

Barooga Public School Newsletter



Term 1

Monday 12th March, 2018

Week 7

Important Dates

Friday 16th March

Bullying. No Way!
National Day of Action
Against Bullying and Violence

Tuesday 13th March

Mini Book Fair 8.30am-3pm

Wednesday 14th March

Riverina Swimming Carnival
P&C Meeting 6pm

Thursday 15th March

School Photos
Please return by 14th March

Thursday 29th March

Last Day Term 1
SRC Easter Raffle Drawn



From the Office...

2018 accounts will be sent home on Tuesday. These include the Cooking Levy for the SAKG Program for Years 3-6 and the cost of text books for Kinder-Year 6. **Payment for the Cooking Levy is due to be finalised by the end of Term 1.** If you are having difficulties paying, please contact the office to arrange a payment plan.

**Book Club
Issue 2
Due 9am
Wednesday 14th
March.**

Principal's Report

Dear Parents,

Last week I had the privilege of joining the Year 5 and 6 students on Camp at Feathertop in Harrierville. There were lots of fun activities, with an emphasis on co-operation and teamwork to complete some great challenges. A huge thank you to all of the students for making the camp so worthwhile, the excellent staff at Feathertop Chalet, Donna for her great support and to Mrs Hyde and Mrs Crestani for their great organisation and making it all possible for our students.

Tomorrow we are holding a Mini Book Fair. Unlike our usual book fairs, books can only be purchased by **credit card**. It is in the Library and open from 8.30 until 3.00pm. We will still be holding our usual Book Fair later in the year.

This coming Friday is a National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence. As part of this and our commitment to stop bullying, the students will be participating in other anti-bullying activities. Students from Years 3 to 6 will also participate in a lesson, *Imagine a Future Free From Cyberbullying*. This lesson is in a virtual classroom provided by Aurora College, along with the eSafety Commissioner.

School photos will be taken this Thursday 15th March. Please return all envelopes to the office by Wednesday, 14th March, **even if you are not ordering photos**. The envelopes are printed with a barcode with the student's details. These are scanned during photography to help enable the photographer to collect student's names efficiently.

Good luck to Rory Murdoch, Deacon Fisher and Jayden Geisler who will be attending selection for the Riverina Basketball Team in Albury on Thursday 15th.

Good luck to Codi Bowden and Elleah Baxter-Jukes who will be competing at the Riverina Carnival, in Albury this Wednesday, 14th March.

Congratulations to Blake McLernon and Jae Bowden who were selected to represent the Finley Zone PSSA at the Western Riverina Football Carnival.

This week our **Behaviour Expectation** is to **Take care of property and materials**. We expect our students to take care of property and materials belonging to themselves, others and the school.

The P&C AGM will be held this Wednesday 14th March, 6pm in the Library.

Just a reminder to return permission notes on time. It is really important for organisation, such as ordering, booking buses, supplying events with accurate numbers etc. **If your child does not return their note by the due date they will not be permitted to participate in the activity.** Payments on the other hand, can be made when it is convenient, but please notify the school of your intentions. This is especially the case with larger amounts, such as major excursions. Please also note that **PAYMENT IS NOT PERMISSION**, including those made online. We will endeavour to remind students of when they are due. Dates for returns will be on the newsletter and reminders posted on our Facebook page. Spare notes are generally kept at the front office. If you need any assistance or clarification, please contact your class teacher, the office or myself.

John Francis, Principal

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P&C NEWS

Our next meeting and AGM will be held this Wednesday 14th March, 6pm in the library. All welcome.

Good luck to Codi and Elleah who will be competing At the Riverina Swimming Carnival on Wednesday.

Marcia Nolan P&C Secretary 0427 800 516

School Photos

Thursday 15th March

Please return Envelopes to school
by Wednesday 14th March.

**Envelopes must be returned
even if you are not
purchasing any photos.**

Family envelopes are
available at the office.



MINI BOOK FAIR

Next Tuesday 13th March there will
be a one-off opportunity to
purchase books for your child,
between 8.30am -3.00pm.

You can only do this by using
Credit Card - NO CASH

This WILL NOT replace our normal
Book Fair held later in the year.

SRC Easter Raffle

Drawn Thursday 29th March

Please remember to return Raffle Tickets to the office by
Wednesday 28th March. More tickets are available at the office.

Please bring donations to the school office by Monday 26th March.

Thank you to those who have already donated.

SRC Hot Cross Buns Fundraiser

Order forms are attached to this week's Newsletter.
Please return orders to school by Wednesday 21st March.
Buns will be ready to collect on Wednesday 28th March.



BULLYING. NO WAY!
TAKE A STAND
TOGETHER

**National Day
of Action against
Bullying and Violence**

Friday 16 March 2018
www.bullyingnoway.gov.au



Thank you to all the wonderful people who have offered to help with our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program, either with the kids or with cleaning up tasks out of school hours. We always need more helpers so if you or someone you know is willing to assist please contact the school.

A few weeks ago, a combined effort saw us remove lots of the weeds from the overgrown garden and it was exciting to get to plant some seeds. We now need to work on fixing the garden's irrigation system. If anyone has spare brown drip line, joiners or clamps at home in their shed, we would appreciate them.

Some other things that we could use in the garden include:

- * clean straw or lucerne bales for mulch
- * Wood chip for mulch
- * Aged manure to improve our sandy soil
- * Bags of potting mix
- * Bags of layer pellets for our chooks
- * Seeds or seedlings

In the kitchen, one of our major costs each week is detergent. This year, to help us continue to offer the program for only \$40 per child for the year, we are asking families with students in Year 3 - 6 to please donate a bottle of dishwashing detergent. Thank you to those families who have already done so.

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YEAR 5/6 EXCURSION



Harrietville Excursion ~by Deacon Fisher

On Wednesday 7th March, at 8.30, we hopped on the bus and headed off to Harrietville.

At 12.30 we finally made it to the chalet. We had a look where everything was – like toilets, dining room and the play area. Next we had a play. There were these games hockey, basketball, volleyball, mini golf giant fosse ball and tennis. My favourite was mini golf, tennis and basketball. Then we got to look at our cabins they had 14 beds but we only used 8. Rory got a double bed and my bed was as hard as a rock!

At 9.00 the next day we finished breakfast and went to do the giant swing. I did not do the giant swing. So I will just say it is scary. We had to pull them up using a rope.

11.00 it was time for my favourite thing, river tubing. River tubing was in a rapid river that we got to tube in. It was small and you would sometimes get caught on rocks. We made an eight man snake down the river but half way we lost three people so it didn't work. Anyway I will tell you about raft building. This was my least favourite activity because of the walk and people were arguing but we finished. Gracie was in my group and left her no-waterproof watch on and we thought the raft was going to sink. She was screaming. That was funny. We untied it and we were allowed to jump in so I walked up to wash my hands and got a big splash from the people who had jumped in.

After that we did Initiatives-brain/mind games. First we had to get in alphabetical order by our names without speaking. We did it easy. Next we did this mat game where you had two mats. The floor was lava and you had to get to the other side. After that we did the rope swing – a small one. It was fun. Then we celebrated Rory's Birthday with a cake and hot chocolate.

On Friday Morning we went on a town walk where we had to answer questions like how many dredge buckets were in the town. Then we got back and went on the bus. I liked the trip. The food was good and all the activities. It was a marvellous place to stay, everyone should go there.

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Year 5/6 Excursion ~Caitlin Dunn

Year 5/6 went on excursion to the Feathertop Chalet on the 7th March last week. The first thing we had to do when we got there was eat our lunch and get our numbers for our group activity 1, 2, 3, 4. On the day we got there we got free time after the tour. The choices were mini golf course which was a nine hole thing, another thing was tennis, hockey, basketball, volleyball and soccer on the field or you could talk. When our rooms were ready we had to get to our rooms and set up. Then we went to dinner for chicken schnitzel then dessert. Then we watched High School Musical. Then supper then bed. When most of the rooms were loud Mrs Crestani came sitting on the bed for ages then she went we were like "Yes!" The next day we had breakfast which was either toast or cereal. Then we had to go to the grape vines to get our activities which were initiatives, giant swing, river tubing and raft building. When we were under the vines in our group numbers I was in group 4 with another 9 people. First we did initiatives which were fun. Then we did the giant swing which was 12 meters tall. Then we had river tubing which was fun. You had to dodge the rocks. Then we had raft building which was all about team work, tying knots putting it together and keeping it afloat but the water was freezing cold. The giant swing was scary. It was like you fainted. They pulled you up by the rope (the people that weren't having a go) then you would yell STOP. Then they said 3, 2, 1, go. Then you pulled a rope. The initiatives were also about team work. Then we had dinner. Then we went to bed but the Year 6, because they're learning about the solar system, got to go out and look at the stars.

Then the next day we went home. People were sick which was gross because the bends were so fast. Then we had lunch at Wangaratta. Then we made it home. Yay! It was a fun experience to go there.

Awesome Camp ~ Blake McLernon

Firstly we arrived at camp. We got off the bus. We put our suitcases down and went and sat down with our backpacks. We ate our lunch at 1.00pm. We had a walk around to look at everything. After that we had 45 min to have free time. Tennis was amazing. I loved it. We had our food and at night we watched a movie "High School Kids". After that we had cookies and went to bed. In my cabin was Bowdo, Woody, Rory, Josh, Deacon, and myself.

Next is a new day – sun bright out but cold. We had our breakfast and jumped right in and did our activities. My group was Bowdo, Sav, Jordan, Lachie, Blake, Ebony, Hunter, Kyri and myself. We started off with the River tubing the water felt like minus 2 degrees I fell in the water so many times my whole body was numb. We had a five min break so we skipped rocks then we did it for two more times. Then we did raft building. It was about a ten min walk. We built a great raft. We hopped in and stood then we fell in on purpose because it was fun. We hopped out and untied it. It was another Ten min walk back. We had our lunch. That was another ten min then had our initiatives. It was all about team work. All the activities were about team work. The web was about directions and helping your team mate. The we did the rope swing. You had to swing to the green tyre. It was fun. After that we did the giant swing – Ebony and I went first. Ebony went first. She went to the very top. She pulled the rope. She screamed then went wee! wee! Then she flossed in the air. She came down. It was my turn. I went to the very top. It was scary but awesome. I did the floss in the air. I went down. It was awesome. Everyone else had their turn. After that we had free time for a bit. It was fun. Then we had a shower then to dinner. Then we went to the playground. Then to our cabin and had a look at the stars. Then we had a sleep.

Lastly we had breakfast then went for a walk and came back and made our lunch. We got on the bus and went home.

I rated the camp 100/100. I love Feathertop it was awesome. The food was amazing, the beds were perfect, I loved it. I rate the food 10/10. I wish I could live there. It was amazing.