

## BATLOW TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL

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#### Principal

Mr Greg Hodges

#### Assistant Principal

Mrs Vicki Dodd

#### Head Teachers

Mr Mark McDonell

Mrs Amanda Gorman

### WHAT'S ON AT BTS

**Tuesday 15/11/016**

Careers Day

**Friday 18/11/16**

Year 7 Transition Day

**Wednesday 23/11/16**

Year 6 Graduation Dinner

**Wednesday 23/11/16**

Rugby League Gala Day

**Monday 28/11/16**

Primary Swimming Program

P&C Meeting 6.30 pm

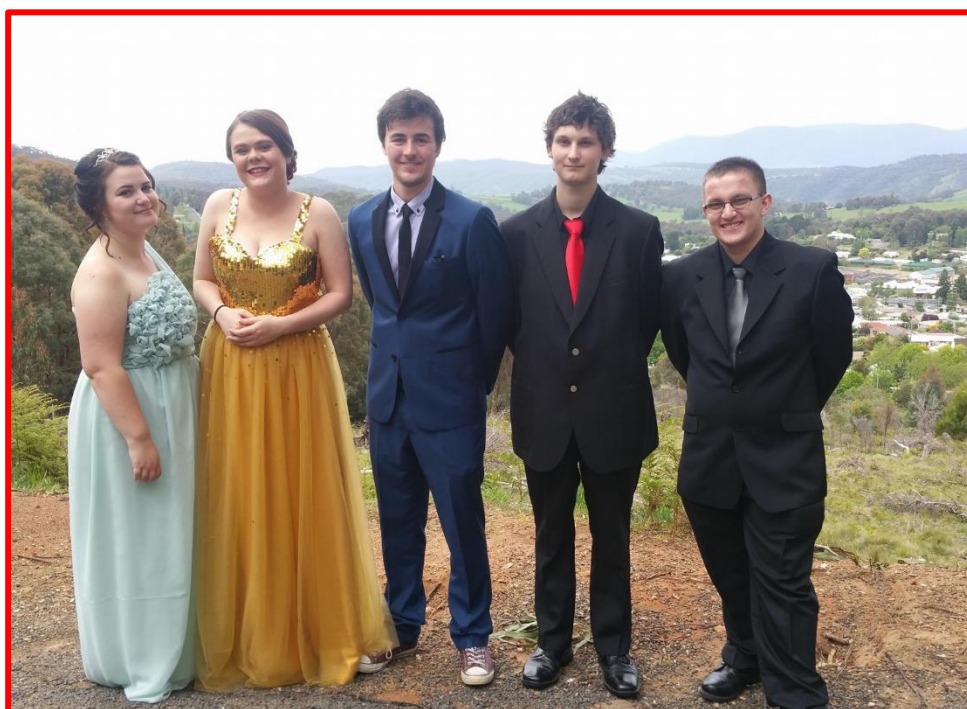
**Friday 2/12/16**

Rotary Christmas Carols

**Thursday 15/12/16**

Presentation Night

## Year 12 Formal



*The graduating class of 2016, Dakota Armitstead-Hansen, Samantha Wilesmith, Connor Jeffrey, Zachary Horder and Samuel Pearce*

The Batlow RSL Club auditorium was transformed into a glamorous venue for the Batlow Technology School Year 12 Formal on Tuesday 8 October 2016.

The guests of honour who were all beautifully dressed in formal attire arrived in vintage cars at the venue and were greeted by their families, BTS staff and invited guests.

A formal dinner and night of red carpet gala followed, to celebrate their graduation from secondary school education.

Congratulations to Mr Ellicott and his team of helpers on the successful organisation of the formal and best wishes to Year 12 in their future endeavours!

# Principal's Message



As you will find through this edition of 'Scoop', we are focussing on the Year 12 Formal which was held last Tuesday evening. The Year 12 students rose to the occasion, looking splendid in their formal attire. It was evident through the energy and jovial conversations that the students were excited about the night. A special moment was set aside for Dakota to sing as a student of Batlow Technology School and she delivered another awesome display of her vocal abilities. The evening was a fitting event to farewell Samantha, Dakota, Zachary, Samuel and Connor.

The evening was extremely well supported by parents and family members who were appreciative of the efforts that were made by staff. A special thank you to all the Batlow Technology School staff that assisted behind the scenes to ensure we provided a delightful evening. Thank you to Mr Ellicott for co-ordinating the supporting crew that have been planning this event over several weeks. Four students have been recognised for their efforts in assisting with the formal arrangements, please see the article elsewhere in this issue of "Scoop". A very special thank you to Mrs Angela Fairlie for making and decorating the cake on extremely short notice. The cake was incredible and very fresh. Thanks Ange!

Last Wednesday, Tessa Cross, her mother Lorene and I attended the "Victor Chang Awards" in Junee. Tessa was nominated by Batlow Technology School for her ongoing study commitments to Vet Sciences and her approach to her academic achievements whilst at school, especially in Biology. As a result of her nomination, Tessa was presented with a "Victor Chang Science Award". Tessa was one of 31 students nominated throughout the Riverina to receive this award. We are extremely proud of this achievement. Congratulations Tessa.

