How exciting! Another week of great attendance.... Last week our weekly attendance percentage was 92%. It is great to see that everyone is making a huge effort to come to school every day.

Congratulations to all students who swam at our District Swimming Carnival last Friday. You all did extremely well and should be proud of your efforts. 19 students have made it to the Regional Swimming Carnival on Friday 7th March in Dubbo.

Thank you to all parents who assisted at the carnival. Without your help the day would not had been so successful.

Good Luck to the Boys PSSA Cricket team who play Narromine this Thursday in Narromine, in round one of the competition.

Congratulations to all students who received their Students Representative Council and Library Monitors badges this morning at our special assembly. I’m sure you will all be fantastic leaders and role models for our school.

Congratulations also to Maddy Hembrow who was presented with her House Captain badge at the special assembly.

This weekend is our Term 1 Mid-Term break (Friday 28th February & Monday 3rd March).

School will resume on Tuesday 4th March.

Have a great week!

Kylie Pennell

Deputy Principal – Jenine Milgate
A big thank you to all parents who helped at the district carnival last Friday. We appreciate you giving up your time to help our students and the school.

A reminder that all students are to wear a hat when playing on the playground. We have the policy of ‘No Hat No Play’ so it is very important that we all wear a hat which is clearly labelled with the student’s name. Have a great week!

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Early Stage 1 & P&C/Canteen News

Miss Budd
Congratulations to KB for winning the attendance award in week 3. We celebrated our win last Thursday with a rainbow paddle pop. I hope we keep getting 100% to win again. We are trying really hard with our reading and writing. Remember to practise reading your tricky words every night.

Miss Heaney
Welcome to week 5! Wow we are half way through the term already! KH were very busy last week learning our new sounds and working on our counting skills. This week we are going to be learning about the parts of a computer and continue to learn about primary and secondary colours in art. It is very important to come to school every day! So let’s try hard for a 100% attendance for the whole week! 😊

Early Stage 1 AP – Miss Budd
This Thursday is the first infants assembly. It starts at 2.15pm so come along and watch some students perform and see which students receive awards. I wonder which class will win Bourkie bear this week. Have a great week. Remember ‘No Hat, No Play’.

P&C/Canteen
“The Tastes of the World Thursday” begin this week and we will be flying to Mexico. Taco’s & Burritos will be available for $2.50 each. Each Thursday we will be flying to another country in the world and trying their yummy food.

Stage 1 News

Miss Bartley
1N hope you all come to assembly this Thursday 27th February as we will be completing a class item for everyone. Last week 1N finished off our ‘looking through windows of animals’ artworks and we especially enjoyed discussing the different types of shelters these animals used.

Miss McKechnie
Last week 1M had pretty good attendance. We even had 96% on Monday! We all really enjoyed our drama activities, our P.E. lessons and even learnt how to draw a dog in art! Please remember we wear our joggers and hats on Fridays for infants sport, except for this Friday as we have Mid-term break. Have a great week! 😊

Miss Duiz
1D were lucky enough to go to the Kitchen last Friday. We had Nicola Lee from the AMS come in and help us make healthy fruit skewers and smoothies. This week we have our Personalised Learning Plan meetings and if you haven’t already can you please contact our office to make an appointment. Remember this week is our Mid-term break.

Stage 1 AP – Miss Bartley
Just a reminder that this week we have our Mid-term break, so no school on Friday 28th February and Monday 3rd March. Hope you all have a lovely break and remember to be back on Tuesday 4th March. Congratulations to all the new SRC members in stage 1. Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle to school during the hot weather.

AEO Caught Being Good Award

Shyaleigh Morris & George Milgate
Miss Mowbray
Welcome to Week 5! 2M Literacy class have been impressing me with their fantastic spelling and beautiful work during handwriting. 2M Numeracy were working very hard on multiplication and number patterns last week. 2M home class have worked so hard on their Australian themed artworks so please drop in and have a look. Have a safe and happy Mid Term Break! 😊

Stage 2 News

Mrs Gaukroger & Miss Clark
We had a great week in 2G! We learnt lots about Australia and used the SMARTboard to research our favourite places and places we would like to visit. Our classroom is a very busy place and beginning to look very colourful with our brilliant artworks. This week will be another spectacular week of learning. Please remember to come to school every day so you don’t miss out!

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Stage 2 News

Miss Pullman
Miss Pullman is so proud of the students in 2P. Their attendance has been fantastic with 100% on Tuesday! Well done. In literacy we have been exploring apostrophes and in numeracy we have been working on skip counting by 3’s. We all had a laugh when reading “Olga the Brolga” and our brolga artwork was just as much fun! I’m looking forward to another fab week!

Stage 2 – Mrs Gaukroger
The Peer Mediators will start their new playground roster this week. Students will be able to identify them by their yellow vests. Peer Mediators can assist students by helping them talk through problems they may be having with their friends, helping them initiate new games and modelling how to be a Safe Proud and Respectful student on the playground.

PBL- Week 5 – Proud Top Playground

Stage 3 News

Miss Dorrington
Last week we worked on learning maths facts and also telling the time correctly. In literacy we have written some fantastic stories modelled on the ‘Big Friendly Giant’. In home class during theme, we have been labelling the layers of the rainforest. We have also been working on x-country running skills ready for x-country next term.

Mr Porter
Congratulations to the entire class on our attendance encouragement award last week. Within our literacy class we are really enjoying our unit on ‘The Twits’ and love hearing all the different tricks Mr and Mrs Twit play on each other. Our Peer mediators will start this week please check the roster to see who is rostered on this week.

Mrs Douglas
Everything has begun to run like clockwork in 3S. Reading groups are running very smoothly and students enjoy engaging in bi-weekly comprehension activities. On Wednesdays after lunchtime, 3S welcomes KH to the classroom to participate in some modelled and shared reading activities. As usual, everyone has made an outstanding effort in maths this week and good progress has been made. Congratulations to all those who proudly represented BPS at the District swimming carnival.

Stage 3 AP – Miss Griffiths
This week is going to be a huge week in our kitchen and garden. Stage 3 students will be watering, weeding, planting, harvesting and organising some new seedlings. Our chooks and ducks are very happy at the moment and we are getting lots of eggs. Have a great week everyone!
**LC and MC News**

**Miss Nixon**
What a busy week the MC had last week! We enjoyed completing our new literacy, numeracy and interactive smartboard activities. On Friday we loved practising our balancing skills during sport. Don’t forget our Mid-term break this Friday.

Have a lovely week!

**Ms Topalov**
Well done to all those that competed in the District Carnival. During the week we will be discussing how didgeridoos are made and making decisions on our designs. This weekend is our Mid-term break so school will be closed on Friday and Monday. We are working towards getting 100% attendance. Have a great week.

**Early Years Transition Centre News**

**Miss Bradley**
The EYTC had a great 2nd week! We have been having lots of fun in our classroom and starting to learn some new fantastic skills. We had a few visitors last week even one of our locals who came in and showed us how to play a didgeridoo. Please remember there will be no EYTC on Monday 3rd June, due to the Mid-term break.

**Instructional Leader News**

**Mrs Roe**
Reading every night with your children is vital to developing their literacy skills. Encourage your children to read aloud at home, and talk to a family member about what they have read. Visit the school library or local library and choose books together to read each week or fortnight.

**District Swimming Carnival Champions**

**Jnr Boy**
- Champion - Bradley Parnaby
- Runner up – Hunter Flick

**Jnr Girl**
- Champion - Grace Milgate (equal)
- Champion – Claire Hand (equal)

**11Yr Boy**
- Champions - Charles Mort
- Runner up – Mitchell Harvey

**11Yr Girls**
- Champion – Xanthe Eyre
- Runner up – Tara Brookman

**Snr Boy**
- Champion - Barney Mort
- Runner up – Jack Pagett

**Snr Girl**
- Champion - Lekeishia Orcher
- Runner up – Tiana Edwards

**Bluey Star of the Week**
LC - Mervyn Powell
2M- Karen Vincent
2P- Taylah Reid
2G- Bailey Harrod
3D- Andi Ibbotson
3P- Kiara Thompson
3S- Myah-Rose Driscoll