

Broken Hill High School

No Reward Without Effort

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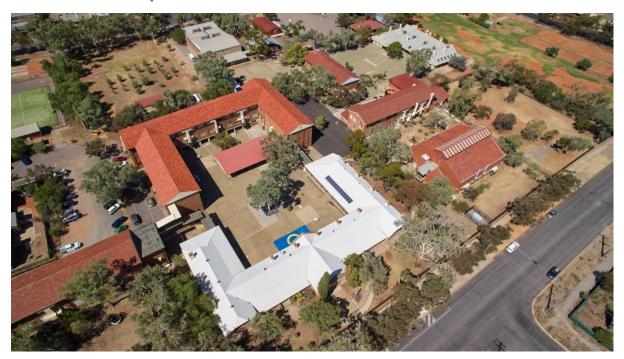
Week 9, Term 3 2017

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From The Principal



Term 3 Week 9

As term three draws to an end and another chapter closes for our current HSC students, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all these students the best of luck in the upcoming HSC examinations and all the best for their future endeavours. Every little bit of study and revision will make a difference. I would like to also thank our School Captains Lachy Gepp and Eilis Quinn and our Vice Captains Joelene Galea and Tyson Trengrove, who have represented the school with distinction during the last twelve months, making many community appearances and assisting the school with leadership at assemblies and functions. A big thank you must also be given to the parents of the graduating class for their support of Broken Hill High School over the last six years as we have truly valued the partnership.

Over the last few weeks I have again had the opportunity to work with our partner primary schools, this time the focus has been on developing communication strategies that will foster and enhance learning for not only the students of Broken Hill High School but all students in our community. One of the strategies discussed that will be further developed includes the sharing of literacy and numeracy expert teachers for all schools to enhance and support growth of cross curricular numeracy and literacy. The schools Quality Teaching Rounds Team have been striving to get this school based teacher professional development initiative off the ground, they have been able to establish a model that will see a large number of classrooms have groups of three teachers visit lessons for the purpose of objectively observing the lesson and then meeting as a Professional Learning Community after hours, to discuss and code the lesson based on the Quality Teaching Model. The coding and discussion is used to facilitate a common understanding and common

language of what quality teaching and learning practices look like in our school. The first round of this initiative will start in Week 2 of Term 4.

In week 8, students in years 7 and 9 participated in the NAPLAN online readiness test, these were completed to test our schools and the Departments technology systems to establish if our network, internet connections and general school technical systems are ready to administer NAPLAN Online. It was an opportunity for the school and students to become familiar with the NAPLAN Online test platform and identify any technical issues that may have existed. I am looking to update as many of the schools computers as possible to ensure the smooth administering of NAPLAN Online.

The school library has undergoing a transformation, it has been set up with new furniture including moveable student lounge style seating that is designed to enhance group discussions and collaboration through creating flexible learning spaces. The computers are in the process of being relocated into a central area of the library to maximise the learning space available. The library has also had a clean-up and is starting to prove itself as an engaging, interactive space for learning. I am looking forward to students being able to fully utilise this wonderful learning facility to maximum potential.

Congratulations is also extended to Sasha Cox (11) and Joelene Galea (12) who have been selected to receive a John Lincoln Youth Community Service Award. Sasha and Joelene are 2 of only 26 students to receive this award, they and their families have been invited to Government House to have their awards presented by the Governor. Congratulations girls!

"The biggest effects on student learning occur when teachers become learners of their own teaching"

John Hattie



Ross Mackay
Relieving Principal

From The Deputy Desk

As the term comes to an end we want to ensure that all students are following the school's core values of being respectful, responsible and cooperative. All students are expected to work to the best of their abilities and complete the set classwork up until the end of the term.

It has been an extremely busy term and we would like to thank the majority of the student body for following the school rules. There is plenty of items on the agenda during Term Four, with a lot more information to come.

