UPCOMING EVENTS

- 6th November—2016 Student Leader Speeches
- 12th November—Prep-12 Awards Night
- 19th November—Formal Dinner
- 20th November—Year 12 Finish School
- 26th November—Swimming Carnival
- 27th November—Year 10 and 11 finish school
- 1st December Night Under the Stars
- 4th December—Prep-Year9 Finish School

P&C Meeting
- 19th October, at 3.30pm in the Staff Room.
It is hard to believe, but this is the second last newsletter for 2015.

The yearly celebrations and ceremonies are now in full planning phase.

Our Prep-12 Awards Evening will take place on Thursday 12 November at the Shire Hall and all are invited. Not only will we acknowledge the excellent work of a large portion of our students but we will also announce the 2016 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.

Certificate II in Rural Operations

Last week seven of our Agriculture students spent a week at the Emerald Agricultural College working with horses and cattle for completion of a number of modules in their Certificate II in Rural Operations. All reports are that our students had a great time, worked hard and achieved great results. They were excellent ambassadors for our school. Apparently even Mr Barnaby Joyce who was visiting the college at the time commented on how great the Barcaldine students were. Well done to our students and many thanks to Mrs Gemma Tavita and Mr Mitchell Bourne who accompanied the students to Emerald.

Uniform

As we look towards 2016. 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.

School Swimming Carnival

Our School swimming carnival, to select representatives for Central West swimming trials and to determine the best swimming house for 2016, will be held on Thursday 27 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 2016 school year.

Early Childhood Education Centre Progress

The Barcaldine Regional Council have begun construction of the carpark that will service the Early Childhood and Education Centre to be located within the school boundaries. Below are some pictures of the buildings that are being constructed in Brisbane, and that will be transported to Barcaldine.

Queensland Outback Tourism Awards

I would like to thank all those who assisted our P&C on Saturday in the preparation of breakfast and lunch for the delegates in town for the Queensland Outback Tourism Awards. Whether you assisted in the kitchen for preparation on Saturday or made items prior, your contribution and effort is greatly appreciated.

Head of Department

YEAR 6 ORIENTATION DAYS - 23rd, 24th November

On Monday and Tuesday, 23 and 24 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 2016 will be conducted on Friday 6th November. Voting will also be completed on this day. Announcement of 2016 School Leaders will be made on Thursday 12th 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 12th of November commencing at 6.30pm.
Dear Families

As we arrive at the middle of what is always a very busy term, there has been much occurring in the secondary school.

The Year 12 students are well on the way to completing their final assessment tasks (movement may yet occur on the Verification Form, so all students are strongly encouraged to maintain the excellent work ethic that has been established throughout the school year).

Results may change either way, that is go up or down – it would be disappointing to have student Exit results move down ‘the ladder’; this would result from lack of effort and poor assessment results – therefore all Year 12 students are encouraged to continue to work right through until their last week of school, when assessment tasks will still be issued.

The Year 11 students will have their work externally moderated and our school submissions are required to be in Rockhampton in the week after we finish the 2015 school year. Should you like to be informed of the external moderation process for all senior subjects across the State of Queensland, you are invited to make an appointment to meet with me to discuss this process.

Senior Dinner:

Invitations have been issued to all Year 12 students and changes to the invitation list have now closed – there will be no further additions or deletions to the guest list.

Newsletter #2 will be sent home by the end of this week, confirming group photograph arrangements and any last minute details that will need to be considered.

It is truly amazing that the Year 12 students are ready to complete their school years and embark on the next stage of their life – a remarkable situation really and for the families where their last child finalises their formal education, this will be a sad and joyous time for you all.

Year 10 Fundraising:

Many thanks for all of the student and parent help that was afforded to me personally in assisting with the Barcy EDGE Dance performance. The year 10 students catered for the Matinee and Evening Performance and it was a successful event. We will now move on to the next fundraising venture, which is the Swimming Carnival to be held in week 8.

The students and family members worked their fingers-to-the-bone and many families were fed throughout the day and evening. I look forward to working with the Year 10 students and families to undertake fundraising efforts so that the students can attend Work Experience in Brisbane as Year 11 student in 2016.

Student References:

Families of Year 12 students; please be advised the proforma for Student References has been issued to all Year 12 students. These are to be completed and returned to me by the 09th November, 2015. Where students do not return the proforma, a Student Reference will not be issued. It takes time to organise the compilation of a Student Reference and on-the-spot requests will not be processed.
The Year 12 students will receive their Student Reference and Exit Statement via the mail.

Where students are leaving our school and wish to have a Student Reference issued to them, they have been advised via Student Notices to please see me to collect the necessary paperwork to accommodate this request. Students are encouraged to write as much about themselves regarding school and community involvement, so that a detailed Reference is afforded to them.

I came across the following and thought it prudent for families with children ...

