

BERRINBA EAST STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome Back

I would like to welcome all our students, parents and staff back for Term 3. Already this term we have had six new families join our school community and I am sure you will join me in making them feel welcome to our wonderful school. I would also like to welcome Ms Gabrielle Edwards who will be joining our 3/4. If the first three days are anything to go by, I am very confident that her students will make her feel very welcomed. Over the next few weeks it is anticipated that we will be joined by a number of new staff members. The community will be notified in the newsletter of these staff changes.

You've Got 5

Over the past two years our school has had a strong focus on improving student attendance. Unfortunately there is still some way to go in this area and this was evident with over 150 students being absent on the last day of school.

This semester we are strongly emphasising the 'You've got 5' campaign. To achieve a 95% attendance rate in Semester 2, students can only miss five days of school in this time. We are pushing the message of 'You've got 5 days in your pocket' to encourage students to come to school when they do not feel like it.

We have just rewarded the students who achieved 95% and 100% attendance (the Years 4-6 100% students will be acknowledged next week) on our parade. We are looking forward to seeing more students keep 5 days in their pocket and rewarding this at the end of the year.

Important Dates

We have just completed our calendar for Semester 2 and would like to share the dates for major events with our school community. These include:

- Junior Sports Day, Tuesday 15th August
- State Education Week, 22nd – 28th October
- 40th Anniversary Celebration/Multicultural Fair, Saturday 2nd September
- Academic Awards, Thursday (morning) 30th November
- Christmas Concert , Friday 1st December
- Year 6 Graduation, Thursday 7th December
- Bump Up Week, 4th – 8th December

Positive Behaviour for Learning

This term we are implementing a whole school rewards system to acknowledge positive behaviour in our classrooms and across our school. Centred on our three school rules – **BE A LEARNER – BE RESPECTFUL – BE SAFE**, students are acknowledged for their behaviour by being given a stamp or a token which culminates to larger rewards over time. This initiative is being led by our Deputy Principal, Ms Rayner, and I am sure you will hear more from her as the term progresses. In the meantime, please engage in a conversation with you children about how many stamps they have on their reward chart and what they did to obtain them.

Steve Kanowski
Principal

FROM THE DEPUTY

Attendance

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE RATE = 90.55%

	T2 -Wk 10	T3 – Wk 1
Prep	89.99%	89.0% ↓
Year 1	89.75%	88.45% ↓
Year 2	91.12% ↑	89.64% ↓
Year 3	90.92% ↑	90.21% ↓
Year 4	92.04% ↑	90.88% ↓
Year 5	88.68% ↑	86.89% ↓
Year 6	91.24% ↑	90.5% ↓

☆☆☆100% DAYS HONOUR ROLL - WEEK 1☆☆☆

Prep MB	2MH	3RU	6TW
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Whole school attendance strategies

Across the school there are a number of strategies used to highlight the importance of coming to school every day and to motivate students to be here. You'll notice some of these displayed in the classroom, around the school and on Facebook:

*Weekly messages on parade/Facebook about the importance of attending school every day

*Gary the Attendance Gnome is presented to a class each week

*Class teachers and staff contacting parents to discuss attendance concerns

*Attendance Bingo – the first two classes to complete the board win a reward activity.

*100% Attendance Superstars – spot checks across the school for which classes have the highest number of 100% attendance stars. This week so far (Mon/Tues) 3EB, 5/6KW and 2CD have collected stars.

*School attendance signage is being updated and will be installed

* **#youvegot5 campaign. 5 days off keeps a student's attendance rate above 95%. The target is 95% and above for every student.**



Family Health Tip

#3 – Head Lice

Did You Know?

Head lice are small, wingless, egg laying insects found on the human head. They grow to about 3.5mm (the size of a sesame seed or pin head). Live eggs (sometimes called nits) are glued to the hair shaft within a distance of 1.5cm from the scalp. They hatch in 7-10 days as young lice (nymphs).

Signs and Symptoms

Detection of adult lice or nymphs on the scalp is the best way to determine if head lice are present. While most people with head lice will not develop an itch, a small number of people develop an itch due to an allergic reaction to the saliva of the louse. Scratching can give rise to secondary bacterial infections on the scalp.

