

Barrier Blast Broken Hill High School



Broken Hill High School Core Values: Be Respectful Be Responsible Be Co-operative
27 November 2015

From the Principal

Lions Club Youth of the Year

Congratulations must go to Gracie Gribble, Joelene Galea, Hazel Mendoza and Alana Stellini for their confident and thoughtful approach to the Lions Club Youth of the Year competition. The students were subjected to an interview followed by an impromptu speech on two topics and then a five minute prepared speech. The judges were very pleased with the quality of the candidates.

The winner of the public speaking section was Alana Stellini. She showed confidence and nerves of steel in the impromptu speeches. Her speech on the Syrian crisis was extremely perceptive. The overall winner was Joelene Galea. She will now move to the Regional finals in March 2016. Thanks must go to Miss Heather McBurney who prepared the students for the gruelling event.

Presentation Night – 8 December 2015

Letters will soon be going home for students who have won awards for Presentation Night. We look forward to seeing parents and students on the night to celebrate our successful year.

Department of Education – Attendance until 16 December 2015

The Department of Education has made it clear that all students in compulsory schooling from Years 7-11 are to attend school until the last day of Term 4, which is Wednesday 16 December 2015.

Year 6-7 Picnic Day and Orientation Day 2015.

Students in Year 7 2016 will have their Picnic Day on 2 December 2015 at the Sanderson Stadium. They will meet with their peer support leaders on the day. The Orientation Day will be held on Thursday 3 December 2015.

HEAD LICE

We have had several reports of students with head lice. Please check your child's hair and treat if needed.

'The Quondong'

The school yearbook will be available for sale this term.

Pre-order at the school office. \$11.00 a copy.

You will treasure this magazine full of photos and articles from the 2015 school year.

PARENT CONTACTS

Could all parents/caregivers make sure that if they have changed their phone number or email address to let the front office know. It is extremely hard to contact parents if your child is sick or absent if we have old or outdated contact details.

BHHS Student and Parent Portal!! This internet web page will give parent and students of BHHS an amazing method of communicating with the school. Students can already access the portal using their school username and password. Please contact Mr Jason Bradley if you have any concerns.

Some of the features include:

Parents and Students

- Viewing student timetables.
- Downloading important school documents, including the Barrier Blast.
- Receiving messages from class room teachers with assessment tasks attached.
- Homework and assessment task dates on a timeline.
- Checking student attendance.
- A tally of how many B'Hillians a student has received.
- Seeing class marks for tasks if published by a teacher.

Parents

- Provide reasons for student absences from school.
- Download previous student Half Yearly and Yearly

reports.

-Book and manage bookings for Parent Teacher Afternoons.

Students

-Daily journal for use in classes. Go to the school website <http://www.brokenhill-h.schools.nsw.edu.au> and click the Student & Parent Portal link near the top of the page.

A reminder to parents to notify the school about your child's health

We welcome information from parents about their child's health, even if you are not requesting specific support from our school. Our school asks for medical information when you enrol your child. It is also important that you let us know if your child's health care needs change or if a new health condition develops.

Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma and diabetes and other health care related issues (including prior conditions such as medical procedures in the last 12 months) should be provided to the school by parents. Please provide this information in writing to the principal. This will greatly assist our school in planning to support your child's health and wellbeing.

Please also remember to notify staff in the school office of any changes to your contact details or to the contact details of other people nominated as emergency contacts. We appreciate your assistance in this regard and assure you that any information you provide the school will be stored securely and will only be used or disclosed in order to support your son or daughter's health needs or as otherwise required by law.

PBL Disco

The PBL Disco is on the 2nd of December in the school hall. Starts at 6:30pm. All students who have reached 450 B'hillians get free entry into the event, every one else there is a charge of \$5. Only BHHS students are allowed to attend this event. Snacks available from the SRC canteen on the night. It's going to be a great night, hope to see everyone there.

PBL Rewards Day is fast approaching. So far 115 students have made the invite list. Keep following the core values to increase your B'hillians and be invited to this exclusive day at the YMCA Pool!

Assessments Due



All assessment tasks will be posted through the parent portal by their classroom teacher. If there are any concerns or enquiries please contact Mr Gauci at school.

