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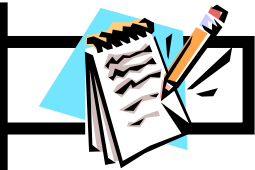
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FROM THE

PRINCIPAL'S DESK



WELCOME BACK to our WHOLE COMMUNITY

Welcome back to the school year to our staff, parents and our students. A special welcome to our new prep students: Ruby, Kyren, Bethany, Erica, Hunter, Ella, Taleesha, Will, Keely, Hannah and Riley. We also welcome Riley, Hannah and Taylah into Grade 2, Zac into Grade 3, Chealah and Jessie into Grade 6.

OUR STAFF

This term we welcome our new staff member Harmeet Dhillon. Harmeet is teaching Grade 2/3. Colleen Toy is our 4/5/6 teacher and Lauren Kearns our Prep/1 children. Peter Toy will be teaching Science, Jenny Keenan - Music, Wendy Holland will be our Mobile Librarian and Literature teacher and Gwenifer Hack is teaching Art and Craft.

A special thank you to Lauren and Harmeet, who have worked hard to get the P/1 and 2/3 classrooms up and running. I'm sure you will agree that they look fantastic!

OUR GROUNDS & BUILDINGS

I think you will agree that the buildings and grounds are looking fantastic. The front of the school is now complete and there has been a lot of work completed by Sam Smith and Paul Harry in improving our grounds. Both playgrounds have had new soft fall added also.

Thank you to Gary Riordan for resurfacing the decks around the junior classrooms and for completing other maintenance tasks also.

SCHOOL COUNCIL PICNIC DAY

Friday, 7th February, is our Annual School Council Picnic Day at Aquamoves. This is a school community day for families and staff and we hope you can spare the day to make it a success. Parents are responsible for the transportation of their children to and from Aquamoves and their supervision. Parents are also asked to bring a picnic lunch. The day begins at 10:00a.m. and will conclude around 2:30pm. The school will cover the cost of the school students' entry to Aquamoves, however,

parents will need to pay for any pre-school children who come along. Students do not attend school this day, but travel with their parents to Aquamoves.

PREP STUDENTS

During February Prep students are not required at school on Wednesdays. This is to allow the Prep students a rest so they can ease their way into the school routine.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on **Thursday, 27th February**. Please put this date in your calendar. This is an important two way conversation about your child.

ASSEMBLY

Assembly will again be held on Monday mornings. Parents are very welcome to attend.

WELCOME BACK BBQ

A welcome back to 2014 BBQ will be held on Thursday 20th February. It will begin at 5pm with classrooms open for your child/ren to show you. The BBQ will begin at 6pm. The BBQ will be free and School Leaders will be selling drinks for \$1 each.

SCHOOL CAPTAIN ELECTIONS

School Captain Elections will take place on Thursday 6th February. We will advise the date of our Investiture Assembly as soon as possible.

ZOOPER DOOPERS

Students will again be able to buy Zooper Doopers at lunchtimes from the start of next week for 50 cents each.

PARENTS & FRIENDS

P & F first meeting for 2014 will be held next Monday morning after assembly. All new and present parents are most welcome to attend. We will have morning tea and a chat and get ourselves organized for the coming year.

Angela Buxton

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IMPORTANT NOTES

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA)

Are you entitled to Educational Maintenance Allowance? If you have a current Health Care Card you can claim EMA and this payment will cover your Parent Payment for 2014. Application forms are available from the Office. Don't forget you **MUST** provide your current Health Care Card Number when applying and your application form needs to be completed and returned to the Office by Friday, 21st February. **LATE EMA CLAIMS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED.**

DATES TO REMEMBER

	FEBRUARY			FEBRUARY
Mon 3rd	Parent & Friends Meeting after Assembly.	Fri 14 th	Hockey Clinic Year 4 – 6.	
Wed 5 th	NO PREPS	Mon 17 th	School Council Meeting – 7.30 p.m.	
Thurs 6 th	School Captains' Election	Wed 19 th	NO PREPS	
Fri 7 th	S.C. PICNIC DAY - Aquamoves	Thurs 20 th	Parent BBQ	
Wed 12 th	NO PREPS	Fri 21 st	EMA APPLICATIONS CLOSE	
		Thurs 27 th	Parent Teacher Interviews	