Congratulations to our new Chaplain

---

**Important Dates**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MARCH</th>
<th>MARCH</th>
<th>MARCH</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Wed 9th</strong></td>
<td>Soccer Trials 4.15pm at BPS</td>
<td>Fri 18th</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Fri 11th</strong></td>
<td>Swimming for Sport</td>
<td>Tue 22nd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Tue 15th</strong></td>
<td>JeriBerriO Cricket training at Jerilderie 4pm</td>
<td>Thu 24th</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Thu 17th</strong></td>
<td>Meal Deal</td>
<td>Fri 25th</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Thu 17th</strong></td>
<td>Finley District PSSA AFL at Leeton</td>
<td>Mon 28th</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
**Principal's Report**

Congratulations to Mrs Jenny Fruend, who through merit selection, has been appointed to our school as School Chaplain. The staff are extremely excited as they know Jenny will be wonderful in this role. The NSCP (National School Chaplaincy Program) is a federally funded program.

The areas that the School Chaplain work in are Self Esteem, Support, Resilience and Social Skills. This program will be a great support for our PD program ‘You Can Do It’ which runs across the whole school, Kinder to Year 6.

The activities that the chaplain may be involved in are:
* provide pastoral care and personal assistance for students, staff and parents of the school community in co-ordination with the Principal, school counsellor and the learning support team;
* assist in the development and continuation of the school’s welfare programs;
* provide an early intervention framework for addressing student welfare needs;
* facilitate small groups activities targeting students at risk;
* facilitate lunch time programs;
* support staff at school camps, excursions and other activities as required.

A special thank you to Kathryn Tait who applied and was successful in receiving the funding while I was on leave last year - great job Mrs Tait!

**Zone Swimming Carnival**

I thought our school uniform had changed on Tuesday when all our swimming representatives team returned to school parading their Riverina sportswear. Although we have no Riverina swimming representatives this year, all the students had a great day, enjoying the competition and being part of the Finley District PSSA team.

**AFL Finley Representatives**

The three students who travelled to the Finley AFL trials last Wednesday afternoon need to be congratulated on making the Finley PSSA District team and also being great ambassadors for our school. Mr Haley, the coach, made a point of emailing the school and congratulating us on the behaviour of Nick Arnold, Hamish Cameron and Darcy Pyle. Good luck at the Riverina trials in Leeton on Thursday 17th.

**Riverina Basketball Trials**

Good luck to Nick Arnold who will participate in the Riverina Basketball trials on Monday 14th March in Albury.

**JeriBerriO Cricket Success**

With the win last week our JeriBerriO cricketers progressed to the next round in the State Knockout competition. A great win as you can see by the boys recounts. Our next game will be against the winner of a game between Hay and Deni South schools. We will have to travel to either Hay or Deniliquin.

**Finley District PSSA Soccer trials**

Good luck to Blake Harris, Kyden Wellman and Michael Bainbridge who have indicated they will trial at school this afternoon. The trials will be run by Mr Bobbin from Oaklands Central School.

**International Competition and Assessment for Schools - ICAS**

Your child is invited to participate in ICAS in 2016. ICAS provides an opportunity for all students in Years 3 to 12 to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external testing situation. It provides teachers, parents and students with comprehensive reporting of results in the areas on Computer Skills, English, Mathematics and Science. All students receive a certificate and an individual student record indicating which questions they answered correctly and their score compared with the rest of the students tested. Children from Years 3 to 6 will be given a note regarding the ICAS competitions for 2016. All relevant information is on the note sent home with the children today. This note MUST BE returned to the school office with correct money by **9.00am Tuesday 29th March 2016**.

**The Tell Them From Me student feedback survey**

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many others 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 our school 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 and school staff will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 14 March and 8 April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and a list of frequently asked questions (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 consent form to school by Friday 11th March.** The FAQs and copies of the consent form, including translated consent forms, are available from the website above.

**Gayle Andriske**

**Principal**

**Notes required to be returned**

- Text Book
- ICAS Note
- Finley District PSSA AFL
- Finley Zone Soccer Trials
- Book Club orders
- Emergency Contact Card
- Local Area Excursion Note
- Video Conferencing Note

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

---

**Quote of the Day**

Children act in the village as they have learned at home.

*Swedish proverb*
Congratulations to the following ‘Students of the Week’

Mrs Arnold:

- Tom Baxter for wonderful learning in Literacy.
- Xavier Chapman for improvement in Reading Recovery.
- Jack Smith for interesting news telling.

Ms Outram:

- Michael Sharp-Shorney for outstanding effort in all areas.
- Zoe Owen for outstanding work in all areas.
- Charlie Magill for excellent Literacy – Possum Magic.
- Jason Yeo for having a really good ‘go’ at Spelling.
- Austin Ware for staying on task in Reading Groups.

Mrs Tait:

- Jye Litchfield for great story writing.
- Jye Litchfield for excellent effort in Reading.
- Annah Barker for clever time in X5 tables.
- Lara Willemsen for great story writing.
- Charlton Baxter for good story writing.

Mrs Sneddon/Mrs Cameron:

- Zoe Owen for always having lovely manners.
  (from week 4)
- Rosie Phillips for terrific reasoning in Science.

