**Important Dates**

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**Principal’s Report**

Wow, what a surprise I got when I was asked by my Year 4 students to investigate their clean-up of their garden shed. Not only had they cleared, cleaned and swept the shed, they had designed a tool wall, such a clever idea and very impressive. Thank you Callum Linder, Jebidjah MeyerVale, Emily Johnson and Abi Litchfield for a fantastic, thoughtful activity. The students are very keen to work in our garden and next Friday all the school students will join Mrs Maree Ryan in planting up our garden beds.

**Parent/ Teacher / Student interviews**

It has been wonderful to see such a fantastic turnout to our 3way interviews. The students have enjoyed the challenge of discussing their learning and showcasing their work. Both parents and teachers have enjoyed the chance to involve the students in the discussions about their learning. A very positive and productive event. Year 5/6 will conduct their interviews when Mrs Tait returns from leave.

**NAPLAN Assessments**

Our NAPLAN Assessment results arrive at school this week and students from Year 3 and Year 5 will receive the envelopes containing their results on Friday. These tests, sat in May, provide some good base line data for teachers to identify progress, strengths, areas of concern; both before and after the tests. As with any report parents should contact the school if they have any queries or concerns.

**Healthy Eating Student Committee**

As part of our Live Life Well at School program the following students have formed a committee to help our canteen supervisor, Jo Turner, with ideas on fresh, healthy food for our school canteen. President - Blake Barry, Vice President - Phoebe Holmes, Secretary - Jackie Sharp-Shorney, Manager - Jayde Taylor, Treasurer - Cassandra Renneberg and Committee member Allyssa Thornton. The children are very eager and will work with some mentoring from Mrs Cameron and Mrs Tait.

**CWA Presentation**

Our Year 6 students attended the CWA meeting today to give several presentations on the country Italy. Mrs Ware and Mr Archer accompanied the students. Next week we will have recounts and photos from the students.

**Little A’s Coach/ Co-ordinator Visit**

Ken Gardiner will visit our school once again this Thursday at 9am to have an information session about Little Athletics. All the best to Ally Trives, Darcy Owen, Lucy Phillips, Shae Fennell, Keia Towler and Kyden Wellman.

**Fathers Days Breakfast**

Once again our wonderful P&C will host a Fathers’ Day Breakfast next Friday, 4th September. This will once again be held on Footy Colours Day, causing a double celebration, favourite man and favourite footy team-what a combination! A flyer has been attached re the Fathers' Day Breakfast.

**P&C Meeting**

Our P&C will meet tonight in the library at 7.30. One of the topics for discussion will be our canteen; I will be giving a short presentation on the departments guidelines.

**Quote of the Day**

We are wiser than we know.  
*Ralph Waldo Emerson*
Congratulations to the following ‘Students of the Week’

Mrs Arnold:
- Toby Loomes for fantastic golf skills.
- Jason Yeo for fantastic golf skills.
- Phoenix Jeffress for awesome, interesting news.

Mrs Stevenson:
- Charlton Baxter for excellent maths skills in addition.
- Archie Cameron for neat, well-formed handwriting.
- Ryan Thornton for great work in maths on graphs.
- Isabel Sierra for excellent letter writing.

Mrs Andriske/Mrs Cameron:

Mrs Sneddon:
- Lucy Phillips for appreciation in helping with Library reorganisation.
- Shae Fennell for appreciation in helping with Library.
- Annabel Middleton for appreciation for helping in Library.
- Isabel Alexander for appreciation for helping in Library.
- Telirah Harris for improved effort in spelling – 100%!
- Grace Cameron for staying on task in Maths.
- Miley Driscoll for lovely manners always.
- Amelia Packer for excellent effort in spelling.

Mr Archer:
- Annabel Middleton for excellent recount ‘Beauty and the Beast’.
- Aidan Fennell for excellent recount ‘Beauty and the Beast’.
- Alyssa Thornton for most improved golfer!

