Welcome to Week 3!

What a great start to the week with the chance to accompany some of our Gwydir Band members to their performance for the opening of the CWA’s Gwydir Group 90th Annual Conference at the Living Classroom on Monday. Thank you to Mr Crispin for fine tuning our students.

This week also we are pleased to advise that two of our teachers have been invited to present at Department of Education functions. Mrs Gasson will be presenting at the Transition Advisers Conference in Sydney today and Mr Hansen at the Positive Behaviour for Learning Expo at Tamworth on Friday. Both will be presenting on behalf of BCS and the programs that are already successfully implemented in our school.

Professional Learning that is relevant, collaborative and future focused can have a highly positive impact on teacher quality. On Tuesday night this impact was noted when our teachers attended an evening BOSTES workshop facilitated by Denise McHugh BOSLO Tamworth for Consistent Teacher Judgement. The outcomes of the workshop will be ongoing and evident in future assessments of our students.

Our school website www.bingara-c.schools.det.nsw.edu.au is continuously being uploaded with current letters, forms and permission notes. So if your child has ‘lost’ any notes or it just ‘doesn’t come home’, copies and information you may be looking for is now at your fingertips.

Speaking of updating … if you happen to call in to the office in the next few weeks, we hope you will enjoy the transition of our school office, foyer and corridors. Our walls will soon be graced with colours, graphic murals and paintings. Due to the redecorating we ask visitors to stay within the boundary areas indicated. Our memorabilia and sporting awards will be carefully collated for a Memories room. Watch this space!

I look forward to meeting with the P&C again next Tuesday night. All new members are welcome!

Have a good week!

Jennifer Bird

Acting Principal
Yearly examinations

Yearly examinations for students from Year 7 to Year 10 will be held in Week 5. Students should be asking their teachers what they need to be revising in order to be prepared for these examinations.

VALID 8

Students in Stage 4 will be completing the VALID (Validation of Assessment 4 Learning & Individual Development) test in Week 6. Students have been given a letter today outlining the objectives of the assessment. Please ensure that students have a working pair of headphones or earphones in order to complete the test.

Science in the Bush

Students from Year 7 to Year 10 have an opportunity to attend Science in the Bush on Thursday, 5th November. This is a fun and exciting day that provides an opportunity for students to experience what it is like to work in University science labs. A note has been handed out today and it needs to be returned as soon as possible.

Year 8 into 9 Subject selection Evening

We are planning a subject selection and information evening for Wednesday 28th October for students in Year 8, who are moving into Stage 5 in 2016. This will be held in the Library at 5pm. I encourage all parents and students to come and discuss elective subjects on offer, as well as gaining an understanding of the requirements of RoSA (Record of School Achievement) which students will be working towards from the beginning of Year 9.

PBL on Show

There will be a PBL expo in Tamworth tomorrow which has been put on by our districts PBL consultants to showcase the best practices which are occurring in our schools. We were approached by our consultant who has asked us to design a static display, as well as a short presentation of how we have set up our rewards and behaviour systems as well as tracking the data for these systems in the school. So, tomorrow part of our schools PBL team will be in Tamworth manning an information stall to demonstrate some of our data tracking procedures for PBL, as well as presenting to other schools our achievements and progress towards Positive Behaviour for Learning.

Open Boys Cricket

On Wednesday, the Open Boys cricket team travelled to Barraba to play in the Central Schools Knockout Competition. Bingara was sent in to bat first and played steadily and sensibly to compile 119 runs from their 35 overs. Lachlan Butler remained not out on 65 after battling through the entire innings. He was well supported by Brock Mullard, Daniel Rafter, Dylan Butler and Bradley Weber.

The Barraba innings got off to a shaky start with Lachlan Butler and Brock Mullard taking early wickets. The match remained very even with each side in with a chance. Barraba finally got the runs with an over to spare. All students who played in the match showed great sportsmanship, enjoyment of the game and competitive skills. Well done to all boys involved.

