

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the final term for 2016. I can't believe that we have reached this point already. As always Term 4 will be a hive of activity with the culmination of the learnings for 2016.

Unfortunately many of our staff, students and families have been inundated with a bevy of nasty coughs, colds and gastro bugs. We've also had reports of pneumonia with one student. I urge all students to be vigilant with hand washing and hygiene as this is the key to protecting one from further infection (in most cases).

I thought I should mention that two of my little nieces from Sydney came to our school for the day last week and were so impressed with the school that they informed their mother that they wouldn't be going to the water park on the following day as they'd rather attend Aunty Toni's school (their perception is that it's my school). This just goes to show you that we are on par if not better than some of the bigger schools in the capitals but we already knew this (humble as well).

We are so very fortunate that we attract the best Prac Teachers in the area. We would like to extend a very warm welcome to Miss Jessica Cunington who is in her 3rd year at University of Southern QLD. She is working in the Year 3/4 classroom for the next three weeks.

Kinchant Dam Camp

What an amazing success Kinchant Dam was! I'm so impressed with the maturity all of our students as they rose to the many challenges at Kinchant Dam. Thank you so much to Mrs Strang, Miss Priv, Mr Morgan, Mr Dioth and Mrs Richford for ensuring camp ran so smoothly.

Donation of Homemade Aprons

Thank you so much to Mrs Susan Richford and Mrs Cheryl Ross for making over 60 aprons for various age groups and staff for our Stephanie Alexander Cooking Days. What an amazing offer- we are truly very appreciative!

Book Week

Please come along in Free Dress on Friday 14th October. The choices are open as we don't want parents going out and especially purchasing any costumes. However, if you would like you are welcome to come dressed as your favourite book character and we will have a parade at 9am. Students are very welcome to visit the library before and after school to purchase books and merchandise and parents are invited along also.

School Disco

We will hold our disco on the 28th October with a Halloween theme. More details will be sent home next week.

Old MacDonald's Farm 17th November

I'd like to thank the P & C for offering to pay for a whole day visit for the entire school to see Old MacDonald's Farm. Often the older students miss out on this type of opportunity but considering we are all animal lovers I thought it only apt that the whole school partake in this.

Swimming (28th November – 2nd December)

Further details will be sent home regarding times and costing for swimming which takes place during Week 9. Cost is 42.50 per student for the week and please **do not pay** until an invoice is issued.

Year 1/2 Sleepover (Friday 25th November)

The students are welcome to stay after school on Friday 25th of November for the sleep over. The afternoon snacks will be followed by wet play. Dinner will consist of a Sausage Sizzle plus fruit and the evening will consist of games in the library plus a movie before they very peacefully fall asleep. Children will have bacon and egg burgers/wraps for breakfast and need to be collected by 9 am on Saturday morning.

Awards Night – Monday 8th December

A barbeque will take place at 5:30pm followed by our Awards and Christmas Concert.

Have a great week,

Mrs Tonimaree Brown

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EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Please indicate if you would like to be part of a sub-committee for the 125th Celebrations in 2018. We will have a special 125th Meeting towards the end of this year.

I am/not interested in being part of a sub-committee for the 125th Celebrations.

Name:.....

Phone Number: