



BALD BLAIR

PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS

Term 1: Week 10

8 April 2022

DATES TO REMEMBER

- **Monday 25 April**
ANZAC Day Parade, Guyra
- **Wednesday 27 April**
First day Term 2
- **Wednesday 4 May**
Finlayson's Sports Day
- **Thursday 12 May**
Transition to Kindergarten begins
- **6 June – 8 June**
Year 4, 5 & 6 Excursion
- **Friday 17 June**
N/W PSSA Cross Country
- **Friday 1 July**
Last day term 2



Principal's Message

Ros Edwards

The weeks have absolutely flown by, and we are already at the end of Term One. Thankfully, this term, our students have been able to participate in regular school activities, uninterrupted, for a whole term! Our swimming carnival was way back in Week Two, followed by the PSSA Zone swimming carnival. The sportsmanship that our students demonstrated was absolutely outstanding.

We have had tennis coach, Brandon Burey, back at Bald Blair for Term One, providing specialist coaching for every student. Congratulations goes out to Isabella Purvis for her selection in the State Tennis Carnival in Sydney next term.

We have been fortunate to welcome the Paws Up team to our school this term. Paws Up is a program that has been designed to support mindfulness and wellbeing in school-aged students. The program involves a team of dogs coming into the school and providing opportunities for our students to connect with the dogs and read out loud in a safe, supporting environment. Research has shown that reading out loud gives students the opportunity to develop their reading fluency; it gives sharpened focus, improves vocabulary, increases comprehension, strengthens listening skills, and promotes curiosity in the reader. Reading to the dogs has built confidence in our students and at the same time has allowed them to be truly soft and show compassion. They demonstrated kindness towards the dogs and each other through the program.

Next term promises to be just as busy as this term. NAPLAN will be held over Weeks Three and Four, with this year being the first year Bald Blair has gone online for the testing. We also have an excursion planned for Year Four, Five and Six to Lake Keepit from the 6th to the 8th of June. More information will be forthcoming at the beginning of Term Two.

Have a wonderful holiday. Please travel safe if you are going away. I'll see you all in Term Two.

Ros

ANZAC Day March 25 April at Guyra

Our school will be participating in the ANZAC Day March in Guyra. We encourage all students to take part in the day. Meet at Fourways service centre at 10am.

Finlayson's Sports Day – Wednesday 4 May.

This will be held in Week 2 of next term. Details will be sent home in Week 1.

Piano Lessons

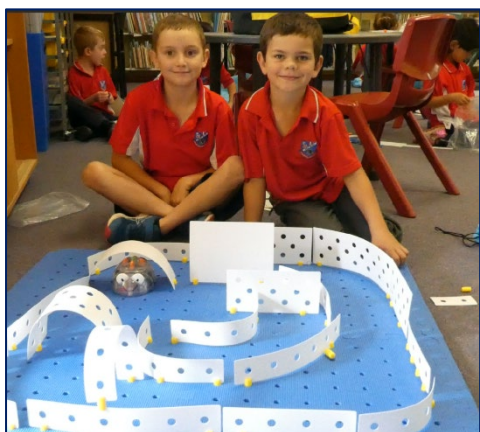
We have been contacted by Georgena Cooper who is providing piano lessons in the Guyra area in your own home. You would need either a piano, electric keyboard or organ. Available for all ages, children and adults. If you would like further details please Contact Georgena 0434 649 625.

Digital Classroom Officer

Mrs Purvis has taken on the role of Digital Classroom Officer as part of the Rural Access Gap program. This program is funded by the NSW Government to provide support and training for regional and remote schools in NSW to close the technology gap between rural and metropolitan schools. As part of this role, Mrs Purvis works with staff and students to support their upskilling in technology.



Aidan and Claudia with the Kinazium maze they created for their bee bot to navigate through.



Brantley & Noah with their completed maze ready to program their bee bot.

These mazes are part of the Bee Bot resources the school purchased with our UNICEF Grant that we received.



Kindergarten 2022

Welcome to our four kindergarten students Allanah Jackson, Jaidee Masuk-Purvis, Willow Cruickshank & Sadie MacDougall.



PSSA Swimming Carnival Relay Team



Congratulation Isabella on your selection in the State Tennis Carnival in Sydney in Term 2.



Term 1 Assembly

Congratulations to our students who received awards at yesterday's assembly. It was pleasing to see so many students receiving the attendance award. Attendance awards were presented to students achieving 95% and above. Any COVID absences were not counted. Each student receives a certificate and voucher at Guyra Café.



Kindergarten – Year 1 Award Recipients



Year 2 – 4 Award Recipients



Year 5 – 6 Award Recipients



Presentation of Year 6 Badges by parents

Easter Hat Parade Fun

Congratulations to students (and parents) on some wonderful Easter hat creations.





Birthday's

We have had several students celebrate their birthday this term.

Happy Birthday to Jaidee Masuk-Purvis, Sydnee Everett, Harriet & Emily Ulrick, Grace Schaefer, Cruz & Ruby Little, Alby & Clem McKemey, Emily Campion, Isabella Purvis, Claudia Evans & Abbey Grills.

2022 Cross Country



Paws Up Program