Mark McGowan
Uniform Draw: Congratulations to the following students who have had their names drawn out this week:

Liam Johnson, Kye Sutton, Brooke McKinnon, Shaylah Richardson, Andrew McGarrity, Macey Michell, and Angel Neal

Sport: Swimming

All students in 3-6 will begin swimming for sport this Friday. Students who have returned permission notes will attend the pool from 12.15-1.15pm (Years 3-6) and 2.00-3.00pm (Advanced swimmers from Years 5-6). Students need to bring $3.50 for pool entry each week. Please remind students to pack swimming clothes in a separate bag with a towel, goggles, sunscreen and anything else they require at the pool.

Stage 2 Public Speaking

Year 3 and 4 will participate in a public speaking workshop next week on Thursday 29th October. Students will learn about speech preparation and delivery.

Kindergarten Orientation

Preschool children will have their 2nd orientation at 'Big School' on Friday 30th October from 12.00-2.00pm.

Combined Scripture

Rev. David Swan will provide a combined scripture seminar on Friday 30th October at 11.30am. All students are invited to attend. A flyer will arrive home shortly outlining the content of the program. Please contact the school if you do not want your child to attend.

Healthy Harold

The Life Education Van will be at Bingara Central School from Monday 2nd to Wednesday the 4th November. Permission notes were sent home last week. All notes and $6 per student is to be returned by Friday 29th October. The note can also be found on the school website.

Alison Johnson & Simone McIntyre
Assistant Principals

Carols by Candlelight

Bingara Central School Primary students have been invited to participate in Carols by Candlelight at the Bingara MPS on Sunday the 20th of December. All students are encouraged to participate if possible. Notes will be sent out next week and practice will begin next Thursday the 29th of October at lunchtime.

Bingara District Cricket Association are inviting students from year 3 and up to meet at Gwydir oval cricket nets this Friday afternoon 23rd of October from 4:00pm to participate in some skills practice. If you have any questions feel free to contact Mrs Kristy Johnson at school.

Dubbo Excursion

The Year 3 and 4 students had a wonderful excursion to Dubbo last week. They visited the Dubbo Gaol and Taronga Zoo Western Plains. Some activities they enjoyed included a guided tour of the gaol, early morning walk feeding animals at the zoo and ten pin bowling.

Thank you to all students, Miss McIntyre, Mr Hansen and Mrs Kidman for making this such a memorable trip.
OCTOBER
21 Opens play in the Central Schools Cricket Comp in Barraba $5 per student
27 P & C Meeting 5pm in Library
28 Yr 8 into Yr 9 Subject Selection Evening
28 Stage 2 Workshops with Jan Rose
29 Whole School Assembly 5/6 performing 11.30am
30 Last day for School uniform orders
30 Preschool transition 12noon-2.00pm

NOVEMBER
2-4 Life Education Van
4 Kindergarten 2016 Parents Information evening 5.30pm
10 Crossing Bridges K-7
12 Whole School Assembly 3/4 performing 11.30am
13 Preschool transition 8.35am-11.25am
13 Year 12 Formal
17 P & C Meeting 5pm in Library
26 Whole School Assembly Secondary performing 11.30am
27 Pre School Transition 8.35am-3.05pm

DECEMBER
4 School reports home
14 Presentation Night
15 K-2 Presentation
16 Last day of school for all students
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Saturday 31st October
6:00pm: BUSH
ANGLICAN CHURCH LAWN
FINCH STREET BINGARA
(IN HALL IF RAINING)

BBQ AND DRINKS AVAILABLE
FEATURING "PATERSON'S CURSE"
BUSH BAND
ALL WELCOME!

Friday 30th October
3.15pm Special Kids Club
Come and join in the fun with our special guests from Gunnedah for fun, games, food and good news about Jesus. This is a once only special Friday session of kids club (No kid’s club on Thursday) Open to all primary aged kids. Contact David Swan for more info 6724 1688

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