Treatment

Treatment should only be applied when live lice are found on the head. To break the cycle, all infested people should be treated at the same time.

There are two methods of treatment:

1. Treatment using the conditioner and combing technique. Repeat the conditioner and combing method every second day to remove the young nymphs as they hatch.

Continue until no live lice are found for ten consecutive days.

2. Treatment with synthetic or natural insecticides or other chemicals. There are four groups of treatment agents available in different forms (i.e. shampoo, mousse, and lotion) which can be obtained from chemists without prescription. All preparations must be applied strictly according to the manufacturer's instructions. None of them should be used on children under two years of age, except on medical advice.

Once treatment has commenced, there is no reason to exclude children from school. Keep up treatment over a period of time until all lice have been removed.

CHECK OUT OUR SCHOOL FACEBOOK POSTS THIS WEEK FOR MORE INFORMATION ON TREATING HEAD LICE.

*Kathryn Marshall
Deputy Principal*

FROM THE DEPUTY

PBL NEWS

This term we have launched an exciting addition to our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) schoolwide reward system for students. As part of this system all students have a Berrinba PBL Scholars Award chart with 50 spaces on them. Staff will be looking for increased opportunities to provide students with acknowledgement and positive feedback for demonstrating the behaviours of someone who is a safe, respectful learner. In recognition of student achievement, staff will be hosting a Berrinba PBL Scholars rewards session on the last day of Term 3 for students who complete 3 of these cards by then.

If we have high achievers (and I am SURE we will ☺), there will then be an opportunity to complete an additional chart to work towards bronze, silver and gold rewards ☺. More details to come!

Why do we reward students, you may ask? Because science and research tell us that the quickest way to change someone's behaviour (to

improve desired behaviour) is to point out what they're doing right. Try it at home and see how it goes. It works!

Read the last page to find out more!

*Bec Rayner
Deputy*

P&C NEWS

General Meeting

Our next general meeting will be held on Wednesday 19th July at 6:00pm in the staffroom.

Festival Meeting

The next Festival meeting will be held on Wednesday 19th July at 5:00pm in the staffroom. If you know anyone who wishes to have an input into making our 40th Birthday Festival the very best possible, please come along to the meeting.

Save the Date

Fundraising night - Wednesday 9th Aug
Berrinba East SS 40th Birthday Festival, Saturday 2nd Sept from 2:00pm-7:00pm

Uniform Shop

Our Uniform shop is open Tuesdays 8:00am to 9:00am. **CASH ONLY NO EFT.**

Tuckshop

Tuckshop is open every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. First break orders **MUST** be received by 8.45am. Second break orders and counter sales **MUST** be collected from the Tuckshop. We are in desperate need of new helpers. Please speak with Millie if you can help.

School Banking

Our school banking program has some great prizes to be earned and every deposit earns a token - 10 tokens can be redeemed for a prize! Banking day is Friday. 'Mail' your deposit book into The Red Mail Box near Woof Woof by 8:45am Friday. Books will be returned to your class.

Committee Positions

We are still looking to fill the following positions:

- Vice President
- Treasurer
- 2nd Banking Coordinator

- Grant Writer
- Fundraising
- P&C Qld Rep
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For information on any of these positions, please contact the P&C President on 0432 478 257.

PREP PARENTS REMINDER

We are trialling a new afternoon routine in Prep to support our students to become more independent and responsible. Please wait for your child in the undercover eating area until after the bell at 2:30pm.

Please do not wait on the veranda outside the classrooms (Prep AC and Prep TH) as we will be using this space. Thank you for your cooperation.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

The Woolworths Earn and Learn program is back from Wednesday 26th July. This is a great opportunity for our school to access some quality resources for free.

HEALTHY SNACKS

The following snack ideas are suggestions to pack for school or to prepare at home between main meals. They are nutritious, tasty, quick and easy to prepare.

- Pancake or pikelet
- Fruit/date/pumpkin/ or plain scone
- Wholemeal crackers with a low fat cheese
- Rice cakes with thin scrape cream cheese and Vegemite
- Celery sticks with a thin spread of peanut butter topped with sultanas
- Slice of low fat cheese with a bundle of carrot and celery sticks
- Small handful of dried fruit
- Small container of assorted salads (eg. tabouli, pasta, rice)
- Salad box with a hard-boiled egg, cherry tomatoes and a bread roll
- Vegetarian quiche or frittata
- Noodles with chicken and snow peas
- Steamed dim sims - still delicious cold
- Sushi rice roll with avocado, carrot and tuna
- Chicken drumstick
- grapes, peeled orange or mandarin segments



YMCA Berrinba East OSHC

Hours of Service

Before School
6:30am-8:30am
(breakfast provided)

After School

2:30pm – 6:00pm
*(afternoon tea is served and
homework can be completed to
assist families)*

Holiday Club

6:30am– 6:00pm
(breakfast, morning tea and
afternoon tea provided)



Search for us at YMCA
Brisbane Outside School
Hours Care.

Messages from the Coordinator:

Dear Families,

YMCA would like to welcome you back to school for term 3! We hope you all had a refreshing break and are prepared for another full term of learning and fun!

Here at OSHC we spent our vacation care creating and playing, with activities such as making slime, painting, cooking delicious food, making race cars, face painting, and challenging each other in various card and board games. We also had two special events. The first was some visitors from One Heart Australia who presented an interactive show about how Australia as we know it today came to be. The second was our bowling excursion! All our children enjoyed competing with each other on the alley, and our big day came complete with some epic dance tracks and fantastic face painting from the team at AMF.

ENROLMENT

YMCA OSHC is a safe, fun and affordable option for children and families. Daily places are still available in our OSHC program. If you are interested or you have any questions, please feel free to drop into our service any morning or afternoon and have a look around! Alternatively we can be contacted on the below details. We would love to meet you!

We hope to see you soon.

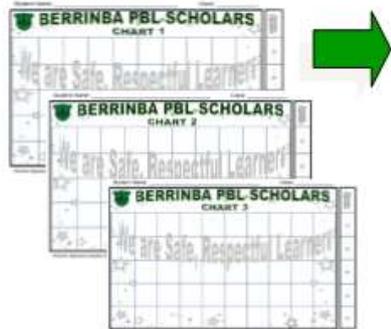
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BERRINBA PBL SCHOLARS



When caught being a **SAFE, RESPECTFUL LEARNER**, staff may award you a sticker/stamp for your Berrinba PBL Scholars Reward Chart.

Within 1 term:

PBL Scholars Chart 1 = certificate

PBL Scholars Chart 2 = certificate

PBL Scholars Chart 3 = attend end of term reward activities

Various stamp totals from Chart 1, 2 & 3 =

Earn rewards/items from your **Classroom Rewards Menu** (you decide with your teacher what these are)

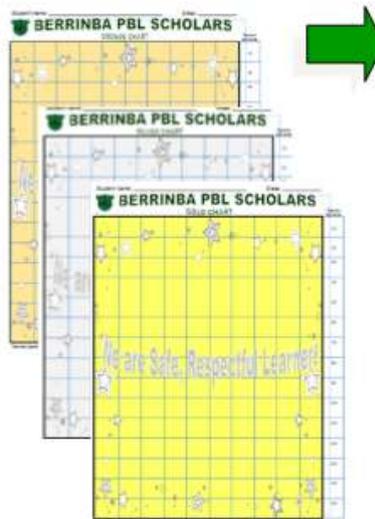
1 line of 10 on your chart = 1 token

When Charts 1, 2 & 3 are completed start on your **Bronze chart**. Continue working on it until the end of the term. Then put it away until after you have finished Charts 1, 2 & 3 in the next term. When you have finished Bronze, then work on Silver then Gold.

BRONZE completed chart = Bronze Award

SILVER completed chart = Silver Award

GOLD completed chart = Gold Award



When caught being a **SAFE, RESPECTFUL LEARNER**, any staff member may award you a trade-in token that you trade in for a stamp/sticker for your PBL Berrinba Scholars Reward chart.

Tokens can be awarded in the Playground for being

SAFE and RESPECTFUL

1 PLAYGROUND TOKEN = 1 STAMP/STICKER ON YOUR CHART

ADD TOKENS TO YOUR CLASS COLLECTION IN THE OFFICE TO

COMPETE FOR THE

PBL BERRINBA SCHOLARS CLASS OF THE WEEK!

This term the winning Class of the Week receives:

