



## BARHAM PUBLIC SCHOOL

**2018 NSW Term 3 Week 2 Newsletter**

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon 30 Jul	Lions Public Speaking Dinner
Tues 7 Aug	Debating Gala Day, Deniliquin
Fri 17 Aug	District Athletics Carnival
Fri 31 Aug	Riverina Athletics Carnival
Week 5	NAPLAN Readiness Test
Thurs 13 Sept	PLAN 2 Training

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to Week 2 Term 3. Week 1 was a fabulous start to the term, with learning quickly in full swing.

Tonight four of our students will compete in the Lions Primary Students Public Speaking Competition, competing with students from other schools in our area. Each of these students is to be congratulated on their efforts in reaching this level of competition. They are fine ambassadors for our school and we wish them well.

Currently our school is preparing for External Validation. This is an important opportunity for us to reflect on how our school is performing against the NSW School Excellence Framework.

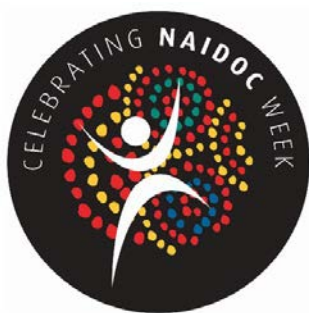
We have been reflecting on our current practices, why they are important and what has been their impact. We will then have the opportunity to discuss our judgements – and the evidence that underpins them – with a panel of peers consisting of a Principal and Principal School Leader on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2018.

The External Validation panel will, after discussion and consideration, validate our assessment of our performance across the domains of the Excellence Framework – Learning, Teaching and Leading.

Our school is participating in the NAPLAN Online Readiness test again this year. This will happen in Week 5 this term (an adjustment in date was required since we last reported this). This year's Year 3 and Year 5 will sit the test, which assesses the school's capacity to run NAPLAN online, not the students. Mrs Alexander has everything under control and we expect that the tests will run smoothly.

Enjoy week ahead.

*Catherine Peach*



### **NAIDOC CELEBRATION LAST FRIDAY**

The school expresses sincere thanks to Ron and Glenn Galway for

being part of our NAIDOC celebration last Friday. Glenn and Ron conducted a Welcome Ceremony and gave us a snippet of the history of Aboriginal people who are the traditional owners of the lands in our areas. We very much appreciated them sharing their knowledge and stories.

Each class completed learning activities about NAIDOC and recognising the active and significant roles Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women have played, and continue to play at the community, local, state and national levels as part of this year's NAIDOC theme 'Because of Her, We Can'.

Students shared their learning at the special Assembly last Friday, with Kindergarten performing a special dance.

Well done to our students who proudly presented the Assembly. Learning about and recognising Aboriginal culture is an important component of our curriculum.

### **Kindergarten - NAIDOC Week Activities**







Year 1 - NAIDOC Week Activities

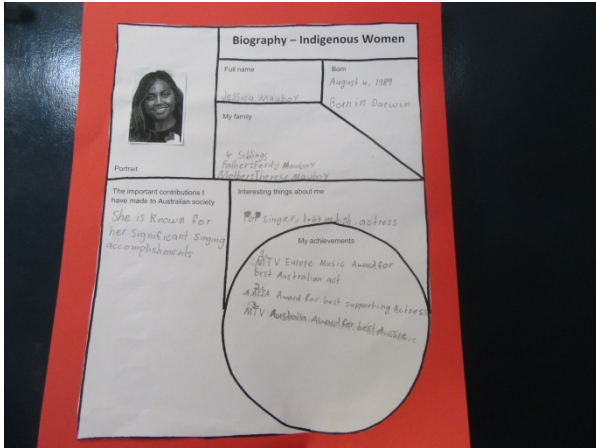


Year 2/3 - NAIDOC Week Activities





Year 4 - NAIDOC Week Activities



Year 5/6 - NAIDOC Week Activities







NAIDOC Assembly Photos







## LIONS PRIMARY STUDENTS PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

**Tonight, Monday 30<sup>th</sup> July**

6.30pm: Year 3/4 Speeches

Followed by dinner and then the Year  
5/6 speeches

*All the best, Lachlan, Kynan, Claire and  
Jessmarie!*

*Enjoy the opportunity to speak to a  
wonderful audience who are very  
interested in what you have to say.*

## OUT OF UNIFORM DAY & COWS FOR CAMBODIA



During Term 2, the Year 6 boys were lucky enough to listen to Chris Barker talk about his aid work in Cambodia. Chris volunteers for a charity called Cows for Cambodia and travels to Cambodia to provide farming assistance to rural families. The boys were incredibly interested in Chris' stories about agriculture in Cambodia.

