UPCOMING EVENTS

- 13th May—Year 8 Immunisations
- 12-14th May—NAPLAN
- 18th May—P&C Meeting
- 26th May—1st 1-2 - 3 Magic & Emotion Coaching
- 29th May—Newsletter
- 2nd June—2nd 1-2 -3 Magic & Emotion Coaching
- 8th June—Public Holiday
- 9th June—3rd 1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching

Education Minister, Mrs Kate Jones visit to Barcaldine Prep-12 State School

P&C Meeting

- 18th May, 2015 at 3.30pm in Staff Room
Dear Families

What a huge start to Term 2! I will make my section of this newsletter as brief as possible and I will let the photos that fill this edition do all the talking. Here are the list of events that have occurred in our first couple of weeks:

**Tuesday 21 April:** Troop train visits Barcaldine, 30 students travel on the train to Alpha and our magnificent Band made a huge impression with their playing, welcoming the train.

**Wednesday 22 April:** The Premier and Minister for Education, Tourism and the Commonwealth Games visited Barcaldine. The Minister visiting the school and officially announcing the construction of the new Integrated Early Child Education Centre to be constructed at the school. Again our superb school band welcomed the Angel Flight train and entertained the Minister under the Tree of Knowledge

**Friday 24 April:** Our school ANZAC parade paid a fitting tribute to the fallen soldiers and marking the 100th Anniversary of ANZAC. Again the school band shone.

**Saturday 25 April:** ANZAC Day – we had a large turnout of staff and students for the dawn service and approximately half the student population marched in the ANZAC march through the town. Once again our band demonstrated its versatility and high level of ability as a marching band. Special mention at this point should also go to Liz Pumpa who at least four times over the two days performed “The Last Post” and “Revile” flawlessly.

**Monday 27 April – Thursday 01 May:** Parent/Teacher interviews. I wish to thank all parents who attended Parent/Teacher interviews. We can obtain the best results for our children when we all work together as a team. If you have feedback that you would like to provide about the interviews, or the process, please contact the school. If you missed the opportunity for an interview please contact the school, or your child’s teacher directly and we will organise a time for you to meet.

**Friday 01 May:** One Government Information, Service and Career’s Roadshow. Our Secondary students visited the show grounds for an Expo of Government Agencies demonstrating the career opportunities within the Queensland Government.

**Saturday 02 May:** Tree of Knowledge Festival and May Day Parade. Again our band shone bright as they marched through the streets and our Student Council produced a fitting ANZAC themed float. As you can see a jammed packed two weeks! I do however, also want to give a special acknowledgement to our very talented music teacher Miss Renee Backer, who has worked tirelessly to assist the instrumental music students develop their potential. I would also like to acknowledge Miss Samantha Wahlin and Miss Helen Efremoff who worked with the student leaders to ensure a very moving and fitting ANZAC ceremony and a fabulous May Day Float.

**NAPLAN**

May 12 - 14 is when NAPLAN testing occurs for students in Year 3, 5, 7 and 9. I have had some enquiries from parents concerned about their children getting anxious because of the NAPLAN testing. If you have any concerns about your child participating in the test I encourage you to speak with myself, Mrs Kim Ogden or Mrs Meegan Wills, so that we can address and hopefully alleviate your concerns.

**Show Day:**

Saturday 09 May is Barcaldine show. Many students and classes have contributed works towards the show and I hope you can all find the time to attend and visit the school displays, It will also be the second showing of our Rhode Island Reds by our Poultry Club.

**The 2015 Australian Early Development Census (AEDC)**

The AEDC is a census around the development and wellbeing of our pre-school children. Prep teachers will complete an online Early Development Instrument for each child in their class based on their knowledge and observations of the children. A note regarding this has been sent home to all Prep parents. If you have any questions about the AEDC please feel free to contact myself or Mrs Paula Bashford.
1-2-3 Magic
Once again we are offering 1-2-3 Magic to parents of Primary School children. This is a program designed to provide parents with strategies to manage their child’s behaviours at home. Please see the flyer attached to this newsletter for further details.

Staff Changes
Over the Easter break Mr Paul Carrol resigned from his teaching position in Barcaldine due to ill health. Miss Jenna Puet has been appointed to Barcaldine Prep-12 State School as a classroom teacher and will be taking the bulk of classes previously taught by Mr Carrol.

