Dear Parents,

Since the start of the Term I have had the pleasure of observing teachers in the classroom. This is part of our Professional Development and occurs twice a year. I was extremely impressed with the quality of teaching that was displayed, the high level of student engagement and how explicitly teachers delivered the curriculum in a way that all children could understand what they were expected to learn.

We are privileged to have safe, vibrant, positive classes where our teachers genuinely care about what students are learning! Thank you Mrs Baff, Mrs Riches and Mr McMahon for making our school a great school!

Tracey Southam
Principal

Talking like a Robot?
Sometimes when we stand up to bullies and we say something our voice can betray us. This week students will practice two techniques to help them - using a robot voice and a fogging voice. Both techniques encourage students to stay neutral, not let emotion get the better of them and diffuse situations so an issue doesn’t get worse.

STOP THE PRESS / URGENT

Change of Date
Milo T20 Blast School Cup is now being held on Tuesday 27th October 2015. Students will be there at 9.30am for a 10.00am start. Finish at 2.30pm. Transport will be by Hummingbird Coach at no cost to children, this is being subsidised by the Berridale Cricket Club.

REMINDER - COOBA CAMP
Thank you to those families who have paid for this year’s camp. Payment is due by TOMORROW, Tuesday 13th October 2015. Thank you.
Emily – Consistently helping all students, reliable to do jobs

Jamie – Displaying the values of our Anti-bullying program by resolving disputes. Helping to pick up rubbish.

GOOD LUCK

We all wish Lani Holfter good luck this Thursday as she represents Berridale Public School at State Athletics.

LIBRARY NEWS

After the Berridale Spring Fair, we have raised $221.50 from the sale of old library books. This money will be sent to the Room To Read charity who will use it to help set up children's libraries in Nepal. Each dollar we have raised will buy a book by a Nepalese author. Thank you to everyone who supported the Book Sale. Ms Riches

NO HAT – play in the shade

Children are reminded to have broad-brimmed hats for play and sport. Please ensure they have them for this Term. Hats available at the school office for $7.00. Don’t forget our clothing pool for all other uniform items – all $2.00 per item.

Tennis

As part of sporting Schools we have a grant for professional tennis tuition for all students. Tom & Victor from Cooma champs Tennis will meet us on Fridays at the Berridale courts to give us the skills to practice here at school on our very own court. This will be our Friday sport and there is NO charge.

Requirements: hat, water bottle, sunscreen, (own tennis racquet is optional) Mrs Baff

A BIG thank you to Peter Lette, Robert and Harley Hedger
CWA visit to Berridale Public School to share in celebrating their country of the year “ITALY”.

**Benidale OOSHC**

Welcome back everyone; hope you all had a wonderful break.

**WISH List**

Fruit, cheese slices (wrapped), rice cakes (thin ones—children prefer).

Our only Fundraiser for OOSHC is the BBQ at the Snowy Ride. To make this happen we need Mums and Dads. This is on Saturday 7th November, 7am start. Please let us know if you can help out on the day and what times you are available.

OOSHC meeting – Monday 19th October @ 9.30am

Thanks from all at OOSHC.
Stage 2/3 news
Welcome back from a safe and happy holiday. Stage 2/3 are ready to learn! By lunchtime on Day One most of us had finished a flow-chart and short-recount of our holidays, most encouraging to see! This term is another busy one. We will be looking to make many cross-curricula links in order to learn as much as we can about both Space AND Natural Disasters.
Some activities planned include:
- Researching how and why people have studied Space through the ages.
- Designing our own space mission to Mars.
- Profiling and building a model of our Solar system.
- Using a ‘toilet paper scale’ to understand the large distances in our Solar System.
- Researching types, causes and results of Natural Disasters.
- Building sand-pit models to understand the causes and effects of Natural Disasters.
- Creative writing about surviving a Natural Disaster.

I am most privileged once again to have the assistance of Leonie Riches and Jane Taylor for Learning Support.
Our focus this term is on problem solving and comprehension in both English and Mathematics. We will be talking about strategies to answer a range of different questions and what to do if we get stuck!

After a most successful gym program last term we are once again jam-packed for sport. Between cricket competitions, tennis coaching and the swimming program, I hope we will find some time to rest!

We are also continuing with our consideration of good learning habits. At the end of last term we looked at ‘Meta-learning’ (understanding how our brains work for learning), ‘Planning’, ‘Revising’ and ‘Distilling’ (digging the ‘gold’ information from the ‘dirt’). To start this term we will look at ‘Managing Distractions’ and ‘Resilience’.

Stage 1 news
English - This Term our lovely Stage 1 class will be looking at writing Discussions and Expositions, with a particular emphasis on what is a fact or a fib! In Reading they will be discussing how the actions, speech and thoughts of characters add meaning to a book. They will also start to justify their own opinions about book characters.
Maths - I am really pleased with Stage 1’s efforts with addition and subtraction. We will keep practising our number skills. I will be revising some maths concepts based on the results of students’ Term 3 Maths tests. Students will have Mentals booklets for Homework.
History, Science and Geography – Mrs Riches will be teaching these subjects to Stage 1.
CAPA – Stage 1 loves painting. We will continue our focus on landscapes and using different brush techniques.
Health – we’ll finish our Anti-bullying lessons this term and learn about Water Safety, in perfect time for swimming lessons.
Fitness – with the warm weather we have been outside practising our running, throwing, catching and dodging skills.
CAANTEEN TERM 4 - THURSDAYS ONLY

Week 1 - DONE! Naidoc Meal

Week 2 - Berridale Bakery

Week 3 - Ham & Salad wrap, milkshake, muesli slice

Week 4 - Berridale Bakery

Week 5 - San Choy Bau, popper, muffin

Week 6 - Berridale Bakery

Week 7 - Pizza + Garlic Bread, fruity frozen yoghurt

Week 8 - Berridale Bakery

Week 9 - Chicken pasta salad (cold), milkshake, fruit salad & icecream

Please note: Berridale Bakery Menu is the same as last term with the addition of Quiche Lorraine $3.00 each