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Principal's Message

Dear parents/ carers,

**Correction- Last newsletter I reported that Lexii was 3rd in the Humorous Poem competition at the Narrabri Eisteddfod when in fact she came 2nd. Well done Lexii and sorry for the misprint.*

Welcome to term 3. I trust you had a relaxing, enjoyable holiday with family and friends. The students (and teachers 😊) have come back looking happy and relaxed, ready to learn and grow together.

We are on level 2 COVID restrictions until at least 31 July as set out by the Department of Education. For us this means, Non-essential visitors not allowed on-site (including parents and carers), Mask wearing recommendations, Staff identified as vulnerable supported to work from home, Activities such as singing, chanting, choirs, bands and school performances allowed in outdoor settings only, Assemblies must have COVID-Safe practices in place and no parents/ carers are allowed, Excursions within Local Government Area only, and strongly recommended to be outdoors and within walking distance.

Our 6 Ways Carnival has been postponed.

It is being rescheduled. Once a new date is finalised, I will let you know. We look forward to welcoming everyone back onsite as soon as we can. Keep an eye on our Facebook page and website where we hope to share what our students are doing with photos and stories.

I have started asking for quotes to update our irrigation system. The works will involve digging a trench from the town water access point on our oval, installing a water tank to store water for irrigation, laying new sprinkler system and levelling then seeding the oval to prevent deep pooling of water in certain sections. I am sure you will all agree it is essential work to try and provide a playground that all students can use effectively now and into the future. It is hoped this new system will maintain our grounds through drought.

There was an excellent response to the invitation to attend our First Aid course on Monday. 14 Staff and community members spent the whole day learning how to perform CPR, administer an epipen and general first aid. It is reassuring to have so many community members able to administer first aid effectively.

Last term Mrs Shearer planned Quad Sports to a tee- including the weather. It was a bit touch and go for a while, but the rain held off and we had a truly fantastic day competing with our local friends. Congratulations to everyone who competed and big thanks to Mrs Shearer and all staff who worked hard to make sure the day ran smoothly. You were wonderful ambassadors for our school. There are lots of photos on our Facebook page and Website.

Miss Brown's Years 5/6 students participated in a two day STEAM excursion at Burren Junction Public School at the end of Term 3. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves and learnt new skills. The focus of the excursion was to build students problem solving, critical and creative

thinking and collaboration skills through a variety of hands on activities. A favourite was attempting to get a billy off the top of a bucket while standing outside a circle with different materials such as rope, a bucket and a peg. Ivy Shearer was asked her favourite part of the two days... "My favourite activity was creating a circuit to create a Morse code message." Many thanks to Miss Brown for organising.

K/1 enjoyed learning about the letter 'p' with **py**jama wearers, **p**rincesses, **p**irates and **p**loughers enjoying **p**opcorn and **p**laydough- **p**hew! Even the **p**rincipal wore **p**yjamas (with **p**ockets!) for **p**art of the day! Thanks for the fun Mrs Cameron

The Fundraiser flyer at the end of our newsletter has details about a fun filled way you could support our school. B&W Colly are organising a charity golf day which supports our school as well as other local organisations. Thanks in advance to all who attend and to those organising.

I will keep you up to date with any changes to our COVID status them via text message. Please let me know if you have not been receiving my weekly text messages and I will ensure I make contact.

We warmly welcome the Wilkinson family to our school. Isabella is in K/1 and little sister Holly has already started in the preschool. We hope the whole family enjoy living and learning in Rowena and that you know if you ever need anything, there are lots of people ready to help.

Bec will be starting Running Club again on Monday and Friday of Week 3.

Here's to a great term 3.

Take care

Jo Glazebrook
Principal

Quad Sports



A huge team effort saw Rowena take out the tug-o-war



A fun day was had by all

STEAM activities at Burren Junction PS





Lego Masters on the last day of term.
Jack's pirateship was voted the winner by K/ 1





10th ANNUAL B&W RURAL COLLARENEBRI INVITATIONAL CHARITY GOLF DAY

When: Friday 30th July

Where: Collarenebri Golf Course

What: 9 Hole Ambrose
Register at 10 am
Shotgun Start

Prizes for:
1st, 2nd, 3rd, Bradman's
Longest Drive
Shortest Drive
Straightest Drive
Nearest the Pin
Opposite hand Putt
Raffles

\$50 entry per person

Places limited.

BYO Clubs

Food & Beverages Provided, Bus will run between Moree & Collarenebri

B&W Colly: 0267562252 or Ben: 0429120706

Money raised donated to the Collarenebri Hospital Auxiliary, Rowena Public School & Collarenebri Bulldogs RLFC