VIP Award:
- Michael Bainbridge for biggest ‘time’ improvement in 8 x tables.
- Johnothan Barker for biggest ‘time’ improvement in 8 x tables.
- Amelia Packer for champion 8 x tables’ winner.
- Callum Lindner for great introduction to ‘Emergency Services’.
- Emily Johnson for super effort in spelling activities.
- Arianna Barker for champion 8 x tables’ winner.

Tess Middleton & Darcy Pyle
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.

Every Tuesday, Blake Barry and Phoebe Holmes will be selling Apple Slinkies.

Price: 50 cents to buy an apple or 20 cents if you bring your own apples to get ‘slinkied’.

Time: recess and lunch.

The apples promote healthy eating in the canteen. This great idea is an initiative of Blake Barry with the assistance of Phoebe Holmes.

Bookclub
The latest order from Book Club needs to be returned to the school office no later than Friday 28th August 2015. Please hand orders in to front office by this date.

P&C Meeting
Next P&C Meeting will be tonight at 7.30pm in the school Library. Gayle will be showing a brief presentation on the Departments guidelines on running a school canteen.
Public Notices

FINLEY LITTLE ATHLETICS

Registration Day
21st August 2015
5.00pm Finley Apex Sports & Community
$60.00 per child
$180 for a family of 4+

Free coaching clinic to be held on the 26th of August with Australian Olympic and Commonwealth Games Representative Youcef Abdi
at 4.30pm at the Finley Apex Sports and Community Centre
(Recreation Reserve)

2015 Junior Vote Count & Presentation
Friday 11th September 2015
6pm Berrigan Sportsground
$5 meals available (or $20 for family)

Berrigan Football & Netball Club

Laura Geitz

You are invited to participate in the Laura Geitz Netball Clinic
Wednesday 9th September, $90/person (Non refundable fee)
Strictly limited numbers at each session
Registrations close Monday 31st August 2015
Open to all ages, 2 x 1 hour clinics from 4pm
DNA Courts, Memorial Park Drive, Deniliquin
Non-Participants welcome to come and catch a glimpse of this superstar!
Registration forms available from:
Bennett's Intersports Deniliquin
Download from the DNA Facebook page
DNA Clubrooms Saturday 11.00am-3.00pm
2016 International Children’s Games – New Taipei

Expressions of Interest – Swimming Team

The City of New Taipei is hosting the International Children’s Games 11th – 16th July 2016. For children aged 12 years to 15 years of age the ICG is the largest multi-sport youth games in the world and a member of the International Olympic Committee. Swimmers must be no older than 15 as at the 31st December 2016.

A team of swimmers are being sought for this amazing sporting and cultural experience.

Berrigan Shire has been invited to send a team of up to 4 female and 4 male swimmers. We are seeking youth who live in and/or attend school in the Berrigan Shire who are interested in trying out for this once in a lifetime experience.

Information Session
Sunday 6th September, 2015
Barooga Sports Club Pool
10.00am

We would love any interested swimmers, parents or guardians to attend to find out more information about selections, training commitments and associated costs.

Any questions, please contact Penny 0400 742 508

Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way
…to get organised for school lunches.

Over the course of your child’s school life, you will pack around 2,500 school lunches!

Follow our six-step method to make school lunches easy, healthy and eaten every day!

1. Always include a serve of fruit (cut up if your child is young)
2. Always include a serve of veggies (don’t forget legumes like baked beans count too!)
3. Always include a drink of water
4. Always include a serve of wholegrains (bread, rice or pasta leftovers)
5. Always include a serve of reduced-fat dairy (cheese, yoghurt)
6. Always include a protein (egg, chicken, tuna).

See our website and facebook for more ideas!

Fruit and Veg Month

Every Year Fruit & Veg Month runs for the last 3 weeks of Term 3. In 2015 it will be from 24 August to 8 September.

The Healthy Kids Association produces fantastic classroom resources that can be used during the month or all year long. Ask your child’s teacher if they will be doing anything for Fruit & Veg month this year.

