



# Binalong Public School

## Binalong Bulletin

**Term 1, Week 10 2022**

### Binalong Public School

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### From the Principal

As we approach the end of Term 1, I would like to congratulate students on their focus on learning and commitment to their learning and personal goals. Over the last two weeks, parents were invited to share in their child's goals through Three-Way Interviews. These interviews are a great opportunity to help students become more empowered in themselves as learners and help them grow into self-assured and focused students.

We would like to wish Imogen, Cooper, Tayla and Malea good luck on Tuesday when they head to the NSW State Swimming Championships to swim in the relay. Go Binalong!!!

Our school playground will be open on the following weekends during the upcoming school holidays as a part of the Share our Space program.

- Saturday 9 April to Sunday 10 April
- Friday 15 April to Monday 18 April
- Saturday 23 April to Monday 25 April

We are expecting some building and maintenance work taking place during the break, so please be sure to avoid any work areas and report any suspicious activity to **School Security on 1300 880 021**.

We wish you a safe and happy holiday break with friends and family and look forward to welcoming students back to school on Wednesday 27 April 2022.

## Three-Way Learning Conferences





## From the SRC

Meal Deals are a HUGE success and we have raised approximately \$300 to go towards the Flood Appeal and the Ukrainian Appeal.

After many student requests, we have agreed to host extra Binalong's Got Talent shows each term. We will hold the Term 1 Binalong's Got Talent show next Friday 8 April, we will host Binalong's Got Talent from 11.30am. Students are invited to perform as individuals or in groups and Year 6 will help to run the event. Come and see Immy or Tayla to book your talent show spot by this Friday. We can't wait to see all of your new talents!

We will host an out of uniform mufti day on the last day of school.

We would like to thank Mrs Walsh for her wonderful cooking, and Mrs Foran for the shopping each week to help run our SRC Meal Deal Wednesdays. We've all been enjoying our Meal Deals and this week will have mini pizzas. Yum!





# Check-in Assessment and NAPLAN practice

This week students in Year 4 & 6 will be participating in Check-In Assessment. The students will be required to sit two online assessments, reading and numeracy, taking an hour to complete. The information collected from the assessment will be used by classroom teachers to support student learning.

These tests will take place at 9:30am on Tuesday and Wednesday. If you have any questions, please talk to Mrs Walsh.

Year 3 & 5 will be participating in NAPLAN practice tests this week. The practice tests are designed to provide our students with an opportunity to practice the new online format and ensure our technology is adequate for the NAPLAN tests in May.

These practice tests will commence at 9:30am Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Platt.





## Premier's Reading Challenge

The Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely. The Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) is open to all NSW students in Kindergarten to Year 10, in government, independent, Catholic and home schools. If

you need help using the website and the answer cannot be found on the [PRC Support](https://www.prc@det.nsw.edu.au) site, please contact us at [prc@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:prc@det.nsw.edu.au)

Students in Years 3 to 6 have been learning how to add the books that they've read to their personal reading logs online and students in K-2 will be provided with a paper-based personal reading log that parents can record books on. These will be collected later in the year and individual records will be added to student reading logs.

### 2022 Challenge dates

- Challenge opens: Monday 28 February 2022
- Challenge closes for student entries: Friday 19 August 2022
- Challenge closes for coordinator validations: Friday 2 September 2022

## Easter Eggstravaganza!

On Thursday 7 April we will have an Easter Eggstravaganza day with students asked to come dressed in their best 'bunny/Easter' costumes. We will have assembly at 10.15am and students will be performing a musical piece that they have been working on with Mrs Winterflood.



We will then have Easter craft activities during the middle session (11.30am - 1.00pm). Parents are invited to come along and help the students make their Easter hats and other crafts. If you can help, please leave a message at the office.

This year we are joining with the Binalong Mobile Pre-School for our Easter Hat Parade at 2.15pm in the main street of Binalong so our community can join us too. A separate permission note will go home for this event.

## **One of our Dainty Swallowtail butterflies emerged from its chrysalis on Friday**



## **Rural Access Gap Rollout**



Look what we've got! Teachers and students in all classrooms have been enjoying their new interactive Main Learning Display boards which we received through the RAG rollout, an initiative of the DOE's Schools Digital Strategy. Teachers will participate in professional learning to help us upskill so that we can get the most out of our boards.



# Professional Networking

Last week Miss Green, Miss Carmody and Mrs Platt Zoomed with Mrs Lisa-Ann Morris (relieving principal Kangaroo Valley PS) and Mrs Rebecca Lea (Assistant Principal Gerringong PS) to gain some more insights into their journey with decodable readers and a Science of Reading approach to the teaching of reading. Lisa and Beck shared ideas for programming, teaching and learning activities, planning for home reading, and they've even invited teachers for a visit to their school to see their approach in action.

We are grateful for their time and really appreciate the networks that we are developing and sharing within and beyond our own school.

## EnviroMentors Visit



# Ride2School Day

Last Friday students met at the Mechanics Institute to ride, scoot or skate to school as a part of National Ride2School Day. We even had our own police escort with Senior Constable Natalie Boot and Probationary Constable Alex driving and walking along with us! They then joined the K-2 class to talk about safety and how to stay safe when out and about on their wheels.



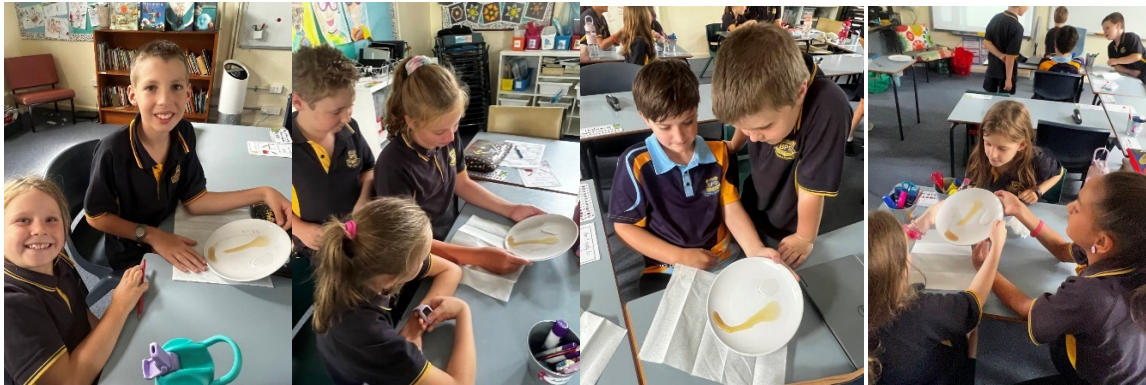


## Science in Year 3-6

This term in science, the students are learning about matter (gas, liquid and solid). The students explored liquids and their properties. Liquids have a volume, flow and can fill a space. The students also learnt about the term “viscosity”. This word describes the runniness of a liquid. The higher the viscosity the thick the liquid is.



To see viscosity in action, the students did a runny test with maple syrup, honey and glucose syrup and observed how fast the liquids ran away. It was a sticky, but great example of viscosity.



## Harmony Week



## Back to School BBQ and Class Information Sessions















## Weeks 9 - 10

### STARS OF THE WEEK

**PIPER**

Having the confidence to write more independently

**JACOB**

Using words he can see around the room in his writing

**SOPHIE**

Excellent focus in her learning

**DUSTY**

Excellent focus in her learning

**MASON**

Persistence with tackling the challenges of writing

**WILLIAM**

Taking time and care when writing to sound out words

**AUDREY**

Confidently applying strategies when solving maths problems

**JAIDEN**

Your energy and enthusiasm you put into learning

**TAYLAH**

Working hard to develop leadership skills

**IMOGEN**

Working hard to develop leadership skills



## Covid-safe settings



**Feeling unwell?**  
Please stay at home

Any student or staff member who is unwell and/or displays symptoms of COVID-19 will be asked to go home and stay until they can complete a RAT or PCR test. If symptoms continue, they should stay at home and take another RAT in 24 hours or have a PCR test. If the second RAT or initial PCR test result is negative and they are displaying no symptoms OR they are diagnosed as another condition such as hayfever, the student or staff member can return to school.



