Bulahdelah CENTRAL SCHOOL

Strive to Achieve Term 4 Week 10 6 December, 2021

February

- 1 Years 1-6 Year 7, 11 & 12 Term 1, 2022
- 2 Kindergarten Years 8, 9 & 10 Term 1, 2022





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Primary Captains



Carly Green (Vice Captain), Lucy Mohring (Captain), Ashton Sinclair (Captain), Jada Hall (Vice Captain)



REL. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

It seems incredible to me that this is the last newsletter for 2021 and that the Christmas break is just around the corner. Our school is a very busy place at the

moment as we undertake our presentation days, formal assemblies and formals. It is report season too, our Primary reports were distributed on Friday and our Secondary reports go out this week.

It is a time to celebrate beginnings and endings. We have welcomed our incoming Kindergarten and Year 7 cohorts into Bulahdelah Central School in the past weeks with successful transition days. It was lovely to see all the students enjoying their time in their new schooling environments and the smiling happy faces as they participated in the activities that were planned for them. This week we say our final goodbyes to Year 12 at our Year 12 final assembly and formal - we wish you all the best for your futures, may you lead lives that make you happy. I have no doubt that staff here will follow your futures with keen interest. Make sure you keep in touch.

We also say goodbye to several staff members at the end of this year Mathew Pont, Luke Williams, Julia Boughton and Talara Morris are moving on from our lovely school. Thank you all for your contributions to Bulahdelah Central School.

Finally, I'd like to wish you, our school community, a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy holiday. See you in 2022. *Melissa Parrotta - Relieving Principal*



THE WAIT IS OVER!

Bulahdelah Central School is excited to announce a new initiative to communicate with parents and carers. Our school will be using the platform Sentral Parent Portal App to engage with parents. The Sentral for Parents App allows families to;

- View academic reports.
- Explain past & upcoming student absences.
- Message your child's classroom teacher.
- View calendar events.
- Receive Sick Bay notifications.
- View School newsletters.
- View School documents & forms.
- Give permission for school activities.

In the coming days an email will be sent to all parents and carers with your log in key and instructions on how to access the App.

I am confident that you will see the benefits of your registration immediately and be part of our journey in providing this facility to you.

As we implement this initiative, I am confident that the Parent Portal App will become more and more significant in your day to day management of your child's enrolment at our school.

Please phone the school if you need any assistance. *Melissa Parrotta - Relieving Principal*

Experience the new Sentral for Parents App

We've listened, and reinvented. Our new school engagement app has been developed to help you stay connected and informed about your child's education.

Discover the possibilities and download the app today.

To get started visit: www.sentral.com.au/our-products/parents



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Today, we are thrilled to announce the launch of our NEW school engagement app

The app and the parent portal can now be easily accessed with one Parent ID, and you'll also find numerous smart features, some of which are highlighted below.

New app highlights include:

Simple registration and login for parents

• Parents will be able to log in with credentials from the parent portal. For new users without a parent-portal account, they can easily create one in the app to log in.

Streamlined smart features tailored to parents devices

- Student absence notification. Parents can take action immediately within the app, to mark an absence and provide explanations/reasons etc.
- Newsfeed items are actionable and listed based on the parents' preferences.
- · Seamless opening of PDF files and attachments.

A systematic newsfeed. Relevant, reliable, actionable

• Parents can now filter information and see prioritised and relevant items highlighted.

Messaging feature

- It's never been so easy for parents and teachers to stay connected with Sentral's new in-app messaging feature. Messages will be divided in sequence, based on conversation subject-matter, and parents will be able to save time by responding directly within the app.
- Uploading documents and viewing PDF attachments has also been simplified.

A modern and user-centric interface, tailored to your school

• Parents will experience simple and efficient navigation, and a streamlined design to match the school's identity.

To get started, please click here:

GET STARTED



To make the most of your Sentral for Parents App, keep the FAQ's handy as they'll help to get you started. We're confident you'll find the app a great support and we look forward to contributing to a thriving school community.

Discover the possibilities.

Visit sentral.com.au





Bulahdelah Central School would like to share with you some exciting news. Early next year we will be partnering with Yondr to make our school a phone free environment.

Yondr has been used across the world in thousands of schools, as well as at concerts, comedy shows, businesses, camps, weddings and special events of all kinds. One of our goals, in engaging with this system, is to maximise classroom learning time and to also promote appropriate social interaction between students at the school. We believe that mobile phones have great utility. Research has also found that learning and social behaviour improve drastically when students are fully engaged with their teachers and classmates.

