FROM THE PRINCIPAL

WELCOME TO TERM 3
As reported previously, we have been joined by a number of new teachers. Again, I would like to welcome Ms Pillinger (5NC), Ms Doherty (1CM), Ms Dray (4MC), Ms Holt (PE) and Ms Lam (Learning Support) to our school. I would also like to welcome back Mr Edgar who is back in the country briefly and is working in the Behaviour Teacher role while Mr Dias is on some well-deserved long service leave. We have also been joined by ten new families this term. I am sure you will join me in welcoming these new families.

SCHOOL SPORT
Throughout Term 3 our students will have the opportunity to access a wider range of opportunities. Over the term students will have opportunity to engage with different sports starting with AFL next week. Additionally, students in the upper school will have the opportunity to participate in inter-school (competition against other schools) and intra-school (competitions within the school) sport on Friday afternoons. Opportunities like these can only be provided when staff give up their own time to run training sessions, organise teams and attend events. I would like to thank all the staff that have again gone above and beyond for our students.

Next week students will be given a brochure for an AFL Auskick program running at our school on a Wednesday for 6 weeks. At a cost of only $25, this is enormous value and I encourage you to pursue this opportunity if your child is interested.

P&C and PARENT VOLUENTERS
Over the past few days I have heard a number of complaints from parents about the opening hours of the uniform shop and the late notice provided on Wednesday for the tuckshop being closed. These two services are run by our P&C and are fully reliant on volunteers. If either of these services are not operating it would be due to the fact that there are no volunteers to run it. If you would like to volunteer your time to rectify this situation, please feel free to attend the next P&C Meeting on Wednesday 20th July starting at 6.00pm.

ELECTION SAUSAGE SIZZLE
Over the holidays, staff and parent volunteers worked collaboratively to hold a fundraising Sausage Sizzle on Election Day. Every dollar taken over the counter was pure profit due to all stock being donated. I would like to thank our local politicians Jim Chalmers (Federal representative), Cameron Dick (State Representative) and John Raven (Local Councillor) for their donations of bread, sausages and other items. I would also like to thank the many community members who donated items for the cake stall. Finally, I would like to acknowledge the huge effort by the parents and staff who gave up their whole day to raise valuable funds for our P&C.

PARADE
From this term parade will be held on Monday afternoons every second week. Our first parade will be this coming Monday and will double as our NAIDOC celebration parade. I would encourage as many families to attend as possible.

Steve Kanowski
Principal

FROM THE DEPUTY

ATTENDANCE

BESS ATTENDANCE TARGET
95%

BESS CURRENT ATTENDANCE
89.05%

95% attendance = NO MORE THAN 5 DAYS AWAY!
There are approximately 100 days in Semester 2. For students to achieve a 95% attendance rate, which is our school target, they can be away NO MORE THAN 5 days. You will hear us talk about “You’ve got 5”, so make sure you use your five days wisely.

Authorised reasons for absence include:
• Sick with an infectious or contagious disease
- Serious illness, confirmed by a doctor
- Approved exemption – if travel is required during school time, for more than 10 days, please see our office staff for an Exemption from Compulsory Schooling application

Unauthorised reasons for absence include:
- Unexplained absence – where no reason has been provided
- Going shopping, visiting friends or family, going fishing, birthdays, going to a theme park etc.
- Taking holidays during the school term should be avoided

KEEPING UP TO DATE
Term 3 is looking to be a busy term! Keep up to date by checking with your child each week that they have received a newsletter. Class term newsletters will be coming home shortly also. Don’t forget to like our Facebook page and download the QSchools APP to keep up to date with what is happening here at Berrinba East SS.

Here are just a few of the exciting things happening in Term 3:

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| Week 7 | Dates TBA | Book Week celebrations |
| Week 8 | Mon 29 August | Parade |
| Fri 2 Sep | Multicultural Festival |
| Week 9 | | |
| Week 10 | Mon 12 Sep | Parade |

As the term goes on more information will be shared and notes will go home for specific class events.

YEAR 6 TRANSITION TO HIGHSCHOOL
Our local high schools are asking for enrolments for Year 7, 2017. Next week a note will go home asking parents of Year 6 students to indicate which high school they intend their child to attend. This is so that we can pass on any relevant information and/or let the high schools know approximate number for 2017 enrolments.