Cambodia is one of the world's poorest nations with a high percentage of the population living in the rural areas. Almost all of these rural families dream to own a cow but the reality is that at around \$650US a cow, 80% of families will never be able to afford one.

Cows for Cambodia is essentially a "COW BANK". They loan families a pregnant cow, and the families must look after it. When it has the baby they get to keep the calf and Cows for Cambodia take the cow back. It's more about providing an opportunity to break the poverty cycle rather than a direct handout. Each family signs a contract to ensure the cow is looked after and strict rules are followed to ensure the best outcomes for all parties.

The success of this project has been overwhelming, so much so that the long term goal is to have 1,000 cows in the project which will make Cows for Cambodia one of Asia's biggest Agriculture charity projects.

The SRC have decided to host an out of uniform day and a lunch time disco on this coming Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2018. Students are asked to bring a gold coin donation to support the Cows for Cambodia charity.

## READING & SPELLING INFORMATION SESSIONS – TUESDAY OF WEEK 3

Teachers will be conducting information sessions next week about Reading and Spelling. Each teacher will present information relevant to their class, and we urge parents to attend.

The sessions are an important part of the school's Strategic Directions – building partnerships with parents and involving them



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in their children's education. Teachers will be giving parents and carers information about how the teaching takes place here at school and why, as well as providing ideas for how to parents and carers can assist their child in learning at home.

### READING & SPELLING INFORMATION SESSIONS

Parents/Carers of students in all classes

*You are invited!*

**TUESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**  
**Week 3**

- 4.30pm: Year 1 & Kindergarten
- 5.00pm: Year 4 & Year 5/6 R
- 5.30pm: Year 5/6B & Year 2/3

**See you there!**

## EXCURSION REMINDERS

### STAGE 1 EXCURSION IN TERM 3

- **Location:** Pioneer Settlement in Swan Hill
- **Date:** Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> August

The cost of this excursion is **\$33 per student**.

### STAGE 2 (Years 3 & 4) EXCURSION

- **Location:** Campaspe Downs Adventure Camp, Kyneton
- **Date:** 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> September (Tm 3 Wk 9).

The cost per student is **\$305 per student**.

### STAGE 3 (Years 5 & 6) EXCURSION

- **Location:** Port Phillip Island & Melbourne
- **Date:** Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November (Term 4 Week 5)

The cost is **approximately \$650 per student**.

Payment plan options exist. Contact the school for details.



Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> July	Peta Short
Tues 31 <sup>st</sup> July	Julie Estep
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> Aug	Mandy Anthony
Thur 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aug	Katrina Myers
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> Aug	Lauren Swan

Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Annie Barr
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Rae Farrant
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Jem Boyd
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Juliana Main
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Narelle McGowan

*If you are unavailable, please arrange your own substitute, or contact Sonya at the canteen on 5453 2321*



**Don't forget!**  
**Book Club**  
**orders**  
**are due:**

Wed 8<sup>th</sup> August





# SAVE THE DATE!

## *‘CURIOUS LEARNERS & POWERFUL LEARNING ~ a showcase of student learning in Science’*

Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) activities will be the focus of class learning and special learning sessions for mixed aged groups throughout the term.

Students will share their learning in a special whole-school event on Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> September, from 12noon onwards. More details will be available soon.

*Parents, carers and families are  
invited!*



**SRC  
OUT OF UNIFORM DAY  
AND  
LUNCHTIME DISCO.**

**When: Friday 3rd August, 2018**

**Cost: Gold Coin Donation**

**All money raised will be donated to  
the  
Cows for Cambodia Charity.**