Important Dates

**AUGUST**  
13th  
18th  
20th  
21st  
Kinder Transition Evening for parents  
at 7pm in Room 2

**AUGUST**  
21st - 22nd  
25th  
Aspire Me Visual Art Camp – Moulamein  
Cultural Infusion ‘Aboriginal for a Day’ excursion - Urana  
AASC – Dance  
Book Club orders due  
27th  
St Columba’s School Production

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**Berrigan Public School...**

‘The Bell Ringer’

*Wednesday, 13th August 2014*

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Aspire Me Visual Arts Campers.
Principal’s Report

Four Excited Year 5/6 Students
Yesterday I had some very excited 5/6 students who had just been told that they had been chosen to attend the Aspire Me Visual Arts camp at Moulamein. Congratulations to Cassandra Renneberg, Mitchell Spunner, Dana Karakai and Aidan Fennell. This Visual Arts camp includes a series of intensive art workshops and an overnight stay. The planned activities are designed to tap into students’ creativity and provide them with guidance to develop their artistic talent. There will be five artists-in-residence working with the students. Mrs Barb Harris, Ms Elizabeth Barnett, Mrs Vicky Lowry, Mrs Wendy McDonald and Mrs Kathy Gibson. The skills the students will be exploring include glass art, dry etching, handmade books, pottery, stamp and collage illustration. It sounds like an exciting 2 days for our students. We do have a disappointed teacher in Mrs Arnold who had hoped to go but her commitment to our Kindergarten Transition program has stopped her - next year Mrs Arnold!!

Cultural Infusion @ Urana Central School 25th August
On Monday 25th August all our students will travel to Urana and join other schools in a program called ‘Aboriginal for a Day’. The students will participate in activities involving Aboriginal art, dance, story-telling and cultural history. The school will pay costs associated with the day, including bus travel and the cost of the program. Pre ordered lunch packs are available on the day at students cost. Please see lunch note attached to permission note. These notes must be returned by Thursday 21st August. The students will leave the school at 8.45 and return by 3.30. A permission note will be sent home today for this unique and exciting whole school excursion.

AASC
The dance program is proving to be very popular, the students love the music and moving to it. Basketball is always a popular activity with all ages. Just a gentle reminder to all our participants who attend AASC that even though this is a free program, it is a privilege to attend and all behaviour must be polite and positive. The teaching staff are monitoring participation and behaviour in the program and will ask parents to pick students up who are struggling to be a positive participant.

In School Performance on Bullying
Last Thursday the students were entertained and educated by Ruth from School Performance Tours who, using the acronym STAMP, demonstrated and explained strategies to use if students saw or experienced bullying in the school playground. Combining magic tricks, puppetry and stories the students were kept engaged. Below are recounts by Year1/2;

We saw a show called “Stamp out bullying.” Ruth told us to stay away from bullies and she told us to tell someone. She did a magic show and made a coke bottle disappear.

Crock the puppet was being a bully. Croc ran up to Mrs Stevenson and went crazy. It was funny when he hid behind Ruth. He met a big crocodile then hid behind Ruth.

Ruth did magic with Berrigan Public School. She made circles, squares and triangles disappear. It was so much fun.

Ruth made a coke bottle disappear. I wish bullies would disappear.

Policy Writing
Last Monday and Tuesday I spent two days writing policies with the Principals from our BiJOU Learning Community. As a result we have a draft Student Welfare, Good Discipline and Effective Learning Policy which the staff have read, discussed and provided feedback on. As from next Wednesday there will a draft copy available from the front office. There is a copy in the front office for any parent or carer to read and provide feedback on. There is also an option for parents to ask for a copy to take home to read and also provide any feedback. The final copy will be produced and printed on Friday 22nd August.

Gayle Andriske
Principal

Notes required to be returned
Cultural Infusion ‘Aboriginal for a Day’ excursion – Urana Book Club orders due by 25th August School Voluntary Contribution / P&C Donation Text Books If you require extra copies of these notes please contact the office

Quote of the Week
If you want to work out a policy for the present, we must examine the past and prepare for the future.
Livy

Slide show running in the foyer...
Year 1/2 Australian Animals Project
Congratulations to the following ‘Students of the Week’

Mrs Arnold:

- Michael Sharp-Shorney for his fabulous writing about the Stamp Out Bullying Performance.
- Gracie Rice for her terrific recount about the Stamp Out Bullying Performance.
- Charlie Magill for being a great learner during interactive writing.