We would like to take the opportunity to congratulate all year 12 students on their achievements and accomplishments over the past six years. It has been a pleasure to see the majority grow from the shy and quiet students in year 7 into respectful young adults. Good luck with the upcoming exams and all the best for the future.

A few weeks ago parents were sent links to complete a survey on "Tell Them From Me," we encourage as many of you as possible to take this survey and contribute to school to further improve the educational outcomes for all students.

We hope that all students have a happy and safe holiday and look forward to seeing all again for Term Four.

Mr Devoy and Mr Rhodes Deputy Principals





PD/H/PE



Broken Hill High School Burke Ward Primary School

Coaching Program

As part of the Stage 6 Sport, Lifestyle and Recreation course, Broken Hill High students took advantage of the opportunity to apply their knowledge in a practical setting while coaching Year 5 students from Burke Ward Primary School. The program consisted of two coaching sessions during Week 6 and week 7 of term 3 focussing on Soccer, Netball, Basketball and AFL.

The program successfully provided Broken Hill High students an engaging way to develop knowledge and skills, while strengthening the relationship with Burke Ward Primary School. We look forward to continuing this partnership next year.



The 2017 West Darling Athletics was a great success this year with an outstanding representation from Broken Hill High School students. It was great to see so many of our students enjoying themselves and representing Broken Hill High with pride. All students should be proud of their effort and results from the day.

A special mention goes to the Age Champions from Broken Hill High School. This year saw Jackson Savage take out the 12 Boys Age Champion award with an impressive four 1st place finishes in both track and field events, including the 100m, 200m, Shot Put and Discus. Not to mention the other podium finishes in the Javelin and Long Jump. Well done, Jackson on an excellent achievement.

Lachlan McKenzie was also awarded the Age Champion for the 13 Boys. Lachlan was a fierce competitor throughout the day coming 1st in the 100m, 400m, Shot Put and High Jump. He also came 2nd in the 200m and 800m. We all look forward to seeing Lachlan out on the track again next year.

Nicholas Schofield was another hard to beat competitor on the day taking out the 14 Boys Age Champion. Nicholas showcased his endurance skills in the 400m, 800m and 1500m in which he came first. Nicholas also took out wins in the Discus and High Jump, as well as competing in the 200m and Shot Put. It was an excellent display of skill and Nicholas is a well deserving Age Champion.

Emma Hocking was our final Age Champion for Broken Hill High School taking out for the 15 Girls. Emma is an all-round athlete and this was evident on the day. From winning the 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m and 1500m. Emma also took out top spot in the Long Jump and also placing in the Shot Put and Discus. Congratulations to Emma and her courageous efforts on the day. We look forward to next year.

The results just kept coming throughout the day, the younger students were keen and eager to participate in various events and ensured Broken Hill High School was well represented in each event. In the field events, we saw the likes of Alex Gray who placed 2nd in the Shot Put with a throw of 10.1m and Javelin. Alisi Kelly and Chloe Gray also had some outstanding results in the Shot Put with Chole coming 3rd, closely followed by Alisi. Alisi's highlight of the day was in the javelin in which she took out the win, with a throw of 20.2m. Cameron Attard also enjoyed his day and represented Broken Hill High School in the Discus, coming 3rd with a throw of 14.84m. Jan Sumalinog was another representative in the Discus with a result of 20.96m behind Nicholas Scholfield's throw of 24.1m. Not to mention Rory Capper's results in the Shot Put, in which he came 4th in a hotly contested competition. Katie Letcher and Kasey Hoskins also had outstanding results with Katie coming 1st in the Discus and Javelin and Kasey 1st in the Shot Put for their respective ages. Katie and Kasey were closely followed by Sarah Williams in the Shot Put and Discus with Sarah finishing 2nd to the girls. Lily Bornholdt and Jordan Whitelaw also showcased some excellent skills in the field events with Jordan finishing 3rd in the Long Jump and Lily an outstanding 1st in the Shot Put and 2nd in Javelin. Tom Burke and Yusuf Goss also represented their respective age groups in the field events with Tom coming 2nd in the Javelin and Yusuf displaying his skills in the Long Jump and Shot Put in

