



Bargo Bush Buzz

Term 3 Week 2 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school for the start of Term Three. I hope both students and families had time to enjoy the recent term break. In the two weeks leading up to the school holidays Mrs Smart was acting in a relieving capacity as Principal while I was on leave. I'd like to congratulate and thank Mrs Smart for the exceptional and professional way in which she led and managed the school during this time. In Mrs Smart's absence, Mrs Adam filled the position of Assistant Principal for K-2 and did so capably. Thank you Mrs Adam.

While on the topic of school staff, I'd like to welcome two new staff to our school who commenced last week. Mrs Neill and Mrs Skapetis have commenced in a teaching and support role for class 6A, which will be located in the old building adjacent to 4-6W. We look forward to their involvement in our school for the remainder for the year.

At the end of last term student reports were sent home and we are now currently in the week of parent teacher interviews. As part of our assessment and reporting process the Semester One report is an assessment of the curriculum outcomes accessed by students during the first half of the year. Parent teacher interviews have again been well supported by our community this year and I thank all that have engaged in the online

booking system as an easier means of organising this process. As with any report process parents always have the opportunity to discuss achievement levels with their child's teacher. If for some reason you were unable to attend our interview opportunities this week or the available times were not suitable, but would still like an interview to discuss your child's progress please contact our office and leave a message for your child's class teacher to call to arrange a suitable time to meet.

Twelve months ago in collaboration with Mrs Menne, we decided to pilot the development of a student parliament to strengthen the student voice within the school. A year on and we have continued to develop this model with this year's Stage Three students and teachers. It was great to see the success of the "Blue day" fundraiser for Autism Awareness last week. This was a student led initiative, primarily coordinated by the Minister for Fundraising, Emma Ramsay who did a brilliant job organising and advertising the event under the guidance of staff. Congratulations to all for your participation and support and for raising \$535 through the cake stall that will go towards raising awareness of Autism.

Next week is Education Week, where we celebrate Public Education at Bargo PS. As with all Education Week events each and every year, it is a busy week with

Calendar

July 29-
Aug 2 *Parent/Teacher Interviews*

July 30-31 *Stage 2 Camp*

Aug 1 *Responsible Pet Workshop*

Aug 5 *K-6 School Athletics Carnival
Razorback Boys Cricket Trials*

Aug 6-7 *Stage 2 Parent/Teacher
Interviews*

Aug 5-9 *Education Week*

Aug 7 *Book Fair - Open Classrooms*

Aug 9 *Athletic Field Event Finals @
School*

the school athletics carnival, open day, picnic lunch, and book fair all scheduled as events. We hope you are able to attend one of these events and celebrate and engage in your child's education during this week. We understand the difficulty of holding the athletics carnival and an open day in the same week and that parents may find it difficult to attend two significant events however, event bookings for carnivals only provide us with certain days available and in a busy school calendar it can be difficult to separate these. We will keep this in mind for 2020 as we look for an opportunity to book carnival dates early.

Please see the attached invitation for Education week Program

We have a P&C meeting next Wednesday at 6:30pm. P&C representatives met with the current uniform supplier yesterday to discuss the school uniform and future directions.

All community members are encouraged to attend the P&C meeting to hear the latest about our school uniform and are invited to positively discuss and contribute to decisions that will affect the school as we progress through the year. Prior to the official P&C meeting, a meeting for the 150th Committee will take place at 5:30pm. Again all members of the school community are invited.

150th Anniversary

As we get closer to the date of Saturday October 26th for the 150th celebration and car show, we will be communicating with the community on a regular basis about the organisation of this event. Classes and year groups will be encouraged to hold stalls and this may require donations from the community to help support these stalls (perishable foods, jars, cans, etc). Further information will be forthcoming in the next few weeks.

As we are an inclusive school all students will be involved in the celebration of the 150th anniversary of Bargo PS. The first part of this will be that each class will learn a themed dance to perform on the stage on Saturday 26th October. We will be having an external company come in to deliver the choreography and class teachers will continue with rehearsals and costuming prior to the event. To ensure that this initiative involves all students the school will cover the cost (approx. \$30 per student) of the dance program so all have an opportunity to be involved. This program will commence Friday of week 3 and continue for the remainder of the term.

