Important Dates

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**Principal’s Report**

**Lion's Club Presentation**
Doug Cameron and I were delighted to accept on behalf of Berrigan Public School a cheque from Jenny and Peter Salt on behalf of the Berrigan Lion's Club. The very generous donation of $1000 will be used to buy an Apple Mac with program ‘Configurator 2’ and a VPP (Volume Purchasing Program), which will manage and drive our iPads, making them more functional and give greater control of content viewed and access to the latest Apps available. Once again on behalf of our school and the P&C, we are very grateful to accept this wonderful donation from the Berrigan Lions’ Club, ‘This club are stars!!’.

**Year 3/4 Borambola Excursion**
I was very lucky to be able to travel to Borambola with our Year 3/4 students last week. We had the best time over the three days; students were able to experience a variety of activities including kayaking, raft building, archery, rock wall climbing, BMX riding, orienteering and climbing the low ropes. A big thank you to JPS Principal Miss Nyree Taylor, who organised the excursion for the JeriBerries. Also thank you to Mr Gavin Knight who travelled with us. The students were brilliant and should be commended for their behaviour, enthusiasm and ability to survive on minimum hours of sleep. Seriously a great time was had by all.

**Blue Star Sustainability Awards**
Our school has been notified of our success in the 2015 Blue Star Sustainability Awards, previously known as the Tidy Town Awards. Berrigan Public School has been awarded a ‘Highly Commended’ in the 'Young Environmental Achievement Award' in the Keep NSW Beautiful Awards. This is a fantastic achievement as the award categories have changed this year and it has made it much harder for smaller communities.

The judges were particularly impressed with our schools neat and tidy grounds; with the fact we collect and recycle food scraps for our worm farm; and our collection containers under each bubbler. Congratulations to each and everyone for your ongoing efforts and enthusiasm in keeping our school and surrounds in such great condition and your ongoing enthusiasm and understanding of the importance of sustainability in our environment. A special, ‘huge’ thank you to Steve Dalgliesh for his continuous work and commitment to our school.

**Tissues**
Once again we are in need of boxes of tissues for the classrooms. Sprigtime, hay fever, a long winter has diminished our school supplies and all donations would be greatly appreciated. Please drop them off to Barb at the office.

**Community Remembrance Day Celebrations**
Thank you to all the students who participated in the singing of the National Anthem at Sunday’s community celebrations of Remembrance Day. Along with the St Columba’s students, accompanied by the talented Anthony Penthall, they sounded wonderful and added a lovely start to the afternoon. Special congratulations to Darcy Owen who was the winner of the Poetry Competition with the theme ‘What Remembrance Day means to me’. Darcy received a $50 cash prize for his efforts. Well done Darcy.

**Memorial Mass**
I would like to commend Father John for his memorial service for Michael Connell, former Principal of St Columba’s, last Sunday. It was a lovely tribute to a fine educator and lovely young man.

**Principals’ Meeting**
Last Friday the Deni Network of Principals met and after receiving a moving and touching thank you from Miss Kempton who is ‘deserting’ us, we had a very informative day. Discussions were around the School Plan (ASR), School Milestone and Excellence Framework and RAM Report (School funding for 2016). We also held discussions with Deniliquin Police Local Area Command - Deputy Inspector Hayes and Senior Constables Ebsworth and Epsieten.

**Aurora College (Virtual High School)**
During the Principals’ Network Meeting on Friday we were introduced to a new virtual way of learning for Secondary Students, known as the ‘Aurora College’. This Virtual School provides gifted and talented students in rural and remote areas the chance to study specialist subjects using the latest technology, within their chosen rural or remote High School. Applications for 2017 close on 16th November 2015. See attached advertisement or www.aurora.nsw.edu.au

**‘Aspire Me’ Art Exhibition**
Shae Fennell and family and Mrs Arnold attended the ‘Aspire Me’ Art exhibition held in Deniliquin last Wednesday evening. All participants received a certificate in recognition of their participation. Mrs Arnold said the works exhibited were of a very high standard, showing the talent of many of the children who attended the camp, stating it as a wonderful and very worthwhile visit for all involved.

**Gayle Andriske**
Principal

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If you require copies of these notes please contact the office.

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**Quote of the Day**
Perfection never exists in reality, but only in our dreams.
*Dr Rudolf Dreikurs*

**Slide show running in the foyer...**
Aboriginal Cultural Day at Deniliquin
Congratulations to the following ‘Students of the Week’

**Mrs Arnold:**
- Sarah Agnew for reading improvement.
- Toby Loomes for reading improvement.
- Rosie Phillips for consistent effort in writing.

**Mrs Stevenson:**
- Lara Willemsen for amazing reading skills.
- Logan Agnew for excellent knowledge on quarters in maths.
- Ryan Thornton for excellent work on quarters in maths.
- Annaliese Barker for excellent code work on pirates.

**VIP Award:**
- Lucy Phillips and Zak Johnson

**Mrs Andriske/Mrs Cameron:**
- Jebediah MeyerVale for being organised for school work.
- Emily Anderson for being organised for school work.
- Johnathan Barker for being organised for school work.
- Jye Litchfield for being organised for school work.
  *(Not in picture)*
- Seth Henderson for being organised for school work.
- Callum Lindner for being organised for school work.
- Michael Bainbridge for being organised for school work.
- Lacy Turner for being organised for school work.
- Year 3/4 for ‘Outstanding Attitude’ on excursion!

**Mrs Tait:**
- Isabel Alexander for a great recount.
- Lucy Phillips for perseverance with ‘Transformations’ in maths.
- Aidan Fennell for an entertaining recount.
- Tai Davies for his terrific work with his ‘stringing’ owl.
  *(Not in picture)*
- Regan Fox for great work with maths ‘Translations’.
- Jackie Sharp-Shorney for a well written recount.

**Mrs Sneddon:**
- Maddie Rice for excellent ‘counting on’ in maths.
- Sophie Agnew for excellent ‘counting on’ in maths.
- Blake Harris for thinking ahead – making poppies.
- Ryan Thornton for great results in Science – Waves.
Canteen Roster - Term 4

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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.

School News

Knitting Needles & Buttons / Empty 1.25 or 2 litre soft drink bottles with lids & Margarine/Butter containers
The school would like soft drink bottles with lids, margarine containers, knitting needles and any assortment of buttons for craft. If you are out and about in others towns often second hand shops have knitting needles and buttons for sale and we would be grateful if you could get any for our school.

Old Stockings
Year 1/2 children need some old stockings (pantyhose) to do some craft work, If you have any old stockings could you please bring them to school. Thank you.

Book Club
New catalogue out with today’s newsletter. Due back by Wednesday the 18th November. Please hand orders and money into the office ASAP.

P & C News

School Production DVD’s
DVD’s are now available of the school production ‘The Magical Land of Oz’ at a cost of $10 each. If you are interested in purchasing one please contact the school office.

Public Notices

Shane Atkinson Nurse Audiometrist
Shane Atkinson Nurse Audiometrist will attend Berrigan Community Health Centre on Wednesday 18th November 2015. Any concerns about speech, learning or behaviour, please ring Tocumwal Hospital to make an appointment for your child to have a hearing test on 0358742166. Child must be free of cold at time of test and at least 6 weeks following a cold.

Portsea Summer Holiday Camp 2016
Berrigan Shire Council has 15 allotted spaces for the Portsea Camp. Applications can be obtained at the Council office and must be returned with a $25.00 deposit by the 27th November 2015. Dates for the camp are: 11 January to 17 January 2016
Cost per child: $327.00
The children must be a minimum of 9 years and a maximum of 12 years of age.
Inaugural

WOMEN IN WATER
Night Out

Do you want to learn more about “How water works in our catchment” over a glass of bubbles?

Join us for an informal and relaxed session with guest speakers from the MDBA, Dept of Primary Industries, the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder & Murray Irrigation to learn the nuts and bolts of water.

Free entry includes sparkling wine & canapes followed by dinner.

Details (Women only event): Canapes from 5.30pm @ Blighty Hall Wednesday 11th November 2015

PLEASE REGISTER FOR CATERING @ www.womeninwater.eventbrite.com OR hpurbrick@tahbilk.com.au

Sponsored by Murray Irrigation & Ricegrowers Association of Australia

Aurora College
The virtual selective school for rural and remote students

Aurora College is NSW’s first virtual selective school, offering a mix of online and residential school classes. The school provides innovative, flexible learning in a whole new context, by allowing students to connect locally and learn globally.

Aurora offers selective classes in English, mathematics and science to gifted and talented Year 7-10 students from rural and remote areas across NSW. Students connect with their teachers and classmates in time-tabled lessons through a virtual learning environment.

The college also gives Year 11 and 12 students the opportunity to study subjects not available in their own school. For details please visit our website.

Aurora College offers students expanded career options through innovative partnerships with businesses and with scientific, cultural and tertiary education institutions.

Students in the selective stream are chosen in the same way as students in all other selective classes in NSW government schools.

Applications for entry to Year 7 in 2017
OPEN 13th OCTOBER 2015 AND CLOSE ON 16th NOVEMBER 2015


For further information about Aurora College, visit the our website www.aurora.nsw.edu.au or phone 02 9886 7560
Save The Date…
BDDA Christmas Market Night!
Friday the 4th of December 2015
In Chanter Street Berrigan.
More information to follow in the coming weeks.

Parent Transition Night
Wednesday 18th November 6pm
Come along to speak with teachers and support staff about any concerns you may have regarding your child starting high school. Students are also encouraged to come to get to know their peers and become more familiar with the school.

Year 6 Orientation Day
Thursday 3rd December 8.50am-3.15pm
Students will spend the day at school becoming familiar with the facilities, their new teachers and different subjects through a range of activities.

- **Students** are to come in their *current sports uniform*.
- There will be a complimentary BBQ lunch.
- Please remember to return **Excursion permission notes** with a **$50 deposit** before or on the day.
- **Book packs** will also be available for purchase from the canteen on the day for $50.

2015 Kidsfest and Mud Run Challenge

Dear Parents,
Thank you so much for your support of the Kidsfest and Mud Run Challenge.
Many images were taken at the event and we would like to use these photos in our print and social media publications. Please contact the Berrigan Library if you have any concerns about your child's photograph being published.

Kind Regards,

Anne and Jenny
Berrigan Library
03 5888 5181
ASPECT NSW in Finley

TUESDAY DECEMBER 1ST
From 4.00 to 6.00pm

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 2ND
From 9.30 to 11.00am

Information and question time

All families and professionals welcome

Bedrooms reserved
RSVP: 04985 59572

ASPECT NSW Queensland

Special Farewell
Meredith Stevenson

97 YEARS

RETIRING FROM TEACHING

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

Dinner available at bar prices.

SATURDAY 6.30pm at Berrigan Golf Club
12th DEC
Cost: $20 Per Person
Includes Finger Food & Special gift

Please RSVP by Friday 4th December to
Berrigan Public School on 03 5985 2209

Merry Christmas

Berrigan Public School

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