

# Barham High Newsletter

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Term 2 Week 6

28/05/2015

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### Sports Uniform

I have noticed a worrying trend that students are increasingly wearing their sports uniform during times when they are not participating in sport. It is an expectation that students get changed into their sports gear before engaging in sports related activities and, for personal hygiene reasons, change back into their school uniform at the conclusion of the activity. If students have a sports related activity during the **first period of the day**, they may come to school in their sports gear but must be changed into their regular school uniform immediately after that.

### Student ID Cards

Student Identification cards are available for sale at the school canteen. These photo ID cards provide proof of student status and cost \$5.00 each.

They can be purchased anytime.

### Students Late to School

Students who arrive late to school should have a note from home with a valid explanation. Students who do not have a valid reason for being late to school will attend lunch time detention on that day.

### Reports

Term 2 is report writing time and the staff are frantically collating information. Reports for Year 11 are currently being compiled and will be ready next week for distribution while the reports for both Stage 4 and Stage 5 students will be handed out in the last week of term. If you are leaving on holidays before the end of term please contact the school to see if we may be able to organise an alternative distribution.

### Working With Children Check

It is now a requirement that anyone working in a child related activity must now be subject to a "Working With Children Check". This also includes both employees and volunteers at any workplace or organisation involving children, including schools. We are now required to ask that all volunteers present their WWC certificate for verification. The WWC is free for volunteers and can be organised through the Roads and Maritime Services in the council chambers. More information can be found at:

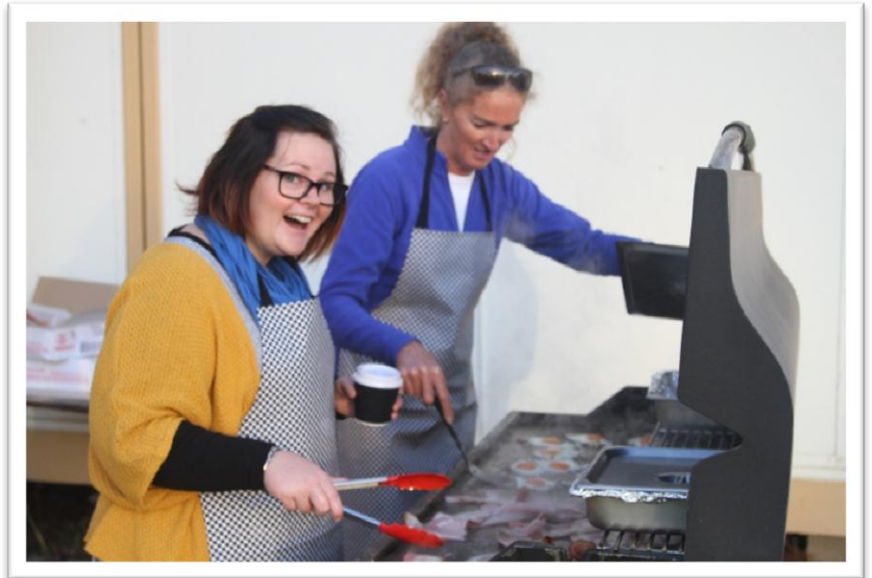
<http://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/working-with-children-check>

Glenn Buchanan

*Relieving Principal*

## Mothers' Day Breakfast

Mothers' Day Breakfast was held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2015. The Hospitality students had transformed the school hall to cater for 90 guests as part of a competency task. It was a hectic morning catering for 90 guests with eggs, bacon, pancakes and coffee on the menu. Thank you to the Hospitality students, Mr Yu, Ms Donnan, Miss Dennis, Ms Grainger, Miss Smee, Miss Weekes, Mrs Ryan, Mrs Trott and Mrs McConnell for their help. We hope all the mums had a wonderful mothers' day.



*Miss Dennis & Ms Donnan doing the cooking*





*Hospitality students serving up the breakfast*

### **From the Welfare Team:**

- ***A huge thank you*** to everyone who attended the Mothers' Day breakfast. It was a spectacular turn out and thank you to everyone for their patience on the day. It's a fantastic opportunity for community involvement at Barham High School, and as always, we very much appreciate your support and look forward to the next event!

