



# Bollon Bugle



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## From the Principal...

### End of year wrap-up

Thank-you to our Bollon families, community, the staff and the students for making 2016 such a great year. We have achieved great things this year and I am extremely proud of how far we have come.

To the graduating students, Riley and Ethan, on behalf of the school I wish you all the best in your future years and I am certain we will be hearing great things from you both! Thank-you for being such wonderful leaders of our school in 2016, you have done yourself, your families and our school proud.

Thank you to the P&C for organising a great spread on speech night and for the hundred and one things you do to support the student's educational outcomes, throughout the year. You do a wonderful job and your time and effort is very much appreciated.

### Speech Night

Bollon celebrated 2016 speech night last week. Well done to all the students - all your hard work throughout the year paid off. Also a big congratulations on a magnificent school performance in the play "Who invented Christmas?" - you all did an amazing job. A big thank you to the staff and parents for helping the students prepare for the school performance- an effort that was well worth it I'm sure you would all agree!

### Rewards Day

On Wednesday the students had an amazing rewards day with the theme 'Christmas at Bollon'. Christmas cooking decorating, craft, card making, sleigh and sack races as well as a water balloon toss were just some of the highlights of the day. Thank you to the P and C especially Bec Steer and Karen Gray for supplying the lunch for the students and to Bec Halliday, Carol Slater and Kylie Bottrell who came and volunteered for the day to make it a fun event for all.

### Australia Day

The Bollon State School students have been asked to sing the national anthem at the 2017 Australia Day celebration hosted by the Bollon community. Students will be required to be in school uniform for the ceremony. If your child would be available and interested in representing the school please advise Ms Colleen Dunn.

### Acting Principal

I will be taking long service leave at the start of the 2017 school year and will be returning at the start of week 5. Ms Colleen Dunn will be stepping in as acting principal during my absence.

### Snow camp 2017

One of the many exciting events next year will be school snow camp. A letter will be going out at the start of next year, to advise parents of times and dates of the camp, commitments (forms to be signed) and payment schedules.

### School resumes

School resumes for students on Monday the 23rd of January 2017.

Thank you one and all! Have a wonderful break, enjoy the time with your families and loved ones, and I look forward to seeing you all safe and well in 2017.

Miss Vanessa Sumner

## TERM CALENDAR

JAN	23	First Day of Term 1, 2017
	26	Australia Day Public Holiday

**PRINCIPAL**

Miss Vanessa Sumner

**TEACHERS**

Mr Mitchell Bennett

Mr Doug Bryant

**TEACHER AIDES**

Mrs Rhonda Mobbs

Mrs Robyn Toop

Mrs Chris Sheedy

**ADMINISTRATION OFFICER**

Mrs Tiki North

**LEARNING SUPPORT/  
STUDENT WITH DISABILITY  
TEACHER**

Mrs Louise Cowley

**HPE TEACHER**

Mrs Kelly-Anne Webster

**MUSIC/ARTS TEACHER**

Mrs Lauren Brumpton

**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC**

Mr Luke Todd

**LIBRARIAN**

Miss Jess Bail

**CHAPLAIN**

Mr Elton Thompson

**SCHOOL CLEANER**

Mrs Kylie Bottrell

**GROUNDSPERSON**

Mrs Vicky Weatherall

Ms Julie Halliday

## Focus Expectations:



## Education News

### SCHOOL WATCH!!!

Help keep an eye on our school these holidays.

If you see anything suspicious, don't intervene.

Call School Watch

13 17 88

## Parenting Tips! **How to encourage kids to be problem-solvers**

When parents solve all children's problems we not only increase their dependency on adults but we teach kids to be afraid of making mistakes and to blame themselves for not being good enough. That's fertile ground for anxiety and depressive illness.

So, how can we raise kids to be courageous problem-solvers rather than self-critical scaredy cats? Here are three practical ideas to get you started.

### **1. Turn requests into problems for kids to solve**

Kids get used to bringing their problems to parents to solve. If you keep solving them, they'll keep bringing them. 'Mum, my sister is annoying me!' 'Dad, can you ask my teacher to pick me for the team?' 'Hey, I can't find my socks!' It's tempting if you are in a time-poor family to simply jump in and help kids out. Alternatively, you can take a problem-solving approach, cuing them to resolve their own problems and take responsibility for their concerns. 'What can you do to make her stop annoying you?' 'What's the best approach to take with your teacher?' 'Socks, smocks! Where might they be?'

### **2. Ask good questions to prompt problem-solving**

A problem-solving approach relies on asking good questions, which can be challenging if you are used to solving your child's problems. The first question when a child brings you a problem should be: 'Can you handle this on your own?' Next should be, 'What do you want me to do to help you solve the problem?' These questions are not meant to deter children from coming to you; rather, to encourage and teach them to start working through their own concerns themselves.

### **3. Coach them through problems and concerns**

So, your child feels she was unfairly left out of a school sports team by a teacher and asks you get involved. The easiest solution may be to meet with the teacher and find out what's going on. You may or not resolve the problem but in doing so you are teaching a child to become dependent on you. Alternatively, you could coach your child to speak to the teacher herself and find out why she was left out. Obviously, there are times when children need their parents to be advocates for them such as when they are being bullied, but we need to make the most of the opportunities for children to speak for themselves. Better to help your child find the right words to use and discuss the best way to approach another person when they have problems.

These are great skills to take into adulthood.