HSC 2016 Legal Studies: Human Rights Research Assessment Task Due: Tuesday 1st December Submit in class.

Yr 12 SDD - In Class Topic Test "The Inter-relationship between Software and Hardware" Due: Friday 4th December.

Year 11 Biology Practical Assessment due 2nd of December to the front office before 9 am

Year 11 Physics Research Assessment due 9th of December to the front office before 9am.

Please submit your assessment tasks as due to your teacher by 9:00 am on the above due date(s).

BHHS IDOL

This year will be a collection of senior and junior music and dance groups, 7/8 music students, 9/10 music students, 7/8 dance students and 9/10/11 Dance students

They will compete against each other in four separate groups.

A student will represent each year group to judge the best item from each group.

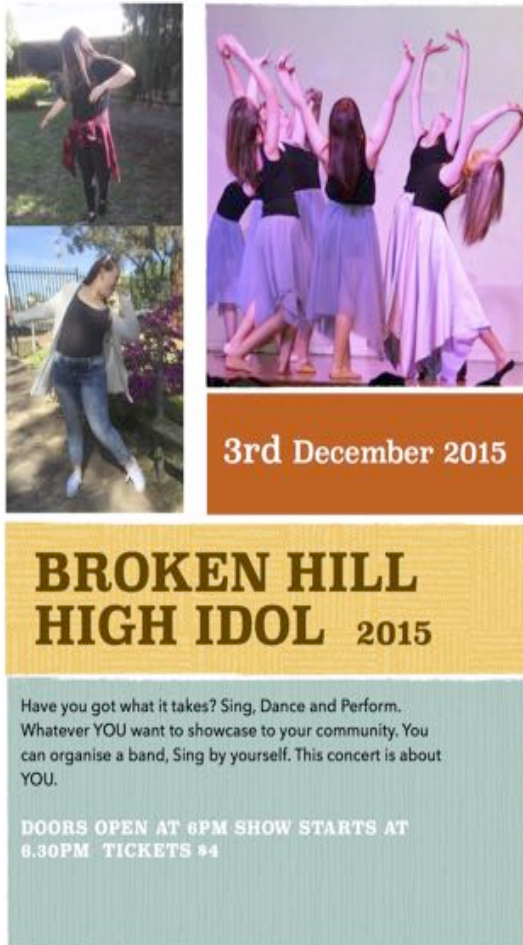
They will be composed by the students and be songs and dances that the students love.

Year 9 and 10 Dance will perform dance works created by classwork this term.

Excitingly, Central primary will also be performing on the night.

Please come and support BHHS talent.

Tickets are \$4 and doors open at 6pm and show starts at 6.30pm on Thursday 3 December 2015.



Need for Speed - Race Day

"Need for Speed" is a Year 8 elective aimed at challenging our talented students in the fields of both Engineering and CAD (Computer Aided Design). The students learn about gears and gear ratios, along with aerodynamics and the effects of downforce on a moving body. They then applied what they had learnt to their design of their own Down Force Racer. The aim is to design and build the quickest car that can cover the 12 metre drag strip in the shortest time. In order to do this they have to calculate the best gear ratio from the 5 available gears. What will get them to the finish first, top speed or acceleration? Or is it a little bit of both?

Using Sketchup (CAD) software, students learned how to accurately (0.01mm) draw up their designs which were then cut out on a 3D CNC Milling machine. They then had to assemble their cars gluing it together and wiring up their motors. They encountered many problems along the way, but they all worked tirelessly to overcome them, not one student gave up! Almost all students had their cars finished in time for race day and all were eager to see how their cars performed, and who would come out on top... who would be crowned champion.

Race day turned out to be one of frustration as car after car experienced problems with wheels

spinning on axles or gears doing the same. The end result, was a lot of spinning motors but not much else, except disappointed looks on faces :-(. One driver and his car did rise to the occasion producing a number of successful runs to win the day... his name, Bernie O'Connor!! (Pictured below) His car was even quicker than Mr Ellice's and he claimed the crown of class Champion!!!! His smile said it all.



