

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

WELCOME BACK

We have had a very smooth start to Term 2 and everyone appears to have come back refreshed and ready to get back to work.

Welcome to Tiffany Sansome who is teaching in Room 25 this term. Apryl Sim has stepped into the Student Wellbeing Leader role while Faye North fills the Principal position at Moorook Primary School.

NAPLAN

In week 3 and 4 our Year 3, 5 and 7 students will participate in NAPLAN. It is important to note that NAPLAN is only one of the many testing methods used in schools to gather up-to-date information on children's progress Literacy and Numeracy. We don't want it to cause undue stress for the children and want the online tests to be something that children enjoy.

Just a reminder with the colder months approaching and the cold and flu season soon to be upon us please remember to keep your child at home if they have cold symptoms.

Greg

IMPORTANT DATES

NAPLAN	YEARS 3, 5, 7	WEEK 3 & 4
GOVERNING COUNCIL	Mon 17 May	WEEK 4
SCHOOL PHOTOS	Tues 1st June	WEEK 6
PUBLIC HOLIDAY	Mon 14th June	WEEK 8
STUDENT FREE DAY	Mon 21st June	WEEK 9
GOVERNING COUNCIL	Mon 28 June	WEEK 10
END OF TERM	Fri 2nd July	WEEK 10

ANZAC Day

Students and staff at Berri Primary gathered at the front of the school to honour the service men and women who made sacrifices for our country. All students and staff planted poppies and observed a minute silence in their memory.



SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Attendance at school is an important contributor to a student's academic achievement – all school days matter.

We understand that sometimes students are absent due to illness, family or other reasons. If your child is absent from school for any particular reason please notify the class teacher via the class app, communication book/diary or contact us on 85821077.



Year to Date (2021)

The average daily attendance rate; Year-to-Date, derived from student attendance data sourced from the school systems as at 04/05/2021



Previous Week

Attendance rate derived from student attendance data sourced from the school systems as at 04/05/2021

Year 6/7 Snapshot

Term 2 is in full swing for the year 6/7s! As you can see, students have been working very collaboratively and soaking up the sun while it lasts.

In Math, students spent some time familiarising themselves with factors and multiples as they played a partner game. It was great to see how students strategised and applied critical mathematical thinking as they played.

In Reading, students got straight back into their Reciprocal Teaching routine. The Year 6/7s are building their reading skills by going through a new text with a partner and discussing the 'Fab 4' reading strategies before they work in larger groups. Here, you can see one of our groups enjoying some sunshine as they read their new text for the first time and discuss their ideas along the way.



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Wellbeing

Hello BPS Families,

A warm (literally) welcome back to all of you. I'm excited to get to know your children and work with the whole school community to provide a happy and engaging school for your child to learn at.

As a school we have been working hard on implementing our Berry Street Education strategies including the use of morning circles, regular brain breaks and using common language such as 'Track the Speaker' to get the students tuned in and 'ready to learn'. This term we will be continuing with this concept of being 'ready to learn' and having a whole-school approach to checking-in with our students during the day. This will ensure we are aware of student readiness before teaching a lesson and finding ways to develop their self-awareness.

Our SRCs are working hard to increase engagement and create a safe environment for all students to play and learn in. At the moment we are exploring the use of Peer Mediators, a Student Hub (safe space for students to come at lunch time) and planning to run an UP sleepover and a cake stall at Sports Day. These ideas came in consultation with the classes and this is being led by the student leaders.

Our School and House Captains are going to be busy helping to keep up with House Points collected from assemblies for positive yard behaviours, reading in the library and engaging in school events such as our Cross Country (by running or dressing up). These leaders are also going to be helping run the Launchpad reading/homework room in the mornings and will be able to listen to younger students read and help them with their homework. They are very excited about this.

I hope to see you in the yard soon!
Apryl Sim
Acting Student Wellbeing Leader



We couldn't have asked for more perfect weather for our day of Netball at Loxton, sunny and warm with a slight breeze!

Considering we hadn't done well in previous years for Netball our focus this year was to try our hardest and work together as a team, regardless of the score.

We were aiming to get 5 goals each game and support each other trying out new positions.

WELL- The girls blew their first game out of the park, coming out guns blazing and impressing everyone. They worked so well together, displaying an excellent level of skill and getting a whopping 18 goals in the first game.

This continued the entire day, with their determination and encouragement of one another paying off- going into the grand final undefeated.

The grand final was against St Albert's Loxton who had also been undefeated for the day. It was a tough game, with the girls having to work extra hard to reap the reward. The final buzzer sounded, and it was a DRAW! Which meant both teams were named winners for Division 2. The girls had an excellent day and I was very proud of how they represented Berri Primary School.

Congratulations to Kiara Harman, Sahira and Taylah Glen who were picked to trial for the carnival in Adelaide and made the squad. Good luck for the carnival girls!

Ashleigh Byrnes



READING IS EVERYWHERE

and a huge part of learning.

We understand that life can be busy and you may not be able to listen to your child read each night.

Therefore, each Tuesday to Friday before school, Launchpad (Room 24) will be open for students to read or complete homework.

School Photo Day is: **Tuesday 1 June 2021 - Week 6 Term 2**

- EVERY STUDENT WILL RECEIVE THEIR OWN NAMED ENVELOPE
- SEE OFFICE FOR SPARE INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY ENVELOPES
- ALL ENVELOPES MUST BE RETURNED - WHETHER ORDERING OR NOT

PAYMENT

*MSP Photography are responsible for handling all payments.
Please follow the instructions on the envelope regarding payment - Centrepay can not be used.*

PLEASE RETURN ENVELOPES BY MONDAY 31st MAY - Week 6

say cheese!

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR
CHILD IS WEARING SCHOOL
UNIFORM**



ASSISTING ARTISTS WANTED FOR 2021 RIVERLAND PRIMARY SCHOOLS' MUSIC FESTIVAL

The Riverland Primary Schools' Music Festival is looking for talented Riverland music/dance/arts students to audition as an Assisting Artist for this year's RPS Music Festival, to be held at the Chaffey Theatre in August!

Assisting Artists perform between choir items and are students from Riverland or Mallee Primary or Secondary Schools.

As it is the Festival's 25th Anniversary, we are inviting previous Assisting Artists to audition to be a part of the Riverland Primary Schools' Music Festival again!

Auditions for Assisting Artists will be held at Waikerie Lutheran Primary School and Rivergum Christian College in early June. Video auditions will also be accepted.

Application forms will be emailed to you shortly for distribution to interested applicants or are available from myself at melissas@wpls.sa.edu.au.

Application forms need to be submitted by Friday, 28th May 2021.

