Dear Parents,

This will be our last newsletter for Term 3. I would like to thank everyone for a fantastic term! We were involved in so many fabulous activities and everyone has worked so very hard.

Our term commenced with our visiting artist Di Meurant working with all our classes on some super art works (on display at the BMEC and now in the office foyer). We had the Patch Theatre Company work with our drama group, we rehearsed and performed amazing drumming, verse speaking and singing in the Small School Creative Arts Spectacular. We enjoyed two concerts with Tiddalik and Mr McGee and held a wonderful Education Week assembly. We met Healthy Harold, participated in Jump Rope, a Maths competition, father’s day stall, competed at Bathurst District and Western athletics carnivals, played hockey and rugby league, held the Kindergarten road safety program and now next week our Country Study finale wraps up our term.

Our teachers have done an amazing job leading the new Maths Curriculum with the Bathurst Alliance of Schools and continuing to implement 21st century learning in our classrooms. We now move to Science and Technology with work to commence around its implementation for 2015. We are also busy planning Bathurst’s 200th year celebrations with our school being the lead coordinators for Bathurst Schools.

We are also commencing with a new School Plan and will seek community feedback and consultation with our directions for the next three years. I have attached a copy of a communication survey I would appreciate some feedback on and ask that you let us know how you would like us to communicate with you in the future.

I would also like to thank and acknowledge the work of Sam Watterson, our CSU intern who has been working with the 2/3 class. Ms Watterson has worked very hard and we hope she has enjoyed her experiences at Perthville. We wish her all the very best with her future career.

Mrs Kerr will be taking some long service leave for the first two weeks of Term 4. Mrs Meurant will be teaching the 2/3 class.

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**Mufti Day**

**Gold Coin Please (or More!!)**

We will be holding a Mufti Day next **Friday 19th September.**

All funds raised will go towards our new **21st Century technology program!**

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**Cakes, Slices, Biscuits**

All required for the P&C stall at the Perthville Fair

**This Saturday 13th September**

Please drop off your donation to the school on Friday afternoon.

Your help would be much appreciated!
Happy birthday to Mrs Bicanic (Today!), me on Friday (Yippee!), Mrs Rudge on the 14th October and Mrs Kerr on the 15th October. Wow a busy time, Lots of Cake!

Have a great Spring break and we look forward to seeing everyone back ready for a super Term 4!

Thank you to our Wonderful School Community

Thanks so very much to Mikayla and Andrew Lenehan, Steve and Tracy Watson and Master Home Improvements who have been instrumental in arranging, engineering, providing materials and in these coming holidays installing our new safety bag hooks. They look smart and will be much safer for all children. Thanks to the P&C for funding this project, you are amazing!

A wonderful Father’s day stall was also held last Friday; a huge thanks to Alison Whalan, who did a super job coordinating the stall, wrapped everything and provided a very streamlined purchasing system. Thank you also to all the mums and dads who helped with the stall on the day. Our children loved it! I’m sure our fathers did also!

A huge thanks also to Charlie Simson from Inland Technology who donated a lockable cashbox to our school P&C. Great one and thanks Charlie!

Professional Learning

Mrs Kerr is away today in Sydney completing I-pad Training.

Darnell Achieves Western Region Success

Huge congratulations to our students who participated at the Western Region Athletics Carnival, particular mention to Darnell Polsen who finished second in shot put and discus. Darnell will now participate at the State carnival at Homebush on 15th & 16th October. Well done to Luke, Rowan, Georgie, Nicholas and Darnell!
Blue Star and Gold Awards

Congratulations to Taya BP, Katie McP, Charlie M, Noah S, Olivia S, Nicholas A (Five Wow!), Georgie W, Zeljko S, Jordan F and Samuel F who all received blue star awards last week. Super workers!

Well done and great work also to Olivia S who received a gold award at last week’s assembly. Olivia is a model student who always displays a positive attitude to school and learning! Well done Olivia.

Wombats win House Points!

Well done to all the wombats who received last week’s house points trophy. Pictures are Rowan and Meg, the Wombats house captains.

Paul Stafford Local Author works with 3/4 and 5/6

What a wonderful experience to have local author Paul Stafford out to Perthville to work with our senior classes on writing. Paul will work with us through video conferencing in coming terms and will play a key part in working with our school on Bathurst’s 200 year celebrations in 2015. Paul commented that some our student ideas were fantastic, it certainly encouraged some detailed writing from Ava, who is pictured here deep in the moment and producing some fabulous ideas!
Galloping Gumnuts Preschool – Taking enrolments for 2015

Our Preschool has vacancies for 2015. Parents who have children who are aged three to five are encouraged to enroll. What a great place to commence preschool and transition straight into school life at Perthville. Please contact Carole at Galloping Gumnuts on 63523798 for further information. If you would like to view the centre, please feel free to drop in on a Monday or Friday when sessions are scheduled each week.

Perthville Possums will commence next term

Sixteen students are enrolled for Kindergarten in 2015 and will commence the Perthville Possums transition program on Wednesday 29th October. The session will be held for three hours over five weeks. The first session will also include a parent information meeting at 9am in the library. We look forward to meeting our newest little members of Perthville Public School.

Lunch Orders

Week 9 – Friday 12th September – Cheese & Bacon Pizza + Choc Milk – $3.00
Week 10 – Friday 19th September – 2 Party Pies + Straw Milk – $3.00

We hope all dads had a marvelous Father’s Day!
**Important Dates**

**September**

15th  James Ruse Band to visit 9.30am – All Welcome
15th-17th  ‘Travel Around the World’ – Sharing of Country Study Work
18th  Mrs Keough away – Mrs Meurant on Kindergarten
19th  Mrs Kerr away – Mrs Meurant on 2/3
19th  Assembly –3/4 to share work
19th  Last day term 3

**October**

6th  October Long Weekend
7th  Staff and Students return for Term 4
15th -16th  State Athletics
20th  World Of Maths Day – Permission note attached
22nd-24th  State Principals Conference – Mrs James away
29th  Possums Parent Meeting and First Session 9.00am
31st  World Teachers Day

**Next Assembly – Friday 19th September 10.50am**

**Year 3/4 will share their work**

**Next P&C meeting – Tuesday 14th October - All Welcome!**

*Year One were amazing at last week’s assembly, singing in Japanese! Fabulous!*
A Note from the P&C President

PLEASE HELP!

As mentioned in the last newsletter we are having a stall at the Perthville fair this Saturday 13th September. This year we will be selling cakes and slices and we would like to ask families if they could please donate a cake or slice for us to sell. All donations should be dropped off to the school by Friday 12th September or contact me on 0412 329 509 or Amanda-peterson@bigpond.com, to make other arrangements. Please donate on disposable plates or containers and label with ingredients where possible.

Thankyou to all those who participated in the Father’s day stall. It was great to watch the kids choose a gift. Thankyou also to Alison Whalan for her organization and to all those who helped with the stall on the day.

We appreciate any help that families are willing to give and ask that if you have any suggestions of things you would like to see happen within our school or any fundraising ideas please do not hesitate to contact me on the above email or come along to a meeting. It is a great way to get to know some other parents and have your say.

Our Next meeting will be Tuesday 14th October at 6pm in the Library.

Thankyou for your support.

Amanda Peterson

Nick presents Ethiopia       Sophie presents India

Well done 5/6 on the presentation of their country studies.
5/6 will continue presenting project information over coming days to 5/6 and Mrs James. Great start everyone!

Ellen presents Japan
Community Survey

Focus: Communication

Dear community members,

We would greatly value your input into our 'School Communication Survey'.

PART 1

On a 1-5 Scale please rate the effectiveness of the following:

1 being not an effective form of communication and 5 being a highly effective form of communication.

School Newsletter  1  2  3  4  5
School Website  1  2  3  4  5
Face to Face   1  2  3  4  5
P & C Meeting  1  2  3  4  5

Please rate possible forms of communication in the future in order of preference.

Weekly Radio Announcements ☐  SMS ☐  Facebook ☐  Twitter ☐

PART 2

In relation to our school website, please suggest below any additions you think would be useful.

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Do you find the current format of the school newsletter effective? Yes/No (please circle)

If No, please indicate on the line below your suggestions to improve our site.

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Please place your completed form into the office or hand to your child’s teacher. Thank you.