

BLAYNEY HIGH SCHOOL

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Presentation Days

As mentioned in our last Bulletin we are having to re-structure our end of year Presentation Assemblies due to COVID restrictions.

Plans are now finalised for a Stage 4 assembly at 9:30am and separate Stage 5 & 6 assembly at 12:30pm on Monday 14 December. These assemblies will be a combination of class awards, school service awards and major awards presented in year groups.

As we are not able to invite guests due to the high number of students in each year group receiving awards we have hired a professional company to film the assemblies for us. Once filmed and edited we will make available the link so these can be watched multiple times at any time that suits.

School Communication

You spoke - we listened!

In a number of recent meetings I have been to and in the Tell Them From Me parent survey, I have been hearing a clear theme that parents would like clearer communication and in a more timely manner. We will be responding to this in a number of ways at the start of 2021. After looking at our current methods of communication, it seems apparent that we simply have too many means of communicating different messages and as it was not clear which platform to use as we were using all of them below capacity. Some messages were not being seen as parents did not follow every platform. As a result we will be retiring our use of the SchoolStream app.

While this may seem a strange reaction, the Sentral Portal and app is able to do what SchoolStream can do and more. It will be the sole means of outgoing communication and so messages are less likely to become lost, missed or forgotten.

There are instructions for downloading the Sentral app later in this bulletin. All parents should have a Portal login already. If you need a re-set please contact the office and this will be arranged for you.

The Sentral app includes a replacement for the SchoolStream absence notification. Parents will be able to access this in the same way SchoolStream operated.

Unexplained absence notes will be sent out regularly (minimum weekly) via Sentral to your email address. You will be able to reply regarding your child's absence.

Sentral can send non-urgent email notifications to your nominated email address with attachments. This can and will be used to notify parents of issues such as excursions and the future distribution of the bulletin, etc.

Critical notifications can be sent through Sentral direct to your mobile. These will be received as a text message.

The Sentral portal will continue as current where parents can access their child's attendance in real time, see certain aspects of the whole school calendar, particularly variations and excursions and access students past reports.

If face to face parent teacher meetings are able to resume in 2021 these will be via online bookings through the Sentral Parent Portal.



It will be important for us to have your correct email and mobile numbers for these procedures to work effectively. This information was gathered when students first enrolled at the school. We will be doing a full check of this in early 2021 to ensure we have the correct information and you are getting the information we send.

Our Facebook page will continue to operate in it's current format to show the outstanding achievements of our student body each and every day at Blayney High School.

We hope you see an immediate improvement with our communication in 2021 and as always, we do listen and try to make changes where we need to.

Please let us know if these new systems work for you or you have other suggestions.

Semester Two Reports

After a long and thankfully minimally disrupted Semester Two, reports are being finalised for distribution before the end of the school year. As a full semester of curriculum was able to be delivered these reports will be in the usual format with grades issued against specific course outcomes as well as attitude to learning profiles and a detailed teacher comment

These reports will be made live on the Student and Parent Sentral portals and issued in hard copy before school closes for summer.

Kind regards,
John Browett
Principal

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Sentral for Parents App**

We've listened, and reinvented.
Our new school engagement app has been developed to help you stay connected and informed about your child's education.

Discover the possibilities and download the app today.

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App Store

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Upcoming Events

December

- 4 Dec Work Experience
Kelso visit
Sheep show (Show Team)
- 7 Dec SLR Assessment task @ Bathurst
Film Workshop
Barista Skills workshop
- 10 Dec Mufti day
Movie afternoon
Junior Cricket
Masterchef cook off
- 11 Dec Huntley Berry Farm Excursion
- 14 Dec Presentation Assemblies
- 15 Dec Talent Quest
- 16 Dec Last day of school for students
- 17 Dec Christmas school holidays

2021 January

- 29 Jan Year 7, 11 and 12 return to school

February

- 1 Feb All years return to school

HSC Assessment Calendar 2020-21

Term 4 2020

- Week 8 Agriculture
Ancient History
Business Studies
CAFS
Music
SLR
Visual Arts
- Week 9 Biology
Chemist
Design & Technology
Food Technology
Modern History
Work Studies
- Week 10 English Advanced
English Standard
English Studies

Term 1 2021

- Week 1 -
- Week 2 Ancient History
Dance
- Week 3 PDHPE
SDD
- Week 4 -

Blayney High School has made the decision to discontinue the use of School Stream in 2021 and we will use the Sentral Parent Portal as our communication tool.

Some of you will already be aware of the Sentral Parent Portal web version, however, there is now an app available that can be downloaded to your phone.



Use of the app will make it easier for parents and carers to advise of student absences, enable access to the school calendar, receive school news bulletins and academic reports electronically. This app is constantly being updated and we hope to be able to offer additional communication modules in 2021.

All families have previously received a letter with their access keys to the Sentral Parent Portal when the web version was introduced. If you are having trouble locating this information, please contact the office and we will send you another copy of the letter. Your access key to the app will be the same.

Getting started with the New Sentral for Parents App



How to access the Parent Portal App

1. Download the app. Depending on your device, visit either the  , or the .
2. Search for your school in the search box.
3. Tap Next.
4. Tap Register here.
5. Enter your details.
6. Tap Create Account. This process also creates a Sentral Parent Portal account. You can use the login details created here to access the app, and the Parent Portal.
7. You will receive a confirmation email.
8. Click the link in the confirmation email to verify your details.
9. Log in to the app.
10. Use the access keys provided by your school to add your children to the app. Access keys can be added in the Settings menu.
11. You will then see the Home Screen.
12. View the QuickStart guide.
13. You're now ready to use the app.

For more information and user guides go to [Sentral Parent Portal Resources](#)

Exciting News

Blayney High School Hats

are now available

2 Styles to choose from



Cap

One size fits all

\$20.00



Bucket Hat

Sizes: S/M & L/XL

\$20.00

Order through the Clothing Pool

COVID-safe summer pack – school newsletter to parents and carers

As we come closer to the end of the school year, we'd like to extend our thanks to you, our parent community, for demonstrating so much resilience and patience towards the circumstances we faced together. We strived together to get the best outcomes for our students despite the pandemic and you have stayed by our side the entire time. Thank you again.

We will be sending a COVID-safe summer pack to each student before the year ends. The contents of the pack will help students maintain healthy hygiene practices and to stay COVID-safe during the school holidays.

Here are some quick tips to help you and your families stay COVID-safe during the school holidays:

- Encourage your children to use their packs whenever they leave the house
- Meet outdoors whenever possible and wear sunscreen
- Meet in small groups
- Encourage good hand hygiene practices and remind your children to cough and sneeze into their elbow
- Keep up-to-date with the latest health information by monitoring the [NSW Government website](#)External link

From all of us at Blayney High School, be safe and enjoy the school holidays.

BHS 'Food For U' Summer Menu 2020/21

NB: Gluten Free and Lactose Free options are available – please order

Every day - pre-made assorted

Rolls, wraps, sandwiches and
Salad / Meat bowls. 3.00 - 6.50

Monday

Fresh Temptations 1.00 to 3.00
Margarita Toasted Wrap 3.00
BBQ Pulled Beef Melt 4.00
Chicken Fried Rice (Lunch Only) 4.50

Tuesday

Fresh Temptations 1.00 to 3.00
Mini Nachos 2.50
Sweet Chilli Chicken Tender Wrap 3.00
Beef Donor Kebab on Lebanese Bread 4.50

Wednesday

Fresh Temptations 1.00 to 3.00
Garlic Bread 2.00
BBQ Chicken Melt 4.00
Bolognese 4.50

Thursday

Margarita Toasted Wrap 3.00
Sweet Chilli Chicken Tender Wrap 3.00
3 Steamed Beef Dim Sim 3.50
Cheeseburger 4.50

Friday

Vegie Sushi 3.50
Chicken Sushi 3.50
Garlic Bread 2.00
BBQ Chicken Melt 4.00

Occasional Hot Food

5 Chicken Goujons
(Monday Recess Only) 3.00

Drinks

Water – 600ml 2.00
Berri 100% Bottle Juice 250ml
(Apple, Orange, Apple/Blackcurrant) 2.00
Flavoured Milk – 300ml
(Chocolate, Strawberry) 2.50
Flavoured Milk - 500ml
(Chocolate, Vanilla Malt) 4.00
Lactose Free Chocolate milk 2.50

Chilli – Raspberry/ Grape/ watermelon 2.50
Light sparkling water – lime 3.00
Milkshakes (Mon, Thurs and Fri) 2.50

Available to order:

Sandwiches

Baked Beans 2.50
Egg & Lettuce 3.00
Cheese & Tomato 3.00
Chicken 3.50
Ham, Cheese & Tomato 4.00
Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo 4.00
Salmon, Lettuce & Mayo 4.50
Salad – Carrot, beetroot, cucumber,
Tomato, lettuce & cheese 3.50
add Egg 4.00
add chicken, tuna or ham 5.00
Chicken Caesar Wrap 4.50

Extras

Toasted .20
Roll .50

Salad Bowls

A fresh blend of carrot, beetroot, tomato,
Cucumber, cheese, pineapple,
Corn and lettuce 4.50
Add Egg 5.00
Add Tuna, Chicken or Ham 6.00
Chicken Caesar Bowl 6.50

Snacks (Gluten Free Available)

Muffin / Slice / Biscuit (when
Available) .50 – 1.50
Fruit Cup (seasonal) 1.50
Yoghurt, Muesli and fruit Cup 1.50
Fresh Fruit 1.00

Frozen Snacks




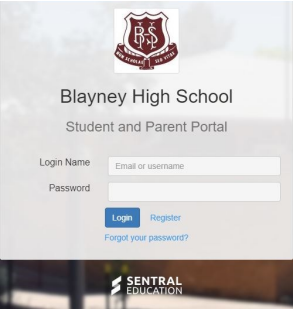





Quelch fruit juice Sticks (Strawberry, Apple,
Raspberry, Blackcurrant) .50
Lite Vanilla Ice Cream Cup 1.20
Twisted Frozen Yoghurt
(Watermelon / mango) 2.00
Seasonal Frozen Fruit 1.00

Extras

Sauce 0.30
Spoon/Fork 0.10

**NB: Due to WH&S restrictions we are unable to reheat, or
toast food not purchased from the canteen.**

Stay connected with Blayney High by using the following links.

	<p>Visit our Facebook page to see what activities our students have been involved in.</p>	<p>https://www.facebook.com/BlayneyHS/</p> 
	<p>Visit our School Website for all your school information.</p>	<p>https://blayney-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/</p>
	<p>Blayney High School offers its students and parents access to a Secure Portal which allows you to monitor your students progress at school.</p> <p>If you have not received your login details yet, please contact Blayney High School on 63682100 to arrange this.</p>	<p>Go to the Sentral Parent Portal at</p> <p>https://blayneyhs.sentral.com.au/portal2</p> 
	<p>The School Stream App can be downloaded to your mobile device.</p> <p>With the School Stream App you will be able to receive real time information from Blayney High School directly to your mobile device.</p>	<p>For how to download School Stream, go to</p> <p>http://www.schoolstream.com.au/communication-tools-for-schools/</p> 
	<p>Students can borrow and read eBooks from our library anywhere, anytime, on multiple devices. Using the Blayney High School ebook lending facility at</p> <p>https://blayneyhs.wheelers.co/</p> <p>Students in Year 7-12 may loan up to 2 eBooks at the one time. The borrowing period for almost all resources is 3 weeks.</p>	<p>If you have a mobile device, you can download the ePlatform App from</p> <p>https://blayneyhs.wheelers.co/help/apps/eplatform-app</p>  <p>or simply read your eBook in your web browser on your device</p>

School Uniform Order Form

The Blayney High School Clothing Pool operates as follows: If you need to purchase items please complete the order form below and submit to the front office before 1pm, your order will be filled and delivered to student prior to 3:30pm. Orders dropped off after 1 pm will not be filled until the following school day.

Payment Date / / **Payment Method** cash / cheque / EFPOS/ On Line

Date **Name** **Yr**

To assist you in size selection please refer to the sizing charts at the bottom of the form.

Junior - Years 7 - 10

Size Range	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22			Price	Total
Skirt - Maroon												\$50	
Size Range	12Y	14Y	16Y	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL			
Sport Shorts - Maroon											\$20		
Trackpants - Maroon											\$35		
Polo Shirts											\$25		
Size Range	10Y	12Y	14Y	16/XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL				
Hoodies											\$45		

Senior - Years 11 & 12

Size Range	14	16	18	20	22	24					Price	Total	
Kinitted Jumper											\$85		
Size Range	14Y	16Y	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL					
Shorts - Black											\$20		
Trackpants - Black											\$35		
Size Range	12Y	14Y	16Y	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL				
Senior Polo Shirt											\$30		
Size Range	S/M	L/XL									Price	Total	
Bucket Hat											\$20		
Cap - one size											\$20		
											Qty	Price	Total
** Senior Skirts (Short Knee length Black Pleated)			Secondhand clothing (Limited Stock)								\$5		
available at			Secondhand Senior Knitted Jumpers (Limited Stock)								\$25		
Orange Clothing Company			Maths Grid Book								\$3.50		
4 McNamara St, Orange			Calculators Yr 7-12 Casio								\$25		
			Visual Arts Diary A3 (Yrs 9-12)								\$8.50		

Sizes are for a loose fit. **Total cost**

Hoodies	10	12	14	16/XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL			
Chest cm	50	53	55	57	59	61	63	65	67			
Length cm	63	65	67	69	72	74	76	78	80			

Sizes are to fit

All Shorts, Trackpants & Polo Shirts <i>(LWReid)</i>	12Y	14Y	16Y	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL		
Height cm	150	160	170										
Chest cm	72	76	86	86	90	95	100	105	110	115	120		
Waist cm	68	72	76	76	82	87	92	97	102	107	112		
Senior Kinitted Jumper	14	16	18	20	22	24							
Chest cm	90	95	100	105	110	115							