which he finished in the top three. The Beattie siblings also showcased their skills when it come to the throwing and jumping events. Bailey took out the win in the Javelin, Shot Put and High Jump and younger sister Zali coming 2nd in the Discus and Javelin as well as 3rd in the High Jump and Shot Put. Natasha Schweikert also had some excellent jumps on the day, Natasha came 2nd in the Long Jump and 3rd in the High Jump.

A special thanks to two of our Year 12 students for attending the carnival and being great role models on the day. Ethan George and Clancy Seager attended the carnival after their Trial HSC exams and came away with some excellent results. Ethan taking the win the Javelin and placing in the Long Jump. As well as competing in the 200m and Relay. Clancy participated in the hotly contested Long Jump and finished with a jump of 3.98m. We were fortunate to have the boys attend the carnival and it was great to have them out at Zinc Oval.

Broken Hill High School also had some excellent results on the track. Amali Elston and Blake Rogers taking out the win in the 100m for their respective age groups both clocking great times. Cooper Lawerance showcased his skills in the longer 800m event coming 3rd in a tight finish. Ebony Nicholas also tried her very best on the track in both the 100m and 400m, Ebony came away with a podium finish in the 400m. Estella Nagas is a talented little runner when it comes to the 400m, with her taking out the win over Broken Hill High's Lizzan Van Der Merwe. Isla Vierow and Maya Butcher are fierce competitors on the track and highlighted their skills in the 100m. Both girls coming first in their respective age groups. Isla also finished 2nd in the 400m and Maya 1st in the 200m. And the results just kept coming, Brock Peredretti came 3rd in the hotly contested 100m, closely followed by Lachlan Cattonar in 4th position and Christelle Van Der Merwe 1st in the 800m in a time of 3:15.3. Riley Robertson ran his heart out in the 1500m, while Savannah White blitzed the 200m and was runner-up in the 100m. Navik Liyanage and Ruby McIntyre were also impressive in the shorter events both finishing in the top three for their respective age groups.

Broken Hill High also had numerous students represent in both Track and Field events. Jaxon Pearce and Hamish Inglis were exceptional on the day. Both competed in several events and came away with excellent results. Jaxon came 1st in the 800m and 1500m, along with 2nd in the 400m and Discus. Hamish demonstrated his skills in the shorter events, taking out the win in the 100m and 200m, while coming 2nd in the Shot Put, Javelin and High Jump. Lizzan Van Der Merwe is an up and coming talent in the younger age group who represented the school well in the 800m, 200m, 400m, Long Jump and Javelin. Jake Muttock and Nicholas Dart-Quinn were also great competitors with them both coming 2nd in the Javelin and High Jump. Madison Schenk, Piper Dwyer and Paris Stellini were excellent in their respective ages with each girl finishing in the top three of High Jump, Long Jump, 100m and 200m. Finally, Oliver Symonds and Caleb Fenton both finished with excellent results. Oliver taking the win in the 200m in a time of 28.5secs and Caleb coming 2nd in the 400m in a time of 1:17.0.

Overall, it was excellent to see all the students having fun whilst competing with pride. Well done to all students and we look forward to making West Darling Athletics bigger and better in 2018.

Mr Darren Salt PD/H/PE



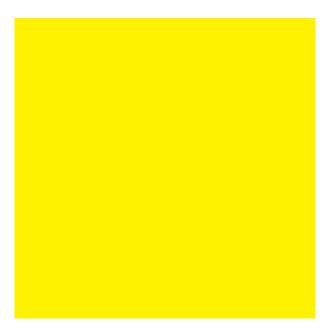
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Science



On Thursday 7th September, the Broken Hill High School and Willyama High School HSC Physics students were fortunate to gain access to the Broken Hill Health Service's Radiography Department.

