COMMUNITY SPIRIT

Happenings in and out of school this past week show what a great community we are part of.

Congratulations must go to the organisers of the new Blayney Markets. Under blue skies hundreds of residents showed their support for our wonderful stallholders. A great success.

Meanwhile our students have some more shade with the completion of our sail area at the western end of the hall. This was paid for by the Hobby’s generosity which flowed from the huge community fundraiser and topped off with funds raised by students in our biannual school to pool. Paving will be completed thanks to our IGA Community Chest grant and family purchase of ‘printed’ tiles. I have added another order form to this newsletter.

Blayney High School was also highlighted with the filming of Kurt Fearnley in ‘Home Delivery’. The show should air May/June on a Wednesday night on the ABC. Kurt was as gracious as ever posing for photos despite the film crew trying to move him on and also presenting a signed copy of his book to the library. No doubt his story once again highlights the role Carcoar and Blayney communities played in his development and success.

A big thank you as well to our P&C members – we almost had to send for more chairs. It was great to see a number of new faces as well as the many responses for assistance coming in. Please keep enthused. A small committee to work on the Craft Show was formed and all responses should be contacted over the coming weeks.

It was decided to add an extra meeting into the schedule to cover the obligation for an AGM. To cut down travel it will be held on our school social evening. Please do not be afraid of “getting a job” and keep your attendance coming. Bring a friend even.
AGM – P&C

Special Meeting
Thursday: 12th March
7.00 p.m.
School Common Room

SPORTING STARS
We already have a number of students achieving success on the sporting fields in their out-of-school teams.

Geoff McDonald (Year 12) – has been selected in the 2015 Western Region Academy of Sport Golf squad.

Zak Simons (Year 8) – has been selected to play for the Australian Under 14’s Basketball tour to New Zealand in April.

Sarah Colman (Year 8) – has an exciting trip ahead travelling to England as part of the Australian Under 14 Futsal team.

We are hoping to do some fundraising to assist Sarah and Zak achieve their dreams.

YEAR 7 WELCOME

Year 7 Welcome B-B-Q

Parents & Students

Tuesday: 17th February
5.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.

Tomorrow night we hold our informal welcome BBQ for Year 7 students, parents and family. It is an opportunity to catch-up and introduce yourself to your child’s teachers and gather some useful information. We will run a short presentation on levels and signatures for parents throughout the evening. Students then have an extra welcome with their first school social on Thursday, 12th March.

Social regulations are:
• Ticket to be bought on the day at school.
• Only 1 ticket sold to each student.
• Only students on school trips, etc. can make arrangements to buy on the night.

• Normally students need to be on Level 6. For this disco students need 5 signatures and should have their diaries with them at the time of purchase.
• Students are not allowed to leave the disco once inside unless collected by a parent.
• The canteen is open, no drinks or food from outside allowed.
• We discourage bringing valuables, though bags can be stored in Room 2 during the night. This room is supervised.
• Students not meeting appropriate standards will have parents contacted and asked to leave.
• Often Year 7 students in particular get tired early and wish to leave. Parents can collect students earlier by seeing a staff member at the door.
• On Thursday only students needing to do so can leave clothes/bags in the storeroom in the foyer.

Welcome to Year 7 Social

Theme: Disney Characters

Date: 12th March
Time: 7.00 – 9.30

We have attached a calendar of Term 1 key dates. There will be many additions, hopefully not many changes as well but remember each newsletter gives a fortnightly update.

EXAM WEEKS – it sounds a bit early to be talking exams but it is important that students are in attendance during these weeks. Please do not book holidays as there can no longer be attendance exemptions and rescheduling is difficult. Students not in attendance during exams – all or some – will need a doctor’s certificate to sit a catch-up or they will receive zero. This will greatly affect reports and possible future class placements.
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SAFETY ISSUE

I have asked Mrs Medbury – Blayney Public School Principal – to inform students that they must not walk through the high school on their way home or to meet brothers and sisters until 3:30 p.m.

Our lessons do not finish until then and students are interrupting classes and/or putting themselves in a position to be hurt as our students rush for buses, etc. Students at Blayney High School who collect younger siblings are asked to meet them at the crossing gate or collect them from the supervised area at the primary school.

