Principal’s Patter:

Students have begun school this year with a great deal of enthusiasm, despite the hot weather. It has been wonderful to see everyone neat and tidy in their uniforms, and remembering to wear their hats to keep themselves protected from the sun. Thank you to parents for your support with this. I would like to acknowledge the efforts of Roslyn Moulton from the P&C for all her work last year in ensuring that the uniform shop is well stocked, and Kerry-Anne Doyle for taking over as uniform co-ordinator and for making time to open the uniform shop for parents who might need to purchase new uniforms to start off the term.

Congratulations to our new Student Councillors and Faction Captains. They will be a real asset to the school, and will provide leadership for their peers and strong support to the school community. We are lucky to have such a terrific bunch of motivated and responsible students taking the helm this year. Mrs Kellie Shaw will be co-ordinating the Student Council and Faction Captains in 2015, as well as leading our choir. We appreciate her dedication.

I would also like to congratulate our first official cohort of Year Seven secondary students. I have been impressed with how quickly they have learned to manage the demands of their new timetables. The Year Sixes are now the heads of our Primary School, and have also taken on their new roles with a great deal of assurance. They are already proving to be strong role models for the younger primary school students, and I look forward to observing their progress this year.

Swimming lessons have begun smoothly - thanks to parents and carers for helping students to remember their bathers, towels and sunscreen. Mrs Murray has done a wonderful job co-ordinating the lessons despite the challenge of finding swimming teachers and timetabling lessons to minimise disruptions to learning. We are lucky to have such an outstanding facility as the Beverley Aquatic Centre right across the road from our school.

A couple of reminders about things we don’t want to see at school:

- Mobile phones and electronic devices should remain at home. Parents will need to collect these items from my office if they have been brought to school and teachers have had to ask students to relinquish them.
- Fighting, rough play, swearing and bullying are never permitted at school. Students who fail to follow the school rules in these areas will be managed according to the school’s behaviour management policy, and may have their play and socialisation privileges revoked.

Mr Ireland reports that he enjoyed a wonderful trip to Germany with his wife last term, and that he is looking forward to slowing down and easing into retirement at the end of his period of leave. He will be returning to Beverley a little later in the term to enjoy a special good-bye function with the school community. The process of appointing a new permanent Principal to Beverley DHS will begin in due course but, in the meantime, Mrs Murray and I will continue in our current roles.

On a final note, I would like to thank parents who have already contacted me or their child’s class teacher to discuss their child’s needs or any concerns they might have about school programs or other issues. It is these open communications that build partnerships between schools and families in the best interests of children’s wellbeing and their learning.

Wendy Moore
Acting Principal

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The Deputy's Dialect

What a wonderful (but very hot!!!) start to Term 1 we are having!! It is so wonderful to see everyone enjoying their new classrooms and teachers.

**New Teaching Staff**
I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new staff Mrs Jane Putrino (Year 2 teacher) and Mrs Romola Brennan (Year 2 and Music Specialist). We have had many structural changes to our teaching and learning approach and structure in the school this year, which has been an exciting change. I must commend our teachers on their enthusiasm and hard work in adapting to our new structure, it has been a fabulous start to the year.

**New Families**
I would also like to welcome all of the new families into our school community. There are many new families with children enrolling in Kindy and throughout the school. We encourage parent involvement and invite you to be a part of our P&C and KPP Committee. Through being a part of these committees you, together with our school and teachers, work toward a higher level of community involvement and standard of education in Beverley. Please contact the school on 96461165 for further information regarding the P&C.

The Kindy/Pre Primary Committee will be holding their AGM on Thursday the 26th February at 3.30pm in the Kindy Building. All Kindy and Pre Primary parents are requested to attend. Children can play in the playground at the Kindy during this time.

#### PEAC
Our PEAC students have attended their introductory PEAC session in Northam. They will be attending PEAC in Northam on Tuesdays, this term. Well done to these students on their selection and I hope you have a fantastic time. Thank you also to the parents who are making this possible by transporting students to and from Northam.

#### Faction Captains
Our Faction Captains have been elected by the factions. I was very impressed with some of the speeches that were very well prepared and thought out. Our Faction Captains are very busy leaders in our school. They provide many lunch and recess time activities for our students, by managing the sports equipment. They also have a leading role in any sporting event run in the school. Congratulations to our Captains on a great start to the term. Together with Mrs Shaw I’m sure you will achieve great things this year.

#### 2015 Country Schools Tennis Classic
We are looking to send a minimum of 3 teams to the 2015 Academy Plate on Thursday the 5th March held at Quairading Tennis Club. Students from Year 3 – 6 are able to attend try-outs on Friday lunch time with Mrs Shaw and myself. Students must be able to play tennis and to score a game in order to be placed in a team. These teams will be selected by Mrs Shaw and myself on Friday and parents will then be notified of the details.

