Classes

For those returning to school a very warm welcome back.

To our new families from the 40 new students in the preschool and the 34 in Kindergarten and the new families across years 1-6 we are very pleased to contribute to the learning of your child. We will strive very hard to focus on working with you and your child around our theme of being responsible, respectful learners.

The following classes have been formed
KJ – Miss Angela Jokai
KH – Miss Nicole Hume
1M – Mrs Melanie Rose and Mrs Michele Flynn
2C – Mrs Meghan Curtis (Assistant Principal P-2)
3R – Miss Kim Russell
4J – Miss Rachel Jackson
5A – Mr Luke Ansell
5/6M – Miss Jane Morton (Assistant Principal 3-6)

Learning Support Teacher – Mrs Melanie Vandenberg

Preschool
Mrs Julie Butterfield Teacher
Mrs Shelley McCarthy School Learning Support Officer
Mrs Veronica Miles School Learning Support Officer (Mon, Tues & Fri)

Library – Mrs Vicki Jones (Mon – Wed)
Miss Jodie Westcott Reading Recovery/ Support & Release Teacher

Aboriginal Education Officer- Mrs Calita Murray
Mrs Taryn Hopper School Learning Support Officer
Mrs Annette Jones School Learning Support Officer (Wed)

Office Staff
Mrs Mary Koula – Senior Administrative Manager
Mrs Liz Cleary – School Admin Officer
Mrs Mary Smith – Library (Tues)
Mr Chris Hill – General Assistant (Mon & Wed)

Canteen – Sharon
Before & After Care- Sharon Eyre
Cleaners: Sonia and Lisa

2013 Captains

Tahlia
Braydon

2013 Vice Captains

Kiarna
Maali

Swimming Carnival

This Friday 1st February the students across Years 3-6 and those Year 2 students who turn 8 this year will participate in our annual carnival at the Des Renford Centre at Heffron Park.

Notes with details about the carnival have been sent home with students with this newsletter. Please return signed permission notes with $5.00 payment by tomorrow Thursday 31st January.

Students will walk to the venue at 9am.

The Carnival will run from 10am - 2.30pm.
Uniform Shop

The Uniform shop will be opening on the following dates in January 2013 to allow parents to purchase uniforms for their children.

Wednesday 30th January – 1pm to 3pm
Thursday 31st January – 9am to 10am
Friday 1st February – 9am to 10am

School Development Day

The staff returned on Tuesday and in addition to preparing for the start of the school year, the staff spent a large amount of time understanding the Writing section of the new English syllabus, which all NSW schools including Govt, Catholic and Independent have to implement from next year. We have purchased over $10,000 worth of books and online resources to rejuvenate the teaching of writing across the school. Writing will be a focus for the school for the year.

P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting starts at 7.15 pm on Monday 18th February in the staffroom.

School Payments

There are two requests for payments for students across Years K-6. which are kept as low as possible. A note was sent home with the Newsletter today.

1. School Subject Fee. This one off amount covers the cost of the textbooks and materials your child will use throughout the year. The funds raised recoup the cost of the textbooks.

2. Voluntary School Contribution. Each year over half of the parents voluntary contribute to programs in the school. The money raised from this request funds the purchase of resources for the library. We are very grateful for the generosity of parents for keeping our library as a first class resource for all students to use.

Volunteers

Mrs Jones is looking for any parents who can assist in covering the new $10,000 worth of books we have purchased.

Mrs Jones is also looking for volunteers to be a part of reading buddies for our students. Please see if you can find anytime once per week to assist our children practice their reading.