The students received a tour of the facilities, were able to ask questions and gain some very useful knowledge which will be beneficial when they sit their Higher School Certificate Exams next month. The tour started with one of the radiographers, Chris, explaining the diverse job role that a Radiographer performs for the patients whilst they are in hospital, also showing us the rooms where ultrasound, x-rays and CT scans are performed.

Throughout the excursion we were very lucky to get some hands-on experiences, especially in the ultrasound room where Mr Howlett was used as a test subject. The sonographer scanned Mr Howlett's neck to explain the processes which occur whilst the blood is pumping to and from the brain via your carotid artery and jugular vein. We were able to also see some really cool organs through ultrasound, like the eye, liver and heart. From here, the students were able to perform a simulated biopsy which involved a chicken breast filled with foreign particles and a very long needle, a very similar process that radiologists perform when cancerous cells are found in the body.

Then we progressed into the x-ray rooms and discussed the principles of radiation in medical diagnosis. The class was given the opportunity to try and identify some everyday objects which were hidden inside a cardboard box. The box was x-rayed and the students were able to examine the contents just like what would happen at an airport security screening. The radiographers then explained to us how not all parts of the body are able to be imaged on their own and sometimes require assistance for them to appear on x-ray images. They made us a 'lovely' concoction of barium sulphate to drink which is used to examine blockages in the digestive system, as it has the properties of absorbing x-rays. One of the students described the taste as drinking liquid chalk, let's just say that we won't be lining up for seconds!

To conclude the excursion, Sam, the Radiology Department Manager discussed with us the history of radiology and how far the technology has progressed, especially in the last decade. The day came to an end with the staff sharing some of their interesting x-ray images they have collected over the years, from a puppy with a nerf dart in its intestines to a patient with a broken leg facing completely the wrong direction.

I would like to thank the Radiology Department at Broken Hill Health Service for the opportunity to visit, I know that both the students and I really enjoyed the tour and hospitality. I look forward to developing this close relationship with Broken Hill High School and the Radiology Department for many years to come.

Mr Howlett.

Library Report



This has been quite an exciting year in the library, mostly through Mrs Valentine's efforts (HT HSIE and Library). We have made a great investment into the library to purchase a number of items of furniture. This included over 90 new chairs for library tables, some new circular tables, a circulation counter, and a large and very long snake-like lounge for the right-hand side of the library. The new furniture has meant a virtual "facelift" for the library.

Computers have also been moved away from the books on art to the centre- section of the library, and this has opened these books to the patrons of the library. The library has a large and extensive art book collection (collected over many years), and art books (like history books) don't really age- a large quarto-sized book on Picasso will be as relevant to students today, as it will be in twenty years' time.

The last couple of years have seen a fair bit of "culling" to remove books either in poor condition or irrelevant to student and teacher information and entertainment needs. However, this "culling" has been counterbalanced by the purchase of a number of fiction items (novels for young people, mostly) and some non-fiction- mostly on art, early childhood and history.

A Bookweek essay competition was held this year in the library. Escape to Everyone was the theme. Students had to write a short, 200 word essay, which could be about a literal escape- to a geographical place, or a figurative escape- to a place designed by their imagination. There were a number of quality entries. First prize went to Andriae Madeo (\$120 Gift Voucher), second to Madeline Evans (\$50) and third to Himara Jayasundara Mudiyans (\$30.)

Library staff will continue to endeavour to enhance the environment of the library, and to improve access to good information for students and teachers. 2017 has been a year of great success and achievement. It also has been a year of positive innovation and change. The library has a bright future, and we will work hard to ensure that it is a place that is welcoming, comfortable and relevant to patrons' learning and teaching needs.

Mr Luke Cripps, Librarian.

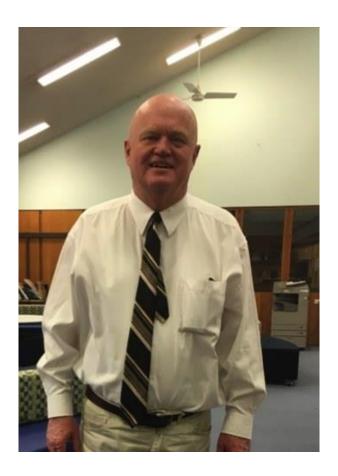




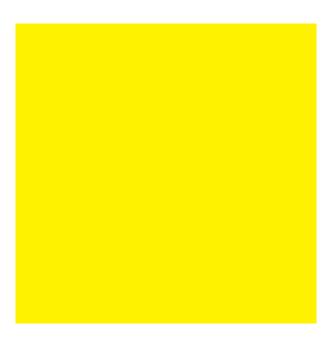








SRC News



Week 8 of Term 3, Broken Hill High School held its 2017 SRC Week. The week was enjoyed by staff and students. The week had activities each lunchtime, starting with the taping teachers to a wall activity, which saw students purchasing strips of tape to be used to tape Mr Wooley, Mr Adams and Mr Jefferys to a wall. Tuesday saw students competing to get as many balls through a hole as they could in 30 seconds for PRIZES PRIZES and the opportunity to be part of the sliming at the

end of the week. This prestigious event was taken out by Josh Hanford of year 11 with a whopping 8 balls through the hole.

Wednesday we saw students partake in a heated competition. Students went mate against mate in a heated battle of who could eat their selection of Scotch Fingers, Waffers and other dry biscuits in the quickest time. Students went head to head until it was only Sean Walker of year 8 and Jayden Sutton of year 10 left. In a battle for the ages, one that compares to Achilles and Hector or Luke Skywalker and Darth Vader, Sean Walker demolished his biscuits and won some PRIZES, PRIZES PRIZES and also got the opportunity to slime Mr Howlett on the Day of the Green.

Thursday saw students use their investigative and guessing skills to try and work out how many goodies were in the goodies jar. The winner got to keep the goodies jar and also got to slime the school captains on Day on the Green. Zayden Speechley got the closest guess of 186, only one of the 185 number of goodies in the goodie jar.

The week was concluded with fun and festivities with our Day on the Green. The Day on the Green ran through Friday afternoon and saw students utilising bumper soccer where friends could bump each other from the safety of their giant inflatable balls. Students could then move from bumping to shooting, with a commando rolling, tooting shooting laser tag skirmish. After all the running around students could relax in the games trailer and challenge their friends to games like Fifa, Rocket League and Sing Star. Students could also be involved in activities like tug-of-war, hair spraying and other novelty games. Students could then recharge or rehydrate with the delicious BBQ, drinks and snacks that was provided by the SRC.

A huge congratulations to all the students and staff of Broken Hill High for getting involved and not only providing a fun and positive day for all involved but helping to raise funds for the SRC that will assist in making our great school even greater. Stay great, stay happy and be awesome Broken Hill High School.

Mr Jack Jefferys







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CAPA



Another successful term for the Creative And Performing Arts department. Year 12 art students concluded there major works and handed in their body works for making early next term. Music students successfully completed their performances for their HSC this week and HSC dance was performed early this term. Congratulations to all these wonderful students.

Dance evening

Another successful evening was held in week 3 of this term. A range of students from Year 7 to 12, performed a series of different dance works. This also included the State Dance routine created by David Camm, a Sydney dance tutor that worked with our students in Term 1 at Dance Camp. David will be coming out to work with our students in Week 1, Term 4. Please collect notes from the CAPA staff room Week 10. Congratulations to Year 10 dance student Danielle Rogers who competed for the opening solo and a close second went to Amber Bradley, well done on your creative compositions.

Senior students Willow Pascoe and Rhiarn Scott, composed a range of fantastic Core and Major compositions from their Preliminary and HSC works. Well done to the choreographers and supporting performers. As always I am so proud of my dance students. They produced enthusiastic and wonderful performances.

