Welcome back to Term 4
As this will be a very busy term, it is hoped that everyone had a safe and relaxing break. Please note that Mrs Ellison is away and Miss Madalyne Williams will be taking 1E, Mr Wood is away and Miss Kirstie Xeureb will be covering his role and Mrs Melissa Irvine is away and Mr Phillip Blackburn will be in the Library.

Transition Afternoons - 2015 Kindergarten
From today, for the next few weeks, members of our 2015 Kindergarten class will be attending school for Transition afternoons after lunch. Let’s make them feel very welcome!

Year 5 & 6 Camp
All Year 5 & 6 students who are attending the Great Aussