PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

This week is Education Week in NSW. Education Week is a time to celebrate the achievements and successes of our students, teachers and support staff across all NSW public schools.

The 2015 Education Week theme is 'Celebrating Local Heroes' and for us this will involve recognising some volunteers who assist with our school programs, the opportunities on offer, and our student leaders.

This year staff and students at Barham Public School are committed to creating a positive culture of learning where personal and collaborative practices support each and every student to be the best they can be. We aim to provide quality educational opportunities right here, and this Education Week we will be reflecting on the importance of our students, teachers, local people and local resources in creating and delivering quality programs of learning.

Enjoy the week ahead.

Catherine Peach

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EDUCATION WEEK 2015
This week we celebrate all that Public Education delivers for our students. It is the partnership between our students, teachers, local people and community groups that helps us to create and deliver quality programs of learning and an inclusive and respectful learning environment that all stakeholders can be proud of.

Each school in NSW is committed to providing relevant learning set in a meaningful context to best cater for the needs of their students. Barham PS staff are privileged to have a dedicated school community who are keen to be involved in what happens at school, and a parent body that works tirelessly for the betterment of the school, and in doing so, to best cater for each and every student.

Public Speaking
It is a pleasure to collaborate with local businesses and community groups and people to deliver opportunities for students to put their learning into practice. The Lions Public Speaking competition is one such opportunity. Tonight, Ella Lodge and Tatum Boyd will speak to the assembled Lions members at their July Dinner meeting as part of this competition. We wish them well.

Creative Catchment Kids (CCK)
Community members, local and regional organisation and parents all make valuable contributions to our school programs through Debating, Sport, the Kitchen & Garden Program, and Literacy programs.

Creative CCKs is a community-sponsored program that prompts our students to learn about their local environment and how local people and businesses manage the sustainable use of natural resources. This year, the CCK initiative has prompted our students to research their local land heroes, and develop valuable literacy skills as they write to recognise and celebrate the work and achievements of one particular local land hero.

Leaders’ Luncheon
A special luncheon is being held for student leaders this week recognising the contributions these young people make to their school’s learning environment and culture.

Our School Captains and Prefects will attend this luncheon, hosted by the Deniliquin Director of Public Schools NSW, Miss Vicki Kempton at Moulamein Public School. Our students will have the opportunity to mix with student leaders from other schools during a series of leadership activities before lunch, and enjoy time reflecting on leadership, opportunities and ‘local heroes’ during a presentation by Miss Kempton after lunch.

Debating
Barham PS will host Deniliquin North and Blighty Public School students this Wednesday for a day of debating. This is a great Education Week activity for students and teachers, as they are joined by local adjudicator Mr Graham Minnis.

District PSSA Athletics
Qualifying students will travel to Tooleybuc this Friday to compete in the District PSSA Athletics Carnival. This carnival is run by local teachers and parents from all participating schools. Our PSSA Sports program could not happen without the partnership between teachers and parents, and so the carnival is a great activity for Education Week.

We wish all competitors well. This carnival is a selection event for the Riverina Athletics Carnival scheduled for Monday 31st August in Albury.
Barham Public School Newsletter
While this week is about celebrating all that is good at our school and with Public Education, implementing our school plan to foster continual improvement in school operation and in student outcomes is our daily focus. We look forward to having you, our parent body and local community, as part of the journey.

Happy Education Week!

DISTRICT PSSA ATHLETICS
District Athletics is this Friday. Mrs Sara Mathers will be attending as our team manager. Parent assistance on the day is vital for the carnival to run smoothly. Barham PS will be allocated duties for our teacher and a parent throughout the day. Please consider giving some time to help. Parents taking turns and sharing this duty throughout the day will let each parent enjoy time watching the events at some stage. Thank you in advance.

PUBLIC SPEAKING CERTIFICATES
At our Friday Assembly last week, Mr Geoff Barker dropped by to present certificates to the winners of our school Public Speaking competition. Congratulations to Ella and Tatum and we wish them well with their presentations at the Lions Club meeting tonight.