Mrs Stevenson

- Layla Towler for excellent expression when reading.
- Molly Rice for excellent answers in class discussions.
- Lacy Turner for trying hard in maths with grouping.
- Jye Litchfield for having an amazing maths brain in subtraction.
- Lachlan O’Dwyer for beautiful manners and being a great friend.

Mrs Andriske/Mrs Cameron:

- Ben Ackerly for working well in Maths.
- Shae Fennell for assisting and explaining concepts to peers.
- Keia Towler for great work in Maths.
- Hamish Cameron for striving for excellence in Science.
- Niclas Renneberg for great thoughts and points in BTN recount.
- Darcy Pyle for interest and participation in BTN.

Mrs Tait:

- Dana Karakai for presenting interesting notes from BTN neatly.
- Jackie Sharp-Shorney for well written and neatly presented BTN notes.
- Jackie Sharp-Shorney for working industriously on her Commonwealth Games booklet.
- Kaila Luscombe for persevering to come up with a great text innovation on “There Was An Old Woman”.
- Shae Fennell for working industriously on her Commonwealth Games booklet.
- Hamish Cameron for working industriously on his Commonwealth Games booklet.
- Mitchell Spunner for a clever text innovation on “There Was An Old Woman”.
- Allysaa Thornton for comprehensive and nicely presented notes for BTN.
- Isabel Alexander for a funny text innovation on “There Was An Old Woman”. (not in picture)

Mrs Sneddon:

- Hamish Cameron always settling quickly to work.
- Jackie Sharp-Shorney for quickly getting organised for project work.
- Shannon Spunner for excellent effort handwriting.
- Michael Sharp-Shorney for excellent listening skills.
- Kyra Lindner for quiet attentive listening in Library.
- Charlotte Dickins for excellent attitude towards others. (not in picture)
Canteen Roster - Term 3

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- Thank you to all our canteen helpers. Please remember if your day(s) are not suitable to organise your own swap and please notify the office.
- Please do not order snacks, lollies or icy poles with your lunch orders.
- PLEASE NOTE: Students are NOT to bring food to school for lunches etc. that requires heating up in the canteen, as this is an OH&S issue.

P & C Pub Raffle – Roster:
Please remember to arrange your own swaps if these dates don’t suit...

15th August
Barb Fox/Simone Fox

29th August
Phillips/Spunner Families

12th September
Simone Toll/Judy Karakai

26th September
Sam & Chantelle Henderson

Community Notices

Cobram Amateur Basketball Association - 2014 Spring Registration Night
Registration nights will be held on Tuesday 12th, Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th of August from 6.00pm at the Cobram Sports Stadium Campbells Road Cobram for juniors and adults. Season is planned to start the week of the 25th August.
Free skill sessions will also be offered for younger children on Tuesday nights. This is aimed at children aged 6-9 years of age who are not playing, but is open to all children playing in the junior competition who may want to improve their skills.
For further information contact Rod Armstrong on 0418148942.
Minette Fealy
Speech Pathology

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New Paediatric Speech Pathology practice opening in your local area, servicing Berrigan and surrounding townships. In August I will be promoting Speech Pathology Australia’s

SPEECH PATHOLOGY WEEK
‘NATION FOR COMMUNICATION’
24th–30th August

Let us all think about what impact it would have in our lives if we could not communicate!
Your local community information sessions are at the

Berrigan Shire Library,
Thursday 28th August at 11:30 am
All welcome
Information on promoting speech, language and literacy development, ages and stages, as well as answering any questions you may have on all topics of Speech Pathology.

Please contact me on the number above or email minettefealy@hotmail.com for more details.
Berrigan Public School Transition Program

Berrigan Public School will once again be holding their highly successful Kinder Transition Program. The program begins with an Information Evening to be held on Thursday 21st August at 7.00 pm in Room 2 at the school.

The next stage of the program will be an 8 week introduction to school that will involve the children coming to school for two hours each week. They will experience school life and all that our wonderful school has to offer.

The program runs for eight weeks starting in Week One of Term Four, Friday 10th October 2014.

It will be held every Friday morning for just over two hours from 9am until 11am.

The program provides children with the opportunity to completely familiarise themselves with the school, classrooms, grounds, teachers and the other children.

It also helps prevent separation anxiety at the beginning of the school year.

Children will be involved in a variety of exciting activities over the eight weeks such as art/craft, story reading, cooking, songs/games and interaction with other children in the school especially with the Year 5 students who will be the Kinder buddies in 2015.

For more information or expressions of interest please phone the school on (03) 58852209. We look forward to meeting you and your children.