Lastly, our Frog pond is having a makeover in anticipation of our 150th celebration. This initiative has been largely driven by a community member, Sonya Reyes together with our General Assistant, Mr Little. We were also able to obtain a Woolworths Junior Landcare Grant to assist in the regeneration and have been gratefully supported by Bunnings Mittagong also. First steps have been weed removal and general clean-up of the area and with the assistance of students, a replanting process will occur in the coming weeks. We look forward to seeing what the finished product will look like, but for now here are some progress photos.

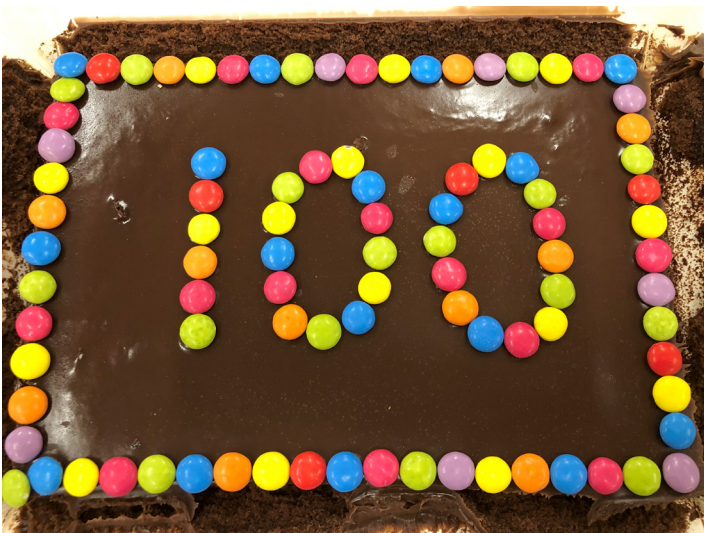


Mrs Jodie Neill



Mrs Sonja Skapetis

Kindergarten students have been counting down to their 100th Day of School. They finally celebrated in week 10 with cake, a teddy bear's picnic and craft. Students decorated cookies, built towers 100 bricks tall, decorated cupcakes with 100 sprinkles, made a book about what they would be like at 100 years old, counted pasta into groups of 10 to 100, and made a counting by 10's worm. We are all excited to be 100 days brighter!



Wednesday 7th August



Scholastic Book Fairs help our school stock up on resources to enrich your child's education. Best of all, each Book Fair provides kids access to more books!

More books mean more choice, which means kids get to read the books they want to read. The right book can ignite a passion for reading, so we encourage families to work together to create a reading culture at home.

Reading expands the mind and nourishes the imagination!

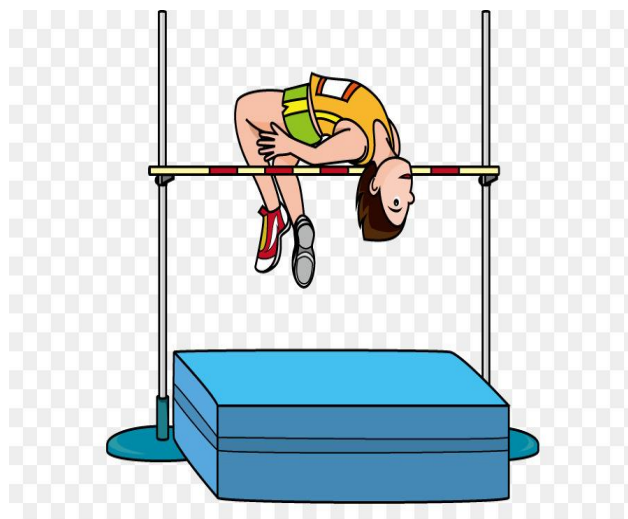


Every Scholastic Book Fair is packed with a multitude of genres, including fantasy, classics, reference, award-winners, humour, nonfiction and mystery. The selection provided includes books suitable for both girls and boys within each age group, captures their imaginations and excites them about reading.

Parent message from Scholastic:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AfHJ98jVAgM&feature=youtu>

Results from the High Jump Qualifying Event ...



Congratulations to all our 8 to 12-year old students, who took part in the first of our athletics field events last Friday. The age groups for these events are specified by the NSW PSSA (Primary School Sports Association), so our younger students were competing in a group of 8, 9 and 10-year old's! Conditions for the event were almost perfect and every student had a go, tried their best and had some fun.

