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PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Welcome to Week 7. This week, selected students are travelling to Albury to compete in the Riverina Swimming Carnival. We wish all competitors well for their events and hope they enjoy the experience of competing at regional level.

Congratulations to the P&C for organising the Art Competition and the exhibition of entries as part of the town’s “Harvest ‘n’ Graze” Festival. The competition gave students of all ages and community members the chance to share their artistic talents, and was a fun way to raise money to support our school. Thank you to everyone who entered and came through the door to enjoy the exhibition.

Enjoy the week ahead.

Catherine Peach

P&C ART COMPETITION

The P&C Art Competition gave primary and secondary-aged students and community members the chance to share their artistic talents as part of the P&C’s fundraising efforts for 2016. The competition was certainly well supported and a fun way to support our school.
Thank you to everyone who entered and came through the door to enjoy the exhibition.

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The exhibition also gave the opportunity to showcase some of our students’ learning, with artworks that were part of Year 5/6 and Kinder/Year 1 students’ class learning on display.

Well done to those students who assisted on Friday night. You were fine ambassadors for the school and did a great job.
Thank you to the P&C for organising the event, and to all those parents and students who assisted at the Hall, with catering, or with set up and clean up.

2016 SCHOOL LEVIES & CONTRIBUTION
This week, families will be issued with information about the 2016 School Levies and Contributions. These funds help to sustain learning programs that the school community has indicated are valued, and of benefit to students.

DISTRICT PSSA AFL TRIALS
Congratulations to the Barham students who were successful at last week’s trial and will now go on to compete as part of the PSSA District team to compete in the Western Riverina AFL Trails in Leeton on Thursday 17th March.

Mr Marsh will manage and accompany the team to Leeton.

NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION AGAINST BULLYING
The National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence is Friday 18th March. Barham PS students and teachers will be marking this day. Students will participate in learning sessions leading up to the day, and participate in activities on the Friday. The aim is to build understanding of bullying, to learn to be proactive in preventing bullying, and explore effective ways of dealing with bullying when it occurs.

The school will share information about bullying, and what the school, students and parents can do to stop bullying as part of the week’s learning.

WE STAND TOGETHER TO SAY ‘BULLYING. NO WAY!’

What is Bullying?
Not all aggressive or harmful behaviour between people is bullying. While conflicts and aggressive behaviour need to be addressed, it is important to be clear when these behaviours are not actually bullying.

The definition of bullying has three critical aspects:
- it is a misuse of power within relationships;
- it is repeated and ongoing;
- it involves behaviours which can cause harm.

All three aspects need to be present in order for behaviour to be called bullying.

Types of Bullying
The types of bullying behaviours are physical, verbal or social. Bullying can be obvious (overt) or hidden (covert). Bullying can take place in person or online.

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It is important to remember, most young people do not engage in bullying behaviour. However, Australian research suggests that up to one in four students has experienced some level of bullying face-to-face and one in five has experienced bullying online.

Bullying is highly dynamic. Students’ roles can change in different contexts. Individuals can occupy various roles in bullying, including the individual being bullied, those bullying others, and bystanders who may be assistants, reinforceers, outsiders, or defenders. One individual can play one role in one context while taking a different role in another.

Bullying is something that every member of our school community needs to be aware of, and something that together as a school community, we need to be prepared to say ‘no’ to.

In creating and maintaining a safe and supportive school environment, strategies to address bullying include:
- preventing bullying through promoting a positive whole-school culture based on values agreed to by the whole school community;
- intervening early in suspected or identified bullying issues and communicating clearly with all involved;
- responding to bullying incidents with approaches which have been shown to be effective.

Not all hurtful behaviours are bullying, but schools address inappropriate behaviour whether or not it meets the definition of bullying.

Our school will be looking to build everyone’s knowledge of bullying and the most effective ways to deal with instances of bullying, and to support the ‘bullied’ and the ‘bully’.

The National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence is a positive day of action for teachers, students and school communities across Australia to take a stand together and say “Bullying. No Way!”.

BPS’s CLEAN-UP DAY
On Friday of this week, 11 March, students will participate in the Clean Up Australia campaign, getting out and about to clean up areas in and around the school.

This is a great opportunity for students to contribute positively to their community and to think how they and others can make our community and nation a better place.

To collect the rubbish safely, students are asked to bring a pair of gloves and a plastic bag to school on Friday.

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY & DRESS CODE REVIEW
This week, families will be issued with a School Uniform and Dress Code Review survey. The survey seeks to gather opinions about the school uniform and dress code, and how the school should implement this policy.

The recent introduction of the Department of Education’s Wellbeing Framework for Schools has required that the school’s policy and dress code be re-drafted. This draft will be sent home with the survey for your consideration. Following this review and analysis of responses, the policy and dress code will be finalised and presented to P&C to be formally adopted.

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SCHOOL ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE

Just a reminder, that staff have set the dates and details for this year’s whole-school assemblies. Each class has dates to present an item and to lead the assemblies. Be sure to mark the dates on the calendar and we hope to see you there.

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From the Kitchen

After a fortnight of health, safety and hygiene in the kitchen, this past fortnight we have recommenced cooking. Students have been making the most of late summer tomatoes and herbs and have been cooking up a roasted tomato pasta sauce (recipe below).

This has been extremely popular and is very easy to make. We teamed this with a rustic flat bread made with a pasta maker, or our younger students made cheese puffs. Many students enjoyed at least 2 and sometimes 3 servings of these dishes.

We continue with our emphasis on late summer vegetables in coming weeks with zucchinis, eggplants, more tomatoes, basil, pumpkin and spaghetti squash making appearances. A reminder to parents that students can be quite full after kitchen and do not require a large lunchbox on kitchen day.

Roasted Tomato Sauce

2kg ripe tomatoes
2 onions
Salt & Pepper
5 sprigs of oregano or thyme
3 garlic cloves
1 tin 400g tomatoes
2tblsp olive oil

Heat the oven to 180. Chop the tomatoes and onions and place in oven tray. Slice the garlic and add to oven tray. Add herbs and tinned tomatoes and drizzle with olive oil. Roast in oven for 30 minutes. Blitz in food processor.

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BLUE GREEN ALGAE ALERT

As of early March, red alert warnings for blue-green algae remain in place for large parts of the Murray River system and its tributaries. There have also been reports of blue green algae identified in farm dams across the area.

The red alert level warning indicates these waters are unsuitable for recreational use or primary contact by domestic users and may also pose a threat to livestock and pets. The species of blue-green algae identified are potentially toxic and may cause gastroenteritis in humans if consumed and skin and eye irritations after contact.

Boiling the water does not remove algal toxins. People are advised not to enter the water, not to drink untreated water or bathe in water drawn from the river while this red alert level warning is in place.

Appropriate water treatment is in place by the local water utilities and town water supplies remain unaffected and safe to drink. Livestock owners are reminded to continue to check stock water supplies for blue-green algae and to remove stock from foreshores where surface scum is visible or blue-green algae are suspected.

Murray Local Land Services
March 2016

GUN CLUB NEWS

The roster for our next shoot on March 13th is

9.30am-12Noon  McMahon
11.00am-1.30pm  Frankling
12Noon-2.30pm  Horn

Cake – Moore
Slice – Laskowski
Coleslaw 4 litres – Wilson (L)

We encourage you to take your Year 3-6 students out there to assist.

If you cannot do a duty, please let me know a.s.a.p.

Thanks
Alleena Burger  0428 278 277

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The Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal tins have been placed in the classrooms. As in past years, the classroom with the heaviest tin/tins receives a basket of Easter eggs to share.

The Royal Children's Hospital is such a wonderful medical facility that, while we hope not to have to use it, we can be, and many of us are, very thankful that it is there. Volunteers are needed to help raise money for this annual appeal so please consider giving some time to support this very worthy cause.

If you are available on Good Friday to be a tin shaker for an hour or so, please come over to the Koondrook Fire Station, our headquarters for the day, grab a tin and instructions, and off you go.

REMRemoving Head Lice and Nits

The school has had several reports of Head Lice in the past week or so.

Mention head lice and most of us instantly develop an itch. While head lice and nits (the eggs of head lice) are certainly annoying and persistent, they're not dangerous.

Here's everything you need to know to rid your kids of head lice and nits.

Find out more:

RAIDERS NET SET GO

Première Notice

Tuesday 3rd May

5-7 year old (NET)
8-10 year old (SET)

Queries to Tania Peters
0467 539 230

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