The Bally Buzz



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Term 2 - Week 10



Wednesday 23 June 2021

Calendar - Term 2 - 2021

Wed	23 Jun	Student Reports go home	
Frid	25 Jun	Last day of Term 2	
Tue	13 July	Students return – Term 3	
Wed	14 July	Spelling Bee final	
Frid	16 July	Athletics Ribbons Presentation (8yrs & over) in Hall 2pm	
Wed	28 July	Student Led Conferences	
Wed	4 Aug	2022 Kinder Open Day	

From the Principal's Desk

Upgrade of student toilets

We are currently seeking quotes to undertake an upgrade to the student toilets. The upgrades include, changing the locks to ensure student safety and security and raising the petitions in the cubicles for the boy's toilets to ensure privacy and safety. We will also be replacing the toilet roll systems in the toilets to provide a more environmentally friendly alternative. Last term, the SRC raised \$700 and the P&C has donated \$600 to the refurbishment. We are hoping to have this work completed over the holidays. This initiative came out of suggestions from the SRC to improve the standards of the toilets. I look forward to sharing the images of the upgrades with you, once complete.

Parent Portal on Sentral

We are currently trialling the Parent Portal component on Sentral. We currently have the full suite of options from Sentral and this would eliminate paying multiple subscriptions. I look forward to keeping you posted on the trial!

Reports and Student Led Conferences

On Wednesday 23rd June, your child will bring home their school report for Semester 1. There has been a slight change in the format to ensure we continue our focus on student voice. The written report is a formal document that reflects teacher professional judgement on your child's academic progress this year. Next term, Wednesday 28th July, we will be holding our inaugural Student Led Conference. This will look different to a parent teacher interview, as your child will be taking you through their learning journey so far this year. Every student is currently looking at their learning goals, what they are proud of in their learning and what they have worked hard on. They are also looking, with strong teacher guidance, on where they need to go next with their learning. The student led conference will be a wonderful opportunity for you to sit with your child and hear their reflections on how they have been going. We will send home some cheat sheets, early next term, so you know what your child will be expecting of you during this process ©. This is an educational conversation between you and your child. Your child's teacher will be present in the room, however if you wish to have an interview with the teacher, you will need to make time for another appointment. As always, you can make an appointment to speak to your child's teacher at any time during the year.

Making Contact with the School

Please note that if you wish to make contact with the school or your child's teacher, please contact the front office on 4284 4245. Alternatively, you can email the school email address and attention the email to the teacher, in the subject line. At all times, these messages will be passed directly to the staff member by our front office staff. This will

ensure your message/request is addressed as soon as possible. Please do not use Dojo or FaceBook for communication with your child's teacher.

Exciting news

It is with the greatest pleasure that we announce the birth of Henry Arthur Love (Miss Carter's baby boy)! Little Henry made his entrance to the world earlier than much expected, but both mum and baby are doing well. Henry is at home now and growing into a strong little boy.



I know you will join me in congratulating Miss Carter on this wonderful news.

Winter Break

Our children, and my teachers, have worked incredibly hard this semester and are very much looking forward to their break. We hope you have a relaxing, and warm, winter break and we look forward to seeing you again on Tuesday 13th July.

Stay safe

Donna Barton Principal

Athletics Carnival Awards Presentation

Our Athletics Carnival Awards Presentation will be held on Friday 16th July (Week 1, Term 3) at 2pm in the hall. Students who placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd overall in their 100m age race will receive a ribbon. Other events (200m, 800m and field events) are grouped into Juniors (8, 9 and 10 year olds), 11 years and Seniors (12 and 13 year olds). Ribbons will be awarded to students who came in the top 3 places in each age group for each event.

Parents and carers are welcome to attend the awards presentation, and must sign in using the QR code at the gate before entering school grounds and comply with Covid-19 guidelines. Please be aware that this event is subject to change dependant on the Covid-19 restrictions in place.

Stage 3 Girls Touch Football



South Coast PSSA Cross Country



Aiden R and Will M 1st and 2nd Respectively - Under 11 boys

Keirabald Art Competition



Zoe won the gallery directors prize at the Keirabald art competition

Grace received a highly commended for her Keirabald artwork



Premier's Spelling Bee School Final

Congratulations to our students who are competing in the Balgownie Spelling Bee final. The final will be held next term and two winning students will be selected to compete at the regional finals. One student from Stage 2 (Junior) and one from Stage 3 (Senior) will win through. We wish all the students the best of luck.

Congratulations to:

Junior	4/5L	5/6SB
2/3B	Shannon W	Otis K
Lucas V	Olivia E	Sara S
Aria E		Sam L
	Senior	
3/4W	4/5L	5/6L
Jacob S	Scarlett E	Aiden Y
Austin R	Courtney C	Sophie L
Grace C		Zac M
	5/6BC	
3/4H	Andy R	
Lucille P	Sam R	
Elliot C	Jaxon H	
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Wild Care School Holiday Program

Wild Care School Holiday Program bookings available now. See attached holiday program.

New families enrol here:

https://prodadmin.myxplor.com/enrollment_v2/c entre/194231IDQC2WuqtbznszFD7imQ

Contact beck for more details beck.pinchbeck@hotmail.com or 0423 454 573

Skool Bag App

We have been advised that if you are having problems with the Skoolbag app, you may need to delete and then re install the app due to a change in providers.

P&C Information

Summer Tunic Pre-Orders

The uniform shop is taking pre-orders for the Summer Tunic. The last day to pre-order is Friday 2nd July. Dresses will arrive at the start of September, just in time for the warmer weather. Use the link provided to make your pre-order today: http://balgowniepnc.com/ourschool/unif orms/...

<u>Please note the Summer Tunic is pre-order only, so don't miss out!</u>

Sausage Sizzle Success

The P&C would also like to acknowledge and thank everyone who bought a sausage sizzle. With your support, the committee successfully raised \$1267.45. This money will go straight to the school, helping to fund this year's Choral Festival and Southern Stars - an experience our student's look forward to and treasure. We would also like to thank Illawarra Smallgoods and Woolworths Fairy Meadow for their generous contributions.

Fri-Yay Treat Day

Kids have been missing the canteen experience, so on the last Friday of every month the P&C will be selling a treat during lunch break. All profits made, will go straight back into the school. This Friday, the 25th of June we will be selling packets of Smiths Chips for \$1.



P&C End of Term Social

An opportunity to get together and share ideas in a non-formal meeting setting.... Or just relax, sit back and celebrate making it through Term 2 with us. All are welcome!



Entertainment Book

The Entertainment Book is an easy and fun way to support our P&C and save money!

Subscription is now digital and all vouchers are available via the phone app. Follow this link to grab your own membership and start

saving. https://au.entdigital.net/orderbooks/280 m215



Double Deal - Helping your school & the environment!

You probably know about Return & Earn? What you may not know is that you can contribute Return & Earn money to Balgownie Public School!

Return & Earn works for those small single serve plastic bottles (eg. gatorade), cans or glass bottles. Milk cartons or big juice cartons etc are not accepted, you can recycle them in your yellow bin at home.

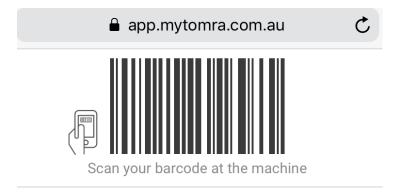
Where is Return & Earn located?

The automatic deposit machine is located at the back of the Fraternity Club in Fairy Meadow.

When you get to the Return & Earn collection point, simply scan the barcode below and start feeding your bottles down the chute. This money is then sent to the P & C's PayPal account which will help us raise money throughout the year. Every little bit helps and your children are always the recipients of material bought with the money raised for the school.

Of course recycling in any way is better than it going to landfill, so you can involve your children in Return & Earn where they can earn some pocket money, or you can choose to donate it to one of the charities or organisations listed.

Happy bottle & can collecting!



