I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their efforts throughout this term. It has been a very busy but rewarding term for students, parents and staff. I hope everyone enjoys the upcoming school holidays and we look forward to seeing everyone return to school on Tuesday 7th October.

I was very pleased with the overall results from this year’s NAPLAN Assessments. When considering your child’s data it is important to remember that the results are a snapshot of student achievement on that particular day using that tool. NAPLAN results should be viewed along with school based data to get a more accurate picture of your child’s development. If there is any aspect of the results that you would like to discuss please make an appointment to see either Miss Southwell or I.

Congratulations to the students who participated in the Athletics Carnival last week. Although no student progressed to the next level they all gave their very best. Thank you to Mrs Irwin and Mr Luckman on managing the students.

The new tank has now been installed behind the toilets. It was necessary to leave the old structure due to the electrical connections. As a result of the generous donation from the parent body a new small tank will be purchased and set up as the overflow tank.
During the past fortnight teachers have been busy attending professional development workshops. Mrs Frank and Miss Southwell attended an Ipad workshop looking at maximizing the use of Ipads in the classroom and a range of apps. Miss Southwell and I attended a PD Health PE workshop looking at the application of the fundamental movement skills through creative games. Yesterday I attended the Aboriginal Education Conference. The presentations throughout the day focused on keeping your dreams alive. The journey you go on throughout your life is meant to be and makes you the person you are. The value of education cannot be under estimated in shaping your future.

Well done to Kindergarten and Year 1 for providing a wonderful afternoon for your Grandparents. I am sure everyone who attended were able to share the moment and remember their time at school. The future certainly looks bright for these students as they grow up. Thank you to Mrs Frank and Mrs Norton in preparing the students for this special time.

Congratulations to Lilly, Mikayla C, Jack L, Charlotte G, Luke J, Tommy, Kallan, Ryan, Eliza, Zoe, Kooper, Brandon M on achieving a Principal’s Award and to Jordan, Paige and Amelia G, on achieving their Silver Award. It is rewarding to see students following our positive behaviour system.

Please visit the school’s website to view the latest photos from school events.

Canteen News
A roster for Term 4 is on display. Please check the roster and add your name to help out. Thank you to parents who help out and provide a great service for the students and school. We will hold an end of term sausage sizzle on Friday 19th September. This will be in place of a normal canteen day. A separate order form has been sent home with all students and will need to be returned by Wednesday 17th September. The cost for a sausage in bread will be $1. Thank you for your support. When purchasing yogurt frogs and straps students are only able to purchase a maximum of $2 worth.
Community Meeting
Our Father's Day stall was a great success and raised $185.00. Hopefully all fathers, grandfathers and special uncles enjoyed their gifts. Thank you to the group of parents who wrapped and sold gifts.

At our last meeting we agreed to purchase and new water tank to replace the small tank behind the toilets. The tank will be used as an overflow tank.
We also agreed to support the school in becoming a bottle free environment by not selling bottled water and encouraging students to refill their own water containers. We will also purchase reusable plates and cups to use with our meal deals to reduce waste and unnecessary land fill.

Our next Community Meeting will be held on 14th October.

Grandparents day was a great success yesterday, they loved seeing the students work, spending time with them, and enjoyed a lovely afternoon tea.
2014
Assembly Awards Term 2

Week 7
K/1
Achievement Awards:
Luke J.

2/3
Achievement Awards:
Thomas

4/5/6
Achievement Awards:
Victoria

Library

Week 8

K/1
Achievement Awards:
Luke M.
Encouragement Awards
Charlotte

2/3
Achievement Awards:
Jason
Encouragement Awards
Laura

4/5/6
Achievement Awards:
Amelia
Encouragement Awards
Dominique

Library
Katie, Gabrielle, Ryan

September homework planner
Kids and families run more smoothly when there’s a plan. The September 2014 homework and study calendar includes key dates, school holidays and the number of each week in the term. You can print it out this month’s calendar here: http://bit.ly/1pkC3fK

Getting ready for school camp
School camp is one of the highlights of childhood, however, it’s also true that for some children (and their parents) the thought of staying away overnight can create a little anxiety. Read these tips for school camp confidence. Find out more: http://bit.ly/Zsl9Wg

When lunch comes home ... Again
Almost nine out of 10 Australian parents say children’s resistance is a major obstacle in their efforts to provide a healthy diet, and in many cases school lunches are one of the battlegrounds. But it’s a battle families can do without and there are some simple steps to help avoid it.