Berrigan Public School

Page 3
Canteen Roster - Term 1 2016

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Monday</th>
<th>Tuesday</th>
<th>Wednesday</th>
<th>Thursday</th>
<th>Friday</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>9th March</td>
<td>10th March</td>
<td>11th March</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14th March</td>
<td>15th March</td>
<td>Canteen Closed</td>
<td>Canteen Closed</td>
<td>Emma Phillips</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Leigh Jeffress</td>
<td>16th March</td>
<td>Canteen Closed</td>
<td>17th March</td>
<td>Canteen Closed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>16th March</td>
<td>Canteen Closed</td>
<td></td>
<td>Amy Baxter</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- 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 a WH&S issue.

School News

Parent Helpers
Now that swimming is done, reading practice in the 5/6 room will begin in earnest. If you could help for 30 minutes from 8.30am to 9am any morning of the week to listen to 5/6 students read and help them reach their goal of achieving a reading medal at the end of the year your time would be greatly appreciated.

P & C News

Easter Raffle
The P & C are again raffling hampers for Easter.
Could all families please donate an ‘Easter’ themed item to their child’s class hamper.
Easter Raffle Street Stall was held today - Wednesday 9th March.
Thank you to the following people who gave their time to man (woman) the street stall:-
  - 7am – 8am Kerrie O’Dwyer
  - 8am – 9am Chantelle Henderson
  - 9am – 10am Leanne Owen
  - 10am – 11am Renee Paine
  - 11am – 12noon Leigh Jeffress

Tickets are also being sent home today. Raffle will be drawn on Thursday 24th March at the school. Thanks again for all your support and assistance in raising these funds for our school community.

Public Notices

Shane Atkinson – Nurse Audiometrist
Shane Atkinson, Nurse Audiometrist, will attend Berrigan Community Health Centre on Tuesday 15th March and Tuesday 3rd May 2016. If your child has had any ear infections in the past (6 weeks following). Any concerns about speech, learning or behaviour please ring Tocumwal Hospital to make an appointment for your child to have hearing test on Ph: 03 5874 2166. Child must be free of cold at time of test and at least 6 weeks following a cold. Any queries ring Tocumwal Hospital and leave a message for Nurse Audiometrist.
**HOLIDAY CAMP**

Join us for a holiday to remember, suitable for boys and girls aged 5-12 years old. We offer a wide variety of sports and games to suit everyone. Our staff go above and beyond to ensure every child is made to feel special. Sign up today to secure a place!

**PLEASE PACK FOOD & DRINKS (Non fizzy)**

**TIME:** 9AM Till 3PM

**PRICE:** $25 full day
$15 Half day
$100 full week

**WHERE:** Cobram Scout Hall

**DATES:** Vic School Holidays

**WEEK 1 29th, 30th, 31st, 1st**

**WEEK 2 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th**

**20% discount for siblings**

**LATE PICK UP & EARLY DROP OFFS AVAILABLE BY REQUEST**

**NAME:**

**ADDRESS:**

**AGE:**

**DATES:**

**PHONE:**

**E-MAIL:**

**MEDICAL INFORMATION:**

**OPEN TO BOYS & GIRLS 5-13 YEARS OLD**

**ADAM GATCUM**

0400 615 145

skillzone.adamgatcum@gmail.com

**Note:** SkillZone will not be held liable for any accident or injury while participating in activities. All children are to be supervised

Parent/Guardian Sign.

---

Your child is eligible for FREE dental treatment.

All children in NSW up to 18 years old can have free dental care at a Public Dental Clinic.

Staff will ask for your Medicare number.

Dental clinics are located at the **Berrigan Community Health Centre** and at the **Deniliquin Hospital**.

Appointments are available now no waiting - phone 1800 45 00 46
Last Wednesday we travelled to Jerilderie to play against Tocumwal Public School in the Knockout competition. I got six wickets and I made four runs, it was fun. Tocumwal made 20 runs and our JeriBerriO team made 60 runs. After the game Xavier’s dad bought Darcy, Hamish, Tyson, Xavier and me an icy pole.
By Michael

On Wednesday the JeriBerriO’s played a game of cricket against Tocumwal. When we first got there we did some warm ups then Tocumwal got there so we flipped the coin to see who was batting first or bowling. We won the toss so we were fielding first. Michael bowled really well. When it was my turn to bat I hit a four and didn’t get out. We won the game and I think next game will be against Deniliquen.
By Hamish

Last Wednesday the cricket players went to Monash Park in Jerilderie to play cricket against Tocumwal. Michael got 6 wickets which is pretty good. We made it through to the next level. We all feel excited. I am really enjoying playing cricket with the JeriBerriO team and I hope we win.
By Tyson

Last Wednesday at Jerilderie the JeriBerriO’s played Tocumwal and they batted first and we bowled. We did pretty well because we got them all out in the first 10 overs. Then it was our turn to bat, Cruze batted the best for our team and I hit a four. We won the game by 40 runs so now we play Hay or Deniliquen. It was a fun day to play cricket and half a day off school and an icy-pole from Foxy.
By Darcy

On Wednesday we played in the JeriBerriO cricket team and we bowled first. They only got 2 runs and we bowled 18 wides so the made 20 altogether. Not everybody bowled. Brayden from Oaklands bowled first and then Michael then Joe from Oaklands. It was the coach’s decision when we batted and who bowled. I batted 8th and Michael batted 4th. When I batted I made 4 runs which I’m proud of. In our team there were 12 people; Joe, Tyson, Michael, Brayden, Darcy, Hamish, Kyle, Cruze, Travis, Lucy, Jason and me.
By Xavier