

Berri Primary School Newsletter

Thursday 8th June 2023 - Week 6 Term 2

Teamwork Responsibility Respect Integrity

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STUDENT FREE DAY - FRIDAY 9th June - OSHC available Bookings Essential

This Friday will be our first Student free day and we thank the Governing Councillors for approving this so that collectively as a staff we can focus on several key aspects for the school such as: Maths (problem solving), Power BI (online data platform), Music (how it can help students to learn), WHS inspections and time for some collaborative planning and programming.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

LEADER'S PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESIDENTIAL: THURSDAY 18 & FRIDAY 19 MAY

Faye and I joined all the principals (primary and secondary), Preschool Directors and some deputy principals from the Riverland in Tanunda.

On Thursday we focused on:

Public Education **draft** purpose statement- Children and students learning and thriving. We discussed the 4 Areas of Impact: 1. Wellbeing 2. Excellence and Equity 3. Learner Agency 4. Effective learners.

Instructional Leadership – facilitated by Katrina Spencer: Discussing the actions we take as leaders and the impact of what we are doing. This gave Faye and I an opportunity to plan for some action. We drafted up a 5 week cycle that will have us visiting classrooms intentionally and regularly during the week, based on the work of Justin Baeder.

On Friday we focused on:

Data and evidence that influences achievement: facilitated by Roy Page and Debbie Grzeczkowski who are from the Review, Improvement and accountability sector. We reviewed and chatted about a variety of data sets that gave us snapshot of our portfolio results, such as: 1. SACE- 2. Attendance- 3. High Band NAPLAN- 4. Aboriginal students and Low SES (Socioeconomic status)- 5. AEDC (Australian Early Development Census- conducted every 3 years to examine how children have developed by the time they start school) & NQS (National Quality Standards- Sets benchmarks in 7 quality areas that are important to outcomes for children)

Systems HR update: facilitated by Matthew McPeake and Joe Pertle who are from the People and Culture sector.

We appreciated the opportunity to network with our peers and to deepen our understanding of the various aspects and data that supports us as leaders and helps to guide us when it comes to future planning.

AFTERSCHOOL SUPERVISION OF CHILDREN ON THE PLAYGROUND, PAVILION AND OVAL

Our staff are on yard duty afterschool from 3.15-3.45pm and in designated areas, such as the bus area and school crossing area. They cannot supervise students on play equipment, oval or in the pavilion.

This is why we expect that there are no children in these areas afterschool.

Your child/ren need to be either waiting near their class, on seats, under the shelter shed at the school crossing area, be heading straight home or walking towards the usual area they are collected from afterschool.

We have noticed that there is a growing number of children who are playing straight afterschool and unfortunately are not being closely or directly supervised by an adult.

This concerns us as it is primarily a safety issue and also sends mixed messages to other children and families. These areas are also meant to be available for use for the OSHC staff who supervise children attending OSHC.

We are therefore seeking the support of our parents and carers.

Can you please remind your child/ren that playing in the pavilion, oval or on playground equipment afterschool is not permitted.

Thanking you all in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

Maria Rivera Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

STUDENT FREE DAY Fri 9 June WEEK 6 **PUBLIC HOLIDAY** Mon 12 June WEEK 7 Mon 19 June GOVERNING COUNCIL WEEK 8 COLOUR RUN DAY Fri 30 June WEEK 9 SCHOOL REPORTS Fri 7 July WEEK 10 LAST DAY TERM 2 WEEK 10 Fri 7 July







RIVERLAND SAPSASA STARS

Ellie & Maicey played girls Sapsasa *Football* for Riverland and their team came 2nd overall. Tia also took the opportunity to fill in for Murray Mallee who were short. Will, Harry & Blake represented Berri Primary in the boys Sapsasa football for Riverland. The team had one win and a draw but were very competitive in all but one of the other games and improved heaps. Will was in the best players 3 times, Harry twice and Blake once.





On Friday 26th June, seventeen children represented Berri Primary School at the Riverland **Cross Country** Day at Martins Bend in Berri. The children competed in their age group with the 11- and 12-year-olds running 3km while the 9- and 10-year-old children ran 2km. It was a great day and ten of our children qualified for the Riverland team to complete at Oakbank. Amazingly, fourteen of the seventeen students ran their personal best times. Harry won his race. Myka and Tia came second in their races and Maicey finished third behind Myka.

Special mention to Harry, who broke the Martin's bend record for the 11-year-old boys.

Thank you to Mr Grummet for his organisation and giving up many of his lunch times to help the children train

leading up to the event.











