Principal’s Message

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Students,

It is hard to believe how quickly this term has flown by with just over three weeks left of first term. It has been a very busy term for all with the last three weeks being no exception.

National Agenda – Staff Training towards the Australian Curriculum

Over the next two weeks you will notice Temporary Relief Teachers (TRT’s) in your child/ren’s classes. With the new Australian Curriculum due to role out this year teaching staff are required to update their skills, knowledge and understanding of curriculum requirements. The four curriculum areas being launched are Maths, English, Science and History. On our School’s Improvement Plan, Maths and Science are two of our key priorities. Teaching staff will be attending Training and Development on the Primary Connections Science Curriculum this week and next term.

Next week teaching staff will be attending Training and Development at Barmera Primary School with our ‘Maths for Learning Inclusion’ coordinator, Jayne Foulds to discuss and develop a Pathway of Inquiry for Learning Inclusion in Mathematics. This focus will then be displayed and presented at a Maths Expo in Adelaide, at the Adelaide Convention Centre in Term 4.

New Media Awards

Last week I was informed that our Year 5/6/7 class has won a grant to be a part of the New Media Awards for 2010. This will be our second year that we will be involved in the program. The project theme is “Think Global….Act Local” and is to be based on an issue or investigation around the theme of “Sustainability”. Kerry Albrecht and I will be working with the 5/6/7 class to produce a 2.5 minute film due to be handed in at the end of Term 2. I’m sure our MacBook Pro’s will come in very handy!

Building Education Revolution (BER) Update

I am pleased to inform everyone that the Hall is not far away from being completed. On the weekend the floor covering went down and it looks fantastic! We are now awaiting for the court lines to be put on and the equipment to arrive. The expected completion date for the Hall is the end of March. We will then await the final approval documents before we can officially open and use the Hall next Term.

There has also been some upgrades of the Year 5/6/7 classroom this week, with the construction of a room being installed at the end of the classroom connecting to the office area. This room will be used for meetings and a teacher preparation area. All these improvements continue to make our school a better place to learn and teach from.

SAPSASA Athletics

Good luck to our students competing at SAPSASA Athletics this Friday at Glossop High School. A special thank you to Mr. Hanna for organising and supporting the 19 students participating at the carnival.

Regards,
Mary Shannon
Principal

REMINDERS

Please return reply slips as soon as possible, thankyou

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Week 9 (22-26th March) - Interviews (this reply slip to class teachers)
FINANCE AND GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING
Please note that our next Finance and Governing Council Meetings will be held next week, Monday 15th March 6:30 and 7pm. Please remember to bring any issues to Mary or one of the committee by Monday morning.

BARMERA AQUATICS
As part of the year 6/7 swimming program these students will be attending the new Barmera Aquatic Centre on Monday, 15th March. Please refer to the attached flyer for more information and CONSENT FORM.

SMALL SCHOOL’S BE ACTIVE
Our first small school's get together will be held at Moorook Primary School next Tuesday, 16th March. Please reply to the attached form for CONSENT & LUNCH ORDERS.

YEAR 7 LEADERSHIP CAMP
Please refer to the attached flyer regarding the Year 7 Leadership Camp, Next Thursday & Friday, 18th & 19th March

Active After School
Active After School sessions for Term 1 have been a lot of fun for those involved. Water Aerobics has once again been a huge hit! Please remember to send an extra towel for your child on these days so that they have a dry towel at the end of the session. If the weather is inclement Multiskills will be offered. Just a few little reminders
*Please be at the school by 4.25pm to pick up your children as the sessions finish at 4:30 SHARP.
If you are running a little late please notify the school.
ALL parents/caregivers are required to come into the school to collect their children so that the deliverer/coordinator is aware that they are going home safely.
Should your child be booked into a session but unable to attend, then contact with the front office would be appreciated.
Positive, respectful behaviour is expected and suspension from all activities will follow inappropriate actions – this may include the current round of activities as well as future activities.

SAINT PATRICKS DAY
St Patrick’s Day will be held on Wednesday, 17th March.
Students can come dressed in green for the day. At lunchtime green jelly (made by the cooking club) will be available for sale for 50cents. Miss Shannon will also be teaching Irish dancing!

Community News
BERRI HOCKEY CLUB SIGN-ON DAY
Would you like your children to play an active non contact sport? Try Hockey! Berri Hockey Club is having its sign on day for the 2010 season.
Where - Glassey Park in the club rooms When - Saturday, March 20 - 10 am to 2 pm.
All ages from under 9 to seniors
New players always welcome
If you have any queries please contact Gavin McMahon on 85 822739 A/H or mobile 0419038962.

Attachments
• Consent Barmera Aquatics (Yrs 6&7)
• Consent Small School Be Active (All)
• Consent Leadership Camp (Year 7s)
• Parent Teacher Interviews (all classes)
• Book Club
• Riverland Youth Theatre Program

COMMUNITY GARDEN/ KIDS MATTER
PARENTS & CARERS GROUP
Last week we had our first cooking group prepare lunch for the whole school, which was Zucchini Slice YUM YUM! In future weeks further classes will be taking place and students will have the opportunity to order their lunch. Information and order forms will come out in the newsletter preceding the week. Tomorrow students will have the opportunity to try Potato Cakes.
There will be a meeting on Thursday 25th March at 9am to discuss further plans for preparing and producing lunches for the school for Term 2. This will be a time to discuss different menu options and to develop a roster of available people. The meeting will also be a time to discuss any further develops and plans for the Garden. If you can not attend the meeting, but would like to be involved please fill out the form below and return it to the front office.

Garden/Cooking Group reply
Name: _______________________

Please tick
☐ I will be attending the meeting on Thursday.
☐ I would like to be a part of cooking classes with students on Thursday's, but am unable to attend the meeting.
Zucchini Slice
(recipe made in cooking class last week)

Ingredients
1/2 cup of olive oil
500g of zucchini
1 onion
150g streaky bacon
150g self raising flour
3 eggs
Salt
Freshly ground black pepper
2 large tomatoes

What to do
Preheat the oven to 180°C. Use a little oil to lightly brush the base and sides of the dish. Line the dish with baking paper.
Grate the zucchini. Tip the gratings into a clean tea towel and twist over the sink to remove the excess moisture. Tip the zucchini into a large bowl. Peel and chop the onion finely chop the bacon, then add to the bowl. Finally, add the flour. In the medium bowl whisk the egg and add to the zucchini mixture. Mix well and season with salt and pepper.
Spoon the mixture into the prepared baking dish and smooth the top. Cut the tomatoes into thick slices and lay the slices on top of the mixture. Drizzle the remaining oil over the top. Bake for about 25-30 minutes until firm. Allow the slice to cool a little before cutting into squares or fingers.

Did you know?
Calcium is essential for bones, teeth, heart, muscles and nervous system. It is important that kids get enough calcium as they are still growing.

Crazy Hair Day

Thankyou for joining in the fun of Crazy Hair Day. We raised $100.50 for the Leukaemia Foundation. We are having a colouring competition called “Stanley’s Crazy Class Picture”. You will need to decorate Stanley’s class hair. All pictures need to be given to your class SRCs by Monday 15th of March.

Everyone had lots of fun with lots of Crazy hair. Thank you for all the support and donations for a great day.