Only students whose parents work at the high school can come over and wait. These students and parents have been informed of a set waiting place and expected behaviour.

Walking through the school with siblings of a morning isn’t an issue as classes have not commenced and times vary so there are no crowds. However students both high and primary should not be walking through either carpark.

TIMETABLE CHANGES

Whilst our older students may be used to timetable changes, Year 7 will get to know these are inevitable especially early in the semester. Numbers of returning students are down somewhat this year and we have had to make staffing cuts. Fortunately this does not involve transfers of permanent staff but to facilitate the changes some classes have been collapsed. As a result some timetable changes will be necessary starting next week. We will also be making some minor changes next term.

Students are thanked for their ability to be flexible as usual and it is hoped the disruptions will be minimal.

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FROM OUR DEPUTY

Harassment/Bullying

If you become aware of an incident of bullying or harassment of your child or any other student in the school we ask that you contact the school so that the issue can be looked into.

Any issue that occurs at school needs to be dealt with by the school. There were a small number of incidents in 2014 where parents tried to deal with incidents that were reported to them by directly contacting the parents of the other child involved.

We ask that you do not do this please.

At least two of these incidents ended up having to be dealt with by the police as a result of threats and harassment that occurred between the adults involved. It is important that as adults we set the example of appropriate behavior in dealing with conflict. If our children see us dealing with conflict by acting aggressively and making threats it is very difficult, if not impossible for us to teach students alternative strategies when conflict arises.

If there is an incident that occurs your son or daughter should report it to one of the following people:

- Class teacher
- Head teacher of the appropriate subject
Students may also use the COURAGE system to report issues that they or a friend may be facing. These may be issues of bullying or harassment or any other issue they may be facing.

The COURAGE mentors are students trained to work with students on issues such as conflict resolution and allow the students themselves to become part of the solution in negotiating an end to any problems.

COURAGE mentors will always work as a team and there will always be at least one senior (Year 11 or 12) student on that team. COURAGE mentors are not allowed to be involved in resolving any issue that involves students in their year level.

Our early results from the COURAGE program indicate a high level of success in dealing with issues of low level bullying and harassment as the students work through their issues and arrive at their own solutions without the teachers becoming involved.

Students can access the COURAGE mentors in 3 main ways

- approaching them directly (they all wear a badge)
- filling in a form and placing it in one of the COURAGE boxes. These are located in the top of D Block and the top of A block
- filling in an on line questionnaire which can be found at https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/courage bhs

Students who wish to speak with a COURAGE mentor will have the opportunity to select which of the mentors they would like to work with.

Please note that the COURAGE mentors are not involved in any disciplinary action in any way. If an issue remains unresolved or is beyond the level of their training they will refer the incident to a teacher of school counsellor who will take appropriate action.

(Mr Browett)

LIBRARY NEWS

The library has had a busy start to the year. We have had lots of students coming up at lunch to complete homework tasks, play the computers or have a game of chess or Uno. For our new Year 7 students, the library is open during the second half of lunch on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. During this time students are welcome to come up to do quiet work or hop on a computer for some free time. Some students have already started to dip into the fabulous range of fiction that we offer. Students are able to borrow 3 fiction and 3 non-fiction books for a period of three weeks. Come up and have a look for your favourite read. If we can’t find it for you, let us know and we can get it in.

This year Mrs Folpp will be running a monthly book club where students can come up to the library on a Tuesday to have a chat about what is being read. Our first Tuesday Book Club will be held on Tuesday February 17 discussing good holiday reading. What did you read in the holidays??

Looking forward to seeing lots of students in the library this year. (Ms Evans)

LACHLAN SHIELD CRICKET VS YOUNG HS

The Blayney Junior Cricket team picked up where they left off last year with a convincing 36 run victory in their second clash of the 2014/2015 Lachlan Shield competition. After winning the toss and electing to bat, the Blayney batting line up looked to continue their attacking form from their previous encounter with Morgan Fuller (26) Cohen Schubert (68 n.o.) and Ned Hobby (21) scoring runs quickly and freely. Despite the frequent fall of wickets, the Blayney batters continued to throw caution to the wind, their entertaining innings coming to an end in the 26th over with a score of 10-163.

