This is Mrs Calabria’s last week working in Mrs Foy’s role this term. We would like to thank her for her passion and commitment to the teaching program. Mrs Calabria certainly has gone beyond expectations to maximise our student’s learning experiences and certainly is a great resource for our school. It has been a very engaging few weeks, particularly with Science. I know Mrs Foy will rest easy knowing things have been running smoothly in her absence. Mrs Calabria will continue her Thursday weekly ½ days in Creative Arts and sport program next term.

Next term we will also welcome our new prac student, Ms. Rebecca Hartley. Rebecca is a sister of Mr Hartley at Barellan Central School. She has specifically requested to come to our school for her 5 week practicum. No doubt she will be of great help in our busy term 4 schedule.

Healthy Harold visited our school this week. We thank Shawn and Jeff for their assistance in transporting the van from Rankin’s Springs. The children loved their annual catch up with ‘Harold’; they were very fortunate to spend great stage appropriate sessions, learning about various healthy life skills. Student reports to follow.

The PP6 network of principals met today as part of future planning. Our network has extended to include Tallimba and Weethalle. It is anticipated that we will strengthen our network with the inclusion of more like-schools. With many changes on the horizon this will be a good resource to source internal and external support as need arises. There is much talk of the new Strategic School Planning model for 2015-2017. Ms Dowell (school director) indicated there will be training in this area.

We will be holding our end of term assembly next Friday and invite everyone in our community to come along for a cuppa. Morning tea will start at 10am, with the assembly from 11am – 12pm. Students are running a charity fundraiser in conjunction with our assembly to support Lexie Witton and Motor Neurone Disease; Lexie is a young Griffith girl with Leukaemia; MND is a disease that has directly affected many of our families and friends across the Binya/Barellan district. We will pay tribute to our loved ones, before the ‘Principal gets dunked’ in the ice bucket challenge! A very brave challenge, particularly when she doesn’t like to swim even when it’s 40 degrees?! (Please be a warm day!!) Needless to say the students are eager to earn raffle tickets to be drawn out to earn the rights to ‘dunk her’! It should be an interesting day... Let’s hope our day of food and fun can go some way to helping ease burdens of families enduring the stress of disease. All welcome.

There has been a case of Impetigo (school sores) reported to the school, please refer to the attached factsheet for further information.

Have a great week!
Karen 😊

Rankin’s Springs Gala Day is on tomorrow! A big build up to our annual derby with other small schools in our network. Students will be travelling by car. Good luck everyone!! We’ll look forward to hearing the results next week 😊
BINYA PUBLIC SCHOOL P & C ANNUAL
Bike-A-Thon and Binya Community Family Fun Day

**When:** Sunday 14 September 2014 at 10am.
**Where:** Binya Community Hall
Bike-a-thon / Walk-a-thon 10am-12pm (Map attached)
Mum’s and Bub’s Pram Pusher’s welcomed! Funds donated to Can Assist includes Morning Tea from 10.30am
Community BBQ Lunch and Family Fun Day from 12pm onwards.

**Cost:** Bike-A-Thon/Walk-A-Thon – Sponsorship proceeds to Can Assist $20 per family or $5 single (Includes BBQ Lunch with Salads & Jumping Castle for the Kids). Drinks available. Please remember your helmets.

**School Leadership**
See attached flyer for information about our school leader’s fundraiser and assembly plans for next Friday.

We invite everyone in our community to come along and have a cup of tea. Hope to see you then.

**No Canteen next Wednesday – Instead**
Friday Lasagne Lunches (with proceeds to Lexie). $4 per student for a lasagne, garlic bread and fruit juice drink. Students will be served under the COLA for a lovely wind up lunch, following our assembly. Mrs Forster will be cooking 😊

Today the Rural Fire Service represented by Michael Borg (Griffith RFS), Lyn Woodham (Barellan RFS) and Joy Geddes (Binya RFS) presented Ben Rowston 1st prize (absent), Milly Burcham 2nd prize and Eliza Burcham 3rd prize in the RFS colouring competition that was held in conjunction with the Barellan Show. Congratulations!

