Consistent Collection of Data on school students with disabilities—2014. Parents will shortly start to receive phone calls to let them know that their son/daughter has been placed on this list. It is important to note the Government is expecting around 20-30% of all students to be on these lists across Australia. The percentage is this high because students who receive any form of medication to their work are included. This list also includes students with Asthma or who may wear glasses. In other words, a very broad definition. Please contact the school if you have any questions about this.

The school hosted a learning community Debating Day on Thursday. It was great to see all the primary schools here and interacting with each other and with our students. It was an excellent day and I’m sure other activities will follow.

Winter has finally arrived and it is important that the students continue to be in full school uniform. Jumpers and jackets are available from the Uniform Shop which is open each Tuesday and Thursday from 9.00am—12.00pm.

Information has gone home in previous newsletters stating that we are involved in the Nationally
Girls Football
The Billabong Girls Football teams have competed at carnivals in Albury over the past two weeks. The Junior Girls performed very well to be narrowly defeated in very controversial circumstances by Scots in the grand-final. The girls can be very proud of the manner in which they conducted themselves in what became a very unpleasant situation. Sometimes the true winners don’t always have the highest score on the board.

Last Thursday the Senior Girl’s Football Team, won two matches but did not reach the finals. Miss Clancy was very impressed with the sportsmanship shown by the girls, a characteristic that was sadly missing in some of the other teams. It should be noted, that following this year’s carnivals and the many issues that arose, it has now been decided to use official senior central umpires next year.

Zone Athletics
Alyce Parker and Matthew Bender were named Zone Age Champions following their fine efforts at the Zone Athletics Carnival. Many other students performed well, ensuring a large group will be attending the Riverina Carnival on June 24 week 9 of this term.

Zone Cross Country
Last Friday, 37 students competed at the Zone Cross Country which was held at Mungabureena Reserve. 15 students qualified for the Riverina Carnival to be held on June 13 at Gundagai. Alyce Parker won the 14 year girls race while other top four placings went to Emma Parker (2nd), Vanessa Taylor (3rd), Matthew Wenke (2nd), Dylan Pumpa (3rd), Harry Macreadie (3rd), Georgia Schulz (2nd), Andrew Yates (3rd), Matthew Klemke (4th), Layne Parker (4th), Charlie Bahr (4th), Corey McCarthy (4th) and Stephanie Cook (4th).

Under 15 Football
Last Wednesday, the boys under 15 team played Albury High School in round one of the Xavier Tanner Shield. While the boys contested hard, they could not match the finishing skills of Albury and trailed by 37 points at half time. Some positional changes and quicker play of the ball, enabled Billabong to control the second half in which they were only outscored by three points. The boys are to be congratulated on the way they finished the game and the never say die attitude they displayed. Better players: James Pitson, AJ Bender, Cooper Walsh, Nic Murray, Michael Driscoll (2 goals), Chris Papworth and Jed Lieschke. Tomorrow (Tuesday), the team play round two against Scots.

Swan Shield State Knockout
On Tuesday 10 June (week 7), the under 15 boys will play a Swan Shield State Knockout game against Albury HS. Game will be at Culcairn Sports Ground at approximately 12 noon.

P and C Wood Raffle, three chances to win
The Billabong P and C is conducting a wood raffle over the next three weeks in which three trailer loads of wood will be won. The three winning tickets will be drawn at the
P and C meeting on 24 June. Ticket booklets (5 x $2) will be handed out to each family in Roll Call this week, while afternoon street ticket sales will take place in Culcairn this Thursday (5th), Henty on Friday (6th) and Holbrook Friday 13th. Anyone who can assist with street sales at Culcairn is urged to contact Sue Wright. Thank you to the people who have been generous with their supply of wood and to those who helped with the cutting and collection. Proceeds from the raffle, will go toward shade and seating in the outdoor playground areas.

Good Old Fashioned Wet Weather Footy
Our senior boys travelled to Urana Road Oval in Lavington to play Albury High School last Wednesday. Over 40 mm of rain leading up to the match made it a slippery and sloppy surface, but both teams adapted quite well to the conditions.

Our team was under strength because of some significant ‘outs’ through injury and unavailability, but the boys were positive and keen to maintain the high standard of effort that typifies BHS.

The first and second quarter were quite tight and our supporters (thanks to Mr. Hoffmann for your help and the other parents who attended) thought we were in the game with a chance after a spirited first few minutes of the third quarter. Unfortunately, after that point in the game the Albury High boys took control and kicked away to win by a large margin.

Congratulations to Sam Murray for kicking three goals in an impressive display. Other best players included Michael Cronin (Captain for the day), Harrison Macreadie, Brad Carman, Joshua Singe and Kieran McCarthy. A special mention of the tireless effort by our ruckman Lloyd Wyly and a brief cameo by Isaac Muller.

The NAB Visits BHS
Year 12 Business Studies students were very fortunate to have Pam Jones, Store Manager Holbrook and Sheree Sanson, Retail Executive Support Albury Area, speak to our class last week on human resources as a key business function at the National Australia Bank. The presentation was professional, engaging and provided links between theories learnt in class and practices of a successful, global business. We would like to thank Pam Jones and Sheree Sanson for taking time out of their busy schedule and for their offer to return next year.
Calendar June

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HSC Business Studies Lecture Day at Wagga
Round 2 of Ross Henshaw & Xavier Tanner
Shield at Scots School

4
Aboriginal Careers/Cultural Day
Blood Bank

5
Horticulture Careers Day at Wodonga TAFE

9
Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday

10
Years 9 & 10 ‘Generate’ at HotHouse Theatre
Girls’ Netball at Finley

Primary School Debating Workshop
Over one hundred primary school students from Partner
Primary Schools competed in the second round of the
Lions Debating Competition last Thursday at Billabong
High School.

Following the debating competitions, a workshop was
conducted, with the younger students being coached by
the Billabong High School debating teams. It was a very
positive day with students from all of the schools having
the opportunity to not only practise and develop their
debating skills but also to mix with the students from
other schools and get to know their future classmates.

A special thanks to the Billabong High School students
that assisted on the day and the SRC who cooked and
served lunch to all of the primary school students.

Essays due soon?
Learning how to plan, write and polish an essay is a
skill that takes a long time for most people to learn.
Different types of essays follow different rules of
structure. If your teen is currently working on an
essay, you’ll find this video (and the links to fact
sheets on the right hand side of the page) really
useful in explaining the “how to” of essay writing as
it’s taught in NSW public schools: http://bit.ly/1lji1mZ

The Holbrook Yellow Submarine
This is actually going to happen, we are turning
the Holbrook Submarine YELLOW!
When: Thursday 12 June 2014
Time: 8.30am—11.00am
Where: HMAS Otway Submarine
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