



BARHAM PUBLIC SCHOOL

2019 NSW Term 2 Week 7 Newsletter

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Thurs 13 June	Riverina Cross Country
	STEM Trailer visit
Tues 25 June	School Photos
Fri 28 June	School Athletics Carnival
Tues 2 Jul	Year 3/4 Division Lions Public Speaking at school
Wed 3 Jul	Year 5/6 Division Lions Public Speaking at school
Fri 5 Jul	K-6 Assembly – all welcome
	Last day of Term 2
Mon 22 nd Jul	Staff Development Day
Tues 23 rd Jul	First Day of Term 3 for students

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to Week 7.

Justin and I headed over to the Preschool on Wednesday to meet with families looking to enrol their children in our school to start their learning journey in 2020. It was a fabulous afternoon getting to know the new families and their children who will become part of our school community next year.

On Thursday I headed to Deniliquin to engage in professional learning about the Science syllabus that includes digital technologies. This session was very timely as we prepare to receive a robotics kit from the STEM share library to use in Term 3.

We ended Week 6 with a whole school assembly and it was a wonderful opportunity for students to share their learning with the community. K/1 performed 'Home Among the Gum Trees' with an energy and enthusiasm that was contagious.

The school is buzzing with excitement about the STEM share trailer that will arrive on Thursday laden with new technologies for us to explore ahead of our Term 3 STEM focus. Thank you to Mrs Alexander who has

organised such an engaging experience for our students.

Our cross country runners head to Gundagai on Thursday to participate at the regional competition and we wish them all the best as they participate in the next level of competition.

Mrs Peach remains on leave until the end of the month. However, I am available and welcome your conversation.

Enjoy the week ahead.

Roslyn Buchanan

WHAT IS STEM?

STEM education is the learning of science, technology, engineering and mathematics in an interdisciplinary or integrated approach.

In recognition of the need to have access to technologies for STEM education, the Department of Education created the STEM Share Community program. Under this program, kits that include robotics, 3D printing, coding, film-making and virtual reality equipment are available for schools to borrow for a term. Our school is fortunate enough to have on loan to us for Term 3, a robotics kit.

On Thursday, the STEM share trailer will arrive with an array of technology for our students to explore in preparation for our STEM focus in Term 3. We will be making the most of this opportunity by holding a STEM day, with students in stage-based groups rotating through six different technologies throughout the day. After school, teachers will continue their professional learning to build their expertise in planning engaging STEM units utilising these new technologies.

We welcome Wakool-Burraboi students who will join us for the day.

STUDENT WELBEING SUPPORT

Robyn Moffitt is our Student Wellbeing Support Officer who works at our school on Tuesday and Wednesday each week. She helps students in the classroom and during breaks. She has also been running the very successful construction club and scrapbooking club at lunchtime.





Next term Robyn is starting up the morning conversation club before school and SPARC program in the afternoons.

The morning conversation club provides small groups of students with someone to touch base with as they get to school in the morning.

The SPARC program is an eight week social and emotional program that focuses on five key areas. These are social skills, purpose, awareness, resilience and confidence.

Permission notes will be going home this week for children who may be involved in these programs.

LIONS PUBLIC SPEAKING

Each year our students participate in public speaking as part of the English curriculum. To provide students with the opportunity to apply that learning we participate in the Lions Public Speaking competition. Mr Graeme Minnis and Mr Geoff Barker will be attending our school on the 2nd and 3rd of July to adjudicate the school level of this competition with successful students having the chance to perform at Club level in July with regional and district levels in August.

Public Speaking integrates research, writing and speaking skills and is a fabulous experience for any student. In particular, it is a crucial skill for leaders so is a requirement for our students undertaking the leadership passport.

Students should be in the process of preparing their class presentation. Speak to your child's class teacher if you require more information.

BUTTERFLY FOUNDATION

Last term Molly and Claire joined high school students in Kerang to participate in a day of activities promoting positive self-image. They are using their experiences to organise activities for Week Gr8 next week.

Throughout the week students will get the chance to share what they want to be when they grow up, identify why they are grateful for the people around them who help them and on Friday they will run a sports session with the support of teachers.

It is wonderful for Molly and Claire to not only have this experience, but use their leadership position in the school to share their knowledge with others to make week Gr8 a great experience in our school.