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS
Advice has been sent home to school families advising of times for Parent-Teacher Interviews over the next two weeks. Teachers are looking forward to discussing students’ progress and ways to further support students in their learning.

Parents are asked to please contact the school office to book an appointment with teachers.

STAGE 2 EXCURSION TO BALLARAT
The Stage 2 (Year 3 & 4) Excursion is coming up in Week 6, on Thursday 20th and Friday 21st August. Students will enjoy two days and one night in Ballarat. They will visit Sovereign Hill and the Ballarat Gold Museum and enjoy the night time spectacular, “The Blood on the Southern Cross”.

Students in Years 3 and 4 are participating in lessons with Mr Marsh and Miss Hughes to learn the history of this era before going on excursion.

Final information and permission notes were sent home last week. If you are yet to have this note delivered by your child, please contact the office for a copy.

Permissions, payment and medical details must be finalised early next week so please make sure you fill out the information and permission pages and return to school by this Friday.

STAGE 3 EXCURSION TO CANBERRA
Final information and permission notes for Canberra will also be issued this week. There is a list of student requisites that students and parents need to read carefully. Please return these notes promptly.
All students in Years 5 and 6 are participating in weekly lessons with Mrs Peach and Mrs Radywonik in preparation for the Stage 3 excursion. The excursion will be here before we know it!

YELLOW CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

Congratulations to these students who have collected 10 green Merit slips to achieve their Yellow Certificate.

RED CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

Congratulations to these students who have collected 20 Green Merit slips to achieve their Red Certificate.

KITCHEN NEWS....

Cauliflowers are at their peak right now and last week students enjoyed a grilled cauliflower and pasta bake. This was very simple and enjoyable. Many students have wanted to make this at home. We had students trying for third helpings so very popular. Our kitchen photo of the week is empty plate Ebony wanting more, more, more, and Dan (the man) Lake cooking up some bacon & thyme. (Recipe is outlined below.)
Grilled Cauliflower & Mac Cheese

- 1 1/2 cups dried macaroni
- 1/4 head cauliflower, cut into chunks
- 3 tbsp olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, finely sliced
- 6 slices bacon, chopped
- a few sprigs thyme, leaves only
- 1 cup cream
- 1 cup grated cheddar
- 1/4 cup grated parmesan
- sea salt

Heat the grill in your oven.

Bring a saucepan of salted water to the boil and add macaroni, cauliflower and 2 tbsp olive oil. Cook for 8-10 minutes until macaroni is al dente. Drain well, but reserve ¼ cup cooking water.

Meanwhile, heat an ovenproof dish over medium heat and add remaining oil, garlic and bacon, then cook gently for a couple of minutes. Add drained macaroni and cauliflower, mix through with thyme, cream and half the cheese. Loosen mix by adding reserved cooking water. Sprinkle over remaining cheese, parmesan and finish with a sprinkle of salt. Place in oven on top shelf and grill until golden brown.

Kitchen Purchases
We have been very excited to get a dryer installed in the kitchen. This certainly makes apron/towel washing and drying turn arounds much easier. With Farmers Market revenue we have also been able to purchase additional plates, soup spoons, new peelers, new mashers, small tongs, indoor and outdoor brooms and cookie cutters. Supporting the Farmers Market helps in lots of small ways especially when kitchen & garden items need replacing or adding to. The next market will be on Sunday 16th August in Riverside Park.

MAKE ONLINE PAYMENTS
It is now possible for parents to make online payments to the Barham Public School for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the schools website by selecting $ Make a payment.

Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions, subject contributions, excursions, sales to students and creative arts activities (including drama and dance). There is also a category called Other to cover items not covered in the previous headings, Other can be used to make a complete payment of a school invoice.

When you access the $ Make a payment you must enter:

- the student’s name, and
- class and reference number OR
- the student’s name, and
- date of birth.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner, and these details are not passed back to the school.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child’s account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school.
An information brochure will be sent home to all school families. For any enquiries regarding the **Online Payment**, please contact the School Office.

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**Mon 27th July**  
Natalie Lake

**Tues 28th July**  
Jem Boyd

**Wed 29th July**  
Juliana Main

**Thur 30th July**  
Nikki Patten

**Fri 31st July**  
Julie Frankling

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**Mon 3rd Aug**  
Kylie Molin

**Tues 4th Aug**  
Julie Estep

**Wed 5th Aug**  
Michelle Jettner

**Thur 6th Aug**  
Dee Miller

**Fri 7th Aug**  
Julie Sleep

Please arrange your own swap, or contact Sonya at the canteen, 54532321.

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**A welcome visitor to K/1**

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**Don’t forget!**  
**Book Club orders are due:**  
**Wed 29th July**

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**Bitterns in Rice the story so far**

*Date: 30th July 2015*

**Venue:**  
The Barham Golf Club

**Time:**  
4:30pm to 6:30pm with supper included

**Presented by:**  
Matt Herring from the Bitterns in Rice Project

* Hear the story from the beginning, a rice farmer wondering where these strange birds are to the exploits of Melodie the Bittern and his navigation from his birthplace in a Colourfully rice crop to outlands in Southern Australia.

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For more information and to RSVP please contact matt.herring@obs.com.au or 54532321.

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**NSW Government**  
**Environmental Protection Agency**

**Australian Government**  
**National Landcare Program**

This workshop supported by Murray Local Land Services through funding from the Australian Government.
SCIENCE OPEN NIGHT

WEDNESDAY 19TH
AUGUST 2015
5.00PM – 7.00PM

BARHAM HIGH SCHOOL – SCIENCE LABS

ALL WELCOME (ADULTS, KIDS, FAMILIES, GRANDPARENTS, FRIENDS)

Come along and celebrate the achievements of our students and have fun with science!

All community members are invited to Barham High School to take part in celebrations for National Science Week. There will be hands on activities, including lava lamps, bottle rockets, kazoos, microscopes, musical instruments, sensory experiences and more, as well as demonstrations including Liquid Nitrogen, chemistry, oranges and ice cream. There is absolutely something for everyone of all ages, so head on down and see what all the fuss is about!

For more information, please contact Amy Dennis at the High School on (03) 5453 2322 or amy.dennis3@det.nsw.edu.au

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Give your child every chance to succeed!
### 2015 Term 3

#### Week 3
**July**
- **27** Lions Public Speaking competition at Dinner Meeting
- **28** Leaders' Luncheon
- **29** Debating – Blightly & Deni Nth visiting BPS
- **30**
- **31** PSSA District Athletics

#### Week 4
**August**
- **3** HOW2Learn training (Narrandera, 2 x teachers)
- **4**
- **5**
- **6**
- **7**

#### Week 5
**August**
- **10** Premier’s Spelling Bee – for interested Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6 students at BPS
- **11**
- **12** Reading Recovery, Ongoing PL, Deni
- **13** TEN Training Deniliquin (1 x teacher)
- **14** ASSEMBLY Led by 1/2 Item K/1 and 1/2

#### Week 6
**August**
- **17**
- **18**
- **19**
- **20**
- **21**

#### Week 7
**August**
- **24**
- **25**
- **26** Stage 3 Canberra Excursion
- **27**
- **28** Highly Effective Teacher training, Deniliquin (2 x teachers)

#### Week 8
**Aug/ Sept**
- **31** Riverina Athletics, Albury
- **1** TEN Training Deniliquin (1 x teacher)
- **2**
- **3** Creative Catchment Kids workshop (tbc)
- **4**

#### Week 9
**September**
- **7**
- **8** Principal Network Meetings & Training
- **9**
- **10**
- **11**

#### Week 10
**September**
- **14**
- **15** Teacher PD, Tooleybuc (3 x teachers)
- **16**
- **17**
- **18** ASSEMBLY Led by 5/6 Item 2/3

# This Planner shows events for students, teachers and parents scheduled for Term 3.

Variation may occur so please check the Term planner each week for updates.