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<td>Have order in your life</td>
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<td>Be careful</td>
<td>You’re precious to us</td>
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<td>Don’t drive fast</td>
<td>We couldn’t bear to live without you</td>
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<td><strong>Get off the phone</strong></td>
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<td>Good job in the play</td>
<td>You make us proud</td>
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<td>Feed the dog</td>
<td>Care for people and things other than yourself</td>
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<td>Turn the lights off when you leave</td>
<td>Be responsible</td>
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<td>Finish your project</td>
<td>Use you gifts and talents to their fullest</td>
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<td>You’re growing tall</td>
<td>You’re getting close leaving home</td>
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<td><strong>Take out the rubbish</strong></td>
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<td>College is important</td>
<td>Being prepared for life is important</td>
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<td>Wear a tie</td>
<td>Look good, feel good, be good</td>
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*And one that should never be confused:*

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<th><strong>We love you</strong></th>
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Chicken Soup for the Parent’s Soul (Jack Canfield ... (et al.); 2000 Health Communications, Inc, Deerfield Beach, Florida; pp 201 - 202

Until next time,

Meegan Wills
Deputy Principal
This semester the Year 1 students have been learning about drama and dance. To end our drama unit in term 3 we put on a special performance with our miniature sets for the Year 1 parents. We worked hard to learn the parts of our characters. Our plays were ‘The Three Plump Pigs’, ‘Goldilocks and the Three Bears’, ‘Jack and the Giant Beanstalk’ and ‘The Gingerbread Man’.

This term we are looking forward to presenting our dance at the ‘Night Under The Stars’ for our family and friends.

Miss Mitchell
Last Wednesday a team of 9 children from the Barcaldine Prep-12 School and St Joseph’s travelled to Emerald to play in the Capricorn Whitsunday MILO T20 Blast School Cup Final.

There were 6 teams in the final and each team played 4 matches. We played Frenchville State School Rockhampton, St Joseph’s Clermont, Mackay West State School and Taranganba State School Yepoon. Although we didn’t win a game the team improved with each game and lost the last game by 4 runs. Frenchville State School were the eventual winners narrowly defeating Mackay West.

Everyone enjoyed the day with the highlight a visit to Macca’s at the end of the day with the Mackay West Team and Mr Holmes.

A very big thank-you to Kylie Angel and Kim Hansen for helping transport everyone to Emerald.

Liz Ferguson
# Employment Opportunities

**BARCALDINE STATE SCHOOL**

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**Role of the Cleaner**

- Contribute to the efficient and effective operation and environment of the school by providing a high level of cleaning support
- Ensure a high standard of hygiene and cleanliness is maintained
- Ensure that the duties prescribed for the position are completed to an acceptable standard as determined by their supervisor, in accordance with the school cleaning program

## How to Apply

An Application Package with the Role Description can be obtained by contacting the school or downloading it from the school webpage – [http://www.barcaldine.eq.edu.au](http://www.barcaldine.eq.edu.au). If you have any queries, please contact the Business Services Manager Katherine Stewart on (07) 4651 5333.

Applicants should write a response to the selection criteria included in the application package including detail of how their experience, abilities and knowledge are relevant to the position and include a current resume with two referees. Short listed applicants may be required to be available for an interview during the week commencing 23rd November 2015.

**Applications can be returned, marked “Private & Confidential” to:**

The Business Services Manager  
Barcaldine State School  
PO Box 136  
Barcaldine 4725  
Or via email: kstew97@eq.edu.au  
Or by Fax: — (07) 4651 5300.

## Additional Information

The Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act 2000 requires the preferred applicant to be subject to a “working with children check” as part of the employment screening process. DETE are legally obliged to warn applicants that it is an offence for a disqualified person to sign a blue card application form. Further details regarding this check may be obtained by accessing the web site of the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian at the following internet address: [http://www.ccypqg.qld.gov.au/](http://www.ccypqg.qld.gov.au/) or on the Commission’s website at: [http://www.bluecard.qld.gov.au/](http://www.bluecard.qld.gov.au/). Confirmation of employment is conditional upon the preferred applicant being issued with a blue Card from the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian.

Please note that the possession of a criminal conviction or record does not automatically exclude you from employment with the Department as the nature of the circumstances of any offences is taken into consideration.

**Department of Education, Training and Employment**

The Department of Education, Training and Employment is committed to ensuring Queenslanders have the education and skills they need to contribute to the economic and social development of Queensland. The department delivers world-class education and training services for people at every stage of their personal and professional development. We are also committed to ensuring our education and training systems are aligned to the state’s employment, skills and economic priorities.

**Closing Date for Applications – 3pm on Monday 16, 2015**
DRAMA WORKSHOP
Queensland’s beautiful beaches, reefs and blue waters are famous all over the world, attracting thousands of tourists each and every year. With a coastline that stretches more than 7,400 kilometres, there are literally hundreds of swimming spots across the state to choose from. But, while the beach can be a wonderful playground, there are also many hidden dangers for the unaware.