With the weather looking evermore dire as the game progressed, both sides knew they had to play attacking cricket to ensure the win. Matthew Reeks (6: 3-16), Nick Tilburg (4: 3-16), Anthony Pond (2: 1-17), Morgan Fuller (2: 1-11) and new comer Mayson McPaul (5.4: 2-38) were devastating with the ball. The consistently accurate bowling was well backed up by clinical, suffocating fielding that brought about a number of catches. Young HS ended their innings in the 24th over, all out for 127.

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Blayney now has one more pool game remaining with a win securing them another finals birth and a second shot at the title in as many years. (Mr Salmon)
SPORTS UPDATE TERM 1 WEEK 4

It may be early in the year but a number of Blayney High students are already looking to make 2015 a strong successful sporting year. Western Volleyball Trials were recently held at Blayney High with a number of students from our very own successful teams attending the try outs. Congratulations to Matthew Reeks, Lachlan Farr, Mac Gosewisch, Brittany Howarth, Tanesha Hahn, Grace Mooney, Emily Cochrane, Hannah Stammers, Sophie Stammers, Holly Uhr and Georgia Calub on your representation at try outs. Further congratulations to Matthew Reeks, Lachlan Farr, Georgia Calub, Tanesha Hahn, Emily Cochrane, Grace Mooney and Hannah Stammers on gaining selection.

Sarah Colman, current year 8 student at Blayney High, was recently selected at the National Futsal Club Championships to play for the Australian under 14 girls in the Australian Futsal Association tour to take place in the UK from the 9th-29th October of this year. Good luck to Sarah and congratulations on this wonderful achievement.

On Wednesday 12th November 2014 the area trials were held for the Girls Western Cricket team, among the 25 girls nominating our very own Abbie Uhr was present. Abbie, who was still in primary school at the time of selection, made the team of girls who will represent the Western Area at the State Carnival in Armidale 16th-19th February 2015. Congratulation Abbie on this outstanding effort, it is fantastic achievement to make a regional selection team, let alone one advertised primarily for high school students, whilst still attending primary school.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2015

The Blayney High School Swimming Carnival will take place at Centrepoint Leisure Centre on Friday 27th February 2014 (Week 5). Students who catch the bus to school will walk across to the centre as soon as they arrive at school, students who walk to school/are driven can come directly to the pool. Rolls will be marked in year groups at 8:55am at the pool, the day will conclude at approximately 3:15pm where by students can return to school in time to catch their bus home, otherwise can leave from the pool at the conclusion of the day. Students wishing to remain at the pool must exit with the school and pay full entry fee upon re-entry.

The carnival is compulsory and all students must attend as it is a normal school day.

Although the pool is indoor, appropriate sun protection (e.g. hats, sunscreen, long sleeve shirt, sunglasses etc) is advised for the day. Students should bring recess and lunch and plenty of water. Canteen facilities will be available throughout the day, with the school canteen selling a variety of foods from approximately 10:30am onwards. It is recommended that any valuables such as mobile phones or personal music players be left at home as no responsibility will be taken for loss or damage.

A canteen menu is attached towards the end of newsletter. We also need extra volunteers on the day.

All students will have the opportunity to participate in a range of traditional swimming events as well as novelty events. Each student will be given a wrist band which indicates their level of swimming ability on the day.

Students are to pay $3.00 for pool entry and correct change is advised. Students with ‘season passes’ will have to sign in on arrival.

This will be the first opportunity for the newly elected house captains to make a positive impact, encouraging the members of their house to participate to the best of their ability, all while sporting their house colours loudly and proudly and as weirdly as they like. Congratulations to all newly elected house captains:

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Aero Captains: Jessy, Tanesha, Lauren and Geoffrey
Hydro Captains: Caleb, Brittany, Hannah and Lochlan

Pyro Captains: Ryan, Chloe, Courtney and Lachlan

Terra Captains: Ryan, Tessa, Grace and Lachlan

Staff will also be supporting their house groups by donning plenty of colour on the day. A reminder to new students of house names and colours is listed below;

- Aero = Yellow
- Hydro = Blue
- Pyro = Red
- Terra = Green

As positive as it is seeing all students dress in house colours it is reminded that no crepe paper or coloured zinc/paints are allowed as these products may cause harm to the pool facilities.

Teachers present at the carnival will have first aid and resuscitation qualifications, and pool lifeguards will be present in the event of an emergency.

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| Year 12 | 2:00pm |

| Opens Boys 200m IM | 2:30pm |
Novelty events will occur around the beginning of each stroke (i.e.) Year 12 novelties on during 12 years freestyle

- Competition events will not be held up/re-swum if students miss events. Competition swimmers should be focusing on competition events rather than novelty/non-competition races (25m freestyle)
- Relays will be swum at the end of the day; Juniors = 14 years & Under, Senior/Opens = 15 years & over (Juniors may, however, swim in opens/senior relays if needed)

WESTERN REGION SWIMMING TRIALS
Due to the timing of the swimming carnival, nominations for Western (Regional) Swimming will be taken this week. Students wishing to attend the Western Swimming Trials are to have their entries to Mr Salmon BEFORE FRIDAY 20th February this week.

Interested students can pick up copies of the program and qualifying times from the PE staffroom. When submitting nominations students must include their name, date of birth, a list of nominated events and entry times (must be verified). Information regarding regional dates, etc. will be handed out at a later date. Reminder that this carnival is NOT a point score event and prior representative experience (swimming club, Western and/or State representation is recommended) is essential.

(Mr Salmon)

YEAR 7 AND NEW ENROLMENTS SWIM TEST
All Year 7 students and new enrolments should all have returned their notes and money for the
Unstructured Swimming Activities and Risk Management Assessment Test to be completed Tuesday 17th February (WEEK 4 TERM 1). These students will meet in the school hall at the start of lunch and walk over to Centrepoint with their teachers. Students of parents/caregivers who have indicated that their child will not take part in the Unstructured Swimming Activities and Risk Management Assessment Test will still accompany their peers and teachers to the pool; these students will then be classified as non-swimmers and will be unable to take part in any unstructured swimming events offered by the school (i.e. free swim time at swimming carnivals, excursions involving water activities etc.). Students will need to bring a towel and swimwear to get changed into prior to completing the test. The swim test will comprise the following in continuous succession – slide entry, a walk of 5m in shallow end of pool, a swim of 25m using a recognised stroke and a 1 minute float, scull or tread water in deep water followed by an unassisted exit. At the conclusion of the test students will be ‘banded’ based on their swimming ability;

- Blue – Participate in deep water unstructured activities.
- Yellow – Participate in shallow water (waist deep) activities.
- Red – Non-swimmer (see above)

Students will then change back into school uniform and return to school with their teachers where they will be allowed time to have their lunch before completing the school day as normal.
**NSW SCHOOL VACCINATION PROGRAM 2015**

Each year NSW Health works in partnership with schools to offer the vaccines recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) for adolescents as part of the school vaccination program.

In 2015 the following vaccines will be offered:

**Year 7 students***
- dTpa vaccine (Diphtheria, Tetanus & Pertussis (whooping cough)) as a single dose
- varicella vaccine (chickenpox) as a single dose; and
- human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine in a 3-dose schedule at 0, 2 and 6 months (students who commence HPV vaccination in Year 7 but do not complete the course may be offered catch-up doses at school in Year 8)

**Year 11-12 students***
- measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine as a single dose as part of a catch-up vaccination program for students who are not fully protected.

*The Parent Information Kits contain a consent form, information sheet and privacy statement that details how personal information will be collected, stored and utilised.*

Parent Information Kits will be sent home to parents/guardians. To consent to the vaccination of their child, parents/guardians are advised to:
- read all the information provided
- complete the consent form, including signing their name next to the vaccine/s they would like their child to receive
- return the completed consent form to their child’s school
- ensure that their child eats breakfast on the day of the school vaccination clinic.

Parents/guardians who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by writing to the school Principal or phoning the school. The Procedure for Withdrawal of Consent is available on the NSW Health website at [www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation).

To improve vaccination completion, students will be opportunistically offered any missed doses throughout the year where possible.

Please note that for HPV vaccine only, parents/guardians must record their Medicare Number (all 10 digits and the 11th number beside the child’s name) on the consent form, as this is required to record the student’s information on the National HPV Vaccination Register and (for female students only) link to the National or State Cervical Screening Program.

**A Record of Vaccination will be provided to each student vaccinated at each clinic. Parents/guardians should ensure that this record is kept for future reference and should not assume that their child has been vaccinated if they do not receive this Record of Vaccination.**
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**Monday, 16th February, 2015**

**Signature Week**

**Year 7 Camp**

**Year 8 Aurora Residential**

**Signature Week/Transition Week**

**Year 12 Half Yearly Exams**

**Junior Progress Reports Mailed**

**WR R.L. Trials**

**P/T Night Newsletter**

**Athletics Carnival**

**Easter Show Exc**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**Wednesday, 17th February, 2015**

**Year 8 Aurora Residential**

**Signature Week/Transition Week**

**Year 12 Half Yearly Exams**

**Junior Progress Reports Mailed**

**WR R.L. Trials**

**P/T Night Newsletter**

**Athletics Carnival**

**Easter Show Exc**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**Wednesday, 18th February, 2015**

**Year 8 Aurora Residential**

**Signature Week/Transition Week**

**Year 12 Half Yearly Exams**

**Junior Progress Reports Mailed**

**WR R.L. Trials**

**P/T Night Newsletter**

**Athletics Carnival**

**Easter Show Exc**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**Wednesday, 19th February, 2015**

**Year 8 Aurora Residential**

**Signature Week/Transition Week**

**Year 12 Half Yearly Exams**

**Junior Progress Reports Mailed**

**WR R.L. Trials**

**P/T Night Newsletter**

**Athletics Carnival**

**Easter Show Exc**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**Wednesday, 25th February, 2015**

**Year 8 Aurora Residential**

**Signature Week/Transition Week**

**Year 12 Half Yearly Exams**

**Junior Progress Reports Mailed**

**WR R.L. Trials**

**P/T Night Newsletter**

**Athletics Carnival**

**Easter Show Exc**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**Wednesday, 5th March, 2015**

**Year 8 Aurora Residential**

**Signature Week/Transition Week**

**Year 12 Half Yearly Exams**

**Junior Progress Reports Mailed**

**WR R.L. Trials**

**P/T Night Newsletter**

**Athletics Carnival**

**Easter Show Exc**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**Wednesday, 12th March, 2015**

**Year 8 Aurora Residential**

**Signature Week/Transition Week**

**Year 12 Half Yearly Exams**

**Junior Progress Reports Mailed**

**WR R.L. Trials**

**P/T Night Newsletter**

**Athletics Carnival**

**Easter Show Exc**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**Wednesday, 19th March, 2015**

**Year 8 Aurora Residential**

**Signature Week/Transition Week**

**Year 12 Half Yearly Exams**

**Junior Progress Reports Mailed**

**WR R.L. Trials**

**P/T Night Newsletter**

**Athletics Carnival**

**Easter Show Exc**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**Wednesday, 26th March, 2015**

**Year 8 Aurora Residential**

**Signature Week/Transition Week**

**Year 12 Half Yearly Exams**

**Junior Progress Reports Mailed**

**WR R.L. Trials**

**P/T Night Newsletter**

**Athletics Carnival**

**Easter Show Exc**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**Wednesday, 2nd April, 2015**

**Year 8 Aurora Residential**

**Signature Week/Transition Week**

**Year 12 Half Yearly Exams**

**Junior Progress Reports Mailed**

**WR R.L. Trials**

**P/T Night Newsletter**

**Athletics Carnival**

**Easter Show Exc**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**Wednesday, 9th April, 2015**

**Year 8 Aurora Residential**

**Signature Week/Transition Week**

**Year 12 Half Yearly Exams**

**Junior Progress Reports Mailed**

**WR R.L. Trials**

**P/T Night Newsletter**

**Athletics Carnival**

**Easter Show Exc**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**Wednesday, 14th April, 2015**

**Year 8 Aurora Residential**

**Signature Week/Transition Week**

**Year 12 Half Yearly Exams**

**Junior Progress Reports Mailed**

**WR R.L. Trials**

**P/T Night