- ***The rewards excursion*** is currently being planned for Friday of Week 10 (26<sup>th</sup> June). We are currently looking at taking all students to Bendigo to visit the Zone and also see a movie. We are still finalising plans and costings, but a ball park figure looks to be \$40-50 per student.

### **Careers news.....**

#### **LaTrobe University Open Day**

Funding has been received through NSW DEC for Barham High School to take a bus to the LaTrobe Bendigo Open Day on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August. The submission was titled "Making the Move" and will concentrate on raising awareness for both parents and students, on what a university education has to offer, and how to identify and address transition issues, especially for rural and remote students. The program of Open Day activities will incorporate an ex-BHS student panel to discuss 'making the move' from home to university. Students and parents from Years 7-12 are encouraged to attend. Stay tuned for more information closer to the date.

#### **Year 10 Work Experience**

Twenty-six Year 10 students participated in Work Experience from 11-15 May and explored a wide variety of career options. Placements included automotive, hair and beauty, nursing, allied health, medical imaging, law courts, veterinary, retail, teaching, electrical, personal training, interior design, marine automotive and I.T. Overall, it was an invaluable experience for all students.

#### **Cohuna Careers Expo**

Cohuna High School are hosting a Careers Expo on Friday 29 May. Students from any year group are encouraged to attend. Representatives will be present from Charles Sturt University, LaTrobe University, Australian Catholic University, TAFE, CVGT Employment Company, JMC Academy, Cohuna Hospital, Murray Mallee Training Company, Murray Human Services, Coliban Water, Gannawarra Shire Council & Ambulance Victoria.



## **YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE**



*Hair & Beauty on Mellool*



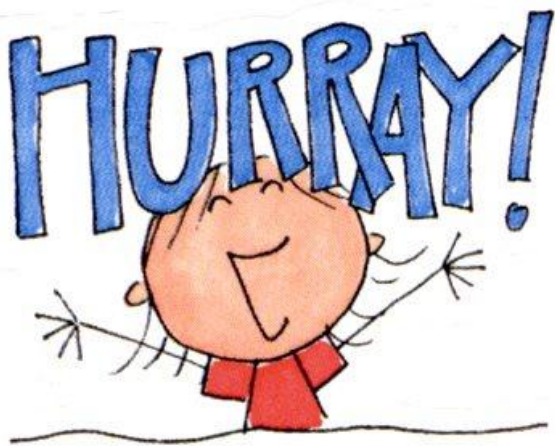
*Penglase Auto Panels*



*Border Vet Clinic*



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### **Harmony day poster success**

***Congratulations to Lucy Anthony*** for coming runner up in the Riverina for her Harmony Day poster. The poster had to represent Australia's diversity and promote peace, harmony and understanding.

There were over 4,000 entries state wide. The winners and runners up are invited to receive their certificates at parliament house in Sydney next month.

## **Science Report**

It's been a whirlwind term in Science so far, and it's only Week 6! There have been lots of exciting things happening, in and out of the classroom, with field trips, assessment tasks and Science Club.

Our resident crystal growing guru, Kerri, has been working with 7K and Miss Dennis to grow some very spectacular crystals. Just a few more weeks of growing time and they will be sent off to be judged.

Year 11 Biology and Senior Science classes recently headed out to Gunbower Forest to check out their local ecosystem. During the day they did a range of fieldwork activities including transects, quadrats and animal/plant interactions. It was a great day for the students to apply what they had been learning in the classroom to real life practical situations.

Year 8 recently submitted assignments on the solar system, with some tasks simply being out of this world. It was fantastic to see so much creativity and innovation in the projects and Year 8 should be very proud of them. We also used Oreos last week to create the phases of the moon, which Year 8 definitely enjoyed.

Stage 5 recently submitted their diaries of a carer assignment and continue to investigate diseases (both infectious and non-infectious) as the weeks go by. It was fantastic to see so much thought go into the tasks and the students were given the opportunity to present information in a new format.

