UPCOMING EVENTS

- 2nd June—2nd 1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching
- 3rd June—Meritorious Morning Tea
- 8th June—Public Holiday
- 9th June—3rd 1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching
- 19th June—School Athletics Carnival and Newsletter
- 20th June—Goat Expo
- 25th June—Semester Reports mailed home
- 26th June—Last day of Term 2

Mothers Day in Year 1

On Monday 11th May the Year 1 students celebrated Mother’s Day with their Mothers, Grandmothers and Fathers. Students invited their special guests to come and share some morning tea. The students waited on their guest by taking them a selection of food consisting of devil’s food cupcakes, carrot cupcakes, triple chocolate brownies and pikelets with jam and cream. Much excitement and many laughs were shared. After all the excitement students were able to compare stories.

There was a great turn out from all of the guests much to the students delight. We hope that there were great memories made and we would like to thank everyone for making this a special occasion.
Dear Families

It has been another couple of exciting and busy weeks. We have had the Barcaldine Show and NAPLAN since our last newsletter. It has been great to see our students participate whole-heartedly in community and school activities, with our students demonstrating what fine young people they are.

INTERNET Safety

Last year, Mr. Brett Lee came to Barcaldine to speak with students, parents and the community about Internet safety. It is important that we have well informed young people who know how to effectively, appropriately and safely use the internet and other electronic media. I am pleased to announce that thanks to Anglicare, Mr Brett Lee will be returning to our community. Mr Lee will be in Barcaldine on Wednesday 26 August to again conduct sessions with students and parents on effective and safe use of the internet.

Barcaldine Integrated Early Childhood Education and Care Centres.

As was announced by the Minister for Education on 22 May, the Barcaldine and Blackall Early Childhood Education and Care Centres will be open for the start of the 2016 School Year.

The Barcaldine Centre will be located within the school grounds off Pine Street. An Expression of Interest for a service provider has been publicised and the details follow:

Interested parties are invited to apply to operate an early childhood education and care (ECEC) service at one or both of the following locations:

- Barcaldine Prep-12 State School; and / or
- Blackall State School.

The Department of Education and Training has been working closely with each community who have identified the need for an integrated ECEC service, including regulated long day care, kindergarten and outside school hours care.

A service provider/s is required to operate the new ECEC services from purpose built facilities at each state school. It is anticipated that services will commence from Term 1 of the 2016 school year.

Non-recurrent establishment funding of up to $150,000 (GST exclusive) for each location is available to the successful service provider/s.

The establishment and construction of both facilities is proudly funded and supported by the Department of State Development (Royalties for the Regions program), Department of Education and Training, Department of Social Services (Australian Government), Barcaldine Regional Council and Blackall – Tambo Regional Council. The Australian Government provides financial support to these child care services under the Child Care Services Support Program.


An information session (to be conducted via teleconference and face-to-face) will be conducted at 1.30pm on 2 June 2015. Please call Rebecca Fogarty, Principal Program Officer on telephone (07) 332 86745 or email Rebecca.fogarty@dete.qld.gov.au to register.

Applications to be submitted by midnight on 24 June 2015.
**Merit Morning Tea**

Wednesday 03 June will be our first Merit Morning Tea for the year. Students from each of the Secondary year levels have been nominated by their teachers for demonstrating the school’s values of Respectful, Responsible and Safe. Approximately 50 students have been identified as meritorious since the start of the year. The morning tea has been delayed so as to allow the students studying their Certificate II in Kitchen Operations through the Outback Hospitality Trade Training Centre (The Red Truck) to cater for the event. I look forward to meeting all the invited guests of our meritorious students.

Til next time

In All Our Best

Grant Williams

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**Head of Department**

**NAPLAN**

Last week was an extremely busy week for all Year 3, 5, 7, 9 students and teachers. The National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy has now been completed much to the relief of all involved. Results of the testing will be available in late September.

Well done to all involved in this process and thank you to Errol Turner and our wonderful school leaders for preparing breakfast for the students participating in the testing.

**CURRICULUM NEWS**

2016 will see the final phase of the implementation of the Australian Curriculum F-10.

The Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority and Queensland Schooling Sectors agreed upon a staged approach to the implementation of the new curriculum. In 2012, English, Mathematics and Science were introduced. In 2013 History was introduced, followed by Geography in 2014.

This year, Civics and Citizenship and Economics and Business were introduced, along with Health and Physical Education.

By the end of 2016, schools are expected to implement Languages, The Arts and Technology.

At Barcaldine Prep-12 State School, we are at present familiarising ourselves and beginning to embed the content descriptors related to Languages in our current LOTE program. Students studying Media Studies are already addressing some of the Australian Curriculum Content descriptors alongside the current Essential Learnings in readiness for the changeover.

As 2015 progresses, staff will be released to work with Mrs Ogden to rewrite current work programs to align with the Australian Curriculum in Technology and the remainder of the strands in The Arts.

**SEMESTER REPORTING**

Students will receive a Semester report card in the final week of Term 2. The reports will be mailed out to families. The report will encompass student ratings based on both Term One and Term Two assessments.

