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ICAS Computer Skills
P & C Meeting
JeriberriO’s AFL & Netball trials 4.15pm
Principal’s Report

Naplan Week
Our Year 3 and Year 5 have been engaged in the Naplan (National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy) this week. The students’ reactions have been mixed but they are all surviving nicely, as are the teachers. Parents, staff and students will find out the results in Term 3.

Sports Camp
Congratulations to Aidan Fennell, Regan Fox, Ally Trives and Max Cameron who will join Lucy Phillips and Nick Arnold at the Aspire Me Sports Camp in Deniliquin next Thursday and Friday, 21st and 22nd May. The two day camp looks exciting and will be a wonderful experience.

School Excursions
Our school will once again use our school equity funds to support our senior excursions; Year 5/6 students to Melbourne and Year 3/4 to Borambola. At yesterday’s staff meeting the staff had a discussion about the plausibility of 2 major excursions each year, especially as our funding will be significantly reduced next year. Thoughts were discussed about reducing to one major excursion a year; for example rotating excursions, odd years 3/4, even 5/6; or another thought only 5/6 have major excursions. The school will conduct surveys later in the year to help with a decision regarding excursions in 2016.

Playgroup
Next Tuesday, Playgroup Australia will hold an introductory welcome session in our school hall. Kate Hardy, State Development Officer, Playgroup NSW, will host a free session for any interested parents and carers. There is a flyer attached to the newsletter re Tuesday’s meeting.

SASS Conference
Next Monday and Tuesday four of our SASS staff will travel to Albury to participate in the bi-annual two day SSAS conference. The staff are excited and very impressed with the agenda, with some great presenters over the two days.

Athletics Skills Training Program
As we stated last year the ‘Active After Schools Program’ was finalised in 2014 but it has been replaced by ‘Sporting Schools Program’. The school has received funding to conduct sports programs in the school with the freedom to choose areas which suit the school and students. This term the staff decided to employ Rick Gardiner and Ken Gardiner to come and deliver athletic coaching skills to all our students, Kinder to Year 6. There will be seven sessions leading up to our carnival on Thursday 30th July, at which Rick and Ken will assist.

Road Monitoring-School Signs
Once again we are trying desperately to gain a school flashing lights crossing on Jerilderie Street. The school would like to see the flashing lights, which have been designated to our school, be placed on the busy highway instead of in front of the school. Lots of our students cross at times, that very busy highway, to come and go to school. The Roads and Maritime Services have agreed to reopen the case and reassess the possibility of the crossing. The Project Officer (Safety Around Schools Program), Sharon Horner, will visit Berrigan next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday to reassess the traffic on Jerilderie Street during peak school times. Then Sharon will have discussions with myself and Adam White, Senior Constable of the Berrigan Police who is also very passionate about the safety of our children.

JeriberriO’s AFL & Netball Trials
A reminder that trials for JeriberriO’s AFL and netball will be tonight at 4.15pm at the Berrigan Public School. Mrs Sneddon, Bec Ware and Stuart Pyle will be running the trials. Any interested students from Years 4/5/6 are welcome to try out.

Professional Training
Mrs Tait and myself will be involved in a 2 day Leadership Coaching Clinic in Deniliquin. I am sure this training will be a benefit to both of us and we will be able to pass on valuable strategies.

Thank you
Thank you to Simone Toll for the donation of an electric keyboard. I’m sure it will be put to good use in our music program.

P&C Federal Raffle
Thank you to all the people who have volunteered to sell raffle tickets on a Friday night at the Federal Hotel. This is a great fundraiser for the school. Please see a roster on page 4 of this newsletter for your allocated date.

Gayle Andriske
Principal

Notes required to be returned
Year 5/6 Excursion Expressions of Interest
Paul Kelly Cup Permission Note
Year 6 GRIP Leadership Excursion Permission Note
School Voluntary Contribution/P&C Donation
Text Books
Newsletter - email address

If you require copies of these notes please contact the office

Quote of the Day
A book is like a garden carried in a pocket.
Chinese proverb

Cross Country Training & Buddy Reading
Congratulations to the following ‘Students of the Week’

Mrs Arnold:
- Rosie Phillips for superb, neat home learning.
- Charlotte Dickins for fabulous contributions during HSIE when working on profiles.
- Jason Yeo for great improvement in reading.

Mrs Stevenson:
- Isabel Sierra for a confident, strong voice in news.
- Michael Sharp-Shorney for working well in maths groups.
- Justin Milne for being such a lovely friend.
- Lachlan O’Dwyer for excellent maths skills.

Mrs Andriske/Mrs Cameron:
- Jye Litchfield for great work in Mathematics.
- Xavier Fox for good work in Mathematics.
- Kyra Lindner for improvement in Mathematics.
- Ariarna Barker for great work in Mathematics.

Mrs Tait:
- Allyssa Thornton for impressive results in maths assessment.
- Lucy Phillips for a creative pasta craft creation.
- Shae Fennell for impressive results in maths assessment.
- Regan Fox for improved understanding in Science.
- Aidan Fennell for great responses in guided reading.
- Blake Harris for marvellous effort with recounts in reading groups.

Mrs Sneddon:
- Michael Bainbridge for excellent effort in handwriting & spelling.
- Josh Anderson for having a very caring attitude.
- Xavier Chapman for great effort in Maths.
  (from week 1)
- Phoenix Jeffress for great calculating in Maths.
- Tess Middleton for always having neat handwriting.
  (not in picture)
- Charlie Magill for always using lovely manners.
  (not in picture)
Canteen Roster - Term 2

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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

Ice Cream Containers
If anyone has any ice cream containers to spare, the school would like them to use for Science & Art. Please drop them into the front office.

SRC News - JDRF Fundraiser
The SRC are selling jelly babies at recess each day to raise money for junior diabetes. Each packet is $2 and May is diabetes month. Please send in your donation of $2 soon.

SRC Mothers’ Day Stall
Thank you to all the families who supported the Mothers’ Day Stall. We had a great time selling the gifts and the SRC made $102 to spend at the school.

Mrs Stevenson

P&C News

P&C Federal Hotel Raffle
Thank you to all the families who have volunteered to assist the P&C at the Friday night Federal Hotel Raffle. Tickets are sold from 6pm and the raffle is drawn at 7.30pm. This is a really beneficial fund raiser for the school so we greatly appreciate families helping us out. The first two weeks of the raffle have been successful so we are sure this will continue.

15/5 Stuart Pyle family/Ware family
29/5 Holmes family/Barry family
12/6 Ackerly family/Spunner family
26/6 O’Dwyer family/Steel family
10/7 Pyle-Mills family/Jeffress family
24/7 Alexander family/Doug Cameron family
7/8 Driscoll family/Adam Fox family
21/8 Foxy Office ladies
4/9 Litchfield family/Ware-Steel family
18/9 Baxter/Phillips family
Finley High School presents:

**MADDD Night**

**Date:** Wednesday 20th May 2015  
**Time:** 6.30pm for 7pm start  
**Where:** Finley High School Hall  
**Cost:** $5, under 12s free  
Supper will be provided

Come and see our students perform their own dance routines, songs and drama acts based on fractured fairytales.

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**Parenting Program**

The Parenting Program aims to support and strengthen families and contribute to the overall wellbeing of children and families.

The Parenting program is a **FREE** service and offers a range of parenting groups as well as one to one parenting assistance, either centre based or within the family home.

The Parenting program covers communities within the Deniliquen, Conargo, Murray, Berrigan, Jerilderie and Wakool Shires.

To speak to a Parenting Worker call 03 5890 5200
Time at Home

3 Tips to Help With Screen Time

A Quick Bite...