The Yondr Program employs a simple, lockable pouch that stores a mobile phone. Every student will secure their phone in a personally assigned Yondr pouch when they arrive at school. Students will maintain possession of their phones and will not use them until their pouches are opened at the end of the school day. Students are required to bring their Yondr pouch to and from school (even if they decide to leave their phones at home) each day and are responsible for their pouch at all times.

Further details will be released early next year. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school directly.

In an effort to best serve your child, we appreciate your full support in adoption of the Yondr Program at our school. *Melissa Parrotta - Relieving Principal*

HOW IT WORKS



1. CASE

As students enter the phone-free space, they will place their phone in a Yondr case.



2. LOCK

Once inside, the case will lock. Students keep their phones throughout the day.



3. UNLOCK

To unlock the case, tap it on any teacher or administrator's unlocking base.

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This Christmas we wish that all your hopes and desires come true. May the Christmas magic make all your aspirations and dreams real.

As you relish the goodies, decorate every nook and corner of your home and enjoy the get-togethers...

May the joy and festivities continue to radiate in your lives, long after Christmas is gone. Merry Christmas! Happy New Year!

> From the staff of Bulahdelah Central, Merry Christmas!



2021 Major Awards



Saxon Bramble Attendance Award Sportsperson of the Year



Sally Curnow CWA Student of the Year Federal Members Award Indigenous Student of the Year



Angus Devon Sportsperson of the Year



Josh Little Attendance Award



Indianna McDonald BCS Endeavour Award Reuben F Scarf Award



Khloe Middleton Attendance Award BCS Commitment Award



Shona Miller Principal's Medallion



Kalani Minns Attendance Award BCS Endeavor Award Matt Smith Award



Seleana Murphy ADF Long Tan Award Attendance Award Federal Member's Award UON Vice-Chancellors Scholarship Principal's Medallion SRC Recognition Award



Patrick Nickle Ampol Best All Rounder BCS Commitment Award



Brandon Price Principal's Award



Annie Sullivan ADF Future Innovators Award PRIDE Medallion Principal's Medallion

2021 Major Awards		
ADF Future Innovators Award	Awarded to a student who has demonstrated a high-level of motivation in a STEM learning area (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics). The award also recongises strong personal values, and highlights the value of STEM skills and STEM career opportunities in Defence.	
ADF Long Tan Award	Awarded to a student who has demonstrated outstanding leadership and teamwork within both the school and community environments. The award also recognises strong values such as doing one's best, respect for others and mateship.	
Ampol Best All Rounder	Awarded to a student who has excelled across multiple areas, which could include academic, leadership, cultural or sport. The award also recognises school and community service and exemplary conduct.	
BCS Attendance Award	Awarded in recognition of maintaining an outstanding level of attendance during the year.	
BCS Commitment Award	Awarded to a student who has shown a determined approach to their studies and who always strives to achieve at their best. It recognises consistent effort and improvement throughout the final two years of schooling.	
BCS Endeavour Award	Presented to a student who has performed with merit in the classroom, shown a determined approach to their studies and applied themselves with consistency throughout their secondary schooling.	
BCS PRIDE Medallion	Awarded to the Year 12 student who achieved the highest number of positive entries in the School Merit System during the 2021 academic year.	
CWA Hospitality Student of the Year	Awarded in recognition of excellence and commitment in the Senior Hospitality Course.	
Federal Member's School Community Service Award	Awarded to a student who has made a significant contribution to the school and wider community through participation, leadership, initiative, volunteering or any other area.	
Indigenous Student of the Year	The award recognises the achievements of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander student during their final year of schooling. The student will have also shown a positive approach to their studies and served as a role model for all students.	
Matt Smith Award	Presented in memory of 2011 BCS School Captain, Matthew Smith. Awarded to a student who has displayed outstanding commitment and determination in Music and/or Drama and a willingness to help others.	
Mid Coast Connect VET Student of the Year	Awarded in recognition of excellence and commitment in a Vocational Education and Training Course.	
Principal's Award	Awarded in recognition of outstanding service to the school community. This year's award acknowledges expectational innovation, commitment and technical support provided to staff and students in the digital technology field.	
Principal's PRIDE Medallion	Awarded to students who achieve the highest level in the School Merit System, reflecting outstanding commitment to the BCS PRIDE Values.	
Reuben F Scarf Commitment Award	Awarded in recognition of demonstrating a consistent high-level of application to studies and a continual desire to improve. The award reflects the belief that with hard work, persistence and dedication, all goals are achievable.	
Sportsperson of the Year	Awarded in recognition of exceptional performance, outstanding sportsmanship and personal commitment in school sporting events.	
SRC Recognition Award	Awarded to a student who has consistently demonstrated the BCS PRIDE Values of Participation, Respect, Innovation, Determination and Excellence. The award also recognises qualities of responsibility, compassion and trustworthiness.	
University of Newcastle Vice Chancellor's Scholarship	The award includes a \$2000 scholarship to support a gifted Year 12 student who intend to enroll at the University of Newcastle in the year following their Higher School Certificate.	