Winter Uniform
Now that term 2 has begun and we have cooler weather. A reminder that the winter uniform consists of the standard uniform plus:
• Black track pants with a bottle green fleecy lined top in winter or black sports jacket.
Northwest, Central West or other sporting team jackets and tracksuits are not part of our school uniform and should not be worn at school as part of the everyday wear.

Til next time
In All Our Best
Grant Williams

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NAPLAN REMINDER
As mentioned in previous Newsletters, on Tuesday 13th, Wednesday 14th, Thursday 15th May, Years 3, 5, 7, 9 will be participating in the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy. An information brochure was sent home last week with students who are participating in this program. If your child is going to be absent or falls ill during the testing time please notify the school. A catch up day has been set aside on Friday 15th May for those students who may have been absent.

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**Breakfast for students:** The school will be providing a sausage sizzle breakfast for the students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. Breakfast will be served at 8.15am outside of their test classroom with the assistance of our School Leaders. Students have been informed of this arrangement.

**Community Events**
Congratulations to all students who have participated in recent community events. We had over 120 students participate in ANZAC Day. May Day was also a good representation with many of our students marching either with the school or with other community organisations and assisting with the goat racing. Well done everyone.

Until next time
Kim Ogden
Dear Families

Week three, of the second term, is proving to be quite busy at school, as well as in the Barcaldine community. The May Day week-end, incorporating the Tree of Knowledge Festival showcased the Student Council’s efforts in a float that represented the 100 year commemoration of the Anzacs landing at Gallipoli – the school’s float had 100 poppies to signify the number of years and what a beautiful display this was.

The students who appeared on the float were dressed in accordance with the era and all of these efforts combined to have the Barcaldine Prep – 12 State School float judged as the best decorated float …..

Congratulations to all of the students who assisted in any way with the preparation of the poppies, preparation of the truck and who appeared on the float; and to Miss Efremoff and Miss Wahlin for their planning, management and organisation - ensuring a successful exhibition of student and teacher efforts.

I would also like to thank Mr Allan Gribble, who offered his services as the driver of the truck, so that we were able to have our float included in the May Day Festival – a lovely community spirit, which displayed some wonderful and creative talents as part of the procession.

The school’s Instrumental Band certainly displayed their talents and the sound coming from this group of individuals added to the procession. Some talented individuals who grow in strength and talent; under the tutelage of Miss Backer. Great sound, great commitment – congratulations to you all.

STATE DEPARTMENT EXPO:

On Friday, 01 May 2015 the students in Years 7 – 12 were afforded the opportunity to visit a Mini-Expo showcasing 14 State Department agencies from Fisheries, the Police and Fire Departments, Forestry and Lands and Childcare Departments visited Barcaldine. We were invited by the Barcaldine Regional Council (as were all of the schools in our District) to partake in the free career consultation and information sessions that offered individuals contact with staff within these Departments.

The feedback from all of the students was very positive and the ‘show bags’ were well-received. I would like to thank the Barcaldine Regional Council for the organisation and hosting of this event and to also extend my appreciation of the invitation to allow our students to participate.

One of our senior boys was ‘clocked’ by the Police Department, at 27 km/hour when running. We hope to see those skills put to good use at the up-coming 2015 School Athletics Carnival.

THE INTER-YEAR PROGRAM (TIP):

Term Two has seen the commencement of the mentoring program that is commonly known as TIP. We normally run this program with Year 12 and Year 8 students, however with the inclusion of Year 7 into Secondary schools; we have also included the Year 11 and Year 7 students.

The TIP program has as its main focus a mentoring/leadership philosophy, whereby the older students are able to showcase their leadership skills.

The TIP program is a care /mentoring program that meets once a week in the Contact lesson and students work through a set of structured activities. The program is based on the premise that the group is one of the most powerful organisational units possible and that the atmosphere of relaxed cooperation and mutual trust fostered in a group situation means that it is an especially effective unit for communication purposes.

In the coming newsletters, there will be a number of photos that will show many of these teams working in cooperative teams.
LUNCHEONS AT SCHOOL:

Last week, we had a number of luncheons whereby students assisted me with the management, organisation and preparation of a lunch for the Minister of Education – Mrs Kate Jones and the morning tea which followed the school’s Anzac Parade on Friday, 24 April 2015.

It was all a rushed effort regarding the Minister of Education’s luncheon, as we were not advised that we were to have such an esteemed visitor in the school until quite late in the afternoon, previous to her visit. None-the-less, the luncheon went off without a hitch (14 invited guests) and a lunch enjoyed by all.