Tackle Free Zone

With football season upon us, it's important that students are reminded that tackling is not okay at school. Tackling at school is not okay as students can get hurt if they are not prepared or experienced in managing tackles. Tackling and being tackled are skills taught during specific coaching sessions outside of school, for example, at football training.

In discussion with student leaders about the issue of tackling at school, they proposed that a 'tag' is all that is needed to represent a tackle at school. Two of our student leaders demonstrated this at assembly and this photo demonstrates the 'tag' to students and families who were unable to attend.







Colour Run & Hot Dog Day

Friday 30th June - Week 9

In Term 1 our School Captains applied for, and were successful in receiving a grant from Our Town Berri for a Student led Wellbeing project. The aim of this project was to improve student wellbeing by helping them feel more connected to their school and community. It was their idea to organise and run a whole school Colour Run. Senior SRC wanted to provide a Hot Dog lunch for all students this term and so we have decided to combine the two in one day.

Hot Dog order forms need to be returned to school by Friday 24th June (Week 8).

On the Day

Please pack a **White** (or light) shirt for your child to wear. Students will change back into their school uniform after the run.

Schedule

Rooms 5 and 6 - 12pm Rooms 2 and 3 - 12.30pm Rooms 7, 8 and 15 - 1pm Rooms 25, 26 and 27 - 1.30pm

Rooms 21, 22 and 23 - 2.30pm

2023 Choir

In the lead up to the Riverland Primary Schools Music Festival the Berri Primary Choir children have been busy rehearsing at the Berri Town Hall with their cluster of primary schools and singing to the crowds at the Monash Mammoth Markets.



RECONCILIATION WEEK

"Be a Voice For Generations"

National Reconciliation Week is a time for all Australians to learn about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

We did various activities across the school celebrating, as well as attending the Nunga Screen at the Chaffey Theatre.









Online Parent Resource - 'An Introduction to Regulation'

Regulation is



This online resource:

- will help you to understand regulation
- will give examples of how you can respond to your child's big feelings
- · may take up to 1 hour to complete
- . does not need to be done all at once.

Link to parent resource: https://rise.articulate.com/share/rG_zIH9hfq9hGFgQ6ALfq6sfpKbhRtbD

QR code for parent resource:









PARENT FORUM

June 19th 2023, Adelaide

You are invited to a Parent Forum for parents and carers of children and young people with disability.

The forum will include information about Special Options process as well as provide advice and strategies to manage transition changes.

The forum will provide a safe and supportive environment to share your experience, obtain information and helpful strategies as well as providing the opportunity to have your questions answered.

The information you provide will also assist us in the planning of future forums.

This workshop is for a limited number of parents and carers and will be held maintaining current COVID 19 guidelines.

WHEN: Monday 19th June 2023

9.30 am - 10.00 am Register/tea/coffee

10.00am - 2.15pm Parent Forum

WHERE: Special Education Resource Unit (SERU)

72A Marlborough Street, Henley Beach SA 5022 Ph: 82352871

Please enter via Northey Street

Contact: Education.ParentForum@sa.gov.au if you have any questions

Lunch/refreshments provided

Register via: Eventbrite

For other information and resources available please visit SERU website: web.seru.sa.edu.au



Beanies available \$10

Front office 8:30 to 3:30 Monday to Friday





If you require assistance, please phone 08 8130 6188



TUESDAY MORNINGS 9:00am - 10:45am (DURING SCHOOL TERM)

BERRI PRIMARY SCHOOL OSHC BUILDING

No Cost 0-5 Years old

WHAT TO BRING

Wear clothes suitable for messy play and a spare change of clothes.

A broad brimmed hat and a water bottle.

A piece of fruit.





Support BRSC Kookaburra's RELAY FOR LIFE

Come and meet the Riverland's real-life mermaid and support



ADD IN A PRO-FISH-ONAL PHOTO OPPORTUNITY WITH MARIANNA \$5

Monday 12th June 1pm at Berri Regional Secondary School parking available at Library

BOOK NOW VIA TEXT -LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE 0457 862 821



Celebrate Remember Fight Back

1st Barmera Scout Group

Welcomes children and young people from Year 1 to Year 12, offering a safe and supportive environment where your child can make new friends, learn life skills and embark on new

adventures!

Thursday 6:30-8.30pm

Joey Scouts 5-8 yrs

Cub Scouts 8-11 yrs

Scouts 11-14 yrs

For Membership Enquirers Contact: Roger Farrow, Group Leader: 0428852348 or come directly to Barmera Scout Hall Dean Drive on Thursday at 6:30pm