Welcome Year 7 to BCS



On Wednesday, 1 December Bulahdelah Central School welcomed our incoming Year 7 students for Orientation Day. 48 Students attended including 17 from Tea Gardens, 6 from Booral, 1 from Bungwahl and 1 from St Josephs. The day started with some interactive activities which gave the students a chance to get to know each other. This was followed by some fun lessons in Geography, Art and PDHPE (Personal Development, Health & Physical Education). After a sausage sizzle for lunch and some time to play games the students were given their welcome packs for next year. We look forward to seeing them all next year. A special thanks to those who helped on the day. James Vriesinga and Jessica Amos - Year 7 Advisors















Art students from Year 7

These are some of the paintings Year 7 students created for The Scary Things Unit. The imagery is meant to be scary, but not violent. Students use their imagination to create a tonal painting that demonstrates their understanding of perspective. *Sue Cross - Visual Art Teacher*







Art students from Year 9

used various media to create fabulous Steam Punk masks.

Steam Punk artworks are reflective of the Industrial Age. Students used plastic masks and cardboard cogs, wheels, chains and badges to make masks. These were painted in metallic colours to enhance the connection to machinery.

Hannah's Steam Punk 'Rabbit' mask was inspired by the White Rabbit from Alice in Wonderland. The clock parts add a deeper layer to the meaning of the mask. *Sue Cross - Visual Art Teacher*





















DEPUTY PRINCIPAL INSTRUCTIONAL LEADER:

Thank You!

A school does not successfully function without the support of parents and the community. To

every one of you, thank you for supporting your children and our school staff throughout 2021. A very different year for us all!

Congratulations to all our wonderful students who have been working tirelessly to achieve their personal best, not only inside the classroom, but also with learning at home.

We wish all of you a wonderful Christmas and a happy New Year and look forward to having you back with us all in 2022.

To our graduating students of Year 6 2021, we wish you all the best in your future endeavours. Follow your dreams and aspirations, learn from mistakes, and strive to be the best you can be. Remember us fondly, as Primary school teachers have a habit of following the future pathways of students they have taught.

Primary Captains 2022

Firstly, I would like to acknowledge the outgoing 2021 Primary School Captains on the wonderful job they did throughout 2021. Nothing was ever an effort for Grace McRae, Lasey Baggins-Cupitt, Salome Reitsma and Jaydah Cassar. They led our Primary school area with strength, determination, and a sense of fun. You were great role models for all our students and represented our school with pride and respect. Thank you, girls.

Congratulations to our incoming Captains for 2022 Lucy Mohring and Ashton Sinclair. Our Vice Captains are Jada Hall and Carly Green. This year saw 9 students nominate for these positions, and I must say each of those nominees were worthy students for these roles. They should be proud of their commitment to BCS as well.

Police PRIDE Award and Pizza Voucher Winners Our final PRIDE Awards Winners are:

Police Pride Award – Scarlett Ray. Scarlett receives this prestigious award in recognition of her aptitude and enthusiasm to all school activities. She displays empathy for others and is willing to assist when required, no matter the job or circumstance. Congratulations Scarlett!

Our 3 Lady Jane Pizza Voucher winners for the past 3 weeks are:

Year 1	Jordana Gordon
Year 4	Joshua Gordon
	Jobe Watson

These 3 students are receiving this recognition for their demonstration of our PRIDE values— Participation, Respect, Innovation, Determination and Excellence, consistently every day. Congratulations to all of you!



Gardening Club

Each Tuesday and Thursday at lunch time, Sofie Dorney has been taking a group of enthusiastic young students down to our vege patch. This activity has provided students with an opportunity to socialise with others and build their knowledge about vegetables and gardening in general. It has been wonderful to see them munching away at products they have harvested (washed first of course). I looked forward each week to seeing what was ripe and ready!

