Dear Parents,

There have been a number of emails over the last term about the new and improved online system that all schools will be transitioning to later this school year. Our transition to LearnLink will see us receiving new and improved online tools for communication and also learning for staff and students. The new service will also see staff and students have:

- New e-mail addresses.
- A place to share information and store documents.
- A way to collaborate in groups.
- Greater flexibility in filtering access to internet content based on year levels.

Our scheduled transition is planned for November.

Monday Crafts with Erin.
Pet Day.
Assembly – 2.30pm.
Science Week.
Monday Crafts with Erin.
Pottery with Erin.
Newsletter goes home.
Book week.
Mr Featherston visiting Mr Hanna.
Pottery with Erin.
Visit Barmera Primary School for Environmental Expo.
Splash Theatre performance at Glossop Primary School.
SA Water presentation – ‘Slippery Stuff’ at Riverland Special School, Berri.

VALUES: Respect, Honesty, Caring, Cooperation, Responsibility, Self Discipline

**CURRENT FOCUS VALUE**

**Responsibility**

Each year, DECD schools are required to report on the satisfaction of their three client groups—staff, students and parent by way of surveys. All staff members are required to complete the survey online.

A random sample of students and parents are asked to complete the survey either online or on paper. If you have been selected to participate, a letter outlining the survey and instructions for completing it have been sent home with this newsletter. If you are unable to complete the survey online, please come and see Brigit or myself. We have paper copies of the survey available for you.

THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO COMPLETE THE SURVEY, as the feedback received from each of the three groups is valuable and important for future school planning.
GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING
We have had to reschedule our first Governing Council meeting for this term again, with the meeting planned for next Tuesday, 7th August at 3.15pm.

NATIONAL TREE DAY
Last Friday, we planted a total of 26 native plants, (Sennas, Acacias and Melaluecas) around the school yard. Some of these have been planted near drippers and sprinklers, but some will need to be hand watered.
This is a small way that we can impress upon the students the importance of looking after and caring for the plants, which ties in nicely with our school value of responsibility. If all students could please bring an empty 2 or 3 litre plastic bottle, we will use these to water the plants regularly over the next few months.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
Our first Assembly for this term is planned for next Wednesday, 8th August at 2.30pm. We have a number of awards to present to deserving students and we would welcome your attendance.

HOME READING AND PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE
I have checked student home reading folders this week. I would really like to see all students being included in the Home Reading reward at the end of the first five weeks of the term from having read at least 20 nights.
For those students still working on completing the Premier’s Reading Challenge, there are now only 5 weeks left. Keep up the great reading effort to complete the challenge.
To support our Healthy Eating program can you please make sure that your child brings a water bottle and a healthy snack for our 10.00am Healthy Eating break.

REGARDS
Rod ☺

S.R.C. NEWS
PET DAY:
Next Tuesday we will be holding Pet Day. Please bring your pet to school with you. You will have a chance to show off your pet and show us any tricks it may do. Please make sure your pet/dog is on a leash. All animals should be kept under control.
ALL PETS MUST BE PICKED UP FROM SCHOOL BY 9.30am.

WHEEL’S DAY:
Tuesday, 4th September we will be holding a Wheel’s Day. You can bring your bike or scooter and ride a track the SRC will make up on the turf.
ALL BIKES AND SCOOTERS MUST HAVE WORKING BRAKES AND YOU MUST WEAR A HELMET.

FOOTY COLOURS DAY:
Wednesday, 12th September we will be having our Footy Colours Day. Come to school wearing your favourite sporting team’s colours. For participating we are asking you to donate a gold coin which will be sent to the Cancer Foundation.

END OF TERM TREAT:
Thursday 20th September will be our PJ, Disco, Movie and popcorn day. More information will follow.
Next week Mel will be offering Lasagne and salad. Please make sure your order form with money is in the plastic money bag that was supplied in your newsletter envelope and is given to Brigit by **Tuesday** morning.

**Sorry, we can’t take any late orders.** Tuck Shop will be held each week either on a Tuesday or Wednesday. Please check the lunch order each week.

I am available for a **Coffee and Chat** with parents each **Monday morning** between 9:30 – 10:30am. This is open to anyone who might need a listening ear or a laugh… or you may just be looking for coffee! Whatever your reason, I’d love to catch up with you!

Here’s a thought for you, and your child: *Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm.* ~ Ralph Waldo Emerson.

I hope you have a great week and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Love, Erin

**Student of the week awards**

Joe (week 1)
Jessica (week 2)

**JOKE CORNER**

What vegetable do you get when King Kong walks through your garden?

Squash

By Joe

**Birthday wishes go to:**

5th August – Mrs Dunk
14th August – Mrs Nettle