The following students will progress to the finals to be held at school on Friday of Week 4 (16 August), as part of the combined field event finals:

12 Years	11 Years	Junior Boys	Junior Girls
Jimmy B	Jye E	Taylor N	Marley
Kane J	Liam M	Heath P	Ayah M
Declan B	Eddie H	Jayden L	Elba M
Jamie P	Matthew D	Lucky O	Jessica B
Jacob W	James T	Cooper Y	Eleanor M
Blake S	Riley Wardle	Kye F	Sienna
Jay D	Cooper W	Harley E	Cheyannah
Tyler S	Chris M	Nate P	Tylah
Cole D	Jake M	Sonny R	Ivy W
Neveah S	Charlie C	Seth B	Lydia R
Hagley V	Calley M	Ewan S	Charlotte H
Emma G	Isabel B	Nicholas V	Amber W Ruby M
Macy A			
Sakari R			

The qualifying events for discus and shotput will be held this week on Friday 2 August, during sport so every student has the opportunity to compete.



School Athletics Carnival Monday 5 August

Parents are reminded that the Athletics Carnival is being held next week at the Tahmoor Sports Oval and all families are invited to attend. There will be five events on the day: 100, 200 and 800 metre races, long jump and team games. Highjump, shot put and discus events are being held at school and finals for these events will be on Friday 9 August. All ribbons for the events will be handed out at school and not on the day.

The first event will start at 10.00am, there will be a lunch break between 12:15 and 12:35pm and the final event is due to finish at 2.00pm. A schedule of events will be available on the day.

Parents are welcome to travel around the events with their children, but all students are to remain with their age group for the day. Students can be signed out with the supervising teacher (not the class teacher), to travel home with parents after their last event. If students are traveling home with a friend, written permission must be given to the supervising teacher.

Mrs Azzopardi will be operating a canteen with food and drinks available from 50c - \$4.00. Pre orders for lunch should be completed and returned to the canteen by this Friday. Whilst parents will be able to use the canteen at any time, students will only be allowed to visit the canteen during allocated times. There will also be a coffee van at the venue.

Students are encouraged to bring a hat and wear sports uniform under a tracksuit. They should have suitable footwear and may bring spikes to be worn during running events, spikes are not to be worn to school.

As some events may require parental assistance with timing, please don't be shy in volunteering if help is needed!

We look forward to seeing you on Monday, fingers crossed for good weather!

Police Visit

Today Senior Constable Greg Louden and Senior Constable Doug Brennan talked to stage 3 about respect. They said everyone is different and we need to respect them for who they are.

First they told us what Doug does, which is going around to pubs and clubs to make sure everything okay and everyone is happy. Greg sometimes helps Doug but he also interviews people who want to be a policeman\ woman. Greg told us about a time when he was interviewing a man who had all the skills required. However, Greg asked him for a criminal record and all of a sudden his attitude changed. Turns out , he did have a criminal record and he couldn't get in.

Doug then told us that if there was a fight at a pub or club, he would have to hold back the person throwing punches and arrest them. He takes them to a station and puts them in a cell. That started our conversation about consequences. They said that a consequence can be a punishment but also something for doing a good thing. So a result would be another word for it. Greg said that in the future, if we have a criminal record there will be consequences. We wouldn't be able to travel overseas and we wouldn't be able to get a good job because no one would want us.

Then we started to talk about respect and self – esteem. Greg said most bullies don't have great self - esteem and bully other people to feel better about themselves. They also explained that we need to respect others and teacher's decisions considering that everyone will help us in some way. To finish it off they said that before we can respect each other we have to learn to respect our self.

I thought that this long talk was very helpful and useful to all stage 3 students.

By Corey 5/6D 24.7.19

Police Visit

Today Senior Constable Louden and Senior Constable Brennan came to our school, they told us why fighting at school and outside of school is not allowed.

Greg Louden told us about respect and why it is so important to respect anyone even if you do not like them. Doug Brennan told us about what he does, he also said he has never had to use any of his special equipment because all he has to do is talk to them nicely.

Some of the things which I found interesting was that if you get into a really bad fight and someone gets seriously injured, when you're older you will not be able to go overseas.

I thought that it was very useful and nice that they came to our school and told us lots of information about why it is so important to be respectful.

