

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

CHIEF EXECUTIVE VISIT

Looks like the word is really spreading about the changes that are happening at Berri Primary School and the impact that they are having on student learning. Not only do we have the Governor of South Australia, His Excellency the Honourable Hieu Van Le visiting in week 10 of this term but on Thursday the Chief Executive of DECD, Mr Rick Persse will be visiting along with the Educational Director of the Berri Portfolio Mr Con Karvouniaris. They will be given the opportunity to tour the school, meet with the staff, students and hear about some of the great things happening at our school.

MOON LANTERN FESTIVAL

It was great to see so many families at the recent Moon Lantern Workshop. Mai Schloithe said that there was a real sense of excitement in the air. Hopefully we will see you at the next one on Thursday.

CHOIR

Fantastic job by the choir last week. From my unbiased and objective point of view it was obvious that Berri Primary was the standout school! A great effort Karyn, you should be really proud of the kids. The performing Artists were outstanding, however I think Berri Primary School Staff Choir would be certainties to get a spot next year.

BOOK FAIR

Thank you to all the families who came in last week and supported our Book Fair. It was great to see parents and grandparents choosing books with their children. We have earned over \$600 worth of free books for our school. Well done Tanya for a fantastic job running the Book Fair and setting up a brilliant display in the Library.

PUPIL FREE DAY

Remember our Pupil Free Day will be on Week 4, Friday 18th August.

Greg

CLASS PLACEMENTS FOR 2018

We will begin the process of placing students for 2018 in the near future. Parents who wish to provide input into the placement of their child can collect a proforma from the office. Educational and social grounds will be considered with the needs of the school. Be aware that requests may not be able to be met. Requests for specific teachers will not be considered. Requests need to be returned to the Front Office by Friday 29th September 2017 (last day of term 3) as we will begin class placements in week 1 of term 4. If your child will not be attending Berri Primary School in 2018 please let the Front Office staff know as this will help us when getting 2018 classes ready.

DIARY DATES

WEEK 4

AUGUST 17 WHOLE SCHOOL WALKATHON
AUGUST 18 PUPIL FREE DAY

WEEK 5

BOOK WEEK 'ESCAPE TO EVERYWHERE'
WEDNESDAY SCIENCE/ CULTURAL ART ACTIVITY DAY
THURSDAY BOOK CHARACTER DRESS UP DAY

WEEK 10

SEPTEMBER 27 MOON LANTERN PARADE

Warming up for Walkathon



Science Week 2017 is almost upon us (Week 4)! The theme this year is 'Future Earth' and plenty of information can be found on the official Science Week website: scienceweek.net.au

Berri Primary is celebrating Science Week 2017 by building a new Water Smart Garden at the school. During regular Science lessons, classes will be working from the ground-up to develop the new space. The garden aims to provide a hands-on nature-based area where children can watch seeds grow into edible healthy treats. Once the garden is built, students will fill it with seedlings that they raised in Science lessons throughout Term 2.

The garden will use a modern concept of garden bed, known as a 'wicking bed'. If you are curious about the concept, I encourage you to do some online searching.



<http://www.abc.net.au/gardening/stories/>

In addition to our students' efforts, huge thanks must also go to:

Stratco Berri

for their generous donation of top-quality garden beds through their Stratco Garden Centre

The Berri Barmera Council

for their generous donation of materials and support in bringing the project together

SA Water

for their generous donation of materials

Steve Fiebig

for supplying quality local soils and stones

Inspiring Australia

(an Australian Government Initiative) for awarding Berri Primary School a 2017 Science Week grant.

Please support those who have supported us. Without their help, this project simply wouldn't have come together. Happy Science Week to you all!

- Zack Plaquet (Mr. P)

WALKATHON

Don't forget to return your Sponsorship forms!

Everyone welcome, can't wait to see you there!

Thursday 17th August - 10:30 to 11:25 am
1st & 2nd Prizes for the highest fundraisers from Upper, Middle and Junior Primary students!
Help raise funds for Lights in our Pavilion.

A cartoon illustration of a group of children and two adults walking on a grassy field. They are holding a large white banner. The children are wearing colorful clothing and shoes. The adults are also smiling. The background is a bright blue sky with white clouds.

