Welcome back to Term 3, I hope everyone had a restful break. This is yet another busy term with Heferen Shield, a musical performance and our excursion to Dubbo, to name a few events that are coming up. We will also start Kindergarten transition in Week 3, so if you know of any parents who are looking to send their children to Kindergarten next year please ask them to contact the school so an information pack can be sent out.

An extra special Bullarah thank you must go to Simon Upton who kindly donated bales of hay to the school. Gary used these bales to mulch the gardens at the front of the school. This is a kind gesture that is greatly appreciated.

I wish to congratulate all students who participated in Quad Sports at the end of last term. Our children smiled, tried their hardest and displayed exemplary manners at all times. Congratulations go to Jock - Senior Boys Champion, and Troija - 11yrs Girls Runner-up. I am awaiting results from the day so that I can send in our nominations for Heferen Shield (Friday 24th July) and send home permission notes to the appropriate students. Thank you to all Bullarah Parents (and ex-students) who helped out on the day. I believe as a school we certainly helped with the smooth running of many of the events, not just the one we were assigned to.

QUAD SPORTS CARNIVAL
Curriculum highlights for Term 3 will include an English Unit – “The Circus Comes to Town”, where the students will be writing reviews and discussing the pros and cons of keeping animals in a circus and a zoo. With most sporting events behind us, this term we will be focusing on the Personal Development and Health sides of the PD/H/PE syllabus. In PD we will concentrate on bullying – what it looks like and what we can do about it. The Department of Education has a “Bullying: Preventing and Responding to Bullying in Schools Policy” which states:

1.1 The NSW Department of Education and Communities rejects all forms of bullying. No student, employee, parent, caregiver or community member should experience bullying within the learning or working environments of the Department.

3.2 Schools exist in a society where incidents of bullying behaviour may occur. Preventing and responding to bullying behaviour in learning and working environments is a shared responsibility of all departmental staff, students, parents, caregivers and members of the wider school community.

3.3 All members of the school community contribute to the prevention of bullying by modelling and promoting appropriate behaviour and respectful relationships.

As a follow up to Healthy Harold’s visit last term Primary students will be investigating the unit “On the Case” which deals with smoking, and the infants students will look at “Harold’s Mystery Tour”. The children enjoyed the Healthy Harold visit and Ruth –Life Ed teacher commented on how well behaved the students were.

**SCENES FROM HEALTHY HAROLD**
Another highlight from the end of Term 2 was the **Heave Ho Off We Go** show. This ventriloquist magic show had all children enthralled – from Mobile Pre School to Year 6. After the show the students discussed their favourite magic tricks and how they thought he did them.

My favourite character was Magic Alan. I really liked when Captain Hook drew a face and made it start talking. I think he slid his hand on the back of the board to make it move its mouth and eyes. I think there was a button on the back of the board to make the front of the face speak. **Tanniah.**

My favourite character of the Heave Ho Off We Go show was Magic Alan. My favourite magic trick was the face that came alive, his name was Mark. I think he used little tags at the back of the white board to make him move. **Shane.**

My favourite character was Magic Alan, I really liked him. My favourite magic trick was when he drew a person on a white board and it could talk. **Jaele.**

My Favourite character was Magic Alan. My favourite trick was when he made fire. I think he had oil on his hand and a lighter in his other hand. He had two hands and pulled the other hand with the lighter away. **Hamish.**

My Favourite character was Magic Alan because he was funny and I really liked his tricks. My favourite magic trick was where he made the bird come out of a bunch of rainbow streamers. I think the bird was wrapped up in the rainbow streamers and when he pulled the string the bird flew out. **Troija.**

I liked Magic Alan because he pulled a bird out of ribbons. My favourite trick was when there was a dead bird and he made it alive again. It was on a box and he turned a special plate and then it turned real. **Ashja.**

I liked Captain Hook. My favourite magic trick was the drawing of Mark, it came alive. When Mark came alive he could talk. **Jenson.**

My favourite character was Magic Alan because he did some really cool bird tricks. My favourite trick was when Paul the dove came out of the book while Magic Alan was reading it. He was reading us “Two Little Dicky Birds”. I think there is a hole at the back of the book and he had the bird with him and he put it through the hole and opened the book up. **Maddison.**

My favourite character was Magic Alan because the fire and bird tricks were really cool! My favourite magic trick was the bird that was dead and it just popped up alive. I think the way he did it was he heated the hot plate it was laying on which made the bird wake up. **Jack.**

My favourite character was Magic Alan because he tried to prove that he was better than Captain Hook. My favourite trick was where the dove came out of the book. I think there was a little door for the dove to go through and to make it look like he came alive from the pictures. When he kept opening and closing the book, then the dove came out of the book. **Nicole.**

Magic Alan was my favourite character because he did better tricks (but both were great!). My favourite trick was all of the bird tricks. One came out of a balloon, one came out of a book, one came out of rainbow streamers and one came from somewhere! I don’t know how he did it and it makes me angry! **Jock.**

I really liked Magic Alan. My favourite trick was when he opened his wallet and flames came out. I don’t know how he did it. **Hannah.**

I liked Captain Hook. My favourite trick was the rainbow trick. There was a rainbow of steamers with all the colours of the rainbow, he pulled out a dove called Rainbow. I also helped Captain Hook do a magic trick with rope. I don’t know how he did the rainbow trick. **Elsie.**
Bullarah is participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn Program. So if you, your friends or family members are shopping in Moree collect and send in the stickers. The more stickers we get the more educational resources the school will receive.

**Attendance** continues to be of concern and will be closely monitored this term. The Home School Liaison Officer will also be looking at our absences and may visit the school and/or parents.

Finally, I would like to inform all parents and students that I will be taking Long Service Leave in Term 4 (Monday 19th October - Thursday 19th November). This holiday was planned and booked in March last year, before my appointment to Bullarah Public School. I, along with my mother and two friends, will be going to Italy, then on a river cruise and ending with a few days in Paris. Mrs Rebecca Langdon, Director Public Education, will be sending out an expression of interest to fill the position while I am away.

**Canteen**

On Monday 20th July the P&G are having a pie and sausage roll day. A note was sent out yesterday and needs to be returned on Friday for ordering purposes.

As the cold weather seems to have set in, the children will be allowed to send in meals for heating on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please do not send things in that need longer than 2 or 3 minutes in a microwave - we have 16 children so the time adds up. Other acceptable lunchtime items include noodle cups and toasted sandwiches. Toasted sandwiches need to be wrapped in baking paper and your child’s name written on the outside - this way they can go straight into the sandwich press.

**Kindergarten Transition**

Week 3 - Thursday 30th July
Week 4 - Thursday 6th August
Week 5 - Thursday 13th August
Week 6 - Thursday 20th August
Week 9 - Thursday 10th September
Week 10 - Thursday 17th September