

BATLOW TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL



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2 November 2018

Term 4 – Week 3 (A)



YEAR 8 SCIENCE LESSON



BATLOW TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL

Principal

Mr Greg Hodges

Relieving Assistant Principal

Mr Anthony Carroll

Head Teacher

Mr Mark McDonell

Relieving Head Teacher

Mr Andrew Piper

Principal's Message

After a lengthy consultation process, we are delighted to unveil the newest addition to the school uniform. The 'Hoodie' has already been popular with students with a considerable amount of purchases already visible in the playground. Students have access to the display items in the office to have a closer inspection, with the actual items available through Swans of Tumut. As mentioned, this is an additional piece of uniform. The original fleecy will remain as one of the options for the cooler weather. Please note that the school stocks all aspects of the existing uniform. It is only the 'hoodie' that needs to be purchased at Swans of Tumut



Our 2018 Year 12 students are now over the halfway point of their Higher School Certificate (HSC). The final day of the exam period will be the 9 November 2018. That same evening will be the Year 12 Formal, to official mark the end of the student's schooling.

Students are sure to have noticed the absence of Mr Black this term. Prior to returning to Term 4, Mr Black was injured in a sporting incident, which required surgery to his ankle. To assist his recovery, Mr Black has been immobilised and is recovering at home. We can only anticipate his return at this stage, which may be another couple of weeks. Specialised lessons have continued with the employment of Mr Read, a trained TAS teacher.

The end of Term 4 also is an opportunity for the school to recognise students' levels on the merit system. There will be two separate excursions planned with Primary heading for Wagga and Secondary going to Yarrangobilly Caves. The merits will close on 30 November 2018, we encourage students to maintain their focus on making good choices and having a positive attitude to their learning.

A special report has been included in this Scoop, prepared by Miss Cooper our Primary Instructional Leader. I strongly encourage all parents to study the close correlation between low attendance and student educational growth. Although this evidence is derived from continual monitoring of students in K-2, the same effects are experienced by students within any stage of their schooling. It is for this reason, that we encourage strong relationships between school and home, to provide support for every child.

As always, Term 4 is not the time for students to taper off their application to learning. Please stay focused.

Discussions and preliminary planning is underway to develop strategies to include 'mindfulness' techniques for all our students within their education and future life. More details of the initiative will be shared later this term in readiness for 2019.

Greg Hodges
Principal

P&C

Meet on Week 4 and Week 8 of each term in the Learning Hub at 6.30 pm on Tuesday Night.

All welcome to attend

School Hoodies

\$39.00 each

available at

Swans of Tumut



PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Brock Cobden, Benjamin Dierkx and Chayse Membrey for receiving their award for student of the week in the Week 1 assembly.



Our hardworking and happy students of the week for Week 2 were Jake Jones, Emily Murphy and Elizabeth Pascoe.

Well done to these students who are showing a positive attitude to learning and solving the challenges they meet.

Anthony Carroll Relieving Assistant Principal Year 3/4/5/6 Teacher

BUBBLES AND LAUGHTER



Students in Kindergarten/Year 4 were given a great opportunity to learn about Science on Tuesday Week 2 of this term. Not only were they in the middle of making predictions about what would sink or float but the high school students came over to share a scientific experiment that they had discovered on 'You Tube'.

Led by Ms Jones and supervised by Ms Foster, the high school students showed the primary students the fun they had in high school science lesson. This was a great lesson where primary school and high school students collaborated on science projects. See the pictures for more insight into the fun we had.

Rebecca Foster Year 2/3/4 Teacher



What's on at BTS

Each Tuesday (except Week 4 and Week 8)
Robotics 3.00 pm to 4.00 pm

Every Thursday
Home Learning Club 3.00 pm to 4.00 pm

Monday 5 November 2018
Valid Testing, Year 8

Tuesday Night 6 November 2018
P&C Meeting 6.30 pm

Wednesday 7 November 2018
Kindergarten 2019 (9.00 am until 11.15 am)

Friday 9 November 2018
Last day of HSC Exams
Year 12 Formal

Monday Night 12 November 2018
Woodwork class 6.30 pm

Wednesday 14 November 2018
Kindergarten 2019 (9.00 am until 11.35 am)

Thursday 15 November 2018
Year 6 into Year 7 (all day at school)
Whole School Assembly-Sharni Williams
OAM Hall

