November commencing at 6.30pm.
The evening will see both Primary and Secondary awards presented to each year level based on the following criteria.

SELECTION OF PRIMARY STUDENT RECIPIENTS AWARDS EVENING 2016

Primary

An Outstanding Academic Achievement
Presented to the student who achieves outstanding academic results across the subject areas of HUMANITIES, SCIENCE, ENGLISH, MATHEMATICS

Most Improved Academic Achievement
Presented to the student who has demonstrated the most improvement across the subject areas of HUMANITIES, SCIENCE, ENGLISH, MATHEMATICS

Encouragement Award
Presented to the student who has worked to the best of their ability whilst always displaying an excellent attitude

PE
The PE Award is awarded to the student in each year level who has consistently and successfully demonstrated outstanding physical skills in a wide range of programs, whilst also exhibiting tactical and strategic play in game environments to enhance his/her team and individual performance. This student has also consistently displayed a highly enthusiastic, positive attitude for physical activity and sport, whilst exhibiting outstanding sportsmanship qualities.

French
This year one award will be presented per year level. The awards are given to a student who has displayed outstanding skills across all areas of FRENCH in Year 5 and 6

Instrumental Music
This award is presented to a student who is in the instrumental music program and demonstrates excellence in
· Commitment to the Program—lesson attendance, band attendance, performance attendance and Practice attendance
· Challenging personal goals—solo playing, technique, improvisation

The Arts
This year we will be presenting one award per year level. These awards applaud students who have displayed outstanding skills in the area of the arts.

SELECTION OF SECONDARY STUDENT RECIPIENTS FOR AWARDS NIGHT 2016
Criteria for Excellence on Awards Night:

- **Year 7 & 8 students** must have received As and/or B and only allowed 1 x C across all learning areas:
  - Core - English, Mathematics, Science, Humanities, HPE, LOTE
  - Technology (Home Economics and INTAD)
  - The Arts (Music and Art)

- **Year 9 & 10 students** must have received A and/or B and only allowed 1 x C across their 7 subjects

- **In Year 11 & 12 students**, an award will be given to the highest student(s) in each subject (and would be reflected by data submitted to the QCAA). The result must be above a C
  - If a C is the highest result, an award will **not** be given

- **Determining Award Recipients:**
  - The Subject Awards are to be determined at this point in time as per Year 12 Exit standards, that is ranked eg: HA5, VHA 2, SA4 etc (validation discussions – if required)
  - This system will be used to actualise the Semester One result and result for this point-in-time, that is – Semester One + Term 3 + part of Term 4 = the overall yearly result
  - The successful student recipients are not to be taken from only the Semester One Report (other than those Year 8 subjects, where the subjects changes after Semester One) – the determination is to this point-in-time (as stated above)

We look forward to your company on this evening.
Hello Everyone,

As we begin to round up the school year for 2016, everything is beginning to get very busy. We are sure students are well into assessment periods or have very full schedules ahead with exams and assignments being due. We hope that you all are putting in your best efforts so we can finish the year with a bang!

Congratulations to those students who received Meritorious Students of the Month and 100% Attendance for Term Three. You should all be so proud of your efforts over the last term. You really do honour and uphold our school motto, “In All Our Best” in the most fantastic way. Well done to you all.

The Year 11 and Year 12 Industrial Technology Manufacturing and Design (INTAD) students have been hard at work over the past semester making Barbecue Bench Tables for our school. Some have been delivered to the primary school, and it is wonderful to hear that the students have been enjoying the use of them. The high schoolers and Mr Greyling have put an amazing amount of effort into these tables, so we hope that all students enjoy having these tables for general use.

The Year 10 students have begun their fundraising for their Work Experience to Brisbane next year, kicking off with a Halloween Disco. It sure was lots of fun and it was great seeing you all out there dancing the night away. The costumes this year were absolutely brilliant and indeed very scary – well done.

Sporting School Sport is in full swing again this term. It has been wonderful to see so many of the students coming along to Cricket with Mr Bourne and Mr Kelly as well as Dancing with Mrs Hill and Mr Kelly. It is great to see that some high school students have also volunteered to assist the teachers and get involved in the fun. We love that you are all having lots of fun, being active and enjoying the sports on offer, for this term.

This term, the Year 8s have been reading and working with the Prep class alongside Mrs Egerton and Mrs Burton. It is fantastic to hear that the secondary students are working closely with the Prepps and we know that everyone is enjoying the interaction.

The students who nominated for leadership positions all underwent an interview this week with Mr Williams and Mr Garry Betteins. Our positive thoughts were with you all and we hope to see you all next year leading our wonderful school.

In the coming weeks, our school will begin to prepare for Awards Evening, the Inter-House School Swimming Carnival, another Meritorious Morning Tea, Year 6 Transition to secondary school, Kindergarten to Prep Transition as well as Graduation Evening for Year 12. We understand that it is a very busy time for you all, but it would be wonderful if you could all pitch in and help. We are sure that the teachers (who are already very busy) would all appreciate it.
It is still wonderful to see that you are all doing so much around our school. Congratulations on the term so far everyone, you should all be so proud.

Warmest Regards,
Cloe, Tom and Bronte.

Primary Captains’ Report

Four weeks left of the year, we are so excited but sad to be finishing primary school. Get your study happening because assessments are due soon. We hope you put 100% effort in all subjects because Awards Night is coming up and you all have a chance at getting an award.

Thanks to the Year 10’s for holding a Halloween themed disco last Thursday. It was a great night with some truly spectacular costumes.

Congratulations to Riley, Angus, Jake and Keanu who are representing North West for cricket.

The weather is getting hot so make sure you are wearing a hat and drinking plenty of water. Since it’s that time of year we will be going to the pool for our PE lessons to train for the swimming carnival, which is coming up on 24th November.

We hope that all the nominees for School Captain, Student Council, and House Captain are happy with their roles because they will be announced at Awards Night.

Good luck to everyone and we hope that the rest of the year goes well for you.

Regards,

Lily, Riley, Mia and Angus
Memorable Messages to Guide Our Actions

This term in English, the Year 4 students have analysed and interpreted a variety of narratives including traditional stories and fables. Students have used the acronym “CHOMPS” to guide their learning and understanding of the structure and language features of the stories: Characters, Human qualities, Old and Oral, Message or Moral, Purpose and Structure.

The clever Year 4 students have created their own messages based on the stories that they have heard or read:

“Even though you’re small you can do big things.” Austyne

“Don’t judge anyone by their size.” April

“You don’t have to be someone’s friend to help them.” Ava

“Be nice to each other.” Hayley

“If you help others, they will help you.” Lockie

“Always keep your promises.” Chloe

“Be true to your promises and good things will happen.” Kendra

“Always help people when they are in trouble.” Amy

“If you help someone, they will help you.” Abbad

“Even though you’re not friends, you should still help someone if they’re in need.” Ben

“Do things before it’s too late.” Declan

“Hard work pays off.” Asha

“Be responsible so you can live in the future.” Mitchell

“You have to look after yourself for you cannot count on others to look after you.” Eila

“Don’t waste time doing silly things or you will die from thirst and hunger.” Justin

“If you lie to someone, they will not trust you again.” Jayde

“Don’t pick on little people or they will pick on you.” Bailey

Later in the term the Year 4 students will write a traditional story which includes a message.

Let’s get CHOMPing, students!

Mrs Rosemary Craven (Year 4 Teacher)
On Thursday, 27th October, a Halloween themed disco was held at the Barcaldine Shire Hall for the school students. The disco was held as a fundraiser for the Year 11’s (current Year 10’s) work experience trip to Brisbane next year.

Students were encouraged to wear costumes, and what a magnificent job they did. There were zombies, mummies, witches, vampires, and all manner of spooky creatures everywhere. Prizes were awarded for the best dressed and the best dancers.

It was fantastic to see that the teachers also got into the spirit of things by dressing up and dancing.
A Night Under The Stars

The Prep-Year 6 Students of Barcaldine P-12 State School and their Teachers invite you to participate in a family fun night under the stars to showcase their wonderful and extraordinary talent.

Where: Barcaldine P-12 State School Multi-purpose Area

When: Tuesday 29th November

Time: 6pm – Food and drinks will be available for purchase from this time
along with Glow Sticks
7pm – concert starts

Families will need to bring a blanket/picnic rug or chairs to sit on.

A fantastic way to end the school year!
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Community Notices

CATHOLIC CHRISTMAS FAIR
Saturday 12th November 2016
6.00pm at the Council Park
- Bar & BBQ
- Hot Dogs
- Hot Potatoes
- Ice Cream & Sweets
- Asian Food
- Ham Wheel
- Raffles
- Gift Stalls
- Jumping Castle

Outside Stalls Welcome
$10 PER TABLE
CONTACT SANDY CHILCOTT ON 46511518

At The Movies
Friday 4th & Sunday 6th October 7.00pm
Deepwater Horizon

Friday 11th & Sunday 13th October 7.00pm
Saturday 12th October 10.00am
Storks

Friday 18th & Sunday 20th October
Inferno

For more information visit: ‘Barcaldine Picture Theatre’ on Facebook or check information board at the movie theatre.