Thank you also to our wonderful General Assistant John Barry, who also assisted with the garden bed preparation and shared his gardening knowledge as well with the students.

Primary Presentation Assembly

Last Friday the Primary Presentation Day Assembly was held under the COLA, for students and staff only.

A big thank you to Hayley Nicholson for her organisation of this assembly, which ran very smoothly. Congratulations to all the award recipients on your achievements in 2021. Well done!

Thank you Sheree Robards for the certificate and book organisation prior to this day. We appreciate your behind-the-scenes contribution very much! *Debbie Booth*



Primary Special Awards



Grace McRae Citizenship Award



Seth Pringle Numeracy Award



Nikita Wheaton CWA Award



Kai Harvey Literacy Award



Jasper Gibbs Jack Ireland Award



Jack Murray Bulahdelah Lions Club Award



Mark Whalan NSW Premier's Sporting Award



Claire Tufrey Indigenous Student of the Year

PRIDE Medallions



Porsha Hosey



Ella Kent



Kaylee Hearne



Abbiegail Ray



Lachlan Murray



Salome Reitsma



Lasey Baggins-Cupitt Girl Sportsperson of the Year



Isaac Redman Boy Sportsperson of the Year

Class Awards

Kindergarten
Academic Achievement
Olivia Styles
Most Improved
Lexie Pollock
Citizenship
Kalel Davis
PRIDE
Porsha Hosey
Year K/1G
Academic Achievement
Florence Dawes
Most Improved
J-Lee Lawrence
Citizenship
Nelly Raines
PRIDE
Ella Kent
Year 2D
Academic Achievement
Seth Best
Most Improved
Alissa Stokes
Citizenship
Abbie Cassar
PRIDE
Kaylee Hearne







Class Awards









Year 3/4OcD

Academic Achievement

Mia Garemyn

Emmett Sinclair

Most Improved

Anna-Lynne Styles

Citizenship

Annabelle Smith

PRIDE

Abbiegail Ray

Year 4/5P

Academic Achievement

Andrew Kent

Jordan Brown

Most Improved

Alexis King

Citizenship

Kyan Driver

PRIDE

Lachlan Murray

Year 6N

Academic Achievement

Henry O'Connell

Most Improved

Nikita Wheaton

Citizenship

Grace McRae

PRIDE

Salome Reitsma



Bronze Award

Presented to

Kindergarten	K/1G	2D	6N	D Shie
Abbie Carter	Jasmine Carter	Ruby Abraham	Lasey Baggins-Cupitt	Silver Award
Kalel Davis	Florence Dawes	Billy Buchanan	Jaydah Cassar (x 3)	Kaylee Hearne
Porsha Hosey	Riley Dixon	Madison Lyons	Sophie (x 2)	Jaxon Styles
Charlotte Lyons	James Gairns (2)		Jasper Gibbs (x 3)	Levi Cassar
Lacie Masters	Jordana Gordon	3/4OcD	Braith Jenner	Jaydah Cassar
Benjamin Mercer	Harlow Johnston	Levi Cassar	Charlie Matheson (x 2)	Jasper Gibbs
Wayde Morgan	Ella Kent	Cody Loveday	Grace McRae	Charlie Mathesor
Bruno Nelson-Marshall	Keeton Lane	Annabelle Smith	Joseph Mohring (x 2)	Henry O'Connell
Levi Nichols	J-Lee Lawrence		Henry O'Connell (x 6)	Riley Smith
Sophii-Lee-Lee Parnell	Louisa McMahon	4/5P	Seth Pringle	Nikita Wheaton
Lexie Pollock	Adam Mohring	Brooke Callaghan	Scarlet Ray	
Oliver Ray	Wade Pringle	Kyan Driver	Isaac Redman (x 2)	
Billie Styles	Nelly Raines	Jada Hall	Salome Reitsma	Gold Award
Olivia Styles	Sophia Smith	Cooper Johnson	Riley Smith (x 3)	Henry O'Connell
Ava Walkinshaw	Aleah Stokes	Lucy Mohring	Mindy Sullivan	U
Calissa Williams	Lola Styles	Ashton Sinclair	Claire Tufrey	
	Emily Swain	Henry Whitelaw	Lara Uzun	BOTA