Kathryn Marshall
Deputy

P&C NEWS

GENERAL MEETING
The next P&C General Meeting will be Wednesday 20th July 2016 at 6.00pm in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

P&C SHOP
Opening hours: Thursday and Friday 8.00am to 9.00am. Please remember NO EFTPOS - CASH ONLY! Back of D Block.

With the cooler weather, don’t forget we have a BESS fleece jacket for $26 with front zip side pockets and school logo.

CADBURY CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER
Please return all unsold chocolates and money collected to the P&C Mail Box or P&C Office, in the envelope provided, no later than 22nd July 2016.

BESS MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL
Our next festival organisation meeting will be on Wednesday 20th July 2016 at 5.00pm in the
staffroom. Everyone is welcome to come along and find out information about our upcoming Multicultural festival, to offer help or to find out about becoming involved.

FUN RUN
Thank you to those students who helped raise funds and received their prizes last term, and congratulations to 1MF and 5NC for raising the highest class amount. A special mention to the Preps, with lots of you running 2, 3 or 4 laps and the year 1’s who ran 6 or even 9 laps of the oval. Great effort!

OFFICE NEWS
If you haven’t received your child’s report card from Semester 1, you can collect these from the office.

Student Cards have been sent home with this week’s newsletter for parents to check and if needed, update information we have for your child/ren. Please return these forms to the office by Friday 22nd July.

CURRICULUM NEWS
Class Newsletters will be distributed to families in week 2. This is a great way to connect with your child’s classroom and new learnings for Term 3. Teachers have collaboratively planned for this term with Heads of Curriculum to ensure that students are accessing engaging learning opportunities which are aligned with the Australian Curriculum.

EASY READING
We recommend that in the classroom and at home, children engage every day in a large amount of easy reading. The benefits of daily ‘easy’ reading are significant:

- Easy reading allows students to enjoy the process and to use what they know. They are unhindered by the demands of reading because they automatically – or almost automatically – use the skills they control.

- Easy books also allow readers to focus on the meaning of text and enjoy humour or suspense. They can ask questions and find answers. They can think in a deeper way about aspects of text such as characters, settings or plots. They may encounter challenging issues that offer a foundation for discussion after the reading.

- Easy reading gives students ‘mileage’ as readers and builds confidence. They process a great many words and build up rapid word recognition as well as fluency in processing. Easy reading frees them to attend to new aspects of print and thus engage in a new learning. They can read for meaning ad use language in an orchestrated way.

Daily home readers support this. A reminder to parents to make home reading a priority and habit at home.

Terra-Lee Peters
Head of Curriculum

2016 READING CHALLENGE
This year the Premier has challenged all state and non-state school students from Prep to Year 2 to read or experience 20 books, Years 3 and 4 to read 20 books and Years 5 to 9 to read 15 books. Experiencing books can include shared reading, listening to stories, or reading picture books. The aim for the 2016 challenge is to reach a total of two million books read.

Students wishing to take part in this year’s challenge are asked to record the books they have read on the School Reader Record Form. This has been distributed to students this week. Every student who completes the challenge will receive a Certificate of Achievement signed by the Premier. Return the completed form to your classroom teacher no later than Friday, 26th August.
ENROL NOW FOR PREP 2017!!

Berrinba East State School offers:

✓ Vibrant & Inclusive Learning Environment
✓ Innovative English & Mathematics Instruction
✓ Dynamic & Challenging Curriculum
✓ Individualised Learning Goals
✓ Devoted & Energetic Staff

If your child was born between 01 July 2011 and 30 June 2012 they are eligible to being Prep in January 2017.

Pre-Prep Transition Classes
Transition classes support a seamless transition to school and will begin in week 4 on Monday August 1st. Parents and children will engage in a variety of pre-prep activities to support early literacy and numeracy. These weekly sessions allow children to familiarise themselves with our school community and staff. Registration is required by expressing your interest at the school office 3489 6777. Transition afternoons are held from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. on Monday August 1st, 15th, 22nd, 29th and September 5th.

Prep Enrolment Open Evenings will be held this term and dates announced soon!

For more information, contact Terra-Lee PETERS, Head of Curriculum 3489 6777.