Dean B 5/6D 24/7/19_

Police Visit

Senior Constable Greg Louden and Senior Constable Doug Brennan came to visit our school to talk about respect and Consequences. Greg said that there can be good consequences and bad consequences. Like if you hit someone because you are angry the police will come and take you down to the station and ask you five question. If you say yes to all four questions which are can you can hear? Can you speak English? Do you know respect? Did you do it? If you said yes to all of them Doug will open up the cell door and put you in that is bad consequences. Good consequences is when you are kind, nice and really respectful of yourself and others.

In conclusion I think that the visit from Senior Constable Greg Louden and senior Constable Doug Brennan was really good because we learnt something new.

Mackayla 5/6D 24/7/19

Police Visit

Today Senior Constable Greg Louden and Senior Constable Doug Brennan came in and told us what they do and how they handle the situation.

Doug said his job is to make sure the clubs and pubs are safe and no one is fighting.

Doug said that he had worked as a spy then went to a cop.

Greg and Doug said they would rather talk and calm the person down than have to fight them.

Did you know if you have a criminal record you cannot go overseas and it could affect your job or future? Matthew Donohoe 5/6D 24/7/19

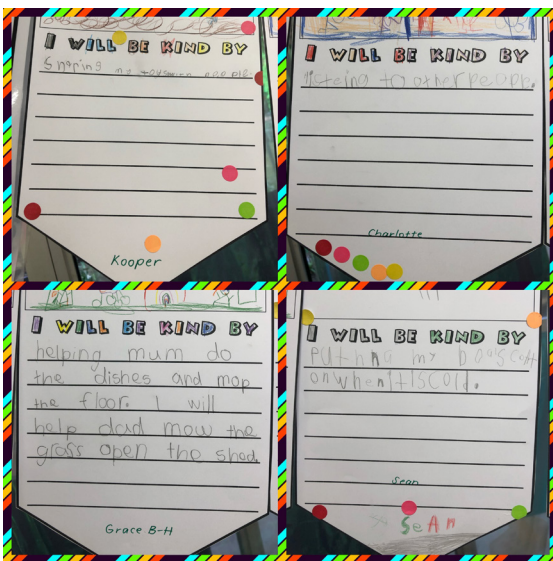
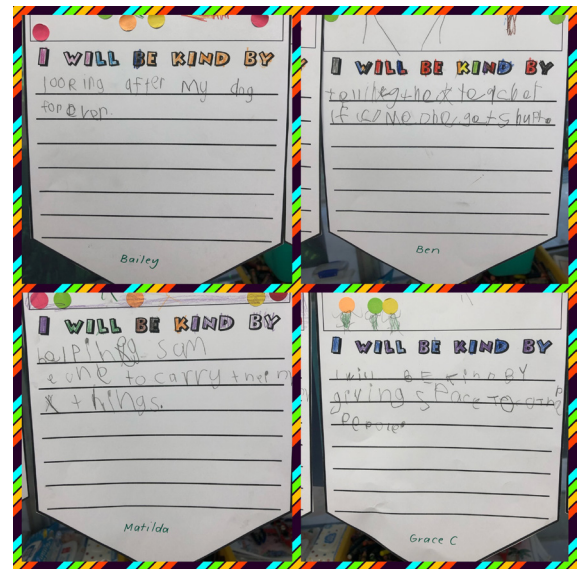
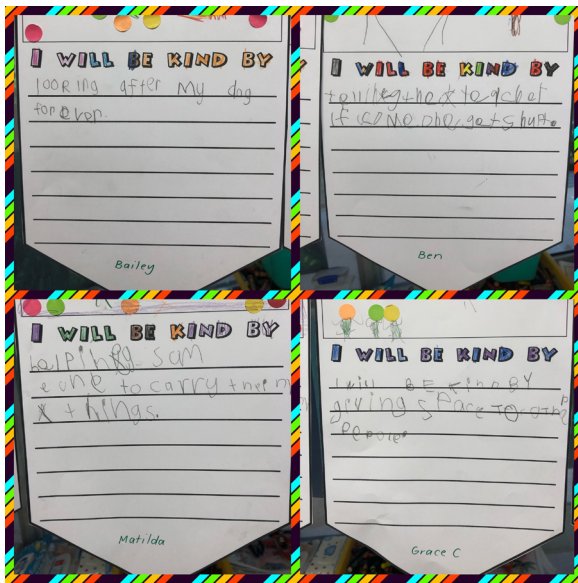
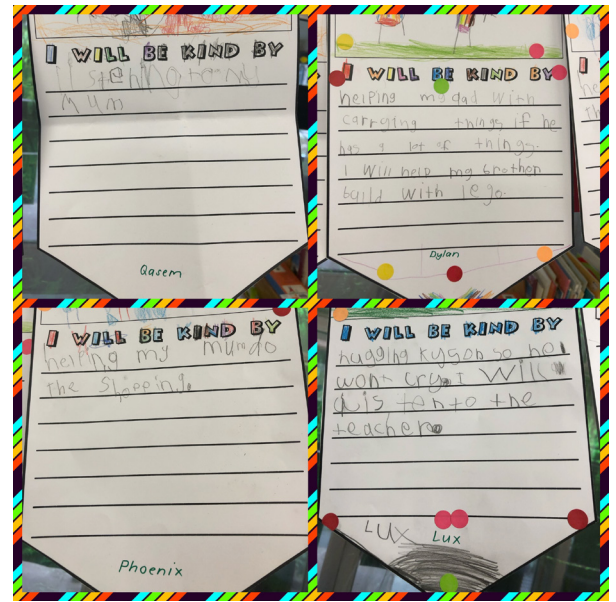
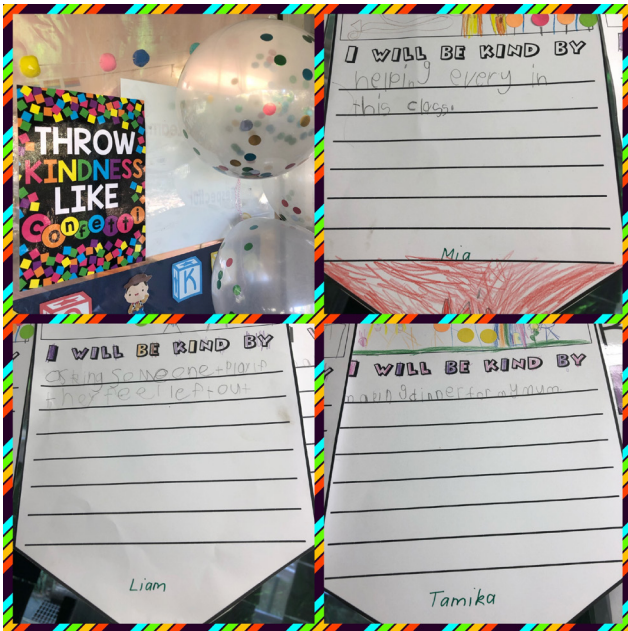
Police Visit

