



Berrigan Public School 'The Bell Ringer'



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Cross Country



Principal's Report

Easing of the border restrictions

New maps have been released highlighted a widened border zone and border region. This is great news and we can expect both Miss Bacchetto and Jono to be back at school as early as tomorrow.

While we have managed without them, BPS will be a much better place if things can return to the 'new normal'.

It does remain vitally important that we adhere to all guidelines and restrictions placed on us and we will continue to follow Department of Education advice at all times.

It is important to note that :

"In accordance with advice from NSW Health, parents and carers are reminded NOT to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms. Schools will make arrangements for students who present as unwell or have flu like symptoms to be sent home."

By keeping ourselves safe we can protect others, particularly our families, our friends, our classmates and our teachers.

Crazy Hair Day

Tomorrow, Friday 4th September, the SRC have organised a Crazy Hair Day. They are hoping to raise some funds to buy some sporting equipment to use at lunchtime. So

- come with crazy hair
- wear mufti
- and bring a gold coin donation

Footy Colours Day

There are preliminary plans for a Footy Colours Day on the last day of term. Hot dogs might be on the menu!

Traditionally this is celebrated with the Father's Day Breakfast. COVID-19 has meant this feast could not go ahead this year. I hope all the important male people in the student's lives have a great Sunday.

School Uniform

We need to do better in wearing our uniform with pride, it signifies belonging and playing our part in projecting a positive image of our school. There are uniform supplies at school available for purchase. The wearing of uniform has declined, let's promote our school and wear the green and gold with pride!

Virtual Museum Incursion

Today students in K/1 and 2/3 participated in an incursion with the Sydney Museum. They learned about life in the past and this supported their learning this term with Ms Horn. They could hardly imagine life without electricity and refrigeration and were fascinated about how food was kept cool.

They then tried their hand at making butter! Cream was placed in a jar with some marbles and shaken vigorously to create butter. What fun—they then enjoyed a piece of bread layered with the butter they had made.

NRMA Road Safety

All students have been participating in a series of road safety sessions. Topics include bike safety, helmets, crossing the road, the correct way to wear seatbelts and exiting the car safely. The use of booster seats and where to sit in a car have also been covered. It is mandatory that we cover road safety every year.

'Check-in' assessments

Year 3/Year 5 students will participate in a new reading and numeracy check-in assessment in Term 3, 2020.

The Check-in assessment is a NSW Department of Education online reading and numeracy assessment available to support schools to assess and monitor Year 3/5 student learning following the period of learning from home.

The Check-in assessments can supplement existing school practices to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs.

• ***Year 5 students completed the reading and numeracy assessments earlier this week***

• ***Year 3 students will do their assessments in Week 10***

Due to COVID-19 NAPLAN was cancelled this year so these check-in assessments will provide us with valuable information to inform our planning.

Mrs Dorothy Dore, Principal

** wash your hands *cover your cough *stay home if you are unwell*