The rest of the class was not put off by this, and were eager to problem solve their miss-performing cars and turn them into winners, so back into the work room we went. After lots of problem solving most students were able to improve their cars and have them ready for a second race day.



On the second event most students were able to get their cars up and running and race after race was run, with winners progressing and losers trudging off back into the crowd to watch. We had some spectacular races, with tires coming off, leaving cars stranded behind, with the rims spinning on the track! After a series of knockout races we

had another race day winner, this time it was Liam Gers (pictured below) and his very consistent car, beating Bailey Beattie's car in the best of three final, 2-0.



The best of the first round Losers was Chloe Roberts' car which managed to make it to the finish line in the "plate" event after some hasty ongoing repairs. All of the students enjoyed the elective, designing and making their cars. It was pleasing to see them focus on their cars, and not give up when problems arose, but to show determination to solve their problems.



Pictured from back left: Denzelle Jones, Maddison Hughes, Liam Gers, Sam Greville, Vince Thompson, Angus Walker, Cody Haylett.
Front Left: Chloe Roberts, Stuart Williams, Jonas Vincent, Preston Delbridge, Brodin Stuart, Bailey Beattie.

Christmas Shopping Trip



Thrifty Charters

Broken Hill - Mildura

Saturday 5th December-Sunday 6th December

Accommodation at The Mildura Golf Resort,
including breakfast

\$169pp

Phone Thrifty on 80881928

*Conditions apply



* Minimum bookings required, accommodation twin share, meals not included

This Is Me

Thousands of kids right across Australia are living incredible lives and they all have a story to tell – we'd love to hear yours!

ABC3 and Air Pig Productions are producing an exciting 22 x 5 minute series **This Is Me** – it will be a snapshot of Australian kids' lives and unique stories in the year 2016. Do you want to apply to be part of this amazing series?

You will need to:

- Be aged 9 to 14, living in Australia (including Norfolk Island and the Torres Strait)
- Be prepared to share your passion, hobby, school life and dreams on TV!
- **Have your parent or guardian's permission to apply and include their mobile number and email details in your application.**

To get involved:

Send an email to max@airpigproductions.com.au answering the following questions:

1. Name, age, gender, what town or city you live in, do you have any siblings or pets?
2. Tell us something you're really good at or just love doing? (Do you like maths, surfing, music?)
3. What do you want to do when you grow up, and why?
4. Tell us something special or unusual about where you live?
5. What's your earliest memory?

Please attach a recent photo to your email. It does not have to be professional, we just want to hear from you! Please send application photos and emails to max@airpigproductions.com.au

Please send all applications as soon as possible, but no later than the 20th of December 2015. If you are unable to complete your application by December 20th, please email us immediately to discuss an extension.

The 22 successful applicants will be filmed by us in 2016 – it could be YOU!

For further information regarding Air Pig Productions' Working With Children Policy, please contact:

Sally Browning, Executive Producer
Tel 0411 266 213
sally@airpigproductions.com.au



This is Me

Five minutes is a long time if you're waiting for ... lunch ... or for school to finish ... or your younger brother to get out of the bathroom... or for your favourite TV show to start on ABC3.

But five minutes to tell the best of a life story can whiz by – how do you fit in all the exciting stuff - like what's happened to a child in their life so far, what can they do that might be a skill, talent or something unusual. Likes, dislikes, fears and dreams, their family, an average day, what makes them laugh or cry. Perhaps they have a special bond with a grandparent or pet and want to share that story.

This is Me showcases kids aged 9–14 in a mere five-minute TV morsel. A bite of life shared candidly, each with a little drama, humour, adventure and energy or wonder and poeticism.

Each episode is beautifully filmed and crafted to visually tell the child's story in less than five minutes and the child narrates the episode themselves to make the connection with the audience.

Each story will give a snapshot of the child's life but will also expose the ABC3 audience to something they can relate to, something they might learn from, a unique perspective that might inspire, move or surprise them. It's an historical freeze-frame of the diversity of Australian childhoods across the country in 2016.

22 x 5 minute episodes ABC3 and iView / Contact Sally Browning 0411 266 213



PARENT/GUARDIAN FAQ

When will you film and how long will it take?