Here are some tips for improving fruit and veg intake all year long:

- Try different combinations of fruit and veg in a smoothie.
- Grow your own.
- Try fruit and veges raw, steamed, mashed or stir fried.
- Be a good role model.
- Eat a rainbow of fruit and veg everyday.
- Regularly try something new.
Tell Them From Me

The Tell Them From Me student feedback survey
I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the Tell Them From Me student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.


The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the Tell Them From Me survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you do not want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by 24th August 2015. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from the website above.

The Partners in Learning parent feedback survey
Our school will also be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey, another part of the Tell Them From Me suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents’ and carers’ perspectives on their child’s experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically takes 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary; however, your responses are very much appreciated.

The Staff of Berrigan Public School would like to invite the parents of potential Kindergarten enrolments for 2016 to an Information Evening.

The evening will be held on **Tuesday 1st September 2015**
at Berrigan Public School / Room 2
commencing at 7.00pm.

Please contact the school on
Ph: 5885 2209
for further information.

Supper will follow the information session for informal chats and questions in the school library.

We look forward to seeing you.
MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE
BERRIGAN PUBLIC SCHOOL P & C ASSOCIATION
Tuesday 28 July 2015

Meeting opened 6.10pm

Present: Gayle Andriske, Bec Ware, Kerrie O'Dwyer, Carolyn Alexander, Leigh Jeffress, Jo Turner, Kelli Litchfield, Emma Phillips, Doug Cameron

Apologies: Barb Fox, Amy Baxter, Andrea & Simon Packer

Moved: Carolyn Alexander Second: Kerrie O'Dwyer

Minutes from previous meeting held 20th May were read as a true and correct record.

Moved: Kelli Litchfield Second: Kerrie O'Dwyer

Business arising from previous meeting
- This year at the Berrigan Show the Public School catering will start at 10am and will not be catering breakfast.
  Moved: Jo Turner Second: Kelli Litchfield
- Environmental Garden - Ongoing
- Kerrie O'Dwyer to do thank you letters to RSL and St Columba's in regards to RSL Centenary Dinner.
- Bike-a-thon – Proposed that we change it to a Triathlon and hold it in Term 1, 2016.
  Moved: Kelli Litchfield Second: Kerrie O'Dwyer

Moved: Jo Turner Second: Carolyn Alexander

Treasurer’s Report
- Kerrie O’Dwyer presented her treasurers report.
- P & C to pay school $4,497.85 for P&C Funding Program which was approved at the start of the year.
  Moved: Kerrie O’Dwyer Second: Carolyn Alexander

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Principal’s Report
- TVs from Samsung
- BPS Athletics Carnival
- Education Week
- Excursions
- Learning Together Forums
- Sporting Schools
- Speech Pathologists
- ICT Plan/Proposal – Bec Ware presented a ICT presentation
  - P & C to use some of term deposit to purchase 15 new iPad’s.
    Moved: Jo Turner Second: Kerrie O'Dwyer
  - Proposal to be written in regards to 2 desktops to use with the new Samsung TVs, to ask local businesses for donations. Kerrie O'Dwyer to approach Emma Phillips about writing this proposal.
    Moved: Kelli Litchfield Second: Gayle Andriske

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General Business
- The Canteen is in the process of changing to a Healthy Living canteen – Lollies are going, Honey Soy and Jay Jay chips can stay. The plan for the canteen is to have the children involved. Gayle Andriske will be surveying the children to see what they would like available for purchase. Some students have already began helping promote this healthy change by selling apples on a Tuesday which has been very popular so far.
- Catering book to be put together so future caterers have an easier job ordering food and planning functions.
- Catering action plan to be drawn up.

Moved: Jo Turner Second: Doug Cameron

Meeting Closed 7.52 pm

Next Meeting 26th August 2015
At school on Friday 4th September 2015 we are having a special Fathers’ Day breakfast for all the special Dads, Grandpas, Pops, Pa’s, Uncles or friends. It is going to be a yummy cooked breakfast and then there will be a little presentation for all the guests to watch. Breakfast starts at 8.15am and it will cost $10 for adults and $5 for children. The breakfast will be a fundraiser for the school P & C.
So we really hope you can come.

Please RSVP to the school office by 1st September to confirm numbers.