Newsletter**

**Athletics Carnival**

**Easter Show Exc**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**Wednesday, 21st April, 2015**

**Year 8 Aurora Residential**

**Signature Week/Transition Week**

**Year 12 Half Yearly Exams**

**Junior Progress Reports Mailed**

**WR R.L. Trials**

**P/T Night Newsletter**

**Athletics Carnival**

**Easter Show Exc**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**Wednesday, 28th April, 2015**

**Year 8 Aurora Residential**

**Signature Week/Transition Week**

**Year 12 Half Yearly Exams**

**Junior Progress Reports Mailed**

**WR R.L. Trials**

**P/T Night Newsletter**

**Athletics Carnival**

**Easter Show Exc**

**GOOD FRIDAY**
**Summer Menu 2015**

**Daily specials advertised on the blackboard**

- **Plain Bread Roll** 1.00
- **Roll with margarine** 1.20
- **Herb/Garlic Bread** 2.00
- **Cheese Bread** 2.20
- **Melts** 2.50
- **Melts with meat** 3.00
- **Mini Toastie with meat** 2.50
- **Mini wraps** 2.50
- **5 x Goujons – recess only** 2.70

- **Variety of rolls, wraps + salad boxes** 3.00 – 6.00

**Sandwiches, wraps & rolls**
- **Toasted add** .50
- **Vegemite** 2.00
- **B-beans, cheese, egg or ham** 3.00
- **Ham, cheese + tomato** 3.50
- **Tuna + lettuce** 9.00
- **Salad – lettuce, tomato, carrot, cheese + beetroot** 3.50
- **Ham, Chicken or Tuna Salad** 4.50
- **Chicken, lettuce + mayo** 4.50
- **Chicken or Ham lettuce + coleslaw** 9.50
- **Chicken Caesar Wrap** 5.00

**Salad Boxes**
- **Salad – lettuce, tomato, carrot, beetroot, pineapple + cheese** 4.50
- **Add Tuna, Chicken, Egg or Ham** 6.00
- **Chicken Caesar Salad Bowl** 6.00

**Mondays Burger**
- **Cheese Burger** 4.00
  - with salad 5.00

**Fridays Burger**
- **Chicken Burger, lettuce + mayo** 5.00
  - with salad 5.50

**Drinks**
- **Water 600 ml** 1.30
- **Lactose free choc milk** 1.70
- **Milk 300 ml** 2.20
- **Milk 500 ml** 4.00
- **Milkshakes (Mon, Thurs, Fri Lunch)** 2.20
- **Poppa Juices**
  - pineapple popper 1.50
  - raspberry popper 1.50
- **Juice 375 ml** 2.50
- **Juice 500 ml** 3.50

**Snacks**
- **Fruit salads, muffins, cakes, biscuits, fruit** from 1.00
- **Yoghurts, ice cream, ice blocks, paddle pops** from 50c - 2.00
SCHOOL UNIFORM ORDER FORM

The Blayney High School Clothing Pool operates as follows:

If you need to purchase any items please complete the order form below and submit to the front office, before 1pm, this will be filled and be ready for pick up from 2.30pm. Orders dropped after 1pm will not be filled until the following school day.

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**Total cost**

Clothing pool will still be open on pupil free days out of the canteen.
Dear Parents and Carers

This term, our school is taking part in the *Tell Them From Me* student survey. The survey will provide us with valuable feedback on what our students think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help them improve. The survey is completed on-line and is run by an independent research company, The Learning Bar, which specialises in school-based surveys.

Staff in schools will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. To ensure confidentiality, participating students will receive a unique username and password. Where fewer than five students respond to a question, the results will be suppressed. The survey typically takes less than 30 minutes to complete and will be administered by the school during normal school hours. Once the surveys are completed by students, reports are prepared and in most cases are available to schools within three business days.

As well as schools getting student feedback, the Department of Education and Communities, through the Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation (CESE), will have access to data from across the State and will run a research project to look at state-wide patterns of student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices. The research will look at how these things impact on student outcomes, including academic performance. Individual students and schools will not be identified in any CESE publications, and all information will be handled in accordance with the relevant privacy legislation. Students' personal information will not be disclosed by the Department to any other person or body other than as required by law.