#### Interm Swimming
What a great start to Interm Swimming! All students have been participating in swimming lessons this term and will continue to do so each day until the end of Week 3. Please make sure your child/ren have sunscreen on each day and if they have an asthma puffer they are required to take it with them.

#### Enrolment Details
There are various students at school that have asthma listed on their medical history/conditions section of their enrolment forms. Please clarify with our Front Office on 96461165 if they have a puffer to treat the asthma and if a medical action plan needs to be put in place. Students with asthma are required to bring their puffer to school and it is to be taken to all sporting events.

#### Swimming Carnival
Our Faction Swimming Carnival will be held on the 6th March at the Beverley Swimming Pool. I would like to encourage as many parents and grandparents as possible to come along and support our students in their races. I am also in need of helpers for the day. If you are able to assist please contact our Front Office on 96461165 or email me on aliesha.murray@education.wa.edu.au.

#### Piano Lessons
We are very fortunate to have Miss Amalia Croasdale doing private piano lessons on Fridays at Beverley. They are hugely popular, with 15 students attending lessons. If you have any queries regarding music lessons please contact Miss Croasdale on amalia.croasdale@education.wa.edu.au.

**Deputy’s Gag of The Week:**
Did you hear about the calendar thief? He got 12 months; they say his days are numbered

*Aliesha Murray*
*Acting Deputy Principal*
INVITATION TO ALL PARENTS

Our annual class meeting marathon will be held on Wednesday 18th February. All families are welcome. Class and subject teachers will provide information about routines, school programs and resources available to the students at Beverley District High School.

The Student Council will provide a sausage sizzle with a sausage in a bun available for a very reasonable $3.00. Coffee, tea, and fruit will be available free of charge in the library between 3pm and 5.30pm. Students will be able to watch a movie or play a quiet game in the library if they are waiting for their parents.

While you are at school, complete the Round the School Challenge with your family to be in the running to win an iPad mini. Collect your entry form at the office on your way in and leave completed forms in the library before 5.30pm.

Class meeting timetable:

- LSP and FIRST: 2.00 pm – 2.45 pm
- Pre-Primary: 2.45 – 3.15 pm
- Year One: 3.15 – 3.30 pm
- Year Two: 3.30 – 3.45 pm
- Year 3/4: 3.45 – 4.00 pm
- Year 4/5: 4.00 – 4.15 pm
- Year 6: 4.15 – 4.30 pm
- Secondary Mathematics/Numeracy: 4.30 – 4.45 pm
- Secondary Science: 4.45 – 5.00 pm
- Secondary English/Literacy: 5.00-5.15 pm
- School closes: 5.30 pm.

Open Rooms:

Science Lab, Computer Lab, Manual Arts Workshop, Library, Music Room, Art Room

Answer questions and collect your token at each of the open classrooms as well as at each child’s class/form room to be in the draw for the Round the School Challenge prize.

Information handouts will be provided on request to parents and caregivers who are not able to attend the class meeting afternoon.
Want to know about the OLNA?

Some students in Years 10 and 11 are about to sit the OLNA. You may have heard about it, but are not sure what it means to your child.

OLNA is the acronym for the Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment, which some students will use to demonstrate they have achieved the required standard of literacy and numeracy for their Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE). The School Curriculum and Standards Authority awards the WACE at the end of Year 12 to students who have met all the requirements. You can find more about the requirements on the Authority website at www.scsa.wa.edu.au.

Some students pre-qualify for the literacy and numeracy requirement through their performance in the Year 9 NAPLAN test. We will inform you whether your child needs to sit the OLNA, which is held in March and September each year, starting in Year 10. This means students will have up to six opportunities before the end of Year 12 to demonstrate the standard.

The OLNA has three components – reading, writing and numeracy. The reading and numeracy components comprise 60 multiple-choice questions; the writing component is an extended response of up to 600 words. Students are allowed 60 minutes for each assessment. The table below provides a quick guide to each component.

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To prepare our students for the sorts of questions they can expect and to familiarise them with the online assessment software, we will provide access to a practice test on a secure website.

For students with special needs, we have guidelines to help set the appropriate conditions for equal access.

If you want to know more, go to the School Curriculum and Standards Authority website at www.scsa.wa.edu.au and look under Senior Secondary > Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment. There you will find a lot more information, answers to frequently asked questions and a brief video. You can also send questions to olna@scsa.wa.edu.au.

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**School Sport WA – State School Sporting Teams**

Alex McLennan, the Tour Leader / Manager for the State Schoolboys 12s AFL Team, has contacted the school to inform our community of the trials for this year’s State Team which will take place during first term and the April School holidays.

Any student born in 2003 who may be interested in trialling for the state schoolboys AFL team (please note that only players turning 12 years of age in 2015 are eligible to nominate) can nominate for the trials through the School Sport WA website www.schoolsportwa.com.au. You need to locate the ‘Interstate’ menu button which is located at the top of the page. All relevant details can be found on this website.