Each Year, surf lifesavers head out into the bush to take the surf safety message to schools and children in regional Queensland. It’s a incredible journey and one which inspires the lifesavers as much as the kids they visit.
Barcaldine Prep-12 State School

PREP OPEN DAYS

(For children turning 5 on or before June 30 2016)

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<td>Literacy Rotations (bring snack)</td>
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<td>Fine Motor Activities</td>
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<td>8.50 - 10.10</td>
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WHERE: Barcaldine Prep-12 State School
Prep Classroom

Students will need to bring a wide-brimmed hat, a healthy snack on the days indicated above and be wearing covered footwear at all times.

Enrolments are currently being taken for 2016

Further information can be obtained by calling Mrs Liz Ferguson or Mrs Paula Bashford on 46 515 325.
# Student of the Week

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<td>Angela Luyt</td>
<td>Ebbonnie Barker</td>
<td>Hayley Rowlands</td>
<td>Zachary Bettiens</td>
<td>Jake Hansen</td>
<td>Karma Kelly</td>
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<td>23/10/15</td>
<td>Alivia Harbottle</td>
<td>Nicola Balderson</td>
<td>Hannah Gronold</td>
<td>Justin Ross &amp; Declan Gray</td>
<td>Darci Walsh</td>
<td>Jack Walton</td>
<td>D’Angelo Dagan-Kotiau</td>
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<td>30/10/15</td>
<td>Kayde Landers</td>
<td>Edward Bowden</td>
<td>Jesse Turner</td>
<td>Asha Lowe</td>
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<td>Logan Charman</td>
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<td>Jandri Greyling</td>
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In the last 5 weeks students in year 4, 6 and 8 have been busy with their NAPLAN practise. We have so many exciting events to look forward to, the school swimming carnival is on the 27th of November and our Annual Awards night on the 12th. Year 6 transition days are the 23rd and the 24th of November.

This Friday morning the school leader candidates will be presenting their speeches. Some classes have started practising for “The Night Under The Stars”, we are so looking forward to this night of entertainment on the 1st of December.

The school band performed brilliantly at the Globe opening and everyone enjoyed the Aboriginal dancers who performed for the crowd.

How exciting, we only have 4 weeks left of school. Don’t forget Thursday mornings there will be delicious breakfast club. Come enjoy some yummy food.

From your school captain
Community Notices

Pre-Loved Uniforms For Sale
$3 per item
Money raised will be donated to the P & C

- SHIRTS
- SHORTS
- JUMPERS
- SKIRTS
- TRACKPANTS
- HATS

Every Tuesday from 2.45 to 3.30
While Stocks Last
In the Primary Staff Room

A Night Under The Stars

The Primary School Students and their Teachers invite you to participate in a family fun night under the stars to showcase their wonderful and extraordinary talent.

Where: Barcaldine Multi-purpose Area

When: Tuesday 1st December

Time: 6pm – Food and drinks will be available for purchase 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!

At The Movies

Fri 6th & Sun 8th November at 7pm
Oddball

Fri 13th & Sun 15th November at 7pm
The Walk

Fri 20th & Sun 22nd November at 7pm
Bridge of Spies

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

Queensland Young Achiever Awards

Nominate a Local Young Achiever

Nominees for the inaugural Queensland Young Achiever Awards are now open and we want our local young achievers to be recognised!

Mayor of Barcaldine, Mr Robert Chandler, today encouraged residents to nominate a local young person up to the age of 29 for the Queensland Young Achiever Awards.

“We have so many young people doing a great deal to make our community a better place to live. I encourage individuals, businesses and community organisations/groups to nominate a great young talent who is making a real difference. It would be great to see our community well represented in these prestigious Awards” said Mayor Chandler.

Nominations are being sought until Friday 29th January 2016. In the following categories:

- The Coffee Club Arts and Fashion Award
- Astronomy/Space Career Kick Start Award
- IT’s Online Achievement Award
- Wade Sawtell Environment and Sustainability Award
- BB Print Leadership Award
- Australian Constructors Aboriginal Achievement Award
- Access Community Services – Multicultural Youth Queensland (MEQ) Cultural Diversity Award
- The University of Queensland Creative Change Award

The Awards will culminate with a Gala Presentation Dinner on Friday 20th May 2016 at the Royal on the Park Hotel, Brisbane.

All category winners will receive $2,000 thanks to Awarde Bank and a trophy. One of the eight category winners will be chosen as the Overall Queensland Young Achiever of the Year and will win an additional $2,000 thanks to Awarde Bank and a state trophy. All nominees will receive a certificate of achievement for their extraordinary commitment to their chosen field of endeavor.

Nomination enquiry brochures are available from Council or Awards sponsors. For further information email awards@barcaldine.qld.gov.au or phone the Awards Office on 1300 735 840 or visit www.queenslandaustralia.com

Recognise a young person now and make their day!

Felicity Moone
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