STATE HOCKEY REPORT

Last week I travelled up to Lismore to compete in the NSW Hockey State Championships representing the Riverina team. We played great in our games with our biggest deficit being only 3-0 against one of the top teams in the competition. I met some great friends during the trip spending hours and hours together messing around, training or playing hockey. On the second last day we were

playing against Hunter and I managed to get the ball to the top of the circle to smash it into the goals and give us the lead while getting us our only goal of the tournament. Sadly, Hunter with 30 seconds remaining had gotten a chance at a penalty corner. They tied the game with a monster hit into the goals with not much time left to play. We may not have won any games but we tied a few and lost a few. We had been competitive against teams that had smashed us in previous years. Our biggest loss against a Sydney team was only 2-0.

By Ty Salter



WEEK 6 WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY AWARD RECIPIENTS



K/1 Award Recipients



Year 1/2 Award and Kitchen Award Recipients



Year 3/4 Award Recipients



Year 4/5 Award and Garden Award Recipients



Year 5/6 Award and Garden Award Recipients

P&C MEETING POSTPONED UNTIL

Tuesday 13th August, 2019

(sorry for changes of date, Natalie didn't take into consideration our school holidays.)

7.30pm

Sorry for any inconvenience



Mon 10th June

Tues 11th June

Wed 12th June

Thurs 13th June

Fri 14th June

Katrina Myers

Sally McDonald

Rita Jones

Jem Boyd

Mon 17th June

Tues 18th June

Wed 19th June

Thurs 20th June

Fri 21st June

Gloy Chisholm

Mandy Anthony

Rae Farrant

Lauren Swan.

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



NDCH
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NDCH-your first port of call in the pursuit of good health!

Is your child a worrier?

Part 4 of a 5 week series providing steps to help you manage your child's anxiety.



Manage anxious moments

Help your child develop the tools to manage their worry. Practise these anxiety management tools when your child is feeling calm, and it will be easier for them to practise when they are nervous.

- **Taking some deep breaths:** Deep belly breathing from can reducing feelings of worry.
- **Bringing their attention back to the present:** Use their senses to bring their attention to the present moment and away from their worries – "Tell me five things you see, four things you hear and something you smell."
- **Getting them moving:** Physical activity is not only a great distraction but it releases feel-good endorphins that help children and young people feel better.
- **Defusing their thoughts:** Worrying thoughts can get stuck. Help your child to create distance from their thoughts by putting distancing statements in front of their thoughts. Replace "I'm going to fail the test" with "I had a thought that I'm going to fail the test."

For more information check out the Parenting Ideas website [HERE](https://www.parentingideas.com.au)

www.ndch.org.au



GANNAWARRA
LIBRARY SERVICE

**SPECIAL
EVENT**

PUPPET MAKING WORKSHOP




Come along and explore the world of shadow puppetry with an experienced puppeteer, Jenny Ellis. This hands-on workshop will give children a range of skills to make their own shows and as well as a puppet they can take home. Participants will imagine and design their own unique puppet characters, then they are guided through the process of making these puppets and bringing them to life.

Children will work together in small groups to create their own shows. With a few tricks of the trade, they will finish with a performance of their own shows on a real shadow puppet stage.

For children aged 4 -12

Gannawarra Library
is delighted to present
Jenny Ellis
And her program
'Little Wing Puppets'

**Monday
July 15**
Kerang Library
4.00pm
This event is **FREE** but
bookings are essential.



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GANNAWARRA LIBRARY SERVICE

BIRDS OF A FEATHER



LITTLE WING PUPPETS
Join our guest Jenny Ellis and create some amazing shadow puppets, accompanying her show 'The Owl's Apprentice'.

Leitchville, Friday 12 July 1.00pm
Kerang, Monday 15 July 4.00pm
(After the school holidays)

Ages 4 - 12



TERRACOTTA BIRD HANGINGS
Create these beautiful hangings using folk art designs as inspiration.

Leitchville, Tuesday 02 July 2.30pm
Kerang, Wednesday 03 July 2.30pm
Cohuna, Monday 08 July 2.30pm
Quambatook, Wednesday 10 July 10.30am

Ages 8+



BUILD A BIRDHOUSE
Join members of the Kerang Men's Shed and make your very own bird house to take home!

Cohuna, Thursday 04 July 11.00am
Kerang, Tuesday 09 July 2.00pm

Ages 8+



**BOOKINGS
ESSENTIAL –
LIMITED
NUMBERS**

Kerang	5452 1546
Cohuna	5456 2124
Leitchville	5456 7031
Quambatook	5457 1220

Children must be accompanied by adults