I would like to acknowledge the excellent efforts of Jade Power, Cooper Turner-Woodall, Corey Churchill, Seth Kelly and Cloe Gribble for all of the assistance they afforded me. It was a great time, sharing this time together; we had a number of laughs, learnt some new skills and enjoyed a lovely lunch of our own (albeit, the left-overs).

The school’s morning tea, following the Anzac Ceremony saw approximately 50 – 60 people in attendance. By all accounts, it was a hit – all of the plates came back empty and there was very little to clean up. Again, my gratitude and thanks must be extended to the some of the senior students who assisted me in the organisation and preparation of the morning tea – Jade Power, Cooper Turner-Woodall, Corey Churchill and Seth Kelly.

MERITORIOUS MORNING TEA:

For families of Years 9 – 12, many of you will be aware of the morning tea (commonly known as, Merit Morning Tea) we hold each term to acknowledge the excellent efforts of meritorious students. You may have spoken at home, as to why we have not held such a morning tea in Term One.

Term One, only afforded two full months of school, so we have extended this process to Semester One, so that a number of individuals can be recognised for their efforts.

We have also been approached by Mrs Hamilton (the Certificate II Hospitality Teacher) to cater for a Merit Morning Tea, so the Kitchen Operations students may be afforded some service periods and cater for a function at school.

This will mean that it will be a large morning tea, that will showcase students skills – Mrs Hamilton will be here in week 6 and 7 of this Term and the Merit Morning Tea’s date will be advised via the personal invitation.

To the new families of our school community, Meritorious Students are chosen by all of the Secondary Teachers for commitment to all aspects of school life (academic achievements are not considered in this selection); values such as, completion of homework, wearing of the correct school uniform, commitment to the adherence of the school’s values and following the motto ‘In All Our Best’ are the focus of selection.

The selected students and their parents are then formally invited to attend this morning tea which is beautifully catered for. I look forward to participating in the first Meritorious Morning Tea for the year – especially when it will be catered by the Certificate II Kitchen Operations students.

Just a reminder to all families, that each family and secondary school students should have received a Semester Assessment Planner; if your child cannot located his/hers and you are unable to locate the ‘home’ copy, please do not hesitate to make contact with me to provide you with some additional copies.

Until next time
Meegan Wills
2015 Goat Races

Fantastic day of racing at this year’s May Day Races. All young goats that Barcaldine Prep-12 State School students broke-in performed extremely well. All walked up and ran straight. Many thanks to Tom Lockie for lending his goats to the school.

The results of the heats are as follows:

**Heat 1:**
1st Macey Balderson on Charlie  
2nd Tracey Baily on Flubber  
3rd Lizzie Pumpa on Storm Trooper (unofficial)

**Heat 2:**
2nd Lizzie Pumpa on Snow  
3rd Chloe Gribble on Aussie (unofficial)

**Old Goats No Glory**
2nd Macey Balderson on Back Flip  
5th Tracey Bailey on Toe Cutter

**Tree of Knowledge Cup**
3rd Lizzie Pumpa on Patches O’Hoolihan

Thank you to the following Riders for performing marvellously!
Lizzie Pumpa  
Tracey Bailey  
Macey Balderson  
Kaylee Greyling  
Chloe Gribble  
Jandri Greyling  
Hannah Dean

Thank you also to the handlers on the day.
Indianna Adams  
Corey Churchill  
Tom Pumpa  
Luke Cameron  
Brodie Merchant  
Jenny Pumpa  
Murray Pumpa  
Adriaan Greyling

Any students who are interested in being involved in the Goat Expo next month, please come and see Ms Tavita. Activities include; obstacle course race, feed bucket race, goat jump up and much more. Ms Tavita.
Government Careers Day
100 Year Anniversary of the ANZACs landing at Gallipoli
Troop Train Ride

The student leaders of Barcaldine P-12 State School were lucky enough to score a ride on the ANZAC Troop Train. The Troop Train is a Re-Enactment to commemorate the 100 year celebration of the ANZACs. The steam train with nine authentic refurbished carriages departed from Winton and had overnight stops in Longreach, Emerald, Rockhampton and Maryborough, arriving into Brisbane on Friday 24 April 2015. Our students, along with our Student Council Representatives, Miss Samantha Wahlin and Miss Helen Efremoff departed from Barcaldine station and were treated to a barbeque lunch at Alpha station where a small ceremony was conducted to commemorate the ANZACs. The students had the pleasure of speaking to soldiers and nurses, as well as passengers that told their stories and experiences. The passengers were thrilled to see that we were wearing our ANZAC Link Badges to honour the fallen soldiers of our town. A great day had by all.
Barcaldine P-12 State School May Day Float

Once again Barcaldine P-12 State School brought home the prize for the Best Decorated Float adorned in 100 poppies to commemorate the ANZAC Centenary. Thank you to those students who helped to create the poppies and decorate the float. There were some great costumes that definitely had the town talking. Also a big thankyou to Miss Efremoff for designing and creating the poppies!

