Dear Parents and Carers,

Last Friday the School Parliament held a talent quest. This was an excellent advertisement of both student leadership and the wonderful courage and attributes of our students. Firstly, to the members of parliament who organised the event (under the guidance of Mrs Dalzell) who coordinated every aspect of this event, congratulations to you for using your leadership skills and providing us with such a successful student-led event. To the wonderfully talented and courageous students who performed items from Kindergarten magic, to the dancers, singers, gymnasts, instrumentalists and dj’s. Every act kept the audience entertained and truly demonstrated what exceptional talents there are amongst our students. Let’s hope these acts encouraged others to perform next year.

Last week we sent out another expression of interest for a before and after school care facility being located on the school site. The response was very positive and surprising as we had surveyed the community previously. Thank you for your responses. I have organised a meeting with the Department of Education to determine if our school is a viable site for such a facility. This is the first step in a long and lengthy process that could take up to six months before any facility is operational. I would encourage as many of you who responded to the survey to attend the next P & C meeting, to be held 3rd November, 7pm, in the staff room, to obtain as much information as possible about the process that will be forthcoming. If we are a viable location, I will keep you informed as we progress towards being an accredited site.

If you have any academic, behavioural or social concerns about your child/children please firstly contact their class teacher. Their teacher has a wealth of information about the day to day activities your child engages in. Often calls are made to the office here to myself or the deputies and our first instance is to consult with the class teacher. All our staff are more than willing to return a phone call or arrange for a meeting to address your concerns. If there are concerns of a more serious nature than please contact the office.

The after school pick up period can be quite hectic both at the front gate and back gate. I have had several reports over the past weeks from concerned parents about the dangerous actions of some motorists who are picking up students. Please adhere to the rules and regulations noted around the streets at our school. They are there for both motorist and pedestrian safety. Staff are on duty to ensure student safety at both front and back gate. Late last term the police were patrolling the area and taking digital photographs of registration plates and sending the fines in the mail. If there are further concerns please either contact the police or council. It is important to remember to be considerate during this time. This rush period may only last 15 minutes and is usually flowing freely by 3:20pm.

Our school newsletter will now be forwarded to you on a Monday. It’s just a slight change to our administration purposes here, and is also a great way to start off the school week.

Finally, I, along with the students and staff look forward to celebrating a wonderful grandparents day this Friday. Grandparents play a very important role in our children’s development, and more so now with both parents often having to work. It is traditionally a day well-supported and received by our Grandparent community.

Mr B Green
Celebrating Success

Congratulations to the following students who were recognised at their stage assemblies for their recent efforts.

1E Mosawer H Greater effort when contributing to class discussions. Well Done 3M Haylee M Her exceptional effort in Literacy activities
1E Haze S Asking insightful questions and challenging himself in maths. Well Done 3M Charlie W Uses great language in his information text
1G Jason H Consistent, excellent effort in all areas 3M William T Actively participating in Maths activities
1G Ellie C Improved concentration during class lessons 4/5O Rory G For a determined effort in Maths
1J Braedyn B Improved writing! 4/5O Amanda C For outstanding spelling
1J Annabelle P Excellent imaginative writing! 4M Kayley S Being an active member in class discussions
1S Oscar C Fantastic improvement in behaviour 4M Logan Mc Trying hard in reading groups
1S Lachlan J For writing an interesting and detailed story 4N Liam Mc An interesting prediction
1S Grace M For writing an interesting and detailed story 4N Natasha M Outstanding presentation on a National Park
2A Jennifer J Fluent and expressive reading 4N Rebecca H Great effort in handwriting
2A Hayden Mc His best attempt EVER in writing 4N Eliza S Outstanding summaries
2C Sinead Mc Excellent work during maths lessons 5S Zechariah Mc Fantastic problem solving during volume to capacity
2M Marcus V Having a great start to a new school 5S Ashley C A great product design in Science
2W Tyler A Working co-operatively in group work 5J Brayden H Excellent work multiplying decimals
2W Isabella W Working well at all times & asking questions to clarify understanding 5J Riley R Great effort in Mathematics area - Well done Riley!
2/3T Lola P A great improvement in her fluency when reading 5B Portia V For always being willing to assist others
2/3T Agustin B A great improvement in his independent work habits 5B Owen G Persevering with a difficult Maths task
3D Reagan F Neatly presented bookwork 6C Georgia M Working hard to accurately convert decimals to fractions
3D William M Improved classroom application 6J Jessica L Excellent work study habits
3E Ashleigh O Commitment to finishing her work 6J James F Excellent presentation skills with his bio bag
3E Cherry H Working well in all areas 6J Dylan K Being a helpful and caring class member
3E Keiran P Applying himself well in class 6D Isabella B An entertaining Biobag presentation
3E Keeley B Making great contributions to class discussions 6D Robbie M Continuing to have an excellent attitude to his studies
3J Zaid H For being a great classmate 6O Robert M Competing his reading contract on time
3J Aaron H Always being kind and thoughtful 6O

Hot Dog Day

The Canteen will be holding a Hot Dog Day on Tuesday 3rd November 2015.
All monies raised will be donated to the 2015 Year 6 students for their farewell and gift to the school.
The meal combo will include a Hot Dog, drink and packet of chips and will cost $5.00.
Additional hot dogs will be available on the day at $2.00ea (Sorry no other lunch orders on that day)

Thank You for your support.

Selective High School Applications 2017

Information brochures are available for students seeking selective high school placement for Year 7 in 2017. Please see Mrs Hooper if you would like more information or if you have any questions. All selective high school applications must be completed online at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement. Students will be required to sit the Selective High School Placement test on Thursday 10th March, 2016. Entries need to be finalised online by 16th November.

Year 6 Mini Fair

The Year 6 Mini Fair will be held on Friday 13th November 2015. We would greatly appreciate donations for the:

White Elephant Store: Please send sellable items to Mr Oliver’s room.

Raffle – Please send prizes to Mrs Dalzell or Miss Camenzuli.

We are looking forward to an exciting fair.

Thank you for your support, Year 6
Please contact the office if you have a child enrolling for Kindergarten next year. Early information helps us organise a much smoother transition and orientation. If you have friends or relatives enrolling a Kindergarten child for 2016, we would appreciate your assistance by reminding them to enrol.

When returning your completed enrolment form please ensure you have the following documents:

- Original Birth Certificate or Passport
- Original Proof of student’s Residential Address (rates, gas, electricity bill, rental agreement etc.)
- Immunisation History Statement (not blue book)
- Copies of any Family Law or other relevant Court Orders

Thank you

Grandparents Day 2015

We would like to invite all grandparents and grandfriends to celebrate Grandparents Day on Friday 30th October 2015.

Our celebrations will commence at 10am with classroom visits followed by a series of performances in the hall. Grandparents are invited to bring a picnic lunch to share with their grandchildren on the day. At the conclusion of lunch we welcome you to attend our CBS assembly.

Mrs Belinda Hooper
Grandparents Day organiser

Year 6 Camp Payment

A final payment of $190.00 is now due at the front office for our upcoming camp to Canberra.

Please also return your child’s medical form.

Deposit: $55.00 Remaining Balance: $135.00

Thank you

Miss Camenzuli, Mrs Dalzell, Mr Oliver & Mrs Oliver

Kindergarten 2016 Enrolment

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Thank you

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