Wednesday 21 November 2018
Kindergarten 2019 (9.00 am until 11.15 am)

Thursday 22 November 2018
Year 6 into Year 7 (all day at school)

Wednesday 28 November 2018
Kindergarten 2019 (9.00 am until 3.00 pm)

**Monday 3 December 2018 until
Friday 14 December 2018**
Primary Swimming School

Wednesday 5 December 2018
Kindergarten 2019 (9.00 am until 3.00 pm)

Thursday 6 December 2018
Year 6 Dinner

Friday 11 December 2018
Rotary Club of Batlow
Carols by Candlelight

Friday 14 December 2018
Welfare trip, Year 7-Year 11

Monday 17 December 2018
Welfare trip, Kindergarten to Year 6

Wednesday 19 December 2018
Presentation Night 6.00 pm
Last day of 2018

School Canteen everyday

PUPPET MAKING

The shadow puppeteers that entertained the patrons of the Batlow Apple Blossom festival shared their expertise with the primary students on the Friday afternoon before their show.

Students had a creative time making puppets and were excited to display their own show which was presented to the rest of the class.



First step is to make puppet-
Lizzy was delighted by her
horse.

Larson enjoyed making his shark chase the shadow crocodile.



Mitchel and Phillip are making their puppets tell a shadow story
of the crocodile chasing the horse.



THE EFFECT OF DAILY ATTENDANCE ON YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION

Daily attendance is **vitaly important** for all children and young people to succeed in education and to ensure they do not fall behind both **socially and developmentally**. Students are more likely to succeed in academics when they attend school *consistently*. It is difficult for the teachers to build student skills if a student is frequently absent.

Please make sure your child attends school when they are well.

Children and young people, who regularly attend school and complete Year 12, or an equivalent qualification, have better health and employment outcomes.

Research confirms there is a strong link between poor attendance and adverse student outcomes like:

- Early school leaving
- Poverty
- Substance use
- Unemployment
- Negative health outcomes.

A child missing one day a fortnight will miss four weeks in a year, and more than a year of school by Year 10. It is important that children develop regular attendance habits at an early age.

To show you an example of how this can affect your child, below is a reading chart from 2018 with Kinder and Year 1 students. Students who have poor attendance at school (ATT) are at risk of falling behind.

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Desirable level of reading at the end of 2018 for Year 1

Literacy is a major part of a child's schooling and effects many other aspects. Reading at home, even if it is for ten minutes per day, not only increase your child's ability to comprehend more but it can also give them more confidence in other aspects of their schooling and they will be less likely to fall behind their cohort. If you would like more information on how to help your child please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Paula Cooper

Instructional Leader

Hats

Reminder that all students need to wear a hat every day at BTS!

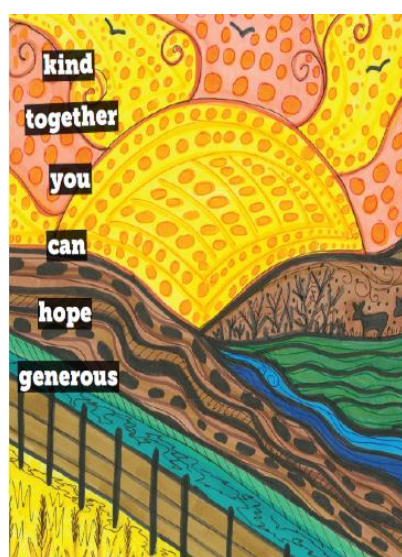
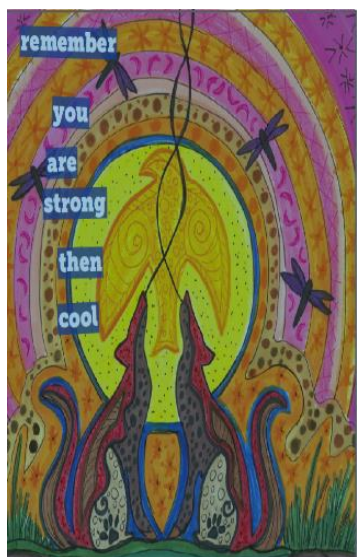
WRITING AND POETRY UPDATE BY YEAR 2-4

Year 2-4 have been using the online program STORYBIRD to inspire their short stories, chapter books and poetry. The poetry program on this website uses images of choice with an array of about 100 words to choose from for your poem. Students select the words in a specific order to create their own unique messages. They learn about images, creating an authentic message and text placement.

Here are a few of these poems. To access this website, go to www.storybird.com to create your own login where you can later publish and purchase your own books! These are, in order from left to right, the poems of Jayla, Juno (two poems) and Phebee,



The following ones are by Emily Murphy



For more information about using "Storybird", see Ms Foster, Year 2/4 teacher.



Year 6 into Year 7 for Term 4

Transition dates are

Thursday 15 November 2018

Thursday 22 November 2018

YEAR 7 GALA DAY



Year 7 students went on a group bonding and teamwork gala day. Students from Tumut High School and Batlow participated in a variety of sports including ultimate Frisbee and Oz tag. Batlow students were extremely well behaved and Tumut teachers raved about our students.

Well Done BTS students!

Mr Kass, Relieving PDHPE Teacher





AUSTRALIAN
DEFENCE FORCE



Call 13 19 01 or visit defencejobs.gov.au

ADF came to our school to talk about employment opportunities in the Navy, Air force and Army. It was a very informative talk, which the students enjoyed.



CLOTHING POOL

Donations needed

Batlow Technology School would greatly appreciate donations of school uniforms that are no longer required.

Donations can be left at the school office

Find us on Facebook



facebook.com/batlowtechschool/



For Sale

EGGS

\$4.00

**Available at the
school office**

STUDENT RELATED COMMUNITY NEWS

The 2XU NSW All Schools Track and Field Championships was held at Sydney Olympic Park Athletics Centre from Thursday 27 September 2018 to Sunday 30 September 2018.

Rayleigh competed in the 13 Years Girls' 800m and ran a new pb of 3:11.35 and placed 21st overall in NSW on Thursday.

Riley ran in the 12 Years Boys' 800m and placed 15th overall and ran a time of 2:39.56 on Thursday.

Rayleigh and Riley did not qualify for the 800m finals but ran very hard.

Jack competed in the 15 Years Boys' 800m Heat and qualified 7th into the final with a time of 2:06:76, just cruising it in on Thursday. He placed 3rd on Friday with a time of 1:58.96, his second best ever 800m time and with 1st and 2nd both running in the 1:57s a very close race. This is a magnificent achievement as Jack had not been able to train much in the two months leading up to 'All Schools' as he had a painful inflammation on his left knee.

Riley ran his 400m heat. Riley finished in 4th place in his heat and ran a new personal best (PB) of 1:09.07 and qualified for his first ever State final. Riley then placed 7th in the final with another PB of 1.09.03 on Sunday

Jack placed 2nd in his 400m heat with a time of 53.90 on Saturday qualifying for Sunday's final in 4th position.

In the final, Jack then placed 2nd with a new PB of 50.35 qualifying for The Australian All Schools to be held in Cairns from 7 – 9 December 2018, representing NSW in the U16 Boys' 400m. He has also qualified to compete in running the Swedish Relay for NSW at the National Championships.

We wish Jack every success in the National Championships.

Jack's times in both the 400m and 800m have automatically qualified him for the Australian Junior Athletics Championships to be held in Sydney from 26 March to 2 April in 2019.



BATLOW SWIMMING CLUB

Batlow Pool opens on Saturday 10 November 2018

Registrations are now open for the 2018/19 season



Swimming is a great way of building and maintaining fitness, as well as building stamina and strength, without the risk to joints of high impact activities.

Sessions will run on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm from November through to March, these will include training sessions and race nights, games, water safety and guest coach appearances.

Parents are encouraged to get involved, to share their knowledge and participate in running the club, to assist with setting up and packing up each night and time keeping for race nights (swimmers compete against their own times)

Club swimming costumes are still available for \$20.00 if you are new or you require a larger size.

Batlow Swim Club is an approved and registered Active Kids provider. Continuing members can register online.

For more information, contact The Registrar, Sharon Stuenkel on 0417 229 245.



For Apple Users

1. From your iphone/ipad, click on the "Download on the App Store" button above or open the Apple App Store and search for "SkoolBag"
2. Download the free SkoolBag app
3. Opening the app, and add your school(s) and you're ready to go!

For Google Android Users

1. From you Android device, ensure you have an account in the Google Play Store
2. Click on the "Get it on Google play" button above or go to the Google Play Store and search for "SkoolBag"
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For more info visit skoolbag.com.au



Birralee 2018

Pre-order letters will be sent home shortly
To order Birralee for 2018.