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It is the third week of term two and WOW has it gone fast!
The first week back at school was a chance for us to commemorate the centenary of the Anzacs. The school representatives had the opportunity to ride on the troop train. This was a great way to see how the troops prepared for and journeyed to war. We also had an ANZAC Day memorial service at the school on Friday the 24th April and students were invited to attend the ANZAC march in the main street the following morning. Thank you to everyone who attended and represented our school.

We were lucky to have a special guest visit our school in the first week. The Primary and Secondary school captains were invited to attend a special lunch with the Minister of Education, Kate Jones. Minister Jones made an announcement about the building of the new childcare centre.

Last weekend the town celebrated May Day with a parade, goat races and the Barcaldine Tree of Knowledge Festival. The school entered the parade with a float that commemorated the Anzac spirit. Thanks to Miss Wahlin and Miss Effremonoff and the student council for their hard work organise this and congratulations on taking the out the win for the best decorated float.

This weekend we have the Barcaldine show. We can’t wait to see all your lovely hard work displayed proudly for the community to see. We’re sure all your work will be amazing and beautiful.

Don’t forget that the cooler months are coming and we would love to see everyone in green jumpers and black pants. Don’t forget to put your name on your belongings.

Olivia and Kayleigh

**IMPORTANT TUCKSHOP NEWS!!**

Could you please refer to the examples below when filling out tuckshop bags for your children.

This would make our job in the tuckshop so much easier.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

New tuckshop menu is attached with the newsletter this week.
1-2-3 MAGIC® & EMOTION COACHING
FREE PARENT COURSE

A three session program for parents and carers to help manage
difficult behaviour in children 2-12 years old at

Barcaldine Prep-12 Campus
Gidyea Street, Barcaldine

on Tuesday 26th May, 2nd June and 9th June at 3.00-4.30pm in the Year 4 Classroom

Learn:
✓ How to discipline without arguing, yelling or smacking
✓ How to sort behaviour
✓ How to handle challenging and testing behaviours
✓ Choosing your strategy, the three choices
✓ Using emotion coaching to encourage good behaviour
✓ 7 tactics for encouraging good behaviour

Parents will receive:
• A 1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching Parent Workbook

Registration
Register for this course contacting Sheryn Williams at Barcaldine Prep-12 Campus on 46515333 or swill34@eq.edu.au

What people are saying...
What a relief to come across a program that preserves the dignity of the child, maintains the self control of both the parent and the child and is actually easy to remember when memory is the first thing to go!

I realized quickly that the 1-2-3 Magic can be a magnificent preventative measure that any parent can use to avoid raising a child, who later down the line, needs excessive discipline or grows out of control

Who is running it?
The presenter for this course is Sheryn Williams who is the acting Head of Special Education at Barcaldine Prep-12 Campus. Sheryn has thirty years experience as a teacher, administrator, special education teacher and behavior support teacher with Education Queensland.

For more information contact Sheryn Williams on 46515333 or swill34@eq.edu.au

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Emerald: 0437926462/(07) 49824062
FKCIntakeWestern@anglicarecq.org.au

Under 8’s Fun Day

All children and parents are invited to attend the Under 8’s Fun Day.

Venue – Barcaldine P-12 State School
Time – 9:00 – 11:00 am
Date – Tuesday 9th June 2015

Please bring morning tea, a hat and a drink bottle.

Barcaldine P A & H Society 93rd Annual Show
Saturday, 9th May 2015
Juvenile Sections in: Cooking, Photography and Art
Children’s entries welcome in all sections
Entries close 12 noon Friday May 8th
Free entry
Show Schedule due out April, available from local businesses and Tourist Information Centre

At The Movies
Fri 8th & Sun 10th May at 7pm and Sat 9th at 10am
Cinderella
Fri 15th & Sun 17th May at 7pm
Fast & Furious 7
Fri 22nd & Sun 24th May at 7pm
Avengers (Age of Ultron)
Fri 29th & Sun 31st May at 7pm
It Follows

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‘Barcaldine Picture Theatre’ on Facebook