**Book Chat**—Congratulations to Leah Boyd who joins the fifty sessions of reading club!!! What an amazing effort that is?! Leah will receive her book prize at our assembly.
Patrick Mickan brought in a fantastic chapter book (for those of us who looove the mighty Hawks) to share with the class. Mrs Conlan had read snippets about Shane’s early beginnings to his AFL career before and was eager to read it. He was relatively local as he grew up in nearby Finley, and followed his dreams despite the challenges of living in a rural area, being short, having financial challenges as a single-income family. He imparts many strong messages about life that can be relevant for everyone- not just AFL fans.

Here’s what our children have learnt thus far:

- People said Shane Crawford was too small to play AFL but he didn’t listen to them. He kept trying. He kept running to make up for his lack of height with fitness. Not long after he was the captain of Hawthorn. By Jordan and Bailey
- He was always small, even though he swore he ate his vegetables! He was an excellent state BMX racer too. He had to make a choice of sport eventually- he chose AFL. He still says we should play lots of different sports. By Harry
- Everyone thought that Shane Crawford was too small to play football. His message- Don’t listen to people who tell you you’re too short, too fat, too slow, too tall... just prove them all wrong! By Ben and Leo.
- Never give up no matter what people say. Follow your dream! By Bill and Sam.
- Don’t listen to what people say... just keep trying and follow your dreams. By Millie and Leah

You are never too tall, short for anything; don’t listen to people who put you down. Just follow your dreams. By Greer and Milly.

Always follow your dreams. Never listen to the bad things people say about you. By Eliza and Patrick.

Thought for the week

Our 2015 Kindergarten transition program will run on Thursdays next term (starting October 9th). This is a great opportunity for our pre-school families interested in attending our school to come along and familiarise themselves with the school grounds, students and staff. They will participate in the school program and be supported in their transition to school routines. Enrolments for 2015 are being taken now 😊
Year 2 students at BCS have invited our K-2 students to their Annual Glitter Ball on Wednesday 17th September, 2014 from 1.30pm -3pm. The cost is a gold coin donation. Party food, cordial and water are provided. Please dress in your most glittery clothes.

Transport to this event will be privately arranged. If you intend for your child to attend, and can provide transport for other students on the day, please call the school.

I GA Cards
Please consider supporting our school by asking for an IGA Community Benefits Card at the checkout when next shopping. IGA donates a percentage of money spent back to the school.

What’s on next week?

Week 10

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Kid’s Corner

Healthy Harold Van visited Binya PS this week.

Don’t forget Kidz Konnect provides the perfect venue for a weekly catch up with friends from in and around the Binya/Barellan district; a ready built ‘mother’s group’. Mrs Clifford provides fantastic educational learning experiences for interested toddlers and pre-schoolers each week! Mums and dads can sit and enjoy a nice cuppa and cake while the kids are entertained.

Each Friday 10-11.30am… rain, hail or shine!
On Wednesday we had Healthy Harold and we talked about good and bad drugs, like coffee and medicines. We had to sort and stick heaps of different foods and medicines under headings ‘Good’, ‘No’ and ‘Bad’. We talked about healthy food and how much we should eat of each. It was fun. My favourite part was when Harold was doing yoga and got stuck with his ‘butt’ in the air! And he thought I was going to steal his banana?!

By Harry.

I can’t believe tea has caffeine in it?!

On Wednesday Healthy Harold came to Binya School. We learnt about good drugs and bad drugs or harmful drugs / non-harmful drugs. We also learnt about bullying and teasing; we had to tell how some children would feel like and act it out. My favourite part was when the lady went to grab Harold and he got stuck doing yoga! He was stuck with his bottom in the air... Miss Crowther had to help him out. It was funny.

By Amelia B

On Wednesday we had Healthy Harold. We learnt about bullying where someone is bullying you every day. You need to tell the teacher or your family. You always need to help people who are sad and let them play your game. You should help a person who is new in your class too, and play with them.

By Leah.

On Sam’s birthday we visited Healthy Harold’s van. We learned about Harold’s Heroes. His heroes taught us that only adults should touch medicine and that all houses should have smoke alarms.