State Dance

An extremely long trip for students Willow Pascoe, Jordan Whitelaw and Zach Murray (from Willyama High School). These very talented students performed with other ensembles across the state this week. Although exhausted from a 36-hour return trip, they worked hard and performed beautifully. Even including an extra workshop with a masterclass contemporary dancer. A fantastic effort from the Western Region ensemble, and our amazing Broken Hill students.

Far West combined schools concert

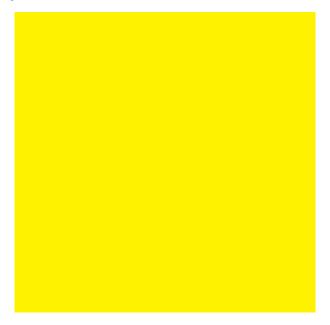
Just a reminder that the combined schools performances will be on the 20th and 21st September. This evening will have a range of choirs, dance, music and group combined performances.

Tickets are now on sale at the front office.

Dream Big, Work Hard

Mrs Charyne Bradley

Year 8 and 9 Subject Selections for 2018

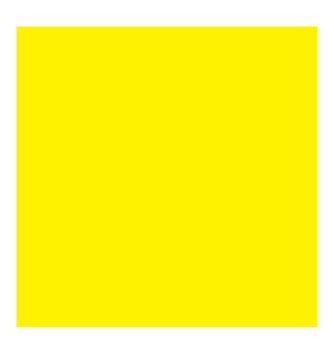


A 2018 subject selection information evening will be held early Term 4 for parents, caregivers and Year 8 and 9 students. This evening will provide information regarding subject requirements, online selection procedures and provide access to teachers to discuss individual subjects.

The information evening date has not been finalised at the time of printing but has had to be put back to Term 4 due to possible adjustments to the curriculum structure to support literacy and numeracy development.

The finalised date will be published in the following edition of the Barrier Blast as well as on the Broken Hill High School web page and Facebook.

Parent Survey



Tell Them From Me Partners in Learning Parent Survey 2017

This Term, our school will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

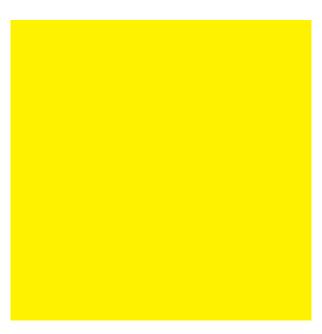
The survey is conducted entirely online on smartphones, ipads, tablets, laptops or computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 21 August and 13 October. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated.

More information about the survey is available at: http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au. To access the survey for our school go to: https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/8pp5w.

Parent FAQ document for the parent survey:

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Year 9 NAPLAN results and the HSC minimum standard Message from NESA



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Making Payments Online



Dear Parents and Carers,

Broken Hill High School did transition to the new NSW Public Schools' finance system and a new bank account on 24 July 2017. To ensure a smooth transition, there will be changes to the way we accept payments from parents and carers.

- 1. EFTPOS payments: We are now able to take Eftpos payments (with the exception of over the phone).
- 2. Cash and cheque payments will be accepted as before.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we transition to our new finance system.

If you have any questions, please contact School Admin Manager Krista Sutton 08 8088 1522

Students Who Are Late To School or Leave Early



Students are NOT allowed to call their parents during school times to collect them. If students have a valid reason to be collected, they are to either go to the Front Office or the Deputy Principal for someone to call their parent/caregiver to come to the school and collect them.

Students who have a doctors/dentists appointment at a certain time can either have the parents attend the school to collect or supply their child with a note. This note must have a valid and reasonable reason for the child to be signing out of school with a time, date and signature.

