

Barooga Public School *Newsletter*



Term 4, Week 11

Tuesday 13th December 2022

Important Dates

Wednesday 14 th December	Class Parties and Year 6 End of Year Fun Day
Thursday 15 th December	Talent Fest
Friday 16 th December	Students last day of school
Tuesday 31 st January 2023	First day back for students

Carols by Candlelight



On Sunday evening the Barooga School Choir performed at the Barooga Botanical Gardens Carols by Candlelight. They sang 'Carol of the Birds', 'Christmas on the Station' and 'Santa Bring Me a Dinosaur' as well as the Barooga Public School song. Everyone sang beautifully, even if they were a little nervous in front of the huge crowd! Thank you to the organisers and sponsors of this wonderful family event. Thank you also to our P&C volunteers who helped out on the night.

Karina Peake and Mary Swoffer

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Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Carers

PRESENTATION DAY

We had perfect weather for last week's Presentation Day and it was wonderful to see so many guests come to support our school. We celebrated the achievements and successes of many of our students and Tahlia Dyson and Charlie Noonan were announced as School Captains for 2023. The P&C recognised the work of Renae Riedell who has been the P&C Treasurer for many years, Lyn Mountney, our wonderful community member who contributes many voluntary hours to the school, and Marcia Nolan who was awarded Life Membership for her outstanding contributions to the school over many years. Congratulations to all - these special presentations are well-deserved. The formal presentations were finished off with the drawing of the major raffle which was won by Finn Nolan. Thank you to all of our sponsors, honourable guests, families and community members who attended this very special day.

NEW FLAG POLES

You may have noticed our three new flag poles at the front of the school. We will be flying the Australian National, the Australian Aboriginal and the Torres Strait Islander flags on our new poles. The 2023 captains, Tahlia and Charlie, will learn Australian flag protocols and how to fly the flags correctly. They will then teach next year's senior SRC members so that the flags can be taken down and stored over holidays and weekends.

END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES

Class parties and the Year 6 end of year fun day will be held tomorrow, Wednesday 14th December. The Talent Fest is on Thursday 15th December. The last day for students is Friday 16th December and school resumes for students on 31st January 2023.

As you know I will be taking extended leave for most of next year before retiring. Barooga Public School is a fantastic school. I am very proud to have been a part of the school for the past seven years and to have been Relieving Principal for 2022. I would like to thank everyone within the school community—the students, parents, carers, teaching staff, non-teaching staff and the broader community for their support during my time at BPS. I know you will all extend a warm welcome and the same support to Mr Collins in 2023.

I hope you all have a Merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Year.

Wendy Davis, Relieving Principal



*This morning
students enjoyed
spending some time
in their new 2023
classes*



2022 Swimming Program

Our two weeks of swimming has concluded and it was very successful. It was wonderful to see the progress each child made and the confidence they gained in the water. The children also received a great deal of instruction on water safety and were able to practise many of these skills. Each child who participated in the program will receive a certificate stating their achievements in the pool. I would like to thank our swimming teachers: Di Lennox, Marcia Nolan, Donna Ciccone, Amy McGuiness, Jo Cameron, Mary Swoffer and Karina Peake. Their efforts in supporting and encouraging the children were very much appreciated. We are also very fortunate to have the financial support of Murray Irrigation Limited and we're very grateful for their sponsorship to enable our children to participate in a 'Learn to Swim' program which has a heavy focus on water safety. We thank Murray Irrigation for their continued support. Congratulations to all the children who have participated over the past two weeks.

Teena Crestani, Swimming Coordinator



Our School Canteen will
be closed on Class Party Day
Wednesday 14th December

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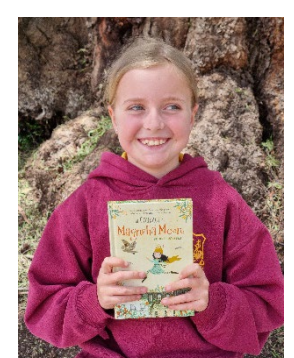
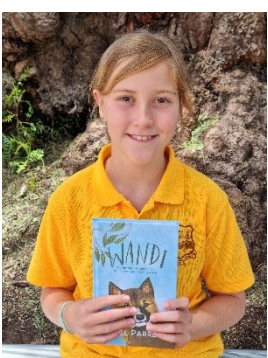
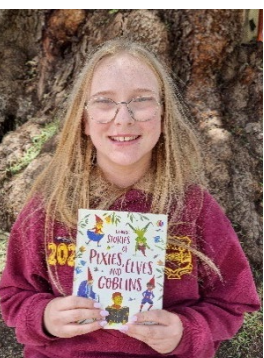
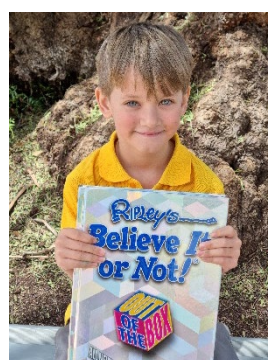
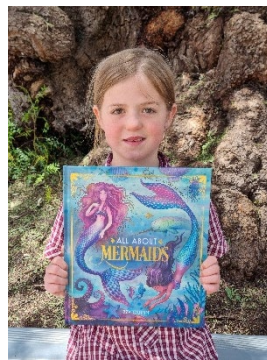
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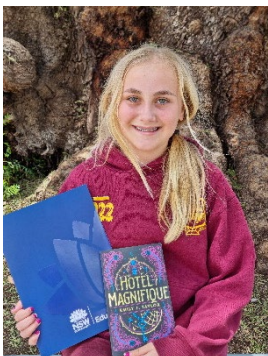
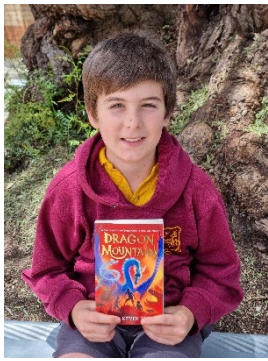
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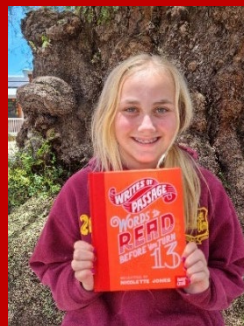
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PAIGE RIEDELL

BPS P&C Award
For Academic
Excellence -
DUX



PAIGE RIEDELL

Barooga Sports
Club
You Can Do It!
Award



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Transition to
High School
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TAHLIA DYSON
and
CHARLIE NOONAN

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P&C Presentations

Congratulations to Marcia Nolan for being made a life member of P&C for her many years of service. Lyn Mountney and Renae Riedell were recognised for their contributions to the School over many years. We also thanked Margie for her time running the school canteen, and farewelled our Principal, Mrs Wendy Davis, who will be retiring at the end of the year.



RAFFLE WINNER!

The lucky winner of our major raffle of a Toro ride on lawn mower was Finn Nolan!



Our 2023 School Captains, Tahlia and Charlie, practising their flagpole and school sign responsibilities for next year.



*Wishing all our Barooga Public School families,
staff and volunteers a
Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays*



Happy Holidays to the Barooga Community!



*As we head into the holiday break, it is a good time to check in on the state of your home loan.
We are a free service, with access to 40 lenders.*

Rates we are currently achieving:

Owner Occupier: **4.49%**

Investment: **4.79%**

Refinance Rebates: Up to \$5,000

I am available throughout the Christmas break and into the new year if you would like to talk



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Dear Parents and Carers

Premier's Back to School NSW program to get your kids ready for back to school

As we prepare for another year of learning in 2023, you can now apply for the Premier's Back to School NSW program, offering \$150 worth of vouchers (3 x \$50 vouchers) to help pay for school supplies like school uniforms, shoes, bags, textbooks and stationery.

Every primary and secondary school student in NSW is eligible for the vouchers.

Please read the attached letter from the Premier about the program and the vouchers.

You can apply for and access your vouchers in your MyServiceNSW account, in the Service NSW app, by calling Service NSW on 137788 or by visiting your local Service Centre.

To be eligible, your child needs to be a NSW resident and enrolled in a NSW primary or secondary school in 2023.

For more information, visit [Back to School NSW Vouchers](#) | [Service NSW](#).

Kind regards,

Mrs Wendy Davis
Relieving Principal



Dominic Perrottet MP
Premier of New South Wales



Dear Parents,

As the 2022 school year draws to a close, I wanted to thank you and all parents, students and teachers for your extraordinary efforts this year.

I also want to let you know about a new program that will ease pressure on household budgets by helping to pay for your children's school supplies at the start of the next school year.

From 12 December 2022, NSW parents can access a \$150 Premier's Back to School NSW Voucher for each child in primary school, secondary school or home-schooling in 2023.

Vouchers can go towards the cost of school uniforms, shoes, bags, textbooks, or stationery purchased from registered businesses. You can apply for the vouchers via the Service NSW app, and for more information, visit service.nsw.gov.au, call 13 77 88 or attend a Service NSW Centre.

This new program is part of our plan to give families a more secure financial start to the year.

It has been fantastic to see so many students back in the classroom and thriving in 2022 after so many disruptions, and 2023 is shaping up to be an even bigger year for education in NSW.

We're rolling out a new, back-to-basics curriculum; making changes so students are even better prepared for employment and further education; doing more to recognise and reward our best teachers; and making it easier for parents to connect with your children's education.

It's all about taking those important steps to make NSW education the best it can be, so we can set up our children for future success.

Thank you again for all your efforts this year. I wish you and your family a safe and happy summer - and don't forget to download your Premier's Back to School NSW Voucher from 12 December.

Yours sincerely,

Dominic Perrottet MP
Premier

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Years 3-6 Supplies

As part of developing independence and organisation skills, children in Years 3-6 bring their own equipment to school. The following are items recommended to assist your child in being organised for school. Also included is an optional list for items you can bring if you wish.

Recommendations

- Pencil case
- 4x grey lead pencils
- Sharpener
- Eraser
- 30cm ruler (wood or plastic, no metal)
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Coloured pencils
- Textas
- Library bag
- Headphones
- 2x blue pens (Years 4-6)
- 1x red pen (Years 4-6)
- Water bottle

Optional extras

- Highlighters (preferably yellow, pink, blue and green)
- Pair of gardening gloves (for garden lessons)
- Sunscreen (provided by the school, but if your child has allergies, please send your own)
- Small calculator (school has, but it can be handy to have your own - we start developing calculator skills in later primary)
- Computer mouse (if desired)

Please make sure all items are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Throughout the year, these items often need to be restocked. Please check before school goes back each term if your child has everything they need.

Thank you

Years 3-6 Classroom Teachers