Parent/Teacher interviews will undertake a similar format to last year and will be conducted early in Term 3 as more of a conference rather than an interview - parents and students meeting with Roll group teachers to discuss well-being and goals. More information will be forthcoming in the near future.

Until next time

Kim Ogden
Dear Families

As we all get to the busy part of the Semester, I would like to congratulate many of the students on their efforts to date. The end of a Semester allows students to improve on their results, as all of the assessment culminates in the Semester results, which the students will receive as part of their Semester Report; I hope the Semester Report satisfies many students and their families.

All students are strongly encouraged to keep meeting the deadlines and ensuring that all draft tasks are submitted so that informative feedback is received from Teachers. It is this feedback on the draft tasks that allow students to meet the requirements for the criteria/dimension sheets – once these are met, a student knows that they have undertaken the assessment task in the manner in which it has been intended. Whilst some results may be better than others, at the end of a Semester, all of the results for each criteria/dimension are calculated and then added to give the Level of Achievement for the Semester.

News from the Secondary School:

Year 11 Fundraising:

The Year 11 students have just about finished their fundraising endeavours. Last year saw the Year 11 students undertake many fundraising activities, and this certainly has assisted with the amounts raised and what needed to be fundraised for 2015.

To all of the families and general community that have participated and assisted with any Year 11 fundraising opportunities – your contributions have been most graciously accepted.

To Mrs June Cliffe, my personal appreciation is extended to you for all of the beautiful sewing that has been so graciously donated via the gorgeous cushions that have taken ‘centre stage’ in the raffles this year.

All paperwork for the Year 11 Work Experience Camp to Brisbane was issued to the students this week (if you have yet to receive this paperwork, please do not hesitate to make contact with me, so that I can make arrangements for another set of paperwork to be issued to you). As part of the paperwork, you will also notice that the Preference Form for the type of Work Experience that your child may wish to undertake is included.

It would be appreciated if you could have some discussions with your child to decide on a number of career pathways – in previous years, it has been found that at the end of the week, even if the occupation chosen was disliked; the Work Experience trip has been a success .... at least we know that particular occupation/career pathway is not for your child (and we can rule that option out).

A information evening will be organised for Term Three and it is strongly encouraged that Parents/Carers and the Year 11 student participates in this session. All fundraising details and monies raised will be discussed; accommodation arrangements and a draft itinerary will be shared with students and their families.

The fee of $350.00 will need to be paid at the Front Office and families are encouraged to meet with Katherine Stewart, as the Business Services Manager, to discuss a payment plan towards the Work Experience Camp. We are still yet to finalise the itinerary, as we are waiting to see the NRL draw (we think that there may be a Bronco’s game whilst the students are in Brisbane) and we are also looking at many activities associated with the Brisbane Festival (in particular, River Fire).

Certificate II – Kitchen Operations

The ‘Red Truck’ is again with us for Weeks 5 and 6 and the students are certainly in the swing of food preparation and organisation. One of the requirements of this Certificate is to work up a minimum of 12 Service Periods. To this end, the Certificate II students will be preparing and cooking morning tea for the Merit Morning Tea to be held on Wednesday, 03 June 2015. I look forward to sharing this wonderful occasion with those students whom have been chosen as Meritorious Students and their families – events such as this are wonderful to share in and it will be all the better for the Certificate II Kitchen Operations.
You may well be wondering, why there has yet to be a Meritorious Morning Tea – we were waiting for the Certificate II students (in particular the Year 10 students) to attain enough skills to cope with a morning tea of this quality.

**Selection of Meritorious (Merit) Students:**

In the Secondary School, all of the students from Years 7 – 12 are chosen by their class teachers for their meritorious efforts which are based on the ethos, of ‘In All Our Best’; our school Motto.

Teachers either recommend or not recommend students based on commitment to his/her studies (through homework and class participation), the manner in which the school uniform is worn, participation in class activities, commitment to respectfulness, responsibility and safety and most importantly, the manner in which the student conducts themselves on a daily basis; a Merit Student is not chosen on his/her academic ability. This checklist is completed for each month, by all teachers of each student and if the student receives one not recommended then they are no longer in contention for the award.

Meritorious Students are then invited, along with their families to attend a scrumptious morning tea to celebrate in their successes. For those students who are not selected as a Meritorious Student, they are encouraged to seek feedback in which class/es they need to improve, in order to be considered in the next round of selection.

I look forward to sharing with you all; in the next Newsletter, some photos of this wonderful occasion.

**Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) Testing:**

We have been advised that our school will be involved in PISA testing for 2015 – we were last involved in this prior to 2010. This testing is done across the whole of Australia and all Secondary Schools become involved at one time or another – 800 schools will be tested in 2015. Testing such as this is sponsored by the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). PISA 2015 is the sixth PISA assessment since 2000 and involves more than 70 participating countries; it assesses students aged 15 (between set dates – students will be advised of their involvement and Parents/Carers may choose to withdraw their child from this testing, however there is a process that is required to be followed).