We will be filming children across Australia from late January 2016 to late March 2016. Usually it takes 1 to 2 days to complete the filming and interviews.

What happens after you film?

We will edit each story into a five minute episode that ABC3 will approve. We will show parents/guardians the edited version before it goes to the ABC. All footage and interviews are stored securely on drives and not shared outside of the production team.

Do you have a Working With Children Policy?

Yes we do and we are happy to provide it to you via email. The crew is small – only Producer/Director Sally Browning, cameraman Dean Cropp and researcher Max Schintler. All crew have current working with children checks as required by each State and Territory and all have worked with children previously.

What sort of things will you film with my child?

We are guided by the child's own interests and ideas when we determine what images we will film. Sally will conduct an initial audio interview first to help this process. Our aim is always to represent the child's life in a creative and positive way.

Can I be there when you film and do the interviews?

We would like parents/guardians to be in the vicinity when we are filming and if we decide to move locations (eg from home to the park or school) we will ask the parent/guardian to transport the child.

Will my child be able to see the whole program?

The ABC will determine when the episodes will go to air but we will be advised of the schedule and pass this information to parents. It is likely that the series will start broadcast mid 2016. With the ABC's permission we can provide each family with a copy of the whole series for personal use only.

Do you have other questions? Please call the Executive Producer Sally Browning on 0411 266213 or email max@airpigproductions.com.au and we will be happy to ensure you receive the clarification you need.

AFL Indigenous Programs

Information and Skills Sessions

AFL NSW/ACT Indigenous Programs are holding information and skills sessions in the following locations.

We are targeting the following age groups:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander males aged 12 – 16 years
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander female aged 14-16 years

Each session will go for approximately 1.5 hours.

You will need to bring your runner or footy boots and water.



LOCATION and TIMES

ALBURY Saturday 28th November 9.00am
Lambert Park (Townsend, Howell and Kiewa Streets)

DARETON Sunday 29th November 11.00am
Dareton Oval (Belar Street, Dareton NSW)

BROKEN HILL Monday 30th November 5.00pm
Jubilee Oval, (Silver Street, Broken Hill NSW)

GRIFFITH Tuesday 01st December 5.00pm
West End Sports Fields & Basketball Stadium
(Merrowie Street, Griffith)

Key Contact

Katriina Heikkanen 0404 090 598

katriina.heikkanen@afnswact.com.au

PCYC | Safer Drivers Course

For Learner Drivers



Next Course: Tues 24th Nov @ 4.30pm!



PCYC are an accredited provider of the Safer Drivers Course.
Guiding young people in the right direction since 1937



The Safer Drivers Course involves two modules:

Module one: A three-hour facilitated group discussion on how to manage risks on the road. This will involve a maximum of twelve participants and will be delivered by a facilitator.

Module two: A two-hour in-vehicle coaching session to develop low-risk driving strategies. This will involve two participants and a coach. Course cost: \$140

Participants must have completed 50 hours of actual on-road driving experience to be eligible for the course. Credits gained under the 3 for 1 scheme cannot be included.

Participants who complete the course will receive 20 hours credit recorded in their learner driver log book.

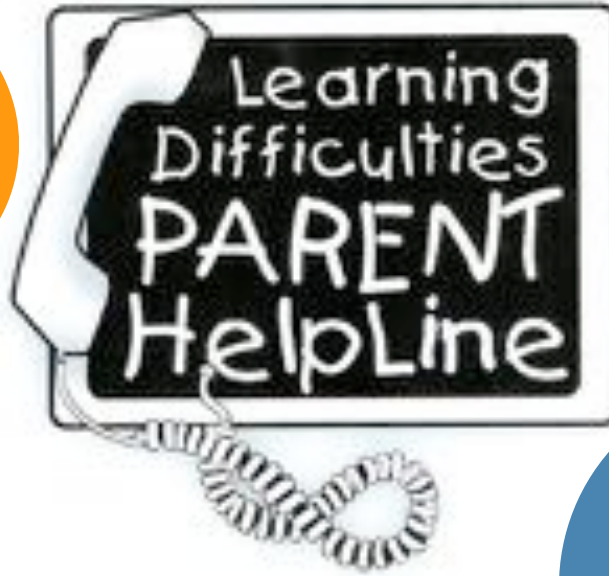
To find your closest club or book into the next available course check out our website:

www.saferdrivers.org.au

Call us on 9625 9111 or drop into your local club to find out more

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Autism
Spectrum
Disorders

Behaviour

Tourette
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Self
Esteem

Literacy
&
Numeracy

Learning
Difficulties

Anxiety &
Depression

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Language

ADD &
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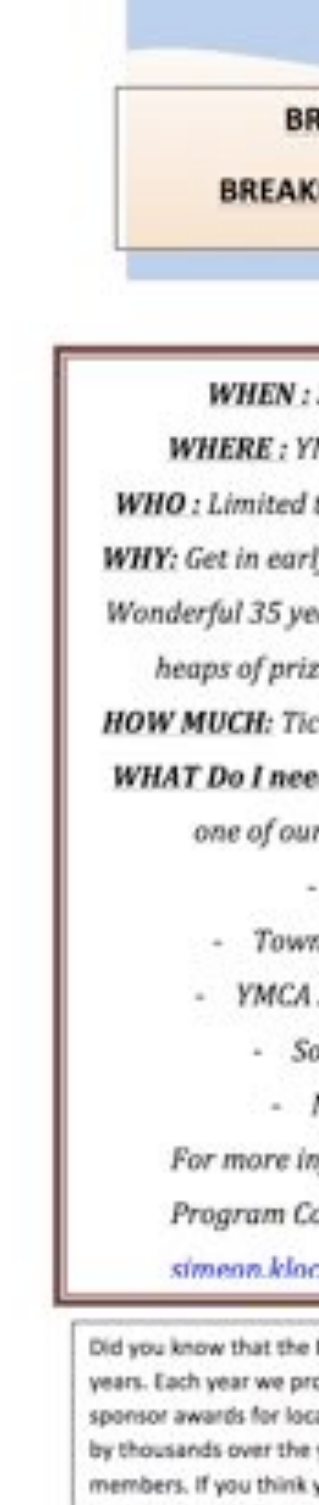
Social
Skills

Bullying

Dyslexia &
Dyspraxia

Support
Groups

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by the DEC.



**BROKEN HILL Y'S MEN'S CLUB
BREAKFAST WITH SANTA IS ON AGAIN**

WHEN : Saturday 28th November

WHERE : YMCA Chloride St Broken Hill

WHO : Limited to 100 Ticket for kids aged 3 – 7

WHY: Get in early to see Santa and be part of this Wonderful 35 year old Broken Hill tradition with heaps of prizes, fun, games and breakfast

HOW MUCH: Tickets only TWO Dollars. \$2.00p/p

WHAT Do I need to Do : Buy your Tickets from one of our VIP Supporting Business

- YMCA Chloride St
- Town & Country Bikes Argent St
- YMCA Aquatic Centre McCulloch St
- South Post Office Patton S
- McDonalds Broken Hill

For more information please contact

Program Coordinator via email

simenn.kloczko@det.nsw.edu.au



Did you know that the Broken Hill Y's Mens Club who has served the Broken Hill Community for over 35 years. Each year we provide not only financial assistance to our community but offer educational grants, and sponsor awards for local Primary school. Our Classic Merry go round and Great fairy floss has been enjoyed by thousands over the years and in order to continue these valuable service we are looking for new members. If you think you would like to see what we do and join us for a meal we meet at the YMCA Every Monday at 6:30 for 7:00. Please contact club President - Garry Halliday 0431630 322

*Santa Class
P.O. Box 0001
North Pole*

**BROKEN HILL Y's Men's
club
SANTA LETTERS**



The Broken Hill Y's Men's Club would like to ask ALL of the Children in Broken Hill and Surrounding Districts to post their letter to SANTA early this year as Santa is VERY busy at this time of Year

The Santa letter boxes are out waiting for YOUR letter at the following locations

TOWN n COUNTRY CYCLES 411 ARGENT STREET

YMCA 78 Chloride St

YMCA Aquatic Centre 336 McCULLOCH ST

South Post Office Patton Street

McDonalds Broken Hill