Wollongong City Council's Draft Child Safe Commitment and Policy

Council's Draft Child Safe Commitment and Policy is currently on public exhibition. There have been recent changes to legislation to help protect children and young people. The Child Safe Commitment and Policy outline our commitment to creating and maintaining a child safe organisation. We are seeking your feedback on the Child Safe Commitment Statement, and the Policy itself.

The exhibition period for the Draft Child Safe Commitment and Policy is 2 June – 30 June 2021. Further information be found at:

- https://our.wollongong.nsw.gov.au/
- Wollongong City Libraries during library hours
- Council's Customer Service Centre, Ground Floor Administration Building, 41

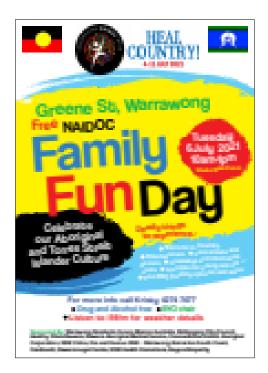
Burelli Street Wollongong, weekdays between 9am and 5pm;

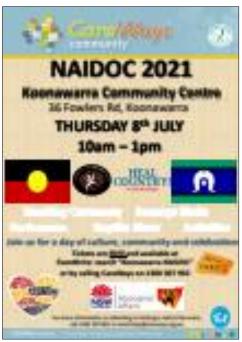
Submissions can be made using the <u>online</u> <u>feedback form</u>. Alternatively, they can be addressed to The General Manager, Wollongong City Council, Locked Bag 8821 WOLLONGONG DC NSW 2500 or emailed

to engagement@wollongong.nsw.gov.au Submission close on Wednesday 30 June 2021. Please note that submissions become public documents and may be viewed by other persons

Contact <u>engagement@wollongong.nsw.gov.au</u> or call Council Customer's Service Team in (02) 4227 7111 if you have any further questions.

on request.











WILD CARE VACATION PROGRAM

Monday 28/6/21	Tuesday 29/6/21	Wednesday 30/6/21	Thursday 1/7/21	Friday 2/7/21
Café and a play We will head down to James Pearson park for a picnic lunch and play. Finishing off the afternoon with a stop in at Hone Café. \$5 - \$10 for a treat	Flip Out Jumping on the Premiers Bus to North Wollongong and walking along to Ralph Black Drive. Having a bounce and lunch at Flip Out. \$15 + Opal Card	Olympics Spending the day at Balgownie school, Wild Care Coledale will come to compete let the games begin! Children and staff will be split into teams to tackle an array of sports. Ending the day with a medal ceremony.	Science Centre Jumping on the Premiers Bus down to Elliott's Rd and walking to the Science Centre. Exploring all that the Science Space has to offer for the day (Winter sports exhibition + bubble science show). \$16 + Opal Card	Movie day The children will take a vote on 2 movies to watch over the day. Using the big projector screen in the hallsnacks provided! A variety of indoor and outdoor activities will also be on offer.
Monday 5/7/21 Build a bear. Spending the day at school with a build a bear workshop. Children will choose their own bear, stuff jt and design a shirt for them! Take home toy. \$15	Tuesday 6/7/21 The great Wild Care bake off. A day at school where children will work in teams to plan, design, and decorate their cakes. A vote and taste test will determine the winning team.	Wednesday 7/7/21 Event Cinemas Using the Premiers Bus to head to Wollongong Event Cinemas. Movie to be announced popcorn included. \$20 + Opal Card	Thursday 8/7/21 DIY Day Bing something white! We have fabric paints, markers, and tie dye. We will have plain canvas totes to decorate too. Based at school with indoor and outdoor activities on offer. *Wear an old shirt.	Friday 9/7/21 The Amazing Race Working in partners, our teams will need to overcome challenges, tasks, and clues to be the ultimate winners. Based at Balgownie school.
Monday 12/7/21 Paint party workshop At school, follow a step-by-step guide to create your own masterpiece. Children will get to take home their own canvas creation. *Wear an old shirt.	Tuesday 13/7/21 School goes back			