Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Term 2. I’d like to start by thanking those parents who brought their children to the ANZAC Day March in Camden. We had 35 students marching on the day and Ashlee and Jack did a good job in laying a wreath as part of the service. I was very proud of all of the students who attended. They were all wonderful representatives for our school.

Mr Woudsma left us at the end of last term and has taken up his position as Principal. His position is being addressed by our staffing unit at the moment and for this term Mrs Malone and Mr Gawthorne will be performing some of the duties previously covered by Mr Woudsma. There will be minimal disruption to classes as both teachers are maintaining their full teaching loads. Mr Green continues as our other Deputy Principal and he will remain class free.

Congratulations to Tara in Year 5 who has qualified for the Gymnastics Australia National Championships as part of the NSW team. She will compete at the end of this month and I’m sure that you will all join with me in wishing her well.

We advertised last term that this will be our first paperless newsletter. We are continually looking for ways to be a more environmentally sustainable school, and this is just one more measure. We are very excited to be hosting the national launch of Eco Schools on the 21st of this month. Keep Australia Beautiful are managing this program in Australia. Our children will now have the capability of linking with 11 million children from more than 45000 schools in more than 50 countries. It is a great honour for our school to be invited to host this launch, and it places us at the cutting edge of Environmental Education in this country. We still have a long way to go in our journey to the highest level of Eco Schools which culminates in the award of a Green Flag, but our HEAT group and School Parliament have this award firmly in their sight.

I am looking forward to catching up with many of you at the cross country tomorrow. Let’s hope for good weather.

My thought for the week is from The Talmud, “The world itself rests upon the breath of the children in the schoolhouse.”

Have a great week.

Yours faithfully
Andrew Best

Cross Country Carnival
The Cross Country Carnival is being held tomorrow, 2nd May for Years 2-6 between 1 and 3pm.

Please note we are not holding a sausage sizzle.

Mother’s Day Stall
A Mothers Day Stall will be held on Thursday 8th May.

All students will get the opportunity to buy something with goods starting from $1.

If any parents are available to help please let Naomi know on 0421 477 472
Congratulations to the following students who were recognised at their stage assemblies for their recent efforts.

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<td>Ryan W</td>
<td>A great start to writing this term</td>
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<td>Jayden I</td>
<td>A great presentation on Venus in Guided Inquiry</td>
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<td>Jett C</td>
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<td>Jack T</td>
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<td>Blaine D</td>
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<td>Great results in spelling tests in Term 1</td>
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**Premier’s Sporting Challenge Workshop**

On Tuesday 8th April, Mrs Batty took 14 Stage 3 students to the Premier’s Sporting Challenge Learn to Lead workshop at Elizabeth Macarthur High School. We separated into different groups and learnt how to play AFL, hockey, soccer, rugby union, netball, softball and some other sporting skills. At each of these sports we learnt skills about the game and how to cooperate and get along with students from different schools. The students who participated in the program made lots of new friends from Narellan, Narellan Vale, Oran Park and Elizabeth Macarthur and had a really great time. We hope to share some of the skills that we learnt with our classmates.

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Camden/Narellan Aboriginal Education Consulative Group Meeting

A meeting being held to establish an AECG for Camden/Narellan area

Date: Monday 5th of May 2014
Time: 6:30pm
Location: Elizabeth Macarthur High Schools Library
Please contact Lesley Marks for further details at lesley.marks2@det.nsw.edu.au

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