Printed version \$15.00

USB 2018 \$10.00

Batlow Technology School



Preparing Future Citizens

New Enrolments 2019

Enrol your child now for 2019.

For an appointment with the Principal,
please contact the office on 6949 1208

Batlow Technology School

We would like to invite you to:

Kindergarten Orientation:

Wednesday 7 November, 2018 - 9.00 am-11.15 am

Wednesday 14 and 21 November, 2018 9.00 am -11.35 am

Wednesday 28 November and Wednesday 5 December, 2018

(Full Day) 9.00 am – 3:00 pm



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KINDERGARTEN/YEAR 1

This term, Kindergarten/Year 1 are completing a Science unit on material world. This week, students performed an experiment using milk, food colouring and dishwashing detergent.

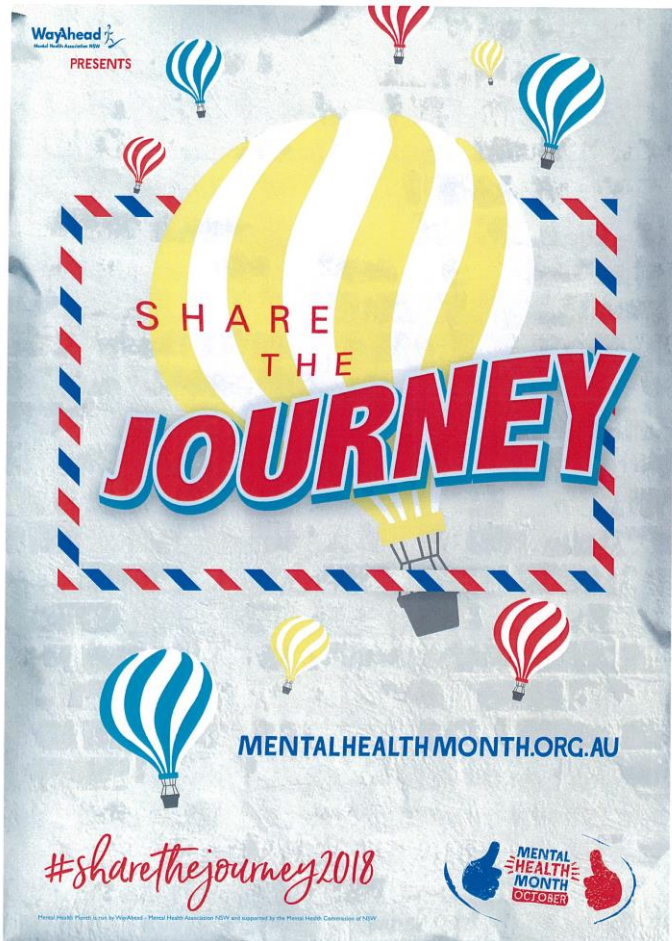
They were asked to predict the changes materials undergo when combined and observed the reaction when all materials were combined.



Thank you Miss Jones for help with our experiments.

Miss C Fallon, Kindergarten/Year 1 Teacher





SHOOSH
FOR KIDS

Show respect to kids and officials.
Remember, sport should be fun!
Support the campaign by using **#shooshforkids**

NSW GOVERNMENT

Murrumbidgee Rotary

TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC

Sunday, 4th November 2018
9am-1pm

Wagga Botanic Gardens

All proceeds go to

 Ronald McDonald House Charities
Wagga Wagga
Ronald McDonald House,
Wagga Wagga



Event hosted by

 **Rotary**
Club of Wagga Wagga
Murrumbidgee
In Wiradjuri Country

WELCOME A SLICE OF THE WORLD INTO YOUR HOME IN 2019!

HOST AN OVERSEAS EXCHANGE STUDENT!

REQUEST A FREE INFO PACK / SMS 'HOST' to 0428 246 633



HEAR FROM A HOST MUM

Hosting has been one of the most rewarding and exciting experiences for our family. Romane, our student, was definitely one of the most kind and pleasant people we have met and right from the start was a perfect fit for our family. Being able to share this experience has had a positive effect on all of my young children.
Host mum, Candice.

HOSTING AT A GLANCE:

- Hosting is voluntary
- You choose your student
- Students attend high school full time
- 24/7 support provided
- Host families come from all over the state
- Students come from all over the world and stay for a short term (8-10 weeks), a semester or a year.

MORE INFO: WEP.ORG.AU/HOST