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Message from the Principal's Desk

As the term comes to an end and we prepare for the school holidays, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all families, staff and students for their support and commitment towards working together to make Barmedman Public School the best it can be. After the break, Mrs Jane Hopper will be the Relieving Principal as I take a new position at Tallimba Public School. Mrs Hopper is an experienced colleague within our network and has been for a visit to the school for a meet and greet. I wish her all the best for a wonderful time of leading and thriving at Barmedman. Regarding staffing news, I am also pleased to congratulate Mrs Emma McGee on her appointment to the Assistant Principal, Curriculum and Instruction position one day per week.

AFL has been our sport of choice for the last five weeks and this has seen all students build their skills in kicking, handballing and marking. Also, in the field of sport, Khloe Byrnes proudly attended a Multi-Sport Day at Wagga Wagga. This opportunity allowed her to try a game called Pickle Ball, a cross between tennis and squash, wheelchair NRL, netball and cricket.

Teachers have continued to collaborate and engage with professional learning which has led to an increased focus on explicit teaching strategies. This work will be at the forefront of the first day back at school next term, which is Monday the 22nd of July for staff. Students return on Tuesday the 23rd.

Reports have been sent home and include student attendance, whole school activities, social development and commitment to learning, an A-E grading scale and a comment for each learning area. Parents are encouraged and always welcome to discuss student achievement with teachers at any time.

Mrs Mason returned this term for another creative day of music as did Sally from Lake Cowal Conservation Centre for a hands-on day of experimenting. These days support students in reinforcing skills from daily classroom lessons and provide them with unique opportunities that encourage exploration and a deeper understanding of the subjects they study.

Parents of students from Years 3-6 are asked to save the date for an excursion to Canberra in Term 4 from Monday the 4th to Friday the 8th of November. Planning with other similar sized schools is in place, and more details will follow soon.

Students will travel to West Wyalong this Friday the 5th of July to participate in a combined schools NAIDOC Day. This event will run for the entire day offering a chance for students to connect with peers and learn about Aboriginal traditions and culture. On Saturday the 13th of July, there is a community event at Wyalong from 3pm to 8pm. See flyer attached.

I hope everyone has a restful and enjoyable holiday break. It has been a privilege to teach and lead at Barmedman Public school this year and I wish everyone within the school community all the very best for the future.

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CALENDAR	
TERM 3	
Monday 22 nd July	Term 3 Begins for Staff
Tuesday 23 rd July	Term 3 Begins for Students
Mon 5 th - Fri 9 th August	Education Week
Friday 6 th September	Meerkats Productions – CBCA Book Week Performance TWPS
Friday 20 th September	Science Day with Sally
Friday 27 th September	Emergency Services Open Day at WWPS

PUMPKIN SOUP

The students took great pride in harvesting butternut pumpkins from the garden. We had so many that each family was able to take one home. We made a delicious pumpkin soup for lunch with some crusty bread rolls. We loved it!







Lachlan at Aerospace Camp, West Wyalong





Vegetable Garden







This term, Miss Annette and the children decided that we would plant vegetables in the spring. We had a garden working bee and we cleaned the garden area. We pulled out weeds, we cleaned the chicken coop and put the chicken manure on the garden. We added sand to the carrot bed and we planted out some carrot seedlings. Carrots can grow in winter. In spring, we are going to plant lots more seedlings and seeds to produce food for the chickens and for us!

Last Thursday, Miss Sally came to our school. She comes to do fun science activities with us. This term, we have been learning about chemical science and Miss Sally brought lots of materials with her to do experiments. Tahana: We made ice cream. We used ice, cream and milk. We put it in a little bag, we put the little bag inside a big bag with ice cubes and salt. We shook it for a long time and guess what? The ingredients turned into a SOLID ICE CREAM! We ate it and it was very creamy. Alirrah: We put some bi-carb soda in a balloon and vinegar in a bottle. Then we put a balloon over the top of the bottle. When we mixed the two ingredients together, it made gas and inflated the balloon. Khloe: We cooked marshmallows over a flame. It melted a bit and some of them burnt. We ate them. They were delicious.

Science Day with Sally Russell





Lacrosse & AFL











Khloe at Multi-Sport Day