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Nikita Wheaton

Rory Wiseman



New South Wales School Holidays

A service for parents, teachers and students

TERM	START DATE	FINISH DATE
TERM 1	Friday, 28 January 2022	Friday, 8 April 2022
TERM 2	Tuesday, 26 April 2022	Friday, 1 July 2022
TERM 3	Monday, 18 July 2022	Friday, 23 September 2022
TERM 4	Monday, 10 October 2022	Tuesday, 20 December 2022



RESUMPTION DATES FOR STUDENTS

TERM 1 2022 ARE:

Tuesday, 1 February Years 1-6 Years 7, 11 & 12

Wednesday, 2 February Kindergarten Years 8, 9, 10

GREAT NEWS

We've just been awarded a Woolworths Junior Landcare Grant!

We've been successful with our application for a 2021 Woolworths Junior Landcare Grant for our project, Primary Gardeners. We have been busy preparing soil, composting, learning about companion planting and growing our own food. We would like to thank John Barry (General Assistant) and all the Primary staff who have made this such a fun project.

All K-6 Primary students have been given the opportunity to work in the garden, during Term 4, to learn skills for producing food.

Bulahdelah Central school is one of 1,609 primary schools and early learning centres throughout Australia receiving a Woolworths Junior Landcare grant to help grow our next generation of environmental champions.

The grants are being funded with a \$0.10 contribution from each sale of the Woolworths Bag for Good at full price, which was launched in 2018 when Woolworths went single-use plastic bag free.

The students and teachers are thoroughly enjoying this project and we hope you enjoy the photos of our progress. *Jackie O'Connell - Primary Teacher*

Help grow the next generation of environmental champions











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School Uniform

Bulahdelah Central has a strict code of conduct on uniform through the endorsement of the School Executive and the P&C. Consequently students are expected to wear a uniform each day at school. The vast majority of students wear their uniform with pride. We believe a uniform:

- encourages a sense of belonging
- gives everyone equality in dress
- can help develop a pride in appearance
- is an economic way of clothing children for school
- helps promote a positive school image.

School polo shirts, sports shirts, primary shorts, hats and school hooded jumpers can be purchased from Lowes either Online or in store at Raymond Terrace.

Primary Uniform

- BCS polo shirt
- Navy shorts or track pants
- Checked dress
- BCS hooded jumper
- BCS hat
- White socks
- Approved black shoes

Secondary Uniform

Girls

For summer, girls can wear either a navy blue pleated skirt or school shorts. For winter, girls have the option of wearing school track pants or the skirt with the school shirt. Excessive jewellery and makeup is discouraged.

Boys

Boys can wear navy blue school shorts or school tracksuit pants, with the school polo shirt.

These items can be purchased from Lowes either Online or instore at Raymond Terrace.

Koori Shirts

This polo shirt is provided by the school to all K-12 students. If you need to order one for 2022, please

contact Michelle Gray. The shirt features a dot painting of the Alum Mountain from a painting by local Worimi artist, Pauline Syron-Coxon. This shirt is worn on Fridays and other nominated special occasions.



Shoes part of school uniform

What is **DEFINITELY NOT** accepted

- Ballet style shoes
- Slip on/laced shoes that do not cover the full foot
- Thin canvas Raben shoes

These do not comply at all with any OH&S or chemical safety regulations about footwear. They give little foot support, sole traction, stability or protection.







2021/2022

BULAHDELAH CENTRAL SCHOOL

PRIMARY ALL SEASON UNIFORM		RRP
	K-6 Polo Sky/Navy/White With Emblem	\$36.95
	Navy Microfibre Shorts With Embroidery	\$32.95
	Navy Track Pants With Embroidery	\$49.95
	Navy & White Hoodie With Embroidery	\$52.95
	Navy Hat with Logo	\$19.95
SPORTS PO	DLO K-12	
	Sports Polo Royal & White With Emblem	\$32.95
HIGH SCHO	OOL ALL SEASON UNIFORM	
	7-12 Polo White/Navy/Sky With Emblem	\$36.95
	Navy Microfibre Shorts With Embroidery	\$32.95
	Navy Track Pants With Embroidery	\$49.95
	Navy & White Hoodie With Embroidery	\$52.95
	Navy Hat with Logo	\$19.95

ALL PRICES ARE SUBJECT TO ALTERATION





"May this Christmas end the present year on a cheerful note and make way for a fresh and bright New Year. Here's wishing you a **Merry Christmas**."

