



BURRA COMMUNITY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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'Quality Teaching - Quality Schooling'

Term 4 No. 16

Date 23rd November 2023

DIARY DATES 2023

November

- 23 **Kindy transition
visit 8:45-1:45**
Year 6 transition
**Year 12
Graduation Dinner**
- 24 Assembly
- 27 Governing Council
Xmas dinner & mtg
- 27-01 **Year R-7
Swimming lessons**
- 28 Maestro Muster

December

- 7-14 **Year 7 – 9
challenge based
learning activities**
- 7 **Presentation Night**
- 11 Year 3-6 Excursion
- 13 Rec – Year 2
Cinema Excursion
- 14 Year 7 – 9
swimming
- 15 **Yr 6 Graduation
Assembly**
Last day of Term 4

January 2024

- 29 Start Term 1

From the Principal

Congratulations to the students who participated in the Barista course this week. It was an absolute treat for staff to be the guinea pig-recipients of a range of coffee types and flavours and the feedback from Scotty, the facilitator was that our students were delightful to work with. The skills developed will enhance opportunities for employment and will also be of benefit to households.

This week we said final farewells to our Year 12 students who, with Year 11, enjoyed their formal at Riverton last night. A massive thank you to the Riverton staff for organising this year's event. It is a great opportunity for students to mix with other peers in the area and we look forward to the tradition continuing. Tonight, Year 12s will enjoy a dinner with staff and families at the Clare Country Club. It is great to have the stressful part of the year over and to now enjoy time with family and friends. We wish our students every happiness in all that lies ahead and look forward to hearing of their exploits in the future.

Last week students in Years 4-6 enjoyed a fantastic camp to Woodhouse and the Year 3 students headed to Zoo Snooze. A great time was had by all and I thank all the staff and parents who accompanied students on these trips.

Today students in Year 6 going into Year 7 in 2024 had a day of transition, experiencing what life in the high school will be like. Whilst our students have the good fortune to remain in our school, this transition can still be a time of uncertainty for students. We hope that the day was both enjoyable and sets minds to rest that the move into the Redruth building is a small step rather than a huge leap.

Our new Reception students enjoyed their final transition day today and seem more than ready to start their year at school next year. Thank you to Bridget Ross for all her work in helping these students become comfortable with beginning school next year.

A reminder that tomorrow is the last assembly for the year before Presentation Night, and that next week our school swimming lessons will occur. Notes with lesson times have gone home but please contact us if there is anything that you are unsure about.

I hope you all enjoy a smooth run to the end of the year.

Alicia Hoddle



Government of South Australia
Department for Education



This Remembrance Day, Burra Community School remembers the past scholars who gave their lives for their country. Their sacrifice cemented Australia's reputation as one of the bravest fighting forces in the world. For Remembrance Day this year, students laid a wreath at the Market Square memorial. Below is a copy of the speech Prefects Luran Donhardt and Madeline Edwards shared at the ceremony.

"This year we mark the 70th anniversary of the Korean War Armistice, and commemorate the sacrifice of the Australians who served. Australian's were one of 21 member countries that sent personnel in support of South Korea in an attempt to unify the country between 1950 and 1953. This collection of nations was united – and fought under the United Nations Command.

Approximately 18,000 Australian military personnel served during the Korean War and the peacekeeping phase. More than 350 Australians lost their lives, more than 1,200 were wounded and 30 taken prisoner. More than 40 Australians are still listed as missing in action in Korea.

The demilitarised zone (DMZ) that was established as part of the Armistice agreement still exists today as North and South Korea remain in a state of war. I would like to share a quote with you from Prime Minister Robert Menzies, in 1950. Korea "represents only one phase of Russian aggression", there is the more localised issue of the communist insurgency in Malaya to focus on. "It is necessary for the UN to draw a line in the sand with South Korea, or else Hong Kong and others might meet the same fate".

I would also like to share with you a quote from Prime Minister Anthony Albanese, in 2023.

"Australia stands with Ukraine. We pay tribute to the unwavering resilience and courage displayed by the Ukrainian people. Australia again calls on Russia to cease its illegal and immoral war against the people of Ukraine. We will continue to work with the G7 and international partners to address the global impacts of Russia's invasion."

Although different in origin and scale, both conflicts are regional wars with worldwide implications—heralding, accelerating, and solidifying the transition to a new global order. These parallels, and a some key differences, offer important lessons to all of us, for the future.

Thank you."

Saturday November, 11th – Remembrance Day (speech – Prefect), 2023. Lauren Donhardt, Madeline Edwards.

Winners

A special mention to Holly Waters and Keira Schuppan who placed 1st and 2nd at the Eudunda Show in the under 17's soft toy category.

Congratulations and well done girls!!



Shearing School

On Monday the year 9/10 A.G. students participated in shearing school held by shearer wool handler training Inc. Josh Sneath was the shearing instructor along with Shannon from AWI, As well as Cody Jones from Quality Wool who helped out for the day. We all thoroughly enjoyed the experience and a highlight of the day was Millie finally shearing a sheep.



I enjoyed learning the techniques and setting up the handpiece. Nick Jones

The shearing instructor told me I was bad and that I would never cut a sheep because I was three inches away from the skin. Millie Bavistock

I enjoyed doing more than the long blow and finishing off the sheep. Jasmin Ross

It was a good experience learning new things. Sophie Wheeler

It was fun and I learnt a lot and I liked using the wool press. Jade Waters

It was cool learning how to shear as well as handling the wool. Ashley Edwards

Outdoor Education

On the 31st of October, The BCS students attended their final Stage 2 Outdoor Education camp for the year. The camp was located at Pt Broughton where the students had planned and prepared for an overnight kayaking exhibition.



The students cooked their own meals, organised tents, learnt new fishing skills along with developing risk assessment plans. Unfortunately, the weather was quite windy which limited our time in the kayaks.

To overcome this the students relocated to a sheltered spot where they were able to catch many fish. The students represented the school in a respectful and thoughtful manner whilst improving their Outdoor Education skills.

Year 8 Aquatics Camp

In week 3 our year 8 students were accompanied by Kristel Smiley and Mark Inglis to Port Vincent and participated in this year Aquatics camp. The Aquatics camp has been an integral part of the year 8 Program for many years, and is part of their Physical Education at BCS.

The camp provides students with the opportunity to strengthen friendships and team work skills, and has proven to be a worthwhile experience for students. It was fantastic to see all students involved in the activities and supporting each other with each new skill.

Day 1: Students arrived safely and enjoyed a fun filled day Paddle Boarding and Kayaking, and the weather was perfect, students had a great time. This year we again had the opportunity to stay in the school accommodation at Port Vincent, where students enjoyed the extra space for out door sports during their down time.



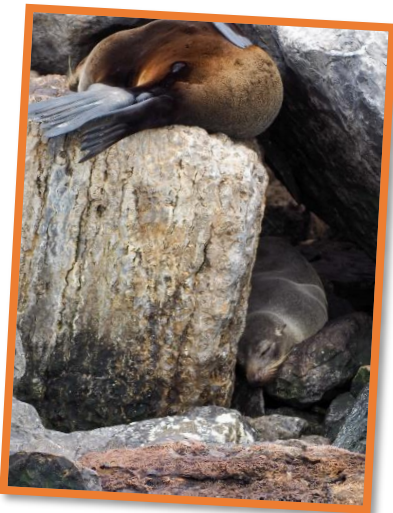
Day 2: Students travelled down to Corny Point and experienced Surfing and Body Boarding and Berry Bay. Students showed great persistence when surfing and all students who attempted, were able to stand on the board by the end of the day. All students spent the full day in the water and definitely earnt a movie for their night activity.



Day 3: Students returned to the Port Vincent Sea side to learn how to Sail and Knee Board. The weather was amazing for the full 3 days and students were definitely ready to come home for some much-needed rest.



Year 8 Aquatics Camp



Belle Quinn: "the surfing was just fun"

Emmylou Cooper: "I liked getting pulled along by the rescue boat when my group were paddle boarding"



Kaidance Tippet: "I liked knee boarding and the surfing"

Miguel Alapara: "I liked playing the games in the arcade"

Christopher Down: "I liked the surfing, especially when I got to stand up on the board"



Year 3 Adelaide Zoo Snooze

Thursday 16th November a very excited group of Year 3's travelled to Adelaide for their overnight sleepover at the Adelaide Zoo. Along with Mrs Millward, Mr Robbie Hall, Mr Schmiechen and Astrid Alvsaker everyone enjoyed exploring what was on offer. Some of the highlights were Zoo walk at night, BBQ tea and listening to the animals when going to sleep.



The Zoo Snooze was fun because we got to hear the lion roar.

In the morning we hear the monkeys making a lot of noise. We also got to watch the Penguins being fed.

By Angus Tohl

I loved the Zoo Snooze because.... We got to hear the male lion roar and then the lioness replied. It went on for about 3 minutes.

We saw some unbelievably awesome animals. We also saw the tigers get fed.

By Tahlia Hooper

I loved hearing the lion roar on our night walk. I loved seeing the Giant Pandas, Wang Wang and Fu Ni.

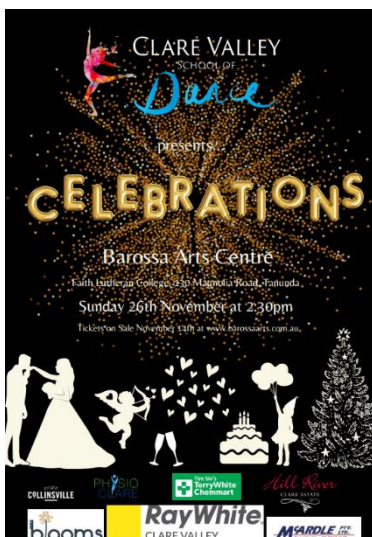
I loved seeing the Sealions play and when they were getting fed.