By Greer

On Wednesday the Healthy Harold van visited Binya PS. We were split into three different groups, Yr 6, Yr 4 and the infants. In my group we learned about how many different drugs are in a cigarette. Did you know there are over 4000 drugs in a cigarette? There’s tar, nicotine, cadmium, and carbon monoxide just to name a few. All those drugs to bad things to your body.

By Jordan

Do you know the impact smoking has on your life? It will cut 14 years off your life, your hair and breath will start to smell, your teeth stain and your skin will be wrinkly and green. If you smoke all these things could start happening to you, so my advice is Don’t Smoke!

By Eliza

Infants’ children have been listening to the fairy-tale of Jack and the Beanstalk. They have written summaries and have now explored whether they thought Jack was a ‘hero’.

Point for– Well, he did get food for his family.
Point against– He was always stealing treasures.
Opinion– Jack is not a hero because stealing is not the right thing to do.

By Amelia R

Point for– He saved his mum and himself from starving. He did eventually learn his lesson.
Point against– He was being greedy. He made the giant angry
Opinion– Jack is not a hero because stealing from others is wrong.

By Sam

Point for– Jack works hard at the start. He worked hard again at the end.
Point against– He steals from the giant and he was getting greedy!
Opinion– Jack is not a hero because he’s greedy and heroes are not meant to be greedy.

By Patrick

Point for – He saved himself and his mum from the giant.
Point against – He steals things that aren’t his.
Opinion – Jack his not a hero because heroes don’t steal.

By Leo
Shane Crawford’s book talked about setting goals – long term and short-term.

Claire’s goals:
My long-term goal is to be a singer or a beautician.
My short-term goal is to go to university.
When I grow up I want to be a singer because I love singing.

Bill’s goals:
My long-term goal is to be a lawyer.
My short-term goal is to win the Perpetual Trophy at the round robin tomorrow.
When I grow up I want to do financial law as I am good with numbers and arguing a point.

Community Announcements

Season 2014/15 Junior Cricket
Registrations for junior cricket will be held in September. Boys and girls from Kindergarten to Year 5 can register for Saturday morning cricket on the following days:
- Sunday 7th September 2014 from 9.30 am to 11 am at Exies Sports Club
- Monday 15th September 2014 from 4.30 pm to 6 pm at Exies Sports Club
- Sunday 21st September 2014 from 9.30 am to 11 am at Exies Sports Club

Kinder and Year 1 participate in Milo in2 cricket from 9 am to 10 am on Saturday mornings.
Year 2 and 3 children play Junior Bradman at Exies Oval each Saturday morning starting at 9 am.
Years 4 and 5 children play at various grounds in Senior Bradman starting at 8.45 am each Saturday.
Registration forms can also be obtained from Sportspower in Banna Avenue.
A team information day and coaching day will be held on Sunday 12th October 2014 from 9.30 am to 11 am at Exies Oval.
Games commence on Saturday 18th October 2014.

Year 6 children now play in D grade. For more information contact Roy Binks on 69621288 at work or 69625082 at home.

Junior Representative Cricket
Trials for Milliken Shield will be held at Exies nets on Saturday 13th September 2014 from 9.30 am to 11 am. Any player who is under 13 on 1/9/2014 is eligible.
Trials for under 14s and under 16s will be held at Exies nets on Sunday 14th September 2014 from 9.30 am to 11 am.
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Rowston Amelia
Eric
Ruffy and me
Giraffe in the bath
Look-a-likes

Burcham Claire
Bedtime Hulla balloo
Just like my mum
If I were the Easter bunny

Conlan Sam
More pants
First hero

Boyd Leah
Big Nate makes the grade

Rowston Harry
Prank-o-pedia
Milo and the restart button

Burcham Eliza
Just Macbeth
Explore

Geddes William
Ships
Xray picture book of dinosaurs
History

Family, Fun and Fitness
Free Trial Days
Thursday 11th and Thursday 18th September 2014
5.00 pm

Season Commences Thursday 9th October
West End Oval Griffith
Thursday’s at 5.30 pm

Ages from 3 years to 27 years
Register on line at www.laansw.com.au
Little Athletics is suitable for all abilities and levels
For more information email littleathleticsgth@live.com.au
or call
Veronica Cudmore on 0408 768 059