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WHAT'S ON?

Wed 16.10.13	Stage 3 to Canberra – return Frid
Mon 21.10.13	Book Club orders due
Thu 24.10.13	Netball Gala Day School Starters Playgroup in Hall 9.15am to 10.45am
Frid 25.10.13	Trivia Night 6.30pm

It is with sadness that we share the news that one of our Balgownie families has lost their father. Matt Mercieca passed away on the weekend leaving three children, Dominik, Levi and Zoe and his wife Kim. Our thoughts are with the family at this very difficult time. The funeral is tomorrow 10:30am at St Mary's Star of the Sea in Gerringong.

Entry to Government Selective High Schools for Year 7 in 2015 Application is required by mid November 2013 for parents or carers of Year 5 students who wish their children to be considered for placement in Year 7 at a selective high school in 2015.

Parents with internet access are requested to apply online which will be available from 15 October to 18 November 2013. Application information is available on the Department's internet at:
www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement

For parents without internet access a limited number of paper application forms will be from 22 October 2013. Paper applications must be submitted to the student's school principal by 18 November 2013.

All students seeking Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2015 will be required to take the Selective High School Placement Test on the morning of Thursday 13 March 2014.

IF YOUR CHILD HAS ANAPHYLAXIS SHOULD HE OR SHE CARRY THEIR OWN EPIPEN® OR ANAPEN® TO AND AT SCHOOL?

If your child has been diagnosed by a doctor as being at

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risk of anaphylaxis there are some important things to remember that will help the school to support your child's health care needs. The school can only respond to risks it knows about. Please keep us informed so that we can plan to support your child at school.

It is also important to regularly talk with your child about when and where they are at risk of contact with the things they are allergic to and how to avoid this. If you have told them not to take part in sharing food at school, regularly remind them of this. Reassure them that if they do come into contact with something they are allergic to or they feel unwell at school they won't get into trouble.

They need to tell a teacher immediately.

Consider whether your child should carry their own EpiPen® or asthma relieving medication. If your child has been diagnosed with anaphylaxis or asthma, you can request that they carry their own EpiPen® or reliever to school and at school. This is probably most suitable for our Year Five and Six students. A request form has been sent home with Stage Three students.

If you request that your child carry an EpiPen® or asthma relieving medication with them to school and at school you will still need to provide the school with at least one additional EpiPen® or asthma relieving medication for storage in a central location within the school and for access by staff in an emergency. The school will contact you about any request you make for your son or daughter to carry their own EpiPen® or asthma relieving medication.

Why does the school need to know if your son or daughter is carrying their own EpiPen® or asthma reliever ?

Staff need to know your child carries an EpiPen® or asthma reliever in an emergency. For this reason this information will be included in your child's individual health care plan. They also need to be able to find it quickly so it is important that it be in an easily identifiable and accessible spot (eg. not a locker). To find out more

Email: balgownie-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

www.balgownie-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

P&C: www.balgowniepnc.com



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go to the Department's public schools website:
<http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/studentsupport/studenthealth/conditions/anaphylaxis/index.php>

Help comprehension skills at home. When learners comprehend they interpret, integrate, critique, infer, analyse, connect and evaluate the ideas in texts. They go beyond the word level to get the big picture and the meaning of the text. Our staff have been involved in a project all year in building teaching skills in comprehension. One of the things that you can help at home with is using the 'Super Six' comprehension strategies when reading with your child. These six strategies help your child think about what they have read on a deeper level, not just decoding the print.

Strategy One- Making Connections

Description.

Learners make personal connections from the text with:

- Something in their own life (text to self)
- Another text (text to text)
- Something occurring in the world (text to world)

Hint Make connections between the student and the book during reading.

Example questions/statements

- This story reminds me of a holiday
- This character has the same problem that I read/saw/heard in another text.
- Does this remind you of something?
- Has something like this ever happened to you?

Have a wonderful week.

Aloma Stewart

Thought of the Week

Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others, cannot keep it from themselves.
JM Barrie

Joke of the Week

Q: Why is it hard for a ghost to tell a lie?
A: Because you can see right through him.

Congratulations to the following students who have demonstrated our values of *Respect, Responsibility* and *Real Learning* and earned themselves a wrist band!
Well done!

Olivia Sheppard
Finn Proudfoot
Connor Finlay

And well done to the following students who achieved their PBS badge!

Callum Finlay
Dusty Moffitt
Richard Zheng
Hamish Kettley

MAKE ONLINE PAYMENTS

As of 15th October 2013 it will be possible for parents to make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students. This can be done via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the schools website by selecting \$ Make a payment.

Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions, subject contributions, excursions, sales to students and creative and practical arts activities (these include band, drama and dance). There is also a category called Other to cover items not covered in the previous headings, Other can be used to make a complete payment of a school invoice.

When you access the \$ Make a payment you must enter:

- the students name
- class
- date of birth.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system. There is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number and Invoice number if you are aware of them, these are optional fields.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner, these details are not passed back to the school.

You have the ability to check and change any details of



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the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child's account. For any enquiries regarding the online payment process please go to the schools webpage and download the Parents Online Payment (POP) Instructions.

