

Berrigan Public School Newsletter

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Learning is in full swing



The students at Berrigan Public School have been back hard at for the three weeks now and the classrooms are positively humming. The students are generally very settled. All classes have been exploring a 'growth mindset', learning to demonstrate some grit and perseverance when the learning gets tough! It is ok to get stuck in the 'learning pit', to be challenged and for that to feel at little uncomfortable. But we don't get stuck for long, we fight our way up, accept a willing hand, fail often and sometimes we make mistakes because we just might not have learnt it YET!

Geography and STEM

Mrs Liz Mehmet joined us this year and has certainly quickly become a valuable team member. She is taking all classes for Science with a twist of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) and also Geography. Mrs Mehmet will also be taking some small groups of students for targeted work on writing, reading and number sense. Mrs Mehmet is here on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

2022 BPS Swimming Champions

Last Thursday the 8 year olds and above participated in the school swimming carnival. This was a great opportunity to showcase their improved swimming skills after intensive lessons late last year and early this year.

Congratulations to:

Junior Champions; Darcie Smith & Jack Phillips
11yo Champions; Sophie Baxter & Jordan Swann and
Senior Champions; Willow Laing & Thomas Baxter.



The winning house for 2022 was **Momalong!**

Swimming Carnival in Yarrawonga

On Friday 11th February qualifying students, 8 year old and above, travelled to Yarrawonga Swimming Pool to compete in our timed swimming carnival. Students swam with students from Jerilderie, Lowesdale, Urana and Mulwala.

Students who qualified at this carnival will compete at the Finley Zone Swimming Carnival in Cobram on Friday 25th February. A permission note has been sent home with representative students.

The school will supply a bus for the students to travel to and from the carnival. Students are reminded to be at school by 8.15am sharp so they have plenty of time for a warm up at the Cobram pool.

As per the note, one parent is allowed at this event. COVID guidelines are outlined on the note please read carefully.



BPS Swim Hats

Our new BPS swim hats have arrived and are ready for purchase.

They can be purchased at the school office for \$10.

Berrigan Bakehouse Lunch Orders - starting next week

Friday lunch orders:-

- Lunch orders are to be written on an envelope with students name and correct money. (no change will be given)
- Lunch order envelopes must be handed to office no later than Wednesday mornings. Any late orders won't be accepted.

Lunch orders can only be done through the school. Tammy has requested that parents not order at the Bakery and that orders be done as outlined above.

Berrigan Bakehouse Lunch Order Menu

Pie \$4.50

Party Pie \$2.00

Sausage Roll \$3.50

Chicken Burger \$5.00

Sauce .25

Orange Pop Top \$2.00

ABC Pop Top \$2.00

Big M Chocolate \$2.50

Big M Strawberry \$2.50



Emergency Contact Card / Local Area Excursion Note

Local Area Permission Note and Emergency Cards have been sent home. If you have not already done so can you please complete and return to the front office as soon as possible.

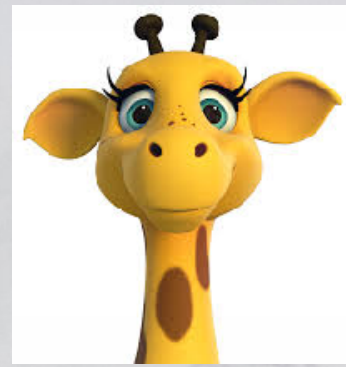
RAT tests

Thank you to the parents who have collected the next distribution of RAT tests. This twice weekly testing is an important part of the covid-smart strategy to minimise spreading the virus.

It is as much about transmitting the virus to others as it is getting it from others. Be vigilant, monitor your child/children for symptoms and report positive cases.

Healthy Harold Life Education Visit

Our favourite giraffe, Harold, is coming for his annual visit—Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd February. There will be no Life Education van this year and lessons will be in the school hall. If you have any queries please contact the office. The cost will be subsidized by the school so there will be no cost to you. Please return the signed permission note by Friday 18th February.



Deni & District PSSA Cricket

Deni & District PSSA Cricket trials were held in Tocumwal on Monday 7th February for the Finley Zone representatives. Congratulations to Jordan Swann who was selected to trial at the next level in Deniliquin next Monday. From this day the squad will be narrowed down to 24. These 24 boys will train together through the winter and later in the year a team of 12 will be selected as the Riverina Boys Cricket team. Good luck Jordan.

2022 Riverina PSSA Tennis Trials

Congratulations to Evie Cameron who competed last Friday at the Deniliquin pre selection trials for the Riverina PSSA Tennis team.

The convenor, Megan Baker, said it was a fantastic day and Evie has been selected to compete in Griffith on 24th February. The students should be commended for their exceptional sportsmanship and the positive behaviour that they displayed on the day.

Evie must have been inspired by Ash Barty's recent success - well done Evie!

Representative Shirts

The students got to wear their new representative shirts to Yarrawonga on Friday and didn't they look amazing!

Thank you to the P&C as this was a major initiative for them which finally came to fruition this year.



You are eligible for **FREE** dental treatment.

If you live in NSW and are 2 - 18 years old you can have free dental check at a **Public Dental Clinic**.

You only need a Medicare number.

Dental clinics are located at the **Berrigan** Community Health Centre and at the **Deniliquin** Hospital.

Phone **1800 45 00 46**



We are not visiting schools at the present time

P&C News

Welcome back everyone for 2022!

Our AGM will be held on Wednesday 8th March at 7pm in the school library.

All parents and carers are invited and are strongly encouraged to attend.

Our P&C is instrumental in raising vital funds for our school and it is a great way of keeping informed about the fantastic things happening within BPS.

We look forward to seeing some new faces and new ideas.

Andrea Packer

President

- While current restrictions allow for a physical meeting - all parents are reminded about signing in, mask wearing indoors and social distancing requirements and that unvaccinated parents must not be on site. I expect that by next week some restrictions will be removed however as this newsletter goes to print this information is current.

Dorothy Dore

Principal