By Lily Schmiechen

On the Zoo Snooze I liked seeing the Maned Wolf, it was red and I really liked its colouring.

I also liked seeing the Sealions play and being fed. By Lzzy Mallory

Lots of preparing went into this fun camp. A big thank you to Astrid for helping with cooking, and to all the parents who donated / made food ready for lunch and recess.



A little bit more



MAESTRO MUSTER

Presented by Burra Community School
A collection of our students' finest Visual and Performing art pieces.

28 | TUESDAY
NOVEMBER

DOORS OPEN AT : 7 PM - 9 PM
7PM-8PM ARTS GALLERY
8PM-9PM MUSIC PERFORMANCE
@ The Burra Town Hall

TICKETS: [EVENTBRITE.COM.AU](https://eventbrite.com.au)

\$2 CHILD **\$10** ADULTS

Ticket Price includes nibbles and food available, drinks are to be paid for on the night.



DECORATE YOUR BIKE COMPETITION!

MEET AT ELDERS BURRA
NO LATER THAN 5:45PM.

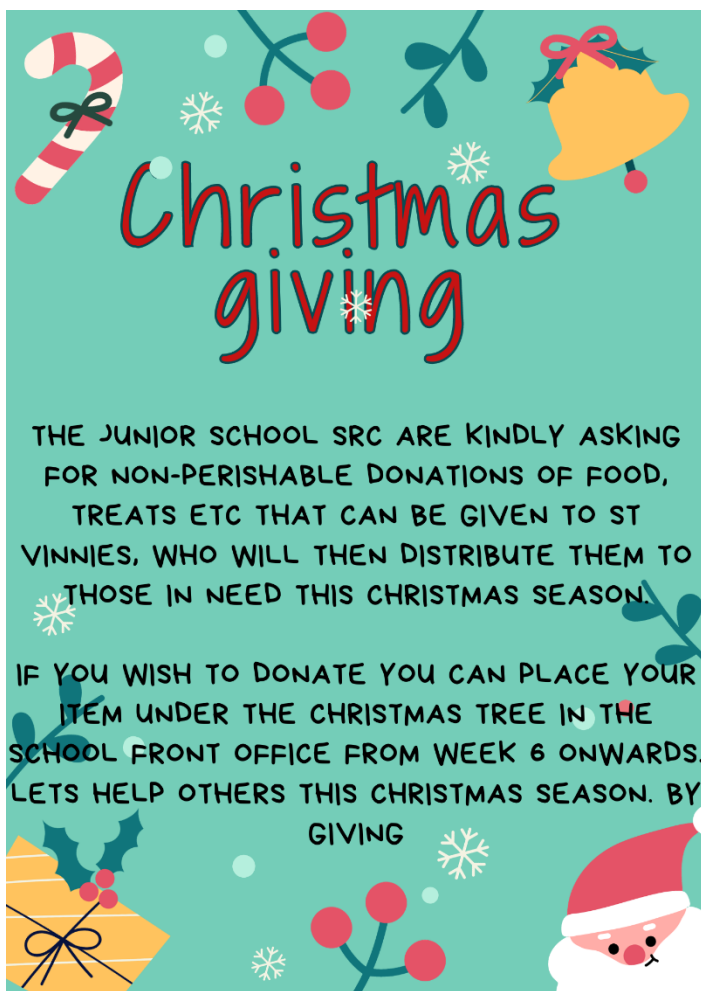
FRIDAY 22ND DECEMBER 2023

BURRA CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

PRIZES FOR EACH AGE GROUP!

- KINDY & UNDER
- RECEPTION - YEAR 2
- YEAR 3 - YEAR 6
- YEAR 7 & OVER

To register or for more info, please contact Jo Drennan on 0419813437



Christmas giving

THE JUNIOR SCHOOL SRC ARE KINDLY ASKING FOR NON-PERISHABLE DONATIONS OF FOOD, TREATS ETC THAT CAN BE GIVEN TO ST VINNIES, WHO WILL THEN DISTRIBUTE THEM TO THOSE IN NEED THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON.

IF YOU WISH TO DONATE YOU CAN PLACE YOUR ITEM UNDER THE CHRISTMAS TREE IN THE SCHOOL FRONT OFFICE FROM WEEK 6 ONWARDS. LETS HELP OTHERS THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON. BY GIVING



BCS Swim Carnival
Friday 9th Feb

Lower North Swim Carnival (7-12)
Monday 19th Feb
at Riverton

Save the DATE!

BCS SPORTS 2024

BCS Sports Day (R-12)
Thursday 7th March

Lower North Sports Day (7-12)
21st March at Kapunda

Adelaide Athletics carnival- (7-12)
Wednesday 3rd April