This Wednesday 16 November 2016 at 4.30 pm, several of our students and family members will be attending the "Proud and Deadly Awards" in Tumut. These awards provide the opportunity to recognise the ongoing educational growth for Aboriginal students. Photographs of this event will appear in the next edition.

Miss Sally McRorie will be continuing the 2017 Kindergarten Orientation this Thursday. It's marvellous to see these young faces at school. Everything they see is new and exciting, so the questions they ask are simply gorgeous. The 2017 Kindergarten class are building up to their first full day at school, which will be next week. I am guessing that the students and Miss McRorie might need a little nap during the afternoon.

Ms Tofa will also be working with the Year 7 transition students on Friday. This will be equally as important, as the 2017 class will have some new students enrolling from neighbouring schools in the region who will not be familiar with our school facilities and structures.

To close the year, and to recognise student achievement and application to all aspects of school life, we are providing both a Primary Wellbeing excursion and a separate excursion for Secondary students. It is important to note that we have established a definite cut-off date of Monday 21 November 2016. **If students have not achieved the designated level through merits, then unfortunately they will not be able to attend.**

The destinations for the excursions will be;  
Primary Wellbeing – Wagga Wagga movies and Oasis with lunch provided in Bolton Park.  
Secondary Wellbeing – Jindabyne Sport and Fitness Centre

Our P&C will be having their final meeting on Monday 28 November 2016 at 6.30 pm in the school Learning Hub. The growth and future direction of Batlow Technology School relies on the input of this vital group. It would be appreciated to have new faces to further contribute ideas to this active group. Special note; this group does not focus on fundraising!

Have a great week!

Mr Greg Hodges

# Level Promotions

These students received their certificates at the Whole School Assembly on Wednesday 9 November 2016 in Week 5

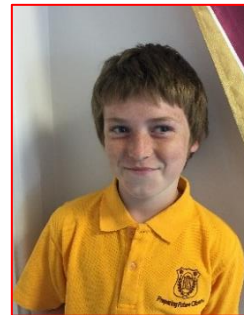


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PLATINUM**  
Aeden Anderson

**Platinum**  
Akira Speechley  
Daniel Shoemark  
Emily Murphy



**Gold**  
Chelsea Lengronne  
Michael Egginton



**Silver**  
Alvin Lengronne  
Liam Lengronne



# Kindergarten/Year 1 Drumming Workshop



Kindergarten/Year 1 recently took part in a drumming workshop.

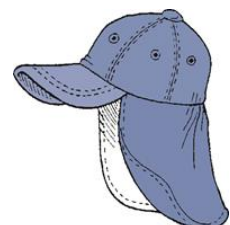
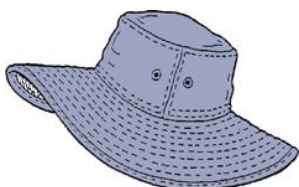
They were joined by the in-coming 2017 Kindergarten class who were all highly excited and took part in an enthusiastic manner.



## No Hat! No Play!

As the warmer months approach it is a reminder that students will need to wear their hats in the playground. If students forget they will be required to stay under the cola or go to the Learning Hub.

It is also important to 'Slip, Slop, Slap' on sunscreen and keep hydrated by drinking lots of water.



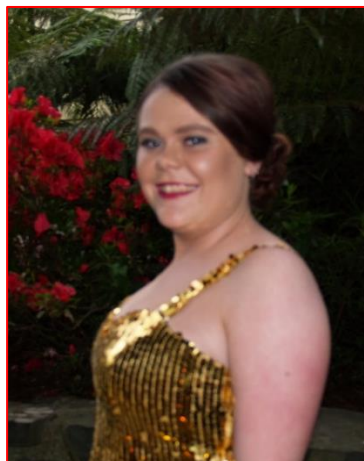
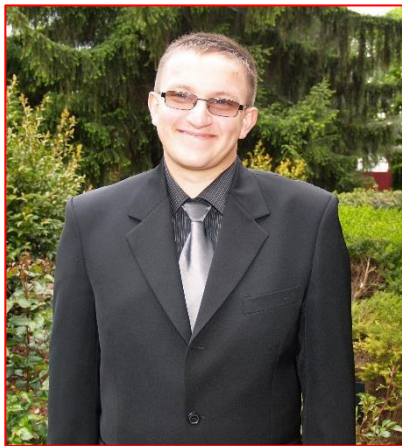


# Year 12 Formal





Farewell Connor,  
Samantha, Zac,  
Dakota and Sam





## RECOGNITION FOR SCHOOL SERVICE TO FOUR STUDENTS

Four students were presented with 'Principal awards' this week following their contribution to assisting with preparations, organisation and service for the Year 12 Formal.



Morgan Mende, Kate Kynaston, Dylan Bates and Emma Kynaston assisted Ms Tofa during the day of the formal by setting up and transforming the Batlow RSL Club auditorium into a glamorous venue for Year 12's special night. Their efforts were highly praised by Ms Tofa and Mr Ellicott, as well as everyone who attended the function.

