## Burren Junction PS Newsletter

From the Principal

'Look, Listen and Think'

Term 3 Week 4

#### **PSSA Athletics Carnival**

Today, the Year 2—Year 6 children are attending the PSSA Athletics Carnival in Wee Waa. Thank you to Miss Coles, Mrs Deacon and Mrs Slack-Smith for assisting with the training for today. We wish all the children the best for the day.

#### **6 Ways Carnival**

Unfortunately the 6 Ways Carnival has been cancelled for 2021. It is anticipated that the carnival will be held on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> of May, 2022 . *(Final details will be advised in 2022)* 

#### **Friday Sport**

This term our Friday sport has seen a focus on athletics. However, this will change next week as we will move to tennis. We have lots of tennis racquets at school however, if you would prefer your child to bring their own racquet to school on Fridays then they are more than welcome to do so.

#### **Upcoming Dates**

10th August	ICAS Digital Technology
16th August	ICAS English
23rd August	ICAS Science
24th August	ICAS Spelling Bee
3rd September	PSSA NW Athletics
8th September	Netball @ Walgett
12th September	CWA Flower Show
17th September	Last day of T3

Cancelled or rescheduled ICAS writing—rescheduled to T4 6 Ways—cancelled All overnight excursion are on hold





#### **Peer Support**

All our Year 6 and Year 5 students qualified as Peer Support leaders and received their certificates on Friday. Congratulations children on achieving such an important position at the school. We look forward to your Peer Support lessons starting soon.

#### ICAS 2021

ICAS assessments start next week and run for the next four weeks. Mr Boughton installed the ICAS lockdown browser on the children's laptops today in preparation for the tests.

Please note, the ICAS writing assessment has now been rescheduled to early next term.

#### **Bronze Awards**

All children, who have been at school all this year, have now achieved their Bronze level. As a result this is a reminder for all children to bring their badge to the office so the bronze leaf is able to be attached. Kindergarten children will receive their badges with the bronze leaf already attached. It was pleasing to see children wearing their school badges for school photos too!

Congratulations children on a great effort!

Friday 6th August 2021

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#### **School Photographs**

Thank you to the Montage ladies for a terrific job with the school photos this week. I was supervising some of the children when they were having their individual photographs taken and we do seem to have children who were very keen to show that they will be models in the future.

The Montage ladies thanked me for the wonderful manners and behaviour exhibited by the children and they commented on how well presented the children were in their full school uniforms.

#### **School Uniform**

In the weeks leading up to the school photographs the children have been quite casual with the wearing of their school uniforms and I have commented on this at the assembly. So, it was a joy seeing the children so well presented for the photographs on Tuesday. This is indicative of the pride that the children take with their school

### Good for Kids good for life

#### INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

The United Nations has declared 2021 the International Year of Fruits and Vegetables!

Did you know that over 75% of Primary school aged children in NSW consume the recommended serves of fruit?<sup>1</sup>

#### BUT...

#### Only 1 in 20 NSW primary school children eat the recommended amount of vegetables!

Pack vegetables for Crunch&Sip® at school each day. Here's a few ideas:

No preparation:

- Baby cucumbers or carrots
- Cherry Tomatoes
- Snow Peas
- Frozen Peas

Some preparation:

 Cucumber, carrot, celery or capsicum sticks

> Hunter New England Local Health District

<sup>1</sup>NSW School Physical Activity and Nutrition Survey, 2015

Corn on the cob

Health

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uniform. Of late many of the boys have "forgotten" to wear their tie to school and when quizzed on this they were very vague about its location. So, boys – I am expecting to see the ties on and worn to school each day.

Parents can you please support this and make sure the children are wearing correct school uniform to school? Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

#### Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Today, Miss Whiteley conducted the mandatory Year 1 Phonics Screening Check that tells teachers how students are progressing in phonics.

#### **Parent Teacher Interviews**

Thank you to all the families (over 90%) who registered to attend the Parent Teacher interviews and Mrs Deacon's "Meet the Teacher" session via zoom yesterday. This was an historic event and I congratulate everyone involved.

#### Year 6 Parliament "Hot Chocolate Tuesdays"

The Parliament's Hot Chocolate Tuesday fundraiser is proving to be very popular with the children. We have joined the café set here at Burren Junction as we book our keep-cups in each Tuesday morning. Thank you to Mrs Schwager and Mrs Curran who have been heating the milk up ready for the Parliament to make the drinks. This week I took some photographs to show just how trendy we are at Burren. *(See photographs on page 3).* 

#### NSW Health: Fruit Break Ideas

I have included a snippet from NSW Health to help parents with further fruit break ideas. Our Burren Junction Public School children greatly enjoy their fruit and vegetables during fruit break. Thank you to the parents for getting 100% behind this important program.

All the classes are also graphing their daily fruit and vegetable consumption and this is providing some very interesting data for the discussion in the maths lessons.

Ms Suzanne Galvin—principal

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# **CAFE SOCIETY BURREN STYLE**







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#### SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

Reviewed and updated BJPS procedures going up onto the school website:

- 1. School Attendance
- 2. Wet Weather Exemption & Learning at Home
- 3. Reporting School Accidents
- 4. First Aid
- 5. Excursions

#### Vacant Position on School Council

There is currently a vacant position on the School Council for a P&C Representative. Please see Mrs Slack-Smith, or a School Council Representative, for more information about this vacant position.

#### Have Raised \$108 so far

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#### **Hot Chocolate Tuesday**

Every Tuesday From 27th to 31st August Year 6 Parliament will be selling Hot chocolate at Recess for \$2.50 each Can everyone please bring "A Keep Cup" with a lid and your name on it For your hot chocolate. Enjoy!!!



## Little Scribe Vriting Festival

Have you ever wished that you could meet a best selling author? Well, last week Year 3 to 6 were creating fantastic writing with cool authors like Tristan Banks and Jackie French. They learnt to create interesting characters and even made an island that had their nightmares on it. Authors shared their old words, new words and other words that they like to use in their writing and everyday conversations.

#### By Fred Y3

Thank you to the Moore family for gaining the funding for each child in Y3—Y6 to access this event for free.

#### **Tuckshop Roster**

#### Term 3

		Tuck Shop	Supply something for Morning Tea
Week 1	16 <sup>th</sup> July	Em Kate	
Week 2	23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Rachel Prue P	
Week 3	30 <sup>th</sup> July	Janine *	Bec
Week 4 PSSA	6 <sup>th</sup> August	Ellie. Ali	
Week 5	13 <sup>th</sup> August	Prue P Sonia	
Week 6	20 <sup>th</sup> August	Helen *	Ailen
Week 7	27 <sup>th</sup> August	Kieran Sonia	
Week 8	3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Suzie M *	Annie
Week 9	10 <sup>th</sup> September	Jade Em	Ash
Week 10	17 <sup>th</sup> September	Ange *	

#### \*if anyone can help on these days please let Emily know.

If you are unable to do your day, please find someone to swap with or fill in for you.

If no one is available there will be no tuckshop on that day.

A big thank you to all the parents that took the time to complete the 2minute survey for this term, it really is appreciated.



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