



The Bolac Bugle

TERM THREE 2011

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Term 3

Term Three Round-Up from the Principal

As you would expect of a vibrant and thriving school such as Lake Bolac College, we have been very busy with a range of events and tasks that have taken place throughout the school term. Much of our work both in and around the College has been designed to provide stimulating and enriching learning opportunities for our students to experience this term. Along with this there has been a great deal of work going on behind the scenes by staff to ensure that our College remain at the cutting edge of educational reform and innovation.

Our term commenced with a wonderful school transition experience for all the Year 4/5/6 students from Maroona and Willaura Primary Schools who spent the day working along-side our current Year 6 students and many of the College's teachers for a 'Transition Expo'. It was an absolutely fabulous day spent hosting the visiting students and staff for our first ever 'Transition Expo'. We spent the day together discovering the many facets of the College and sampling just a small range of the many fantastic things that we as a College, can offer life-long learners. Our visitors arrived at 10:45am and working in small groups participated in a range of activities that included: making pizzas, wooden key rings, and a hovercraft. To round out the day all the students participated in an Orienteering activity which involved searching the College for various clues. We all enjoyed a BBQ lunch and some great conversation and judging by the level of enthusiasm and excitement shown by all the students involved on the day, it was a huge success and we are looking forward to hosting them again next year. We have since received several applications for enrolment into Year 7 for 2012 which is a very positive outcome.

We were very fortunate to receive a visit from the De La Salle College Music Department, who performed for the whole College. We enjoyed guitar and string ensembles, stage and concert bands and a choir. Many of the Lake Bolac students from Year 4 – 8 also enjoyed participating in a vocal workshop run on the day. It also served to show the students what our music department will begin to look like as move forward into 2012.

The College celebrated Literacy and Numeracy week with a large number of the school's families and staff attending a social night of Math games, problem solving and team work, along with a sausage sizzle. It was very pleasing to see parents, students and staff enjoying a variety of challenges organised by our school's Numeracy Team.



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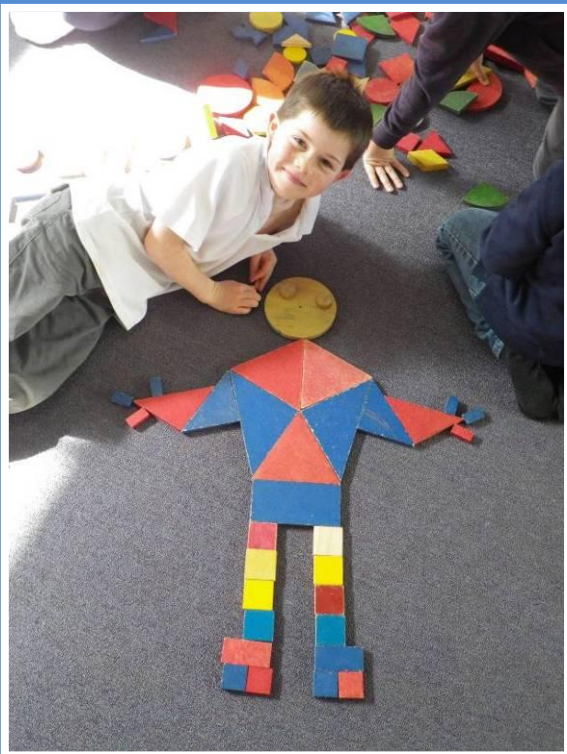
Lake Bolac College senior school production 'The Gateway' took place this term and was again a huge hit with the audiences that attended the two night seasons. The plot told of some young computer geniuses finding a gateway into cyberspace where they met other people who had become stuck in outer cyberspace. There were many funny lines to be enjoyed and I would have to say the show was stolen by a character played by Year 8 Sarah Thewlis, a senile grandmother.

It has been a while since the College has had the opportunity to celebrate the engagement of a staff member however this term Miss Kristie Tregrove (Year 2/3 teacher) provided us with the pleasing news that she had become engaged. The celebrations continued with our Lake Bolac College 'Tournament of Minds' teams successfully competing in Geelong with one of our teams placing 1st in their division enabling them to move through to the State Final which was held on Sunday, September 18th. Congratulations to Mr Andrew Twiss, parents, staff and students on their involvement in such a worthwhile activity. We are very proud of their achievements as a team.

