Dear Parents,

Since our last newsletter, there have been a lot of activities happening that the children have been involved in. I would like to congratulate the Junior Primary class who presented some great items last Tuesday at the Cobdogla School Dress-up Parade and Assembly for Book Week. Despite being nervous about performing in front of a much bigger audience, Joe, Jessica, Madison and Letesha presented their items very well.

Later that day, all the students visited the Barmera Library as part of Book Week celebrations. We have also attended the performance of I, Bunyip at the Chaffey Theatre and on Tuesday this week, Mrs Nettle and the Junior Primary class went to the Chaffey Theatre to see the Patch Theatre performance.

Today, we took the students to the Barmera School to see the Environmental Expo.

Next Friday September the 7th, the students will go to the Riverland Special School to see a presentation by S.A. Water called Slippery Stuff.

Participating in these excursions and performance has seen us out of the school a number of times this term. However, I see the learning and socialising that occurs for the children on these occasions as being very important, especially in our small school environment. I would also like to point out that Jo, Sue and I do lesson preparation with the students prior to attending any such performances, as well as follow up work on returning to school.
There are consent forms at the end of the newsletter for both performances. I would like to acknowledge and thank Sue, Jo, Gaynor and Brigit for providing transport for the children.

CONGRATULATIONS MRS TRIMPER

Last Friday, Mrs Trimper visited us and spent the afternoon here. I would like to congratulate Mrs Trimper on achieving her milestone of 650 games of Hockey. The commitment and dedication that is required to achieve such a milestone deserves a special mention.
Well done Mrs Trimper.

😊 THANK YOU ERIN 😊

A special thank you to Erin, who has been offering some craft activities during lunchtimes on her days here. The children have enjoyed bead making, tomboy stitch and knitting and are learning new skills. Thanks Erin for your support.

SCHOOL VEGETABLE GARDEN

Please come and look at our vegetable garden, with all vegetables growing well. Our mini hot house has resulted in beans starting to grow. We will be able to pick spinach leaves very soon. I also plan to plant tomatoes, cucumbers and zucchini before the end of the term.

This week we spent time watering our trees that we planted for National Trees for Schools Day. This will be an ongoing commitment as the weather warms up.

SCHOOL HATS

Thank you to those students who have brought hats back to school to start wearing again with the onset of warmer weather. The expectation I have is that we will all be wearing hats each day before the end of the term, which will require hats to be left at school each day.

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to Joel and Jessica who have completed the challenge. There is one week remaining. We now have five students who have completed the challenge and three that have 1 or 2 books to read before next Friday. Our goal has always been to have 100% participation.
Well done for the great reading and keep up the Home Reading.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Karen Jericho will be taking our photos this year. They will be taken on Wednesday 12th of September. We are asking everyone to wear school uniform.

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

WHEEL’S DAY:
On Tuesday 4th of September we will be having a Wheel’s Day. Please bring your scooter or bike to school. We will be riding them during recess and lunch. The SRC will be making up a course on the turf for us to ride on. **Bikes or scooters must have working brakes and you must have a helmet.**
We will be selling 'Fruit Juicies' at lunch time for 50c.
Next week Brigit will be offering Home Made Sausage Rolls with a juice. 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.

Hi everyone,

I hope you are well. Once again time is flying and we are coming close to the end of another term.

Monday Crafts has been going well, with the students making beaded bracelets, knitting and tom-boy stitch. They have created some wonderful pieces! The children have also been making pottery with me on Wednesday afternoons and I have been impressed by their imagination and enthusiasm.

Sunday is Father’s Day! While it is good to show our dads how much we appreciate them anytime, it is nice to have an excuse to tell them again. I asked the students at Loveday to share what they love about their dad:

- **Maddy**
  I love my dad because he brings Charlies Juice for me and Joe to drink and he brings us oranges.

- **Jessica**
  I love my dad. He sometimes takes me to Monash playground and I get to play there all day.

- **Letesha**
  I love my dad because he has a good job and he’s good at everything.

- **Jamie**
  I love my dad because he brings me lots of toys. He is a very nice dad.

- **Joe**
  I love my dad because he brings me laughter. He buys me toys and clothes. He tries to make me a good son because he loves me.

- **Joel**
  He helps me around the house.

- **Brittany**

I hope you have a Happy Father’s Day!

Don’t forget if you would like to have a coffee and a chat I am available on Mondays between 9:30 & 10:30am. I would love to catch up.

Enjoy the rest of your week.

Love, Erin ☺

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**COLES AND WOOLWORTHS INCENTIVES FOR SCHOOLS**

Both the Coles and Woolworths vouchers and sticker collections have finished. For a small school, we have built up many completed sticker sheets and a bag full of vouchers.

Thank you for your support. We have been thrilled with the support from community members, many of whom have supported the school even though they are not directly involved. This sense of community spirit is always welcomed and appreciated. Thank you.

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**Student of the week awards**

Congratulations to Joel for an improved application and effort to complete the Premier’s Reading Challenge.

Joe (week 6)

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**Congratulations to the students who received a Mathletics Award**

Bronze

Madison  Joe  Letesha  Joel

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**JOKE CORNER**

Policeman: We’re looking for a man with one leg called Jones.

Reporter: What’s the other leg called?

By Joel
Community News

COBDIGLA TENNIS CLUB
Family Day and Registration Day.
Family day for Juniors and Seniors will be held on Sunday 9th of September from 3pm with a sausage sizzle at 5.00pm. Will be coaching for juniors, games and a chance to register for the year. Practice for Saturday morning juniors will be held on Thursday nights – 4.00pm, September 13th and 20th. Sub juniors will commence after holidays. Seniors from 5.15pm on Thursday nights.

AGM – Wednesday 5th September – Cobdogla Club at 7.00pm

BRAVE PROGRAMME
A team of researchers (the BRAVE Team) at Griffith University and the University of Queensland is investigating internet-based programs for children suffering from social anxiety. Social Anxiety is extreme shyness, or fear of speaking or performing in front of others. The BRAVE Team is seeking children aged between 8 and 12 years to take part in an internet-based treatment study.

The treatment program involves 12 online sessions for children and 8 online sessions for parents, which each session taking approximately an hour to complete. Families are charged a one-off fee of $120 to assist in covering treatment costs. Families will also be asked to complete questionnaires and telephone interviews, but will receive a rebate of $25 in vouchers each time they complete a post-treatment assessment.

For more information contact the BRAVE Team:
Phone: (07) 3735 3312
Email: brave@psy.edu.au
Website: www.exp.psy.uq.edu.au/socialanxiety

BERRI SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC
Please note the change to opening times from the week beginning Monday Sept 3rd, 2012. The clinic’s telephone answering service and door notices will also reflect this information.

The clinic will be OPEN on the following days – Every Monday, Every Tuesday, alternate Thursdays & Every Friday. Closed Wednesdays and the alternating Thursday.

“Ad hoc” short notice or short term closures will be notified via messages on our answering service and clinic door.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS FOR WHEN THE CLINIC IS CLOSED
Urgent Emergencies on Wednesdays & the alternate Thursdays please call either—
Renmark School Dental Clinic on 85866403 or
Loxton School Dental Clinic on 85847014.

Please leave all non urgent calls or appointment making until a day that the clinic is open. The clinics noted above are able to assist with emergencies only.

Thank you. Heather Isaacson Ph: 85414179

RYT AT THE RIVERLAND FIELD DAYS
Riverland Youth Theatre is looking for a roving interview team to interview the general public about their experience of the Riverland Field Days on September 19 and 20.

We are looking for camera persons and journalists to volunteer an hour of their time (or more) between 10am and 4pm. Young people will be supervised by RYT staff and will have the opportunity to feature in future Riverland Field days promotions. Come dressed as your ideal journalist (moustaches provided).

Contact RYT on 08 85863437 or email admin@ryt.org.au to register your interest or for more information.

ADULT LEARNERS’ WEEK 1st – 8th Sept
Adult Learners’ Week celebrates and inspires learning from the fun to the formal.

Where – Barmera Library
Tuesday 4th September, 2.30pm – Tai Chi with Abbie.
Thursday 6th, 1.00pm – Mosaics with Helen

For more information contact the Barmera Library

We visited the Barmera Library during Book Week.

Look what we made ☺