By Michael Grose

# AWARDS NIGHT

## P&C COMMITTEE

### **PRESIDENT**

Mrs Karen Gray

### **VICE-PRESIDENT**

Mrs Kylie Bottrell

### **SECRETARY**

Mrs Lynne King

### **TREASURER**

Miss Carly Lowe

### **PROVIDORE**

Miss Bec Steer

### **TUCKSHOP**

Miss Bec Steer

### **UNIFORMS**

Ms Amanda Hicks

### **SCHOOL BANKING**

Mrs Bec Halliday

Mrs Kylie Bottrell



# Concert Night 'Who Invented Christmas?'



## Rewards Day Fun & Activities



**BOLLON PONY CLUB**

**Christmas Party**

Saturday, 10 December  
3pm (before Xmas tree)  
at the Bollon Hotel

Please bring a plate of nibbles to share

**BOLLON DISTRICT CHILDREN'S RESIDENCE**

General Meeting to be held on Friday 9 December at 3.15pm. All interested community members to attend

**QLD HEALTH DENTAL CLINIC**

Will be in St George from 9-13 Jan. For appointments:1300 215 659. To be eligible for appointments, you will require a Health Care Card, Seniors Card, Pension Card or Veterans Affairs Card.

**DEB'S CAFÉ XMAS TRADING HOURS**

Café Closed 24th -28th December Re-opening 29th December  
From all of us at Deb's Café, have a Merry Xmas & a Happy New Year

**ST MARY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH**

Will hold interdenominational services at 3.30pm on the following dates:-  
**December 16th**

A gathering for some drinks and nibbles will be held after the service at Bollon Hotel courtesy of Brian & Cheryl. All participants are asked to bring a plate to share.

**ROMA RURAL STUDENT HOSTEL**

is an established boarding facility providing accommodation for students, yr7-12. The RRS is owned by the Maranoa Council, administered by a volunteer committee, and operated by experienced house parent, Janice Colley. For more information, contact 07 46224116.

**COGS AUSTRALIA - CRICKET COACHING**

Where: St George State School  
When: Wednesday, 14 December  
Times: 9am-12pm or 2pm-5pm  
Cost: \$30 per attendee.  
To register or for more information, please call 0414255193 or email info@cogsaustralia.com

**BOLLON QCWA CHRISTMAS TREE - SATURDAY 10TH DECEMBER- 5pm**

**GIFTS** for Bollon district children will be free of charge this year but anyone with visiting children will need to purchase gifts for them and may hand them in to Carly Lowe to go under the Tree.

There will be a **barbecue** - \$5/steak sandwich & \$2 sausage sandwich.

**Best Dressed Costume Prizes** - QCWA has explored Greenland as their International Country of Study this year and so this year's Bollon Christmas Tree will be themed the Northern Lights. Come dressed in your northern lights colours and join us as we bring a touch of Greenland to QLD. Kids projects will be on display as well as a themed photo booth. Prize for the best adult and child northern light outfit.



**JD BERGHOFER**

now carting Goats/Sheep/Cattle

-running 4-6 decks weekly past Bollon to Wallangarra or Crows Nest via Dalby. Backloading to Charleville. Convertible non-bruise crates. Discount freight when you book your goats through us—competitive grids and we aim to beat any live weight price. **Jake— 0418649666**

**HAY FOR SALE**

Large 8x4x3 bales— 2nd cut Lucerne  
Excellent quality avg weight 600 kilos, shedded \$220 plus  
Phone Alan 0429797433/ 46256212  
**Free delivery 15 bales or more within 50km radius**

**ST GEORGE CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL**

Friday 16 December  
5.00 - 8.30pm  
Market Stalls, Food, Show Bags, Santa, Jumping Castle, Live Entertainment, Inflatable Obstacle Course

**Bollon Community Clinic Queensland Health – SWHHS Ph: (07) 46256105**

**Hours: 8:00am – 4:30pm Lunch break at 12:30 – 1:30pm**

**Closed Weekends/Public Holidays.**

There will be a nurse on-call for all public holidays. A new buzzer is located out-side the clinic for after hours or if the clinic is unattended. This buzzer will contact the on-call nurse. Emergencies are able to be seen at any time. In case of an emergency where an ambulance is required, please contact 000 and not the health centre. As this will then activate the nurse/driver and ambulance. (this opens the lines of communication and allows personnel to set up for departure). For non-emergency health assistance out of hours – please call 13 HEALTH 13 43 25 84

**Doctors Clinics: Tuesday/Thursday – 9:00am – 11.00am –Please bring your medicare card and Healthcare cards. All patients are bulk billed.**

**CHRISTMAS CLOSURES - Nurse on-call during all Closures**

**CLOSED - Sat 24th Dec - Wed 28th Dec**

**REOPENED - Thurs 29th Dec (NO Dr Clinic) & Fri 30th Dec**

**CLOSED - Sat 31st Dec - Mon 2nd Jan**

**REOPENED - Tues 3rd January – 1st Doctor's Clinic for 2017**

**Child Health Nurse: Tues 31 January 2017; Physiotherapist: Wed 25 January**

**From everyone at the Bollon Community Clinic,**

**we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Safe & Happy New Year.**

**The Bollon Community Clinic will be CLOSED for lunch daily from 12:30-1:30pm. If an emergency, press the button at front door or ring 000**

**Community Calendar**

<b>DEC</b>	09	Fri	Bollon District Children's Residence Meeting 3.15pm
	10	Sat	Bollon Pony Club Christmas Party 3pm
	10	Sat	Bollon QCWA Christmas Tree 5pm
	15	Thur	Australia Day Planning Meeting 10.30am
	15	Thur	Bollon QCWA Wrap Up Meeting - time to be advised
	16	Fri	Anglican Church Service 3.30pm
	24 - 28	Sat-Wed	Bollon Community Clinic Closed
	29 - 30	Thurs - Fri	Bollon Community Clinic Open - No Dr's Clinic
	31 - 02	Sat - Mon	Bollon Community Clinic Closed
<b>JAN</b>	03	Tues	Bollon Community Clinic Open - Dr's Clinic Available