Other highly successful events were held during the term including a VCE Information Night and a round of Parent / Teacher Interviews, with a good number of families being represented at both events. These types of events are seen by all staff as an integral part of our home / school partnership and essential to the strengthening of our 'Learning Community'. We have enjoyed hosting several community events this term that have seen our school's computer technology and video conferencing equipment being put to good use after hours by wool farmers and wheat growers.

During the term we received news that Lake Bolac College would be the beneficiary of a new HDX Video Conferencing Unit as part of a 'Virtual Learning Project' being developed by the Grampians Region and that we are to be included in a LOTE Initiative with the Ararat & Stawell Cluster of Schools which will see us share in a grant of \$100,000 for virtual and blended learning in LOTE.





Much of our behind the scenes work has been around the idea of proactively planning 'Whole School Improvement' which will be undertaken in 2012. Our work has centred around how our College's curriculum will look in 2012 and how we can best deliver an increased focus on Literacy, Numeracy and Information & Communication Technology. In doing so we are striving to achieve our Learning Intention of value-adding to the capacity of our students so that they become more literate, numerate, ICT literate through engaging classrooms. That they become enquiring learners capable of creative problem solving and who understand how to learn. Our intention is to ensure that all Lake Bolac students continue to be well prepared for the changes that will take place in the traditional working day of the future wage earner.

We have been engaging in some professional learning around 'Powerful Learning' so that we can achieve the following outcomes:

- *To integrate, align and strengthen the capacity of the College as ONE SCHOOL to support a 'lifelong learning' agenda for all students*
- *To strengthen the delivery of core curriculum programs – Literacy, Numeracy, Information Technology*
- *To increase Student Engagement and Wellbeing outcomes through high level Accountability for all learning community members*
- *To actively capacity build and value add through all components of the School Improvement process to all members of the 'Learning Community'*
- *To continue to foster and develop stronger relationships with all members of the 'Learning Community' including developing a more collaborative culture*
- *To establish a strong Seamless Learner Transition processes for the development of the 'Whole Child' (Kinder – Adult)*

As you can see we have been extremely busy this term not only embracing every learning opportunity that comes our way but driving whole College Improvement through the 'Powerful Learning' model being promoted by the DEECD Grampians Region.

Gary White

Meet our Year 2/3 Teacher:

Kristie Trengove...

You will find me teaching in the Year 2/3 room for the second semester of 2011.

I have spent most of my life in Beaufort, where I completed all of my schooling and participated in sports such as netball, basketball, and tennis.

I have been living in Ballarat for the last 4 years while I completed a Bachelor of Psychological Science at the University of Ballarat, which I then followed up with a Graduate Diploma of Education.

I started this year working at my old primary school in Beaufort as an Integration Aide before I got my first classroom teaching position at Lake Bolac College. I have had a wonderful time getting to know staff, students and community members and would to thank all for such a warm welcome.



Meet our Year 4/5/6 Teacher:

Kim Blackshaw...

I am Lake Bolac Colleges new Yr 4/5/6 teacher.

I was born and raised in Ballarat for the first 17 years of my life. On leaving home I travelled to Cairns and toured up and down the east coast of Australia and settled in Melbourne where I lived until 2000. I worked predominately in the hospitality industry and completed an apprenticeship in cooking in my early twenties.

I have been fortunate to work in some very fine Melbourne establishments; in areas which would include cafes, private hospitals, al a carte and fine dining, catering and several businesses of my own.

I returned to Ballarat several years ago to raise my son. In 2005 I commenced my undergraduate and completed a Bachelor in Psychology; then a Graduate Diploma in Education (primary). I am very interested in child development, behaviour and learning styles. My teaching style is student centred/ teacher guided - differentiated learning where by the criteria is set by the students and is centred on their learning needs. This is my first assignment working as a Graduate teacher and I am thoroughly enjoying it. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the students', staff and community members for their warm welcome. I'm looking forward to working closely with you all and getting to know you all even more!!



Phil Roberts...



I have fond memories of my four years as Principal of Lake Bolac High School from 1986 to 1989. These were busy years where the school was very harmonious and it was a great place to be.

Some of my main memories are the many co-operative and cheerful students and staff members. We had many talented teachers and for a small school our VCE results were outstanding.

I remember we relocated the former Primary school building from the west of the town to the school site in January 1989. This was set up as both a wool classing and music centre that met the school's needs at the time.

A highlight was the 'Lake to Sea' event in 1987. We went from the school to Warrnambool and had about 25 runners including Roger Flanner, Colin Easton and myself accompanied by a mini bus driven by Tom Atkinson. Also Mark Sherriff and Jane Sutterby accompanied about 30 students on bicycles and another half dozen students led by Kate Mudford were on horseback.

The runners running in a group for four kilometers at a time beat the cyclists to the picnic spot where we all had lunch with some parents who had driven to the area. It was a big undertaking and there were safety concerns about the state of the roads so from the next year the event became the 'Lake to the Mountain'.

On returning to Ballarat in 1990 I was Deputy Principal of Wendouree Secondary College. The school merged in 1993 and I became Assistant Principal of Ballarat Secondary College until retirement in December 2002.

My community involvement has included Committee member and President of each of the Ballarat Mechanics Institute, the Ballarat Sportsmen's Club, the Ballarat Region of the Australian College of Educators and the Rotary Club of Ballarat West.

My main occupation in recent years has been as an author of 11 local history books including the histories of Ballarat High, Ballarat & Clarendon College, the Ballarat Golf Club, North Ballarat Roosters, the Agricultural and Pastoral Society, Ballarat Royal Tennis and Ballarat District Scouting. Last year 'This is Ballarat', a book about Ballarat today, was written.

I enjoy playing Royal Tennis and golf and my lovely family includes my wife Geraldine, son Andre and daughter Tonya, their partners Aurelie and Luke and five grandsons – Ashwin, Zachary, Justin, Nile and Teva.

Certainly I enjoyed my time at Lake Bolac immensely and have returned a number of times for a recent reunion and to play golf as a partner to Ivan Hucker.

from the archives



PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

It gives me great pleasure to introduce the 1987 Lake Bolac High School magazine to you.

This year there have been many activities that have involved the school's students and the school community. Highlights that come to mind are the visit of Victoria's Governor, Dr Davis McCaughey in October, the close second we came at the Midwest Swimming Sports at Beaufort in March and the Debutante Ball at Willaura in August.

Other significant events have been the P.C.A Dinner to welcome Year 7 parents, the fund raising effort to send Terrina Morgan to California (where she won the Open Triple Jump at the Mt. Sac Athletics Carnival !), the Parent's Club "Sale of the Century" evening, the V.C.E. Curriculum Forum, the success of the Computers Across the Curriculum policy, the establishment of a joint newsletter with the Primary School, the musical "The Wooden Horse" and the construction of the Fitness Track in the school grounds.

This year has seen an increase in enrolment from the 175 of 1986 to 192 students. One of the initiatives that will help ensure that senior students have a broad and worthwhile curriculum in the future is the implementation of Communications Technology to link small senior classes to other such classes at other MidWest Complex schools. This year the five MidWest schools received a grant of over \$200,000 towards the purchase and running costs of a Facsimile machine, Macintosh Apple Computers and tele-conferencing speaker equipment. The school is very fortunate to receive this grant.

Mention must be made of the retirement of Mrs Ollie Matherson after more than 20 years of teaching at the school. Her contribution has been outstanding.

The school community was saddened to learn of the death of the inaugural School Council Chairman, Alister McIntyre. He had been Chairman from 1957 to 1977 and he had been an untiring worker for the school, making an outstanding contribution to its growth and development.

I would like to thank the school community for their help and support during this year. Finally, I'm sure you'll enjoy reading the magazine.

Mr Phil Roberts
(Principal)



Lake Bolac High School Staff 1988

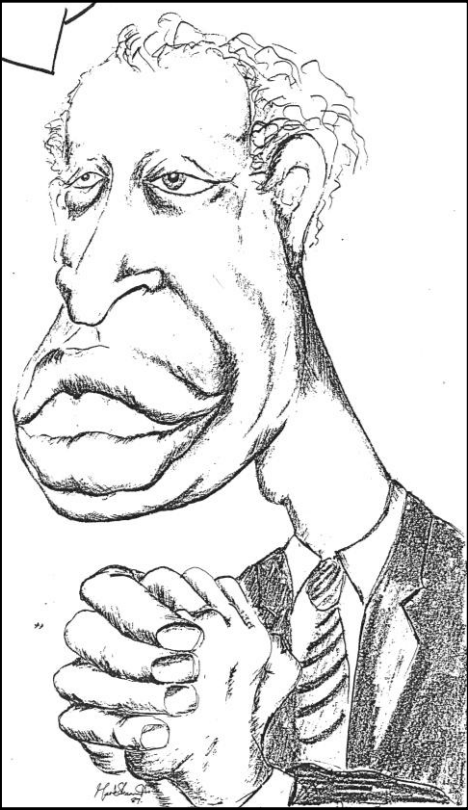
Back Row: Helen Arnall, Lewis McGregor, Jane Sutterby

3rd Row: Eric van Blommestein, David Nicholson, Barbara Laidlaw, Roger Flanner, John Wallis, Andrew Symons, Nicole Kerr

2nd Row: Ros Hore, Warner Airey, Greg Kerr, Peter Howard, Pam Hayes, Mark Sherriff, Wendy Graham, Helen Jost

Front Row: Viv Martinich, Maxine McGregor, Colin Easton, **PHIL ROBERTS**, Alan Campbell, Bernie Lloyd, Sharon Sabbatini

Absent: Dianne McTavish, Margaret Wills, Adele Krepp



Caricature portrait of Phil Roberts by Mark Sherriff (Art Teacher) 1987

Remember the days in the old school yard! News from a former student

Belinda Keyte...



(Yr 11 1987)

I spent, what now seems like, 3 very speedy and enjoyable years at Lake Bolac High School from 1986-88.

I vividly remember my first nervous day on the school bus in Year 10. I was so relieved to have a friendly Sally Matthews introduce herself and show me to a seat towards the back of the bus, I was ready to hide up the front. She also introduced me to girls in my year level and the transition could not have been easier.

Lake Bolac High School certainly had a greater focus on sport than I had been exposed to at my last school. I enjoyed this aspect from lunchtime sport to Camp experiences. Swimming unfortunately I did not master, but this provided motivation for lessons 10 years later.

On reflection I am not sure I would have succeeded as well in Year 12 if not for the teachers at the time. We were extremely well supported, even down to the one on one lessons for Maths B! Following Year 12 I studied Physiotherapy at Latrobe University, Carlton Campus. I really had little idea of what physio was all about. Had I have known it involved dissection of Cadavers I would now have a different career. Never underestimate your abilities and good career advice.

Following graduation I worked at Hamilton Base Hospital, now Western District Health Services for 6 years. As with most regional work the experience was broad and included stints to Casterton, Coleraine and Edenhope. I headed to Melbourne to work mainly in Orthopaedics at both the Avenue Private Hospital and The Mercy Private. I worked under two hand therapists and really loved this area, which included thermoplastic splint production. I then juggled working in clinics from Prahran, Windsor, Deepdene and Knox.

It was during this time that my husband Tony and I decided to follow a path that brought together many of our interests. We bought a large old house, 'Clowance', in Ballarat to run as a B&B. Many people close to us thought we were crazy! Renovating had not been one of those interests but soon became one. We opened to our first guests in 2002 and managed to juggle weekend guests with work in Melbourne.

I started part-time work at a private practice in Ballarat in 2004 happily bringing to an end the commuting. I continued Hand Therapy and further developed my skills in Women's Health. During this time we had two beautiful girls Hannah and Emily. We stopped running the B&B when Emily was born 2006. We had a fabulous time with the B&B and achieved many goals in the process.

Remember the days in the old school yard! News from a former student

This year has brought exciting changes again with the sale of Clowance and new work places for me. Those same people thought we were crazy to sell! I now work part-time in the rooms of Patrick Moloney Obstetrician and Gynaecologist and the new UFS Medical Centre. I am looking forward to further postgraduate study in the next few years.

When people ask me where I went to secondary school I proudly tell them 'Lake Bolac High School'.



L-R: Belinda, Hannah (7), Tony, Emily (4)



DEBUTANTE BALL, WILLAURA HALL 1987

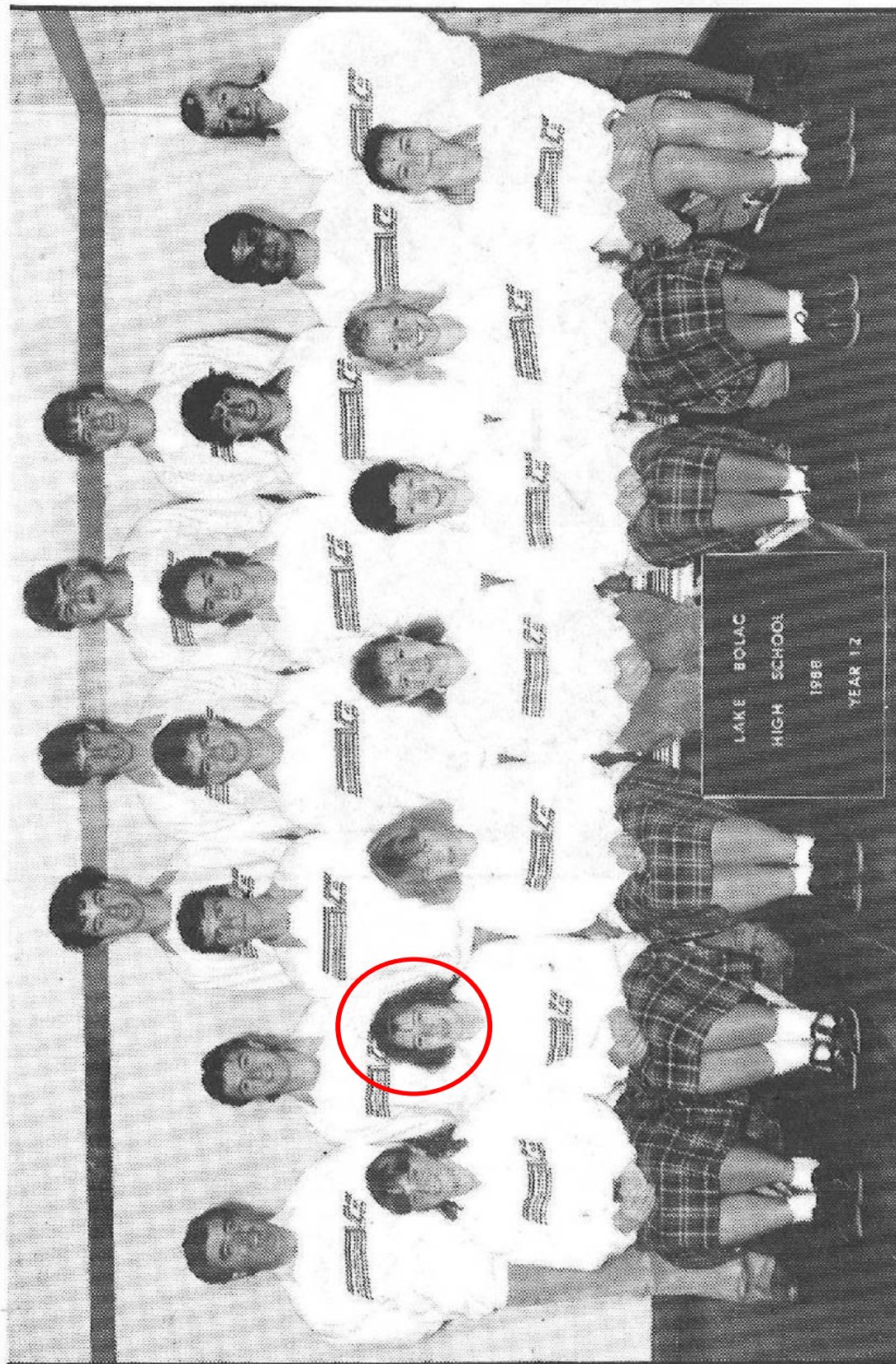
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3rd Row: Scott Price, Stuart Knight, Wayne Gason, Wayne O'Halloran, Simon O'Rorke, Andrew Byron, Darren Makovic, Michael Mahoney