Morgan and Dylan then stepped up again, both beautifully dressed for their assigned duties at the formal. Dylan using the spotlight to great effect throughout the evening and Morgan providing the technical support for the presentation and speakers. Well done to all four students.

## ROBOTICS TEAM UPDATE

The Batlow Technology School's 'Robotics Team' have been working hard to prepare for the Robotics competition in Wollongong on Saturday 26 November 2016. The topic chosen is sharks. The team have been researching information regarding genetically modifying shark DNA which may be used in preventing shark attacks.

Our team consists of Alexander Speechley, Carter Ironside, Trevor Ashcroft-Hanson, Alvin Lengronne, Rebekah Gardner, Rayleigh Gould and Ben Howell.



## "VICTOR CHANG SCIENCE AWARD" FOR TESSA CROSS



Congratulations to Year 11 student Tessa Cross who was the proud recipient of a "Victor Chang Science Award" at a special presentation ceremony in Junee on Wednesday 9 November 2016.

Tessa is pictured left with Principal Mr Hodges who was extremely proud of Tessa's efforts in the competition and in representing Batlow Technology School at the awards.



## REMEMBRANCE DAY

A whole school assembly was held on Friday 11 November 2016 to acknowledge and remember our fallen diggers.

One minute's silence was observed and addresses were given by both school captains and also members of our senior school.

*Hannah Collins is pictured giving her address.*



| Batlow Technology School Term 4 Calendar |                                |  |
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| Date                                     | Event                          | Details  |
| Tuesday 15 November 2016                 | Careers Expo                   |  |
| Friday 18 November 2016                  | Year 6 Transition Day          | Current Year 6 into Year 7                     |
| Tuesday 22 November 2016                 | Year 9/10 Elective Evening     |  |
| Wednesday 23 November 2016               | Year 6 Graduation Dinner       | To be advised                                  |
| Wednesday 23 November 2016               | Backyard Rugby League Gala Day | Years 3–6<br>(9/10 Pass and Yr 11 SLR)         |
| Friday 25 November 2016                  | National Leaders Day Sydney    |  |
| Friday 25 November 2016                  | Robotics Competition Two days  | Wollongong returning Saturday 26 November 2016 |
| Monday 28 November 2016                  | Primary Swimming Program       | Concludes on Friday 9 December 2016            |
| Monday 28 November 2016                  | P&C Meeting                    | 6.30 pm in the school Learning Hub             |
| Friday 2 December 2016                   | Rotary Christmas Carols        | Primary students                               |
| Wednesday 7 December 2016                | Sec Wellbeing excursion        | Jindabyne                                      |
| Tuesday 13 December 2016                 | Primary Wellbeing excursion    | Wagga Wagga                                    |
| Thursday 15 December 2016                | Presentation Evening           | 'Sharni Williams Hall'                         |

**BATLOW TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL  
PRESENTATION NIGHT  
Thursday 15 December 2016  
6.00 pm in the "Sharni Williams Hall"**



MUSICNSW PRESENTS

# 2016 INDENT TOUR

FEAT.

# TIRED LION

## + LOCAL SUPPORTS

18 NOV DUBBO // THE MIDNITE CAFÉ  
20 NOV ARMIDALE // PCYC  
25 NOV TUMUT // EVOLUTION DANCE CENTRE  
26 NOV MORUYA // MORUYA SHOWGROUND  
27 NOV WOLLONGONG // UNI BAR

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## 2016 INDENT TOUR FEATURING "TIRED LION"

Perth band "Tired Lion", recently supported "Violent Soho" on their national tour!

Music NSW, a government not for profit body aimed at developing and promoting music within communities is putting on an all ages event in Tumut.

**When:** Friday 25 November 2016

**Where:** Tumut Evolution Dance Centre

**Time:** Doors open at 6.00 pm

**Tickets:** \$10.00 if pre purchased or \$15.00 at the door

**Apply for free tickets by putting your name down in the Learning Hub at BTS**





## THE BEST HOLIDAYS HAPPEN AT CAMP

Entertain the kids these school holidays with one of our kids' camps. They're a great way to get the kids outdoors learning new skills while making new friends. From day programs to residential camps, our kids' camps help grow an independent spirit that is self-reliant, confident and responsible.

Choose from a range of fun and exciting camps led by qualified instructors and rest easy knowing your kids are in safe hands.

Activities include flying fox, slip'n'slide, kayaking, archery, challenge ropes course plus much more.

We also offer accommodation, programs and facilities to suit every budget:

- Self contained accommodation
- Group getaways
- School camps

### Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre

#### Summer Camp

|               |            |       |
|---------------|------------|-------|
| 16-20 January | 7-12 years | \$300 |
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#### Sport, Health & Fitness Camp

|               |            |       |
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| 16-20 January | 9-12 years | \$300 |
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### FOR SALE LAPTOP CARRY BAG

The school has a quantity of good quality laptop bags for sale.

**\$15.00 each (including gst)  
available from the office**

**Now \$10.00 each**