PISA measures students’ literacy in Science, Mathematics and reading and it collects information about educational practices in participating countries. This school has selected August as the time for our testing schedule and information will be sent home closer to the time.

**iCARE-R Program:**

We have been invited to participate in an intervention program to promote positive mental health among early Secondary school students. The program is through Regional Queensland and is a collaboration of CQ University, Education Queensland, the Queensland Mental Health Commission and Curtin University (Research Project – Ethics Approval No: H13/10 – 180). The program explores resilience, wellbeing, adolescent development, coping strategies, positive self-identity, peer support and positive relationships.

The iCARE-R program will be conducted in the Year 8 Contact class every Wednesday. Mr Anthony Hurst of the Barcaldine Hospital will be the course facilitator and Miss Samantha Wahlin as the Roll Group Teacher, will be present for all sessions. This program will commence in Week 2 of the new term.

The appropriate paperwork will be issued to all of the Year 8 students; this will include a Consent Form for your child’s participation. Please be advised if the Consent Form is not returned, your child will be unable to participate in this valuable learning opportunity.

I look forward to continuing the good work with all of our students and invite families to make contact with me if I am able to assist with any queries that you may have, regarding your child’s education at our school.

Until next time

Meegan Wills
Hello everyone and welcome to the very first Year 3 newsletter article for the year!! We are all very excited to show you what we have been up to. In term 1 for Art we all looked at creating visual art that incorporated warm and cool colours as well as using line to create our art pieces. Here is some of our beautiful artwork.
This term for science we have been investigating Earth sciences. In particular, investigating the rotation of the Earth while orbiting around the sun, and the effects it has on the Earth. For example, Sunrise and Sunset. One of the effects we have been investigating is the movement of shadows. We’ve had a lot of fun making shadows with our bodies.

Secondary Captains’ Report

Hello everyone!
What a busy few weeks it has been! We hope that all students are up to date with their assessments and are not getting too stressed as we draw near the end of term. We also hope that students are staying healthy as there are lots of nasty bugs going around with the introduction of school stress and the cooler weather.
We would like to congratulate the students who were awarded meritorious awards for the past few months, and encourage them to keep up the great work. Enjoy your morning tea that will be held on Wednesday, 03 June 2015 – as school leaders, we also look forward to seeing many of the students with their families. Students who missed out this time; good luck for the next round and remember to see Mrs Wills to receive feedback on where you missed out in the first round.
Gibby and Kate

Primary Captains’ Report

There is four weeks until the end of Term 2; it has gone so fast. Thursday the 28th May is the school disco, hope to see you all there. Come dressed in your ‘favourite decade’ costume. Don’t forget Monday the 8th of June is a Public Holiday. The 19th of June is the athletics carnival, so get on down to Monday after school athletics from 3-4pm, for some training.
We have seen a lot of Respectful, Responsible and Safe students around the school. Keep up the great work.
You Primary School Captains
Kayleigh and Olivia
Prep’s Dinosaur Hunt

On Friday the 22nd of May, the Prep students made the trek to Winton to visit “The Age of Dinosaurs & Natural History Museum.’ This excursion formed part of our English Unit on Dinosaurs. Students participated in a 3 hr program where they got to experience the following.

- Watched an interactive video on Matilda and Banjo (Winton’s resident dinosaurs) and inspected their bones.
- Painted a moulded Banjo claw
- Went on a Dino dig—complete with Palaeontologist vest and bucket of digging tools.

The delight and enthusiasm displayed by the students made the long journey very worthwhile. The Prep students are to be commended for their excellent behaviour and manners.
### Meritorious Students

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CONGRATULATIONS!!

Mrs June Cliffe
Winner of the Mothers Day Raffle Fundraiser for Year 11 Work Experience

Thank you to everybody that supported this venture by buying tickets.

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 Gidyas 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:
- Registration

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

What people are saying...
- It’s 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 what to say is the first thing I said. I noticed quickly that the 1-2-3 Magic is a magnificent preventative measure that any parent can use to avoid raising a child who later on in the life, needs severe 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 swills@eq.edu.au

NOW SHOWING AT JERICHO DRIVE-IN

13 JUNE 2015

GATE OPEN 5.30pm

ADULTS $15.00
PENSIONERS $10.00
STUDENTS $8.00
(Year 1 to Year 12)

MOVIES START 7.00pm

THE BOOK OF LIFE (PG)

BARBECUE ON SALE FROM 6.00PM

BURGERS $6.00
SAUSAGE ON BREAD $2.50
SOFT DRINKS $2.00
WATER $2.00
TEA/COFFEE/MILO $1.00
CHIPS $2.50
POP CORN $3.00
CHOCOLATES $0.50

NEXT DRIVE-IN JULY 2015
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.

At The Movies

Fri 29th & Sun 31st May at 7pm
It Follows
Fri 5th & Sun 7th June at 7pm and Sat 6th at 10am
Shaun the Sheep
Fri 12th & Sun 14th at 7pm
Pitch Perfect 2

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