Today Senior Constable Greg Louden and Senior Constable Doug Brennan visited our school to talk about safety and violence. They told us how important respect is, also about how physically hurting someone can get you into big trouble, and how having a criminal record could affect your life.

They told us that fights often happen in pubs or clubs when people are drunk, and they try to peacefully break up fights. They said to respect others, as well as yourself. Harming someone can get you into serious trouble with the police, and even get you arrested. Getting in trouble with the police can earn you a criminal record, which can stop you from going overseas or getting a good job.

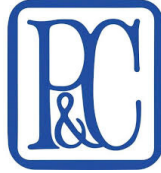
Jaime, 5/6D 24/7/19





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On Thursday 25 July KA had a Kindness Day. They read stories, discussed and wrote about kind things to do, did craft and played games. They would like to share their wonderful writing about all the kind things they plan to do.

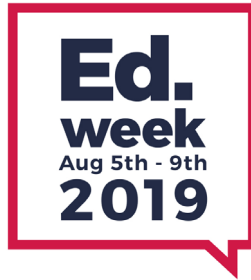


Next P&C Meeting will be held at 6:30pm on Wednesday August 7.

Come and voice your opinion and hear others.

Become involved in your child's school.

ALL WELCOME



You are invited to celebrate

Education Week 2019

at

Bargo Public School

on

Wednesday 7 August

9.50 – 10.20	3-6 Open Classrooms
10.25 – 10.55	K-2 Open Classrooms
10.55 – 11.05	Shared writing in the school grounds
11.05 – 11.45	Picnic lunch in the school grounds

Please bring a picnic lunch to share with your family.

The canteen will be selling tea and coffee during lunch time.

The Scholastic Book Fair will be visiting our school during Education Week.

The Book Fair will be open before and after school on open day.

To avoid congestion, students will be given a specific time to visit the
Book Fair.