Recently we were visited by Mr Phil Sherwell from SanRemo pasta. He was here to visit classes and donate \$6000 on behalf of SanRemo. We have decided to use the donation to support our students and families at times of most need where children's schooling in being impacted. We are keeping in contact with Mr Sherwell as we access the donation so he can be aware of the positive affects of this support.

SRC – Our new SRC are up and running and straight into decision making. This week they have updated our Tree Climbing rules and marked the trees where climbing is possible with bright yellow tape. They have also put in place a roster for sharing the trees and the Pavilion between the Junior and Middle/Upper students. What a start! These are exciting times on SRC.

Faye North



THANK YOU
SanRemo!

What do Miss Ormsby's class really like....

My name is Lerlene. I really like to do the monkey bars.

My name is Emily. I really like to play soccer and hide and seek.

My name is Laylah. My sisters are Hayley and Amber and my brothers name is Jake. My mum and dad's names are Deb and Greg.

My name is Madison. I am really good at the monkey bars. I like Jolly Phonics.

My name is Blake. I like playing soccer on the weekends and at school. I am up to the orange reading box.

My name is Ryder. My favourite thing about school is Jolly Phonics. I can run fast.

My name is Brantley. I am really good at backflips.

My name is Cordelia. I really like to play netball. At school I have a friend called Chelsea.

My name is Mason. I am really good at running, doing the splits and doing flips.

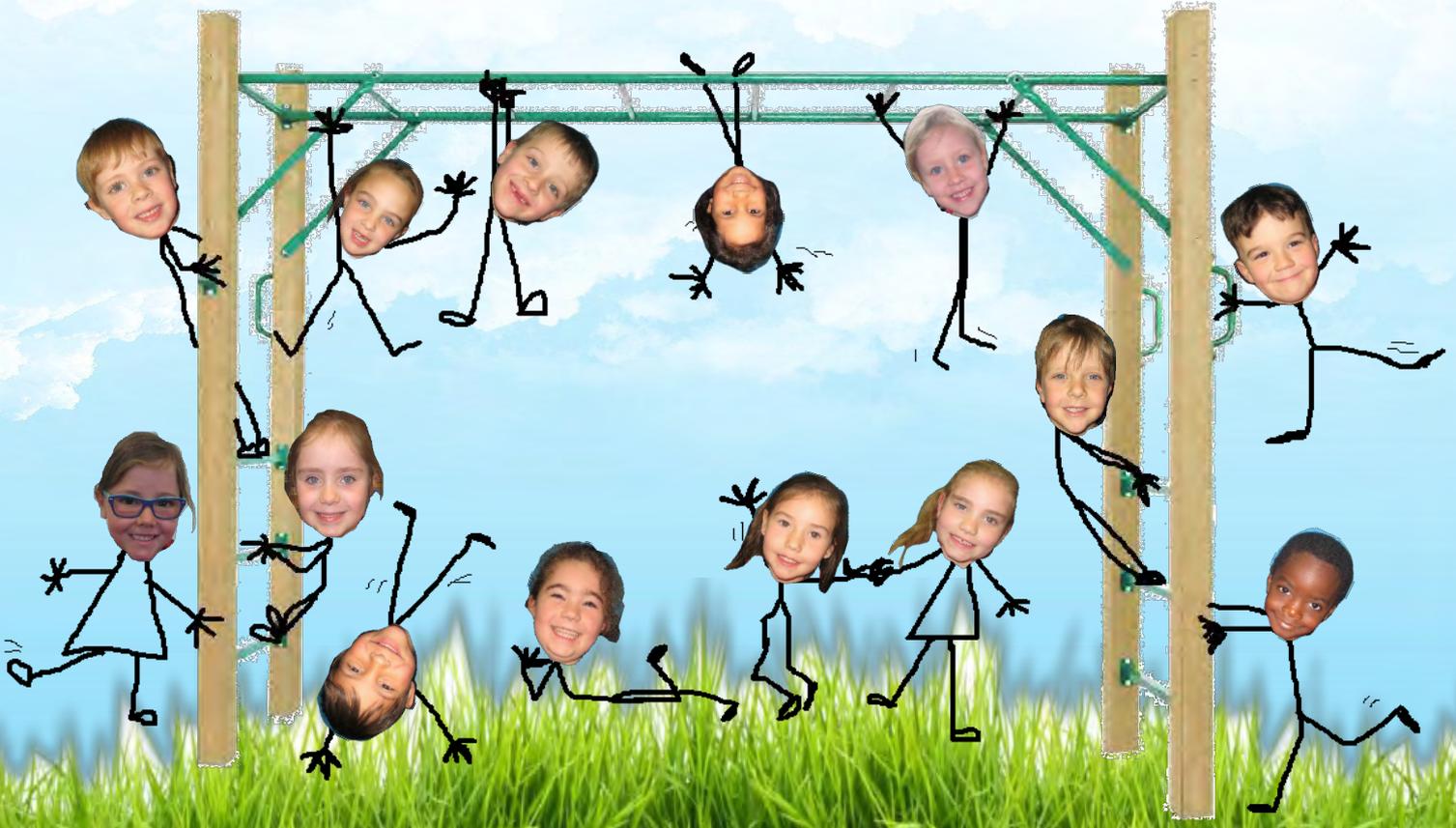
My name is Wesley. My favourite thing about school is Jolly Phonics.

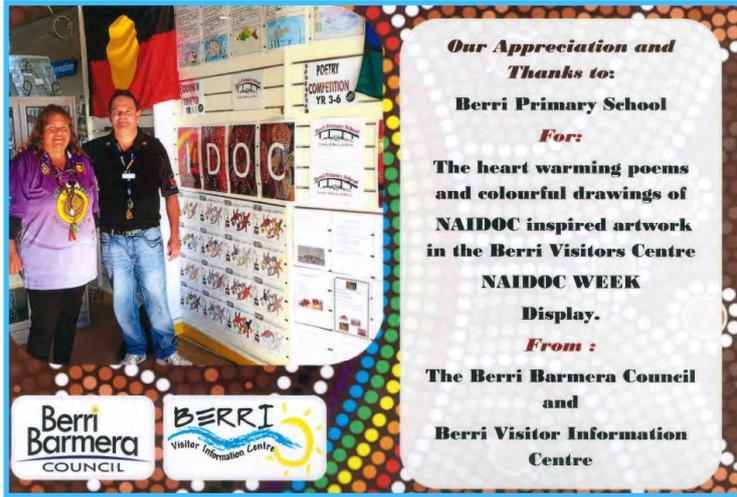
My name is Chelsea. My favourite thing is doing the splits. I like doing cartwheels too.

My name is Maicey. I have a sister and a brother. I go to yoga with Ellie. I play monopoly with Nanna.

My name is Janness. I like lunch. I am good at running.

My name is Khloe. I really like to do the monkey bars. My favourite colour is red.





Our Appreciation and Thanks to:
Berri Primary School
For:
The heart warming poems and colourful drawings of NAIDOC inspired artwork in the Berri Visitors Centre
NAIDOC WEEK Display.
From :
The Berri Barmera Council and Berri Visitor Information Centre



*Our school has registered so please help us by bringing in your sticker cards
Many thanks.*

PARENT/CARER INVITE

OPEN BREAKFAST 8:40 to 9am
School Kitchen

Coffee and Chat includes crocheting beanies over the next month, so come along, have a chat and make a beanie to take home afterwards
9 to 9:30am Staffroom

EVERY THURSDAY
Hope to see you, Faye North



Hi all,

Over the past 3 weeks students from Reception to Year 2 have been testing themselves through some balance and coordination circuits. These circuits, with a touch of 'Australian Ninja' inspiration, have been well embraced by the students. These modified circuits have also allowed students to test their spatial awareness and reflex skills. It has been entertaining from an educational perspective to watch how motivated and determined they've become in attempting each activity. Junior Primary students will continue this activity for another 2 weeks before moving onto a different focus.

Students from Years 3 to 7 are currently focussing on soccer skills. Apart from game play, each student's focus has been on effective ball control and the effective delivery of the ball to other people in minor drills or within a group activity. This week's games showcased the improvements they have made over the past few weeks. Well done! Years 3, 4 and 5 will continue with soccer for another 2 weeks whereas the remaining upper primary classes will begin learning about AFL 9's.

Thanks also to Miss Krollig who is taking on my role on a Wednesday, while I stay at home or attend the odd 'Kindagym' session with my 3 year old son. It certainly is a busy 60 minutes!

SCHOOL SPORT

Good luck to the 35 students who will be representing Berri Primary School this Friday at the Riverland SAPSASA Athletics Championships. Over the past 3 weeks these students have eagerly practised their various skills in preparation for the upcoming carnival. I have been extremely impressed with the students' commitment to training and with their attendance at each session. On Wednesday afternoon the relay teams had their last practice session. For the first time since I have been at Berri as the PE teacher all 8 relay teams were present for training. This really showcases the determination and increased school pride that is occurring in 2017. Keep up the great work everyone! Finally, this Friday to Monday I will be down in Hobart, Tasmania for the national cross country championships, where the best primary and secondary aged runners will be competing for their state or territory. While as a school we don't have anybody representing South Australia we do however have, 3 girls from the Riverland, representing their state. This is a fantastic achievement by these 3 young ladies and a great example of the talent that is coming from the Riverland as a result of positive pathway development.

Regards,
Mr Coote

21st August – Wellbeing with Andrew Fuller. FREE SESSION FOR PARENTS!!!!!!

We are lucky to have Andrew Fuller coming to our area on the 21st and 22nd of August. He will be working with our Year 5 and 6 students during the day, with our staff in the afternoon and with parents on two occasions. Please take up the opportunity to come and listen to him talk about helping your child to achieve their best. He is a world renowned speaker, and a really nice person that is extremely entertaining to listen to.

The DECD Berri Barmera Partnership of schools and pre-schools together with the South Australian Association of School Parent Communities (SAASPC) present the following forums facilitated by clinical psychologist Andrew Fuller.

ANDREW FULLER

Registration information:

This is *FREE* for any parents/caregivers of students attending any schools affiliated with SAASPC. These parents/caregivers can register through their school by 15th August.

- Barmera Primary School 85882198
- Berri Primary School 85821077
- Cobdogla Primary School 85887131
- Monash Primary School 85835361
- Glossop Primary School 85832386
- Barmera Kindergarten 85882210
- Berri Pre-school 85821880
- Monash Kindergarten 85836041
- Glossop High School 85832004
- Glossop High School 85952677
- Riverland Special School 85821258

All above are affiliated with SAASPC.

For any community members interested in attending please register via the SAASPC website which outlines costs of each session <http://www.saaspc.org.au/conference>.

Parents and care givers are invited to a free regional forum

Session information:

**Understanding your emotions
and other peoples
Monday 21 August, 7.30 – 9.00pm
Berri Hotel**

**Unlocking your child's genius:
Building resilience in children
Tuesday 22 August, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Berri Hotel**

A little more about Andrew



Andrew has been described as someone who “puts the heart back into psychology”. As a clinical psychologist, Andrew Fuller works with schools and communities in Australia and internationally, specialising in the wellbeing of young people and their families. He is author of *Tricky kids*, *Guerrilla tactics for teachers*, *Help your child succeed at school*, *Raising real people*, *From surviving to thriving*, *Work smarter not harder* and *Beating bullies*.

Andrew has established programs for the promotion of mental health in schools, substance abuse prevention, suicide prevention programs and the reduction of violence and bullying. Andrew is regularly interviewed in the media about wellbeing and building resilience in young people.



Tacker Attack!

Kids obstacle course

Sunday 3rd September - 9am to 2pm
At Loveday 4X4 Adventure park at Baramera
Unlimited fun for only \$18 per child
www.dirtwarsurvivor.com

Bring Dad along and celebrate
fathers day getting dirty



Open a Bank SA Little Saver Incentive account and receive 1 child's ticket for the Royal Adelaide Show + \$10 in your new account. Offer ends 25th August. For more information visit your local Bank SA



ENROL NOW IN PRESCHOOL



Children who turn 4 before 1 May can start preschool at the beginning of the year before they start school.

Families are encouraged to enrol now for preschool next year.

For more information contact your local government preschool or visit www.decd.sa.gov.au

ST. CATHERINE'S
LADIES AUXILIARY
presents the

52nd "Morning at Petticoat Lane"

Berri Senior Citizens Hall,
Crawford Terrace, Berri

Friday 25th August 2017
9am - 2pm



Light Lunch available
(Assorted cakes, hot beverages,
sandwiches & sausage sizzle)



STALLS: Cake, biscuits, produce, plants,
white elephant, sweets & craft

Raffles & Door Prize drawn at 12 noon



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