2nd Row: Mrs Templeton, Kathryn Pritchard, Jennifer Sanders, Kathi Laidlaw, Mr Roberts, Claire Blake, Mrs Roberts, Kerry Hanrahan, Allison Moneghetti, Melinda Kincade, Irene Meek, Phillip Meek, Bernie Lloyd

1st Row: Kate Archer, Dianne Collins, Mandy Shaw, Kim Mathers, Andrea Alken, Joanne Harwood, Patricia Harwood, **BELINDA KEYTE**

Front Row: Christina Biggin, Dallas Cameron



YEAR TWELVE

BACK ROW: Robert Jervies, Anthony Frost, James Haddrick, James Mulcahy
SECOND ROW: Alan Campbell, David Cooper, Stewart Meek, Trevor McDonald, Bruce Simpson, Aaron Dunn, Brendan Plunkett, Bernie Loyld
FRONT ROW: Tania Cristiano, Belinda Keyte, Kelly Dunlop, Michelle McDonald, Kathy Laidlaw, Kerry Hanrahan, Trish Harwood.

SCHOOL NOTICE BOARD



Brad Keilar

- Winner of the Mininera & District League Seniors 2011 Best & Fairest polling 33 votes.
- Chosen for the Mininera & District League 2011 Team of the Year.

Josh Keys

- Winner of the Mininera & District League Reserves 2011 Best & Fairest with a runaway victory polling 25 votes.

James Keys

- Runner Up of the Mininera & District League Under 16's Best & Fairest with 21 votes.



BIRTHS:

QUINLIVIAN: To Kris Cheesman
(staff member) & Ashley
Quinlivian a boy, Jack Martin

D.O.B. 27.07.11

Weight: 9lb 3oz

Younger brother for Lauren,
Brittany (student), Rachel and
Abbey



WARDLAW, to Kate & Terry a boy Oliver Leonard

DOB: 11.05.2011

Weight: 7lbs 5oz

Younger brother for Ruby (Prep student) Archie & Henry

WILSON, Paul & Georgina
(nee Bouchier) both
former students, a boy
Xavier Charlie

DOB: 28.08.11

Weight: 6lb 9oz

Paul and Georgina live in
Warrnambool. Paul is a
Sonographer/Radiographer.
Georgina is on leave from
teaching.



Xavier is the 3rd grandchild for Joan Curnow (past student & staff member) and Mal (current bus driver). Also Grandson for Kaye & Pat Bouchier (former student).



READ, to Jo (nee
Bibby & former
student) & Myles
a girl Grace
Louise

DOB: 27.06.11

Weight: 7lb 7oz

Younger sister to
Robert (5) and
Sophie (3)



Jamie (former student) & Shannon Smith (nee Pezzutti) a girl Sydney
Elizabeth

DOB: 05.08.11

Weight: 6lb 3oz

Jamie is a technician with Primary Industries and Shannon is on
leave from R.I.S.T. in Hamilton.

Sydney is the 8th grandchild for Wayne and Lynette Smith (former
staff member).



BEREAVEMENTS :



MAKEPEACE: Dulcie

12.12.31 - 20.07.11

Loving mother of Ann, James, Kenwyn Keilar (all deceased), Shirley Thom (nee Keilar). Son in law to David.

Special Nan to Michael & Kristy Keilar;
Kimberley & Louise Thom (all former students).
Very much loved Great Nanny Peace to Jorja and
Xavier Keilar.

FAMILY FAVOURITE RECIPE:
Provided by the Doery family

Roasted Capsicum Dip

INGREDIENTS

2 red capsicums - grilled and peeled
2 tubs cream cheese
2 tablespoons parsley
2 tablespoons chopped basil
2 tablespoons semi dried tomatoes
1 tablespoon green peppercorns
1 tablespoons mayonnaise
1 teaspoon sugar
Salt and pepper to taste

METHOD

Process all ingredients.

Serve with grilled foccacia,
water crackers etc.



*My children all said this is their
favourite recipe!
Sam Doery*