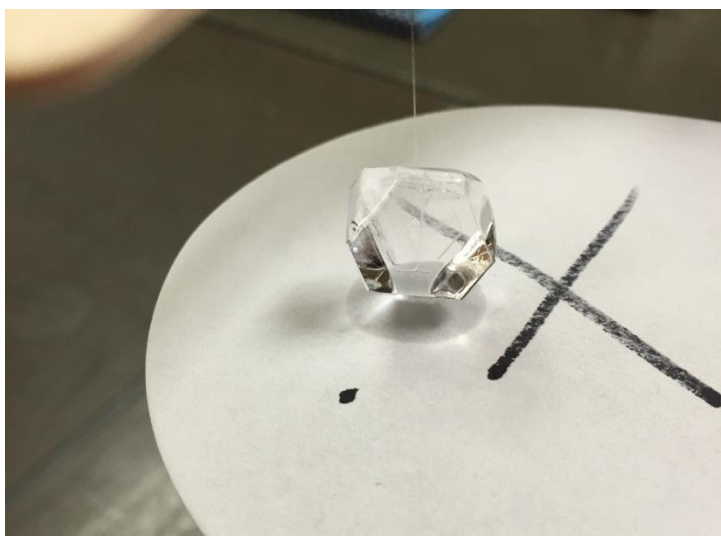
Year 12 Science students will head to CSU Albury at the end of this term for the Science Study Day. These sessions are an absolute essential for students before they undertake their HSC, giving them the opportunity to get expert tips from HSC assessors and markers. It also enables them to interact with other students from the Riverina and see their competition. It is a long day and an early start, but completely worthwhile to increase success in the HSC.

The ICAS Science Competition will be running next week and we wish those students involved all the best.

The Science Club is still going strong and we were so excited to get 25 students in attendance for the Slime Day. As you can see, we had a great (and a bit of a messy) time. Students can make this at home – it is simply cornflour, water and food colouring. Cornflour slime is a non-Newtonian fluid, meaning it acts differently to normal fluids. Try punching the slime to see what happens, and then mix it slowly. We found out last week that we have received a grant for National Science Week activities in August, so watch this space as Miss Dennis' head is spinning with great ideas the whole community can be involved in.

We will leave you with this: 'Never trust an atom, they make up everything.'





***Clockwise from top LHS:***

Radio telescope;  
Growing crystals;  
Getting slimy at Science Club;  
One of the spectacular crystals;  
In the field





Left: Year 8 with their Oreos phases of the moon  
Above: Year 8 space models

## Do you have a barrier or disability? Do you care for someone with a disability?

Ability Links is a new approach to supporting people with a barrier or disability aged 9 to 64 years, and also provides support for families and carers.

Ability Links helps people to understand how every person has a valued role in their community and has the capacity to enjoy a connected life that is meaningful and fulfilling for them.

Our local linkers Wendy and Jenny are based at the Intereach office in Deniliquin, but regularly out and about in the community, and are available to meet at a place of your choice. They assist people to connect to their community by addressing their barriers, discovering their individual passions and planning towards living the life they want to live.

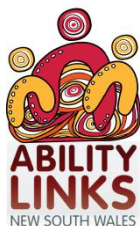
If you or someone you care for lives with a barrier or disability, phone us for a chat. We will support you to explore possibilities, initiate connections and access resources in your community.

### Contact your local Linker

Wendy Johnston or Jenny Bright

**Phone: 03 5890 5200**

[www.intereach.com.au](http://www.intereach.com.au)



Ability Links NSW supports people with disability, their families and carers to live the life they want, as valued members of their community.

It does this through linking people to their community.

Through local Linkers, Ability Links NSW also supports communities to be inclusive.

Ability Links NSW is an initiative of the NSW Governments departments of Family and Community Services, Ageing, Disability and Home Care.