This research will help schools in New South Wales to better understand how to improve student wellbeing and engagement. It will also help teachers and principals discuss what works to improve student outcomes.

Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary. Your child will not take part if either you or your child do not wish to. If, during the survey, your child is uncomfortable answering any question, he/she should leave it blank and move on to the next one. Your child can stop the survey at any time.

If you **do not want your child to take part** in the survey, please complete the attached form and return it to your child's school by **Friday 27 February**.


Dr Jenny Donovan
General Manager
Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation
Tell Them From Me Student Feedback Survey

If you do not want your child to participate in the student feedback survey, please sign this form and return it to your school by Friday 27 February 2015.

I (print name) .................................................. DO NOT give consent
for my child/children (print name/s) .................................................................
of roll classes .....................to participate in the Tell Them From Me
student feedback survey.

Signed.......................................................... Date..............................
Newman's Bus Service has a legal obligation under Transport for NSW guidelines when carrying passengers. It is important that buses are not overloaded and are not carrying passengers that are not covered by our insurance.

Children travelling to and from school using Newman’s Bus Service should have completed a Transport for NSW Application Form that has been signed by a parent/guardian and by the school that the child is attending.

If a child needs to change the pick up or drop off points at any time, a letter needs to be given to the bus driver or sent to Newman's Bus Service office. The letter should indicate the date of the changes and the stop where the child will be embarking or disembarking the bus.

Children that travel on our buses, who are not covered under an application form, need to give prior notice to the driver or to Newman’s Bus Service office by providing a written signed letter from the parent/guardian. These can be forwarded to our office using the above contact details. If a letter is not sighted, children could be refused travel or will be asked to pay a fare.

We are aware that children take friends home or children visit or stay with relatives when the need arises but a procedure needs to be in place to cover these children while using Newman's Bus Service.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Regards,

Tim Newman
Newman's Bus Services

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**Blayney Netball Assoc. Registration**

**Days**
- 26/02/15 – 3pm - 6pm (Thurs)
- 27/02/15 – 3pm – 6pm (Thurs)
- 14/03/15 – 9am - 11am (Sat)

**Location** - IGA Blayney
- 18yrs & Over - $100
- Junior (11 - 17yrs) - $80
- NetSetGo/Netta - $60
- Non-Player / Affiliation - $40

(Comp. starts 02/05/14)

Postal Registrations to: BDNA, PO Box 68, Blayney NSW 2799
Email: blayneynetball@hotmail.com

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**WE**
**LIFE WITHOUT BARRIERS**
**VE**

**COULD YOU BECOME A FOSTER CARER?**

Life Without Barriers is currently seeking compassionate people who are willing to share their homes with children and young people who require their support and care. We are looking for people who can provide a nurturing and stable home to a child or young person with high needs. Foster carers need to be resilient, have creative problem solving skills, be able to engage with services and have a good knowledge of their local community.

Life Without Barriers provide carers with: 24/7 support, extensive training and a tax free carer reimbursement.

Our carers range in age and cultural background and can be single, same sex couples, de facto or married couples, with or without their own children.
If you would like to make a positive difference to a young person’s life, we’d love to hear from you.

P: 63949713
M: 04129 998 506
E: lee.surta@lwob.org.au
Swimming Carnival Canteen Menu

Available throughout the day

**Drinks**
- Water $1.50
- Poppers $1.50
- Mineral Water $2.20

**Snacks**
- Chips $1.00
- Sweets Bags from $1.00

**Wraps:**
- Chicken Caesar mini $2.50 whole $4.50
- Ham & Salad mini $2.50 whole $4.50
- Salad mini $2.00 whole $4.00

**BBQ Lunch from 12:30 - 1:30**
Sausage sandwiches $2.50

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Swimming Carnival Canteen Volunteer

Parents and Carers would you like to help at the Swimming Carnival Canteen?

Come along for a short time or the whole day either way you’ll get to enjoy the fun of the carnival!

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Many hands make light work...and a louder applause!
Thanks for your support
Return form to Front Office by Wednesday 25th February