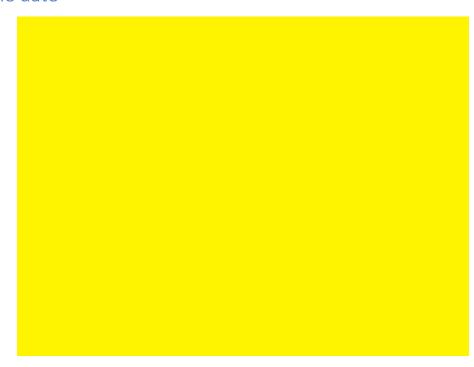
It is recommended that if your child attends a doctor or other appointment, that they request a certificate and a copy is given to the school so their time out of school can be justified and explained properly.

If a student is late to school without a note it will be documented as late and unjustified, which affects their final attendance rate.

If a student is late to school, they must provide a note or a phone call from parent/carer with a reasonable and valid reason. Personal and family reasons are not a valid reason.



Save the date





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Broken Hill Fundraising Events

Save the Dates

- Colour run October 15th
- Ride Launch Function Broken Hill Civic Centre Sat 18th November
- AFL Grand Final Raffle starts July
- 1000 klms ride in 7 days starts in Broken Hill Sunday 19th November

Morgan Street Public School Centenary Meet & Greet

When: Friday 20th October

Where: The Palace Hotel

Time: 6 pm - 8 pm

Why: A great chance to catch up with old

school friends and teachers

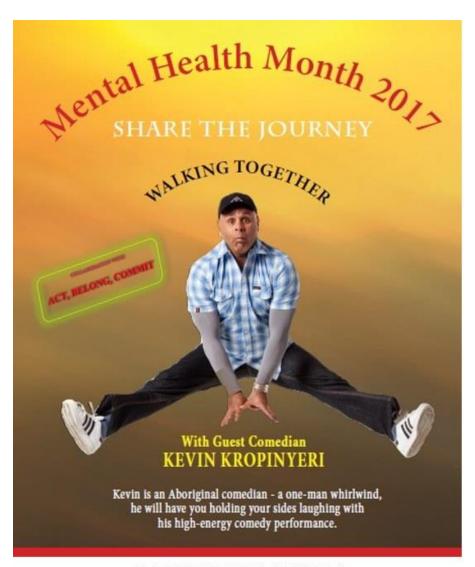
Cost: \$15 per person – finger food and

drink voucher.

Door Prize drawn

Tickets are now on sale from the Morgan Street Public School office





MENTAL HEALTH MONTH CONCERTS

BROKEN HILL WEST POOTBALL CLUB

DOORS OPEN: 6pm

FREE ENTRY, DOOR PRIZES & FREE GIVEAWAYS



Little Athletics



Little Athletics Australia 2017/18 season

BROKEN HILL BRANCH Come **♠**Try Dates

What is Little Athletics?

Little Athletics is a uniquely Australian sport for children aged 3-17 years. It is based upon the sport of athletics (track and field) and the events are specially modified to suit the ages and abilities of children. A wide range of running, jumping, throwing and walking events is conducted.

Head Coach, Clare Williams, has been involved in Little Athletics for over 18 years— at a state level as a participant and an international level as a Coach.

The 2017/18 Little Athletics season will commence on 19 October 2017 and will conclude 29 March 2018 (with a break over the Xmas school holidays).

Prior to the commencement of the season, there will be 3 FREE 'Come Try' meets open to all participants.

Thursday 14 and 21 September and 12 October 2017

5:30pm

Picton Oval (Kaolin St)

Little Athletics is a fantastic sport for kids to participate in the soccer / football off season. Not only does it assist in keeping up fitness levels but it's a great way to learn the art and skills of running and strength to use in their chosen team sport. All participants MUST have an accompanying parent with them throughout the competition nights training sessions. So parents why not come along, get involved, lend a hand and have some fun too! Canteen facilities will be available.

WHAT TO BRING:

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Water

Mum **©**Dad

Keep up to date with Our upcoming season by joining the Broken Hill Little Athletics' Facebook page



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