Principal’s Note
Welcome back to what I’m sure will be an action packed term for our students and to the newsletter for week 1. I hope you have all had a lovely two week break and managed to spend time with family and friends.

This term there are so many wonderful things planned for our students and I know they will be working hard. Our overarching theme for the term is bushfires—a timely reminder for everyone. Students will focus their Literacy, Geography, History and Art activities around the theme and we will be visited by the RFS a little later in the term (with the fire truck).

This term will also see the Cooee marchers stop at our school for lunch on their way through to Sydney. Read the snippet for more information.

Students will also be attending the combined small schools camp at Lake Burrendong next month. Preparations for the excursion are well underway and numbers will be finalised this week.

As the weather warms up, so does our focus on students wearing hats whilst outside. Lue PS is a ‘sunsmart’ school and we are proactive in ensuring your children are safe and protected.

We will be looking forward to staff from Bunnings joining us once again in the coming weeks to work with students to plant a range of donated seedlings in the vegie garden. Once the date is finalised, it will appear on the term calendar.

Caron McDonald (Relieving Principal)
Lue Public School

Kookaburra Cooee March
The Cooee’s will be in Lue on Friday 6th November & will have lunch & a service at the school. All are welcome to come & join in on this special occasion.

“The planned 2015 re-enactment commemorating the 1915 recruitment march is significant therefore to every community in which the march stopped, to remember all of the young men who stepped into the ranks of the “Coo-ees” following the recruiting speeches and calls of “Who will join us?”, and the support that their local community provided during the march.”

MSSN Combined Camp
Lake Burrendong Sport & Recreation Centre
Final preparations are underway for this year’s combined camp excursion. Thank you to those parents who have already made payments in part or full. If you still have some payments to make, could you send them into school by the end of October please. Remember, attendance at the school camp is dependant upon satisfactory behaviour at school. If a student is not following directions at school then they will not be permitted to attend. Final numbers need to be sent to the organisers by the end of this week so please let us know if your child will not be attending. A note will be sent home tomorrow.

Lue PS uniforms, hats and drink bottles
With the warmer weather, it is even more important than ever for your child to be fully protected from the sun when outside during recess, lunch and sport. During recess and lunch we will operate a ‘no hat, play in the shade’ policy. There are a small number of spare hats at school which your child will be offered if they forget to bring theirs. Please work with your child and try to encourage them to make sure there is a hat (not a cap—they offer no protection to the ears) in their bag each day. As the Lue PS hats are all the same it is important that your child’s hat is clearly labelled with their name.

While we provide plastic cups and water for students to have freely during the day, it can be disruptive during the lessons if they need to keep popping out to get a drink. If they have a refillable drink bottle on their desk, they can sip away during class time and stay hydrated without disturbing the lesson. Please try to provide a suitable labelled bottle for your child.

P&C News
The next meeting of the P&C will take place on Wednesday of week 3 (21st October). We look forward to seeing you all there!
**Computer based learning at home**

We have provided funding to enable students to access to two online programs which support their learning at school.

**Reading Eggs** supports reading, spelling and comprehension. Students access a range of games and activities, including a large library of digital reading books. When they complete an activity or read a book they earn points and golden eggs which they can trade for virtual items.

**Mathletics** supports mathematics skills in all areas of the subject. Each week, the teacher sets challenges from the focus area being studied and, again, students acquire points towards certificates and virtual items. With Mathletics, they can even compete live against students from all over the world.

While we all know that too much time in front of the computer is not good for our children, we can make the time they do spend, productive as well as being fun.

Your child has a personal log in code for each program and they are available to access at home as well as at school but you do need to have an internet connection.

Your child’s personal log in details are attached to this newsletter.

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**Oskar Sander**

Oskar has continued to work hard in class. Well done, Oskar!

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**Important Dates October/November 2015**

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