**COVID-safe settings**  
for Term 1, 2022

We will continue to support the use of rapid antigen tests (RATs) in our school. Workers and volunteers on school sites must meet mandatory double vaccination requirements.

## Regular School Happenings

Monday - Sports day - Sports uniform required. Visual arts (day swap with music) with Mrs Winterflood

Tuesday - SRC Ice cream Day - send \$2 or alternatively you can make a bulk payment for the term via POP on our school website

Wednesday - SRC Meal Deals

Thursday - Bush School for students in Years 3-6

Friday - Sports day, library and music.





# Upcoming Events

Below are some dates to add to your diary. There will be updates and more dates to add as the term progresses.

## Week 10

Monday 28 March - Riverina Girls Soccer trials

Tuesday 29 March - Check-In Assessment (reading) Years 4 and 6

Wednesday 30 March- Check-In Assessment (maths) Years 4 and 6

Thursday 31 March - Rugby League Trials, Selective High School test

## Week 11

Monday 4 April - P&C Meeting

Tuesday 5 April - NSW State Swimming Championships

Thursday 7 April - Easter Craft, Easter Hat Parade, Assembly

Friday 8 April - Last Day of Term 1 and Binalong's Got Talent

## Term 2

Monday 25 April - Anzac Day

Tuesday 26 April - Staff Development Day (pupil free day)

Wednesday 27 April - Students return to school

# Country Kids - Before and After School Care



**NEWS FROM COUNTRY KIDS CLUB BINALONG**

**CKC Binalong NEWSLETTER**  
Ph: 0496 826 272  
TERM 1 WEEK 6 2022

**Vacation Care**

We would love to operate Vacation Care at Binalong during the April School Holidays. Opening the program in the holidays will depend upon our success in recruiting staff and having sufficient bookings to run a viable program. If you are interested in using our program during the April School holidays, please complete and return the Expression of Interest form which was emailed to you, by **Monday 31 March**. We will let families know on Monday 28 March 2022 if the program will be going ahead.

**March Policy Review**

Each month we review our service policies and would love to hear any feedback you have. This month for review we have the Regular Outings & Excursions & Safe Transportation of Children Policy. These can be found on our website via the attached QR Code. Feedback can be emailed to: [info@countrykidsclubbinalong.au](mailto:info@countrykidsclubbinalong.au)





The children have been talking about different experiments the past month. A lava lamp was made one afternoon. The children found this both interesting and fascinating.



The children at Country Kids Club have always enjoyed playing with the LEGO and the creations that are made show imagination and skill. These skills have recently turned to experimenting making different designs to create bachelors. A lot of thought went into how they could be made to go faster and how they could be made to stay spinning the longest.

Country Kids are running a before and after school care program each weekday at Binalong Public School.

Morning - 7.00am - 9.00am

Afternoon - 3.00pm - 6.00pm

To make a booking please call 6236 8305. Child Care subsidy available.

## Our Sponsors



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## Public Notices

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# Workshop

FOR TWEEN GIRLS AGE 7 TO 12



Friday 22nd April - 9am to 4pm  
@ Binalong Community Club  
Cost: \$75 includes morning tea & lunch

**A fun & creative workshop focused on  
friendship skills, self-confidence &  
developing a growth mindset with  
guest speaker Sam Longmore!**

**To book email [binalongcwa@outlook.com](mailto:binalongcwa@outlook.com) or  
phone Fab 0407349221**



## EASTER HOLIDAY PROGRAM

REGISTER ONLINE

### OUR PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- Gymnastics
- TeamGym
- FreeG & Ultimate Tag
- Games Day 'Minute to Win it'

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### 2022 Season Starts April

Do you know someone between 5 – 13 years of age, interested in making friends, improving coordination, ball skills and having fun... Join us for the upcoming 2022 Season starting in April.

*(If you are 14-16 and wanting to play, please contact Peter on 0458 975 099 to discuss options).*

Part of the South West Slopes Soccer Association – playing in Harden, Cootamundra, Temora and Gundagai

Please contact us via Facebook –  
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to find out more.

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