**Contact:** Brooke Daniels  
Deniliquin Local Aboriginal Land Council  
(03) 5881 4891

# Going to University & “Making the Move”

An information evening for Parents & students of Barham High School

On

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2015 at 7pm in the Library**

**Who should attend?** Any interested parents & students from Year 9-12 or earlier.....

**Topics covered** will include;

- Overview of transition issues, hurdles & strategies
- Panel of BHS ex-students “How I made the Move”
- Panel of BHS Parents “Challenges & strategies – How I coped when my child made the move away”



## Are you interested in gaining a qualification in Agriculture – with an irrigation focus?

Riverina Institute of TAFE will be offering a Diploma of Agriculture tailored for young people involved in agriculture in the Murray Irrigation Area in July 2015. It will be delivered over 18 months with a series of workshops, short study tours, farm visits and project work.

In consultation with Industry, the course has been created to give participants the skills and knowledge to build their management expertise while remaining fully engaged with their farming enterprise or existing business. Learning in your local region!

Leading specialists from their fields will present up to date information at the workshops.

Please contact Shandra Simpson on 03 5882 2030 for further information.



## Cross Country

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May the annual school cross country carnival was held at the Gunbower State Forest. A very nice setting saw the serious competitors run first.

The results were as follows:

12 Boys 3km: Sam Cruse 1<sup>st</sup>

13 Girls 3km: Ellie Disher 1<sup>st</sup>, Rhiannon Barr 2<sup>nd</sup>

13 Boys 3km: Ashley Molin, Dempsey Coote 1<sup>st</sup>, Michael Sampson 3<sup>rd</sup>, Leornard McClay 4<sup>th</sup>

14 Girls 4km: Sophie Disher 1<sup>st</sup>

14 Boys 4km: James Lang 1<sup>st</sup>, Matt Hird 2<sup>nd</sup>, Matt Faul 3<sup>rd</sup>, Jack Webb 4<sup>th</sup>

15 Girls 4km: Emma Peters 1<sup>st</sup>, Erin Whelan 2<sup>nd</sup>

15 Boys 4km: Morgan Turvey 1<sup>st</sup>, Tom Guerra 2<sup>nd</sup>

16 Girls 4km: Brittney McInnes 1<sup>st</sup>

16 Boys 6km: Blake Watts 1<sup>st</sup>, Lachlan Lyons 2<sup>nd</sup>, Andrew Buchanan 3<sup>rd</sup>

The rest of the school joined us in their fancy dress to run / walk the 3km course. The themes were:

Year 7: Royalty, Year 8: Reverse Dress, Year 9: Famous Australians, Year 10: Famous Couples, Year 11: The letter "L" and Year 12: Under the Sea.

Thanks to the staff for helping out on the day and to Ms Donnan for her organisation.

The regional carnival will be held in Gundagai on 12<sup>th</sup> June. Good luck to those students competing at the higher level.



Rachel and Olivia working their magic





**MORE CROSS COUNTRY  
PICTURES**







**ARE YOU YOUNG?  
PASSIONATE?  
WANT TO CHANGE  
YOUR COMMUNITY?**

## WE HEAR YOU!

The Foundation for Young Australians is on the look out for young people aged 14-18 who want to Change It Up in their community.

Bring your passion. Spark your ideas. Be heard.

For more information, visit [fya.org.au/changeitup](http://fya.org.au/changeitup)

### EVENT DETAILS:

**Change It Up comes to Mallee Victoria**

**Date:** 16-17th July, 9.30am - 3.00pm

**Where:** Northern District Community Health, 24 Fitzroy St, Kerang

**Register your interest:**

[penelope.scanlan@gannawarra.vic.gov.au](mailto:penelope.scanlan@gannawarra.vic.gov.au)



**CHANGE IT UP**



Change It Up in regional Victoria is a partnership between the Victorian Government and the Foundation for Young Australians that supports young people in rural and regional Victoria to make positive changes in their community.

## Cohuna Careers Expo

**Date:** Friday 29th May

**Time:** 10.30am – 2.00pm

**Location:** Cohuna Secondary College - ECA Centre

**All community members  
WELCOME**



For more information or to participate please contact Melisa Sincok or Sharon Anderson in the Careers Room at Cohuna Secondary College by: Email: [cohuna.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:cohuna.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au) Phone: 5456 2555.