This year’s team will be travelling to Geelong in Victoria from July 17th - 26th. The trial dates can be found on the School Sport WA website.

As a school we would like to support the sporting endeavours of our students so please contact Aliesha Murray on 96461165 to discuss any nominations. If you have any specific queries regarding the program you can contact Alex McLennan 9276 5832 or the School Sport WA office.

Please also be aware that School Sport WA sends teams interstate for other sports as well. If students are interested in trialling for these teams, simply follow the same process as above.
Welcome back to the start of a new year.

I am Helen Guinness your school’s Community Health Nurse. I would like to outline the health priorities in the school for the year. Our main areas are early intervention, health promotion and health expertise. We aim to promote healthy development and wellbeing to assist students to reach their full potential. We cover a large area across the Avon and Central Wheatbelt so you will not see us in the school every day; however we can be contacted at any time either by phone or email.

**Medical conditions**

Up to date immunisation, medical and address details are essential (this includes medications) so the school can care for your child appropriately and contact you should the need arise. The school should be aware of any medical conditions or changes in your child’s health status including severe allergies. If your child requires medication or treatment, including an epipen, you must notify the school/classroom teacher, so that a health care or action plan can be put into place. The beginning of each term is a good opportunity to ensure that your child’s school emergency medication (i.e. an asthma reliever or epipen) is **NOT EXPIRED**

**Immunisation**

Complete immunisation is a requirement for school entry. All children who have turned 4 should have had their 4 year old immunisations and a record provided to the school. If your child has not has their immunisations please make an appointment with your GP, or Beverley Health Service @ 9646 3200 as soon as possible. If you are unsure if your child needs further vaccinations ring the Australia Childhood Immunisation Register @ 1800 653 809. Any child that is not fully immunised can be excluded from school for a period of up to 2 weeks during a disease outbreak.

**School based immunisation program has moved to Year 8**

Please be assured that all children will be provided an opportunity to access the school based vaccines during the program. If you require any further information, please contact the Central Immunisation Clinic on 9321 1312 during office hours.

**Kindy Screening**

All new students in Kindy, PP or Year 1 that have not had a health assessment previously will be offered one, this includes a hearing and vision check. Referral to the appropriate health service can be arranged if required. If you receive a health assessment form will you please sign giving your consent for the assessment and return to school **ASAP**.

**Targeted Screening**

Any concerns about your child’s vision, hearing, speech, movement, behaviour, development, growth or weight can be investigated, with referral to the appropriate health service if required. Please discuss these concerns with your child’s teacher and he/she can assist you in putting in a referral to the school health nurse.

**Health Promotion**

As requested I can also provide the school community with information/education on growth and development, healthy eating, physical activity, hand washing, asthma and anaphylaxis information, parenting resources and anything related to Health.

**Please feel free to contact me at any time in regard to your child’s health needs.**

Helen Guinness Community Health Nurse @ York hospital. (Avon and Central Wheatbelt) Ph. 9641 0200 email Helen.Guinness@health.wa.gov.au
P&C News

We hope you had a safe and enjoyable holiday and are looking forward to a new and exciting year. The first P&C meeting for the year will be held in the school staff room on:

**Tuesday, 17th February at 7.30pm.**

We will be looking at the year ahead and considering the upcoming AGM. If you are interested in seeing the school be the best it can be please come on down and meet the friendly P&C team – we would love to see you there.

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**STUDENT LEADERS**

2015 Student Councillors

Samuel McLean
Declan Kilpatrick
Ebony Boyle

Billy Byworth
Joe Byworth
Michaela Quartermaine

2015 Faction Captains

Eyre
Jess Appelbee
Tim Appelbee

Dale
Caitlen Jones
Kelvin Quartermaine

Forrest
Ava Drew
Liam Gollan

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**P&G SWIMMING CARNIVAL**

This year our Faction Swimming Carnival will be held on **Friday 6th March.**

We are in need of helpers on the day of the carnival. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the office on 9646 1165 or return this slip below as soon as possible.

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Toodyay Ballet School

Are now taking enrolments for
2015 in Beverley!!
Ages from 2 years and up!
Offering classes in Classical ballet, Jazz and Acrobatics

Contact Lani or Lauren via email if you are interested and would like an enrolment form
Lani- lanimc@bigpond.com
Lauren- lauren@farmingsmart.com.au

Beverley Playgroup Inc.

Starts Thursday 5 February
From 9.30 AM
At the Amenities Building
(Beverley Oval)

All children 0-4 years old and their carers welcome
Bring a hat, sunscreen and a piece of fruit to share

New venue

Yearly fees (one off):
- normal $30 insurance + $5 rental contribution
- concession card holders $15 insurance + $5 rental contribution

Weekly fee: $4 / family

More info contact Hollie 0409 299 089