CHICKENS TO TAKE HOME ON FRIDAY

The last 2 weeks K -2 have been involved in a Chicken Hatching Program. These students have developed a first hand understanding of the life cycle of chickens. It has been very successful, with the students enjoying interacting with these cute fluffy animals. This Friday our program ends so the equipment will be collected by Wayne and now the chickens need a home.

If you are interested in taking 2-3 chicks please let Mrs Lewis know by Thursday afternoon at the latest. If you already possess the necessary equipment to look after these chickens that is fine. If you are establishing a new chicken coop then Wayne from 'Henny Penny Hatching' is offering a \$25 take home pack.

Each pack contains:

1 large Feeder

1 large Drinker

2kg Chick Crumble (chick starter) & shavings for bedding
(For more information contact Wayne 0410 377 797)

If there are more requests than available chicks there will be a ballot to determine the lucky families. (pull your name out of a hat ☺)

Thank you, Jenny Lewis

BOOK CLUB

Book Club money and orders are due in at the office by Monday 21st October, 2013. Please ensure that **correct money** is provided. Remember, if you place a phone or internet order to Scholastic, please ensure that the order form still comes through the school.

CONGRATULATIONS

Kye Storey has been selected into Cricket Illawarra Under 11's Development Squad as one of their wicket keepers. Well done.

CANTEEN ROSTER

2013 Week 3, Term 4

Day	Date	Name
Mon	21.10.13	Nicky Kettley Sam Brown Help needed for an hour
Tues	22.10.13	Sharon O'Brien Jodie McLaughlin
Wed	23.10.13	Yuki Nakamura-Bell Nazneen Nowsher Help needed for an hour
Thurs	24.10.13	Helen Lewis Tanya Vlietstra Help needed
Fri	25.10.13	CLOSED

P&C NEWS

NEXT P&C MEETING
WEDNESDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2013

BUNNINGS BBQ

Thankyou to all those who have already volunteered to help with the Bunnings BBQ on Sunday the 17th of November.

We have more than enough helpers for the morning set up but need more volunteers from 10-4,30pm, especially between 1-4.30pm. Please email

Scott.Spencer@bluescopesteel.com or text 0419 875 540 to talk to Scott.

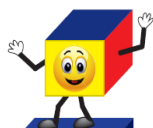
TRIVIA NIGHT!

Wow! What an amazing response we have had for our school trivia night!

Unfortunately we can no longer hold the event at Collegians as we were limited to only 80 seats and we have had over 120 enquiries!

So the venue is now our school hall! B.Y.O is permitted but under no circumstances can children under 18yrs of age attend.

If you have already booked and are unhappy with the change of venue please email p.and.c@hotmail.com so that we can assist you.



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Thankyou to the parents who have kindly donated prizes for the night. If you have a business that would like to donate a prize or gift voucher let us know! We also need to hire tables and chairs, so if you know someone who can give us a great deal please give us a call!

We have so many prizes, lucky door, raffles, games, its going to be awesome!

Prizes include an iPad mini, restaurant vouchers, hair and beauty vouchers, stocklands vouchers, wine and much much more!

Be sure to act quick and muster up your mates so you don't miss out.

Remember to recieve a group discount you must pay by this Friday.

The cost is \$140 per table of 8.

Subsequent bookings will be at \$20 per person.

You can pay directly into the P&C general bank account so long as you put your name as reference along with "trivia" and how many people, for example ref- A.Citizen trivia 8ppl. You then email p.and.c@hotmail.com your booking and reference.

And for the brave at heart, there is a fancy dress prize for best dressed person as well as best dressed table-all you need to do is come along as something beginning with "B", B for Balgownie! Fancy dress is not compulsory.

Any questions can be referred to Delvene Spencer on 0411 286 361 or Aimee Grierson on 0439 411 246.

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is open on
TUESDAY mornings from
8.30am each week.

80% OF PEOPLE WITH A PEANUT ALLERGY WILL
HAVE IT ALL THEIR LIFE. BE SAFE CHECK THAT
NUTS ARE NOT ON THE LIST OF INGREDIENTS IN
FOOD SENT TO SCHOOL



**BE SAFE - BE A MATE
LEAVE PEANUT PRODUCTS AT HOME**



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Fancy Dress "B" Theme
for the Brave & Bold

Fun and Games
Fantastic Prizes
throughout the
night include

Ipad Mini
\$\$ Vouchers
Family Passes to
Famous Attractions
Gym Memberships

BYO Drinks & Nibblies



Balgownie Public School TRIVIA NIGHT

6:30 pm Friday 25th October
Organise a table or join one of ours

\$20 per head or tables of 8 at a discounted rate
NOW LOCATED AT BALGOWNIE PUBLIC SCHOOL HALL

Enquiries and bookings
Email p.and.c@hotmail.com
or Contact Amie 0439 411 246

BOOK EARLY PLACES ARE LIMITED

All proceeds from the night supports our local school



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**Last opportunity to order
125th Anniversary Brick Enrolment Record
Orders close November 16th 2013**



Cheques should be made payable to: **Balgownie Heritage School Museum**

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Each letter. number. punctuation mark or space represents one box

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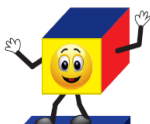
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To order your paver please complete the order form and return it to the school

Thank you for your support

Receipt No



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