Dear Parents,

This is our last newsletter for Term 2, wow how quick this term has travelled!

Students will finish school for the winter break next Friday 27th June. We have had a very productive and successful term with wonderful student progress in reading and number, particularly those on the TEN program, fantastic sporting success and increased knowledge and application of the new English curriculum.

I have a great deal of pride and a huge amount of respect for the staff who work tirelessly here to ensure the every child succeeds. It has been a year of change and this term, being shorter, has meant a very busy reporting period. Well done teachers on a fabulous effort.

Well done also to all students on their reports. These will be mailed home next Tuesday and will include a Mathletics Summary. I have again in this newsletter included a copy of the A-E scale and also a copy of the effort scale recorded by teachers. It is important to remember that this report is in the traditional format. The end of year report will be a copy of your child’s literacy and numeracy continuum progression as well as the A-E scale. We will again be holding parent workshops on the continuums later in term 4.

Blue Star and Gold Awards

Congratulations to Ashton O’S, Meg W and Tristan H who gained blue star awards at our last assembly.

Super work also to Chloe S who received a gold award. A Wonderful, hard working girl!

Last Assembly for Term 2 - Friday 27th June - 10.50am
5/6 will share some of their Robo Cup Performances.
**Wombats win House Points**

Well done to all wombats for their win this week. Our house captains were at Robo Cup so we handed the trophy over to future leaders in year 4. Well done Kiana, Clancy, Ava and Isabella.

![Image of wombats holding a trophy](image1)

**CWA Botswana Projects**

Well done to Zaric S and Isabella I who received prizes from the CWA for their zebra artworks. Zaric and Isabella went along to a special ceremony held last Friday to receive their prizes.

![Image of students holding awards](image2)

**Robo Cup – Perthville Team Takes Out Second Place!**

Well done to all the years 5/6 students and Mr Dickson who competed in the CSU Robo Cup challenge held last Friday. Five teams were entered in the contest from our school and one team took out second place. Well done to James W, Luke B, Dylan P, Josh N, Jack M, Tyler P and Denzel C. Great work boys!

![Image of students at Robo Cup](image3)
Relay Teams

Congratulations to the following relay teams who were successful last week. These teams will compete at the Bathurst District Athletics carnival.

Junior Girls – Georgie McP, Megan C, Maddy R and Isabella McB
Senior Boys – Jayden Y, Nicholas A, Darnell P and Luke B
Senior Girls – Grace P, Victoria M, Sophie H and Taya BP

K-1 Excursion to Miss Traill’s House

As part of their units on families and shelters, Kindergarten and year one headed off to Bathurst to visit Miss Traill’s house. Children had a great day and learnt a lot about the past. Thank you, Miss Knight and Mrs Lowry for organising this excursion.

Winter has arrived!

A reminder to parents with children who arrive on early buses, it is getting cold! Please ensure your child has on a warm jumper, coats and even a beanie and gloves on those early mornings.

Snow & Flood Emergency Update Plans Need Returning Please

Last fortnight we sent home a copy of our snow and flood emergency procedures. Please return the emergency procedures promptly. We appreciate your support. If you missed the newsletter, it is available on the school website.
Western Region Cross Country

Congratulations to Luke B (16th), Clancy F (16th) and Kassandra H (10th) who recently completed in the Western Region Cross Country. Great results in a competitive field!

Staff Development Day – Monday 14th July

On Monday 14th July, our school will be involved in a professional learning day with other Bathurst Schools. We will be working through the new Mathematics Syllabus and also listening to guest speaker Bruce Sullivan. The day which will be held at the Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre and caters for over 200 participants will be co-ordinated by Mrs James and will have Mr Dickson, Miss Knight and Miss Naylor as leading facilitators. Well done to all staff involved in the delivery of this day.

Students are due back to school for term 3 on Tuesday 15th July.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2015

We are now beginning to take enrolments for kindergarten students commencing at Perthville School in 2015. It is vital that we have your details so we can send out all information about our Perthville Possums Transition to School Program. The program commences in Term 4. Please contact June in the office if you have a child starting school next year or you know of someone who may be new to our area. We are more than happy to show new people around our beautiful school so it’s always important to have the opportunity to show off what our school can offer.

Head Lice

Please check your child/ren’s head for head lice. We have had another outbreak in recent days. Please follow all instructions, retreating after one week and washing all bed linen etc.

Jump Rope for Heart

This year our fundraiser is for Jump Rope. Jump Rope is a great way to get fit and raise some money for heart research in Australia. One sponsorship form per child is included with this newsletter. Our students are jumping and having a great time during recess and lunch. Our ‘Jump Off Day’ will be held next term on Thursday 31st July. On this day all sponsorship forms are due back! We thank Mrs Bicanic for organising this event.
Reporting Scales of Achievement and Effort

Each child in Yrs 1-6 receives both Achievement and Effort scales on their report for each Key Learning Area. Kindergarten only receives Effort. So that everyone is clear, I have again put in a summary of these scales. I do remind parents that **sound** means their child has understood the majority of the concepts taught and this is a good result.

### Achievement Scale

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### Effort Scale

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| 5     | 95-100% of the time | These scales refer to **some** of the following things  
  - The child is engaged in the lesson.  
  - The child is focused on learning and trying their best.  
  - They work diligently, carefully and neatly.  
  - They assist the class and teacher by not disturbing others. |
| 4     | 80-95% of the time |
| 3     | 60-80% of the time |
| 2     | 40-60% of the time |
| 1     | 0-40% of the time |
Lunch Orders

Week 8 – Friday 20th June – Sausage Roll + Apple Juice $3.50
Week 9 – Friday 27th June – Ham & Pineapple Pizza + Strawberry Milk– $3.00

Term 2 Dates

June
19th-20th Sydney excursion – Years 3&4
20th Primary Principal's Meeting – Mrs James away in Mudgee
24th Reports mailed to parents
27th Last day Term 2 – Mufti Day

July
14th Staff Development Day
15th Students return for Term 3
15th-18th Patch Theatre company works with Drama Group
23rd Kinder Road Safety Visit
28th 1st August Education week
31st District High Jump

Parenting Pearls from Bruce Sullivan

1. If It's Not Fun... Make It Fun! Humour is a great way to help everyone in your family decrease
   their stress, increase their mental and physical health and make your "home" a desirable place to
   live.

2. Practice Gratefulness... NOT Cynicism! Gratefulness opens up our hearts, minds and
   possibilities whilst cynicism shuts down our minds and closes doors for us and our children.
   Practicing gratefulness can be awesome fun too!

3. Good Intentions Are NOT Enough! Children learn what they live by the example we set
   everyday. Be not afraid that our children won't always listen to our attempts at teaching... be more
   afraid that they are watching and listening to EVERYTHING we say and do!

4. Be Willing To Change YOU and not them! If we are not getting the outcome we want then it's
   up to us to change the way we are parenting. Demonstrating behavioural flexibility takes effort on
   our part but we know that our children are worth it!

5. Teach Resilience NOT Helplessness! Great families have useful language and frameworks to
   explain the ups and downs of life so everything can eventually be viewed as a positive!
2/3 Get us Pumped up with Brain Gym at our last assembly

A Note from the P&C President

We at the P&C have had a great term and are keeping busy trying to raise funds to buy some iPads for the school to be shared around all classes. We are also in the process of sourcing some new hooks for outside every classroom. These will be an upgrade from the current ones and are a safer option. We managed to raise just over $1300 from the Small Schools athletics carnival after expenses, a great effort by all involved.

We currently have 2 fundraisers planned to help us raise funds for the iPads and there are some other exciting projects being discussed for the future, feel free to join us at a meeting to be involved in the decision making process.

KRISPY KREME DOUGHNUTS (yum yum)

There are 2 options available –

- Original glazed (12 per box) $16.00
- Mixed box (6 glazed, 2 choc iced, 2 strawberry iced & 2 choc iced with sprinkles) $20.00

Attached is an order form, please ask friends, family, neighbours etc and return to the office with payment by NO LATER THAN Wednesday 6th August. The doughnuts will be delivered to the school on Thursday 21st August and need to be collected between 3:15-4:00pm.

BRIGHT STAR KIDS (labels, bag tags, wall art and much more)

Bright star kids is a great way to help your child identify their belongings and help reduce lost property. They have some fantastic wall art stickers which are removable so are ideal for renters or those who like a change. They have pantry labels for those who like to be organised, learn to type labels to help teach your child to type, address labels and lots more great products.

This is an ongoing fundraiser where the school will earn 15% commission from every sale. Simply head to our special website www.fdr1610.brightstarkids.com.au or enter our fundraising code fdr1610 upon checkout. Alternatively feel free to contact me on 02 6337 2158 or 0412 329 509 or email me at Amanda-peterson@bigpond.com and I can organize an order form for you.

If you have any queries regarding the above fundraisers or if you have an idea, query or concern regarding P&C please feel free to contact me on the above details.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 5th August at 6pm, please feel free to join us, we’d love to see you there.

Amanda Peterson
Term Three - Creative Arts Preview

Term three is all about being creative and clever!

Look at we what we have on offer!

- Patch Theatre Company - Drama Workshops for interested 3-6 students

- Visual Arts workshops for Every Class – Guest Artist Dianne Meurant

- ‘Mr McGee and the Biting Flea’ – Concert for K-2

- Tiddalik the Frog – Concert for K-6

- Jam! - Music Fun – Kids choice - five weeks with a different musical aspect.

- Bathurst Eisteddfod

- Band performs at Eisteddfod and Education Week

- Culmination - Creative arts Festival & Concert – Tickets on sale next term!