Dear Parents,

This week is a very important week! It’s School Administration and Support Staff Recognition week. Our SAS Staff includes:

School Administrative Manager - Helen Leech

Relieving School Administration Manager - Cathy Dawes

School Administration Officer – Library – Fiona Wharton

School Learning Support Officer – Jane Taylor

General Assistant - Bernie Power

Our SAS Staff is indispensable! Without them our office would not operate, our Library wouldn’t be the place children love to be, our grounds would be very unkempt, our students wouldn’t get the extra attention they need with their learning and no one would be able to have a band aid!

Above all the many many things our administrative staff does stands one central concern - the welfare of our students. Thank you Helen, Cathy, Fiona, Jane and Bemie for the amazing jobs you do!

Tracey Southam
Principal

Yr 3 to 6 Building to be PAINTED

As part of the Department of Education’s routine maintenance for all schools the exterior of the Year 3-6 building will be painted. It is expected that preparations will start in the last week of term and, weather permitting, painting completed over the holidays. As the building is heritage listed the colours will remain the same.

How are we going?

This week a survey is being mailed to all residents of Berridale about Berridale Public School. The overall aim of the survey is gauge how we are doing as a school, and asking for people’s input on a variety of topics such as values they would like seen promoted at the school, extracurricular programs and what people perceive as the school’s strengths or what perhaps could be improved. We are encouraging as many people as possible to complete the survey. A paper copy is included with this newsletter. People can also access the survey via the community and school’s Facebook pages. An online survey can also be completed – the link is: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZZF7RC9

Newsletter surveys can be returned to school. The postal survey has a reply paid envelope.

There’s something special being handed out during ASSEMBLY this week!
**Talking about Uganda**

Thank you Mr. Gary Barnes for talking to Years 3-6 and the Stage 1 class about schools in Uganda. Our students were very interested in your presentation and you gave them some food for thought about their own school. Students were surprised to learn that many schools in Uganda do not have doors, windows, concrete floors, electricity or even text books! We are very grateful to be living in Australia where we do have comfortable rooms, computers and many many resources to help us learn.

**P&C News**

**Father’s Day Stall**

Gifts from $1.00 to $5.00 will be available for students to purchase on **Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd September**. The stall will begin at 9.15am.

If you are able to help on either or both mornings, please leave your name and number at the school office. Thank you.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**BBQ Country Club Dates** - need 5 helpers on the night from 5.30-8.30pm.

- **Friday 4th September (this week)**
- **Friday 2nd October**

Please leave your name and phone number at the school office. All help is needed and appreciated.

**BOOK WEEK - THANK YOU**

A big thank you to Kevin Burke, Kathy Holfter, Carly Jobber, Jessie Bames, Jacey Richards, Kelly Bertossi, Tina O’Sullivan, Sarah Mullaly, Peter Lette, Emma Kanowski, Mrs Baff and Mrs Southam who came into a classroom (or two) and read a book to our students during book week.

**CANTINEEN News**

This week’s meal deal available from canteen is: **Cheeseburger meal deal**

Could orders please be given to the school office no later than **Wednesday morning** as the bread rolls need to be ordered? Thank you

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**Please do not bring food containing NUTS to school.**

eg Nutella, peanut butter
Please Note:
Mrs Batson has commenced her Long Service Leave for the remainder of the year. Leonie Riches will be doing all Learning Support in her absence.

NSW State Interschool’s
Congratulations to Noah Goodman who competed in the State Snowboarder cross race last Wednesday in Perisher. Noah had two good clean runs and was placed in the top 20 races in his division. Good on you Noah!

FAREWELL
TO MRS MILLIKEN
Please join us on Wednesday 9th September 2015 at 2.30pm for a special musical assembly followed by afternoon tea in the Library at 3.15pm

Benidale OOSHC
Fruit - fruit bowl is looking a wee bit empty.
Wanted - Children are enjoying making weird and wonderful creations with cardboard cylinders. If everyone could save any cylinder type cardboard and bring in (no toilet rolls). Thank you.
Meeting - TONIGHT @ 7.30pm. Hope all Parents using the Centre can make it.
Thanks from all at OOSHC

Cooma Colts
Junior OZTAG Competition 2015/16
Term 4 2015 and Term 1 2016 for boys and girls from Kindy to Year 8
Thursday afternoons 4.30-5.30pm at Cooma Showground. $25 per person per season. Discount for additional siblings $20 second child, $15 third child and $10 fourth child. Forms are available from the school office.

Cooma Champs Tennis
SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMPS
9am – 4pm BERRIDALE TENNIS COURTS
2 Day Camp - $100.00 Discounted to $80.00
Discount given if booking and payment received 5 days prior to camp date.

Please call
Tom: 0404 838 049

Cooma Champs Tennis also offers tennis lessons throughout the school Term.

We are enrolling now and we would love to hear from you!

TOM PEREA : ACCREDITED ATPCA / TENNIS AUSTRALIA CLUBPROFESSIONAL
ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL ACCREDITED

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Book Sale

Thank you to everyone who bought books at last week's Book Sale. We raised $158.50 for the Room To Read charity who will use the money to buy books for children in Nepal. There will be one last chance to buy second hand library books at the P&C's stall at the Berridale Spring Fair in early October.

Special thanks to Kathy Holfter for helping Mrs Wharton set up the Book Sale, and to Lani Holfter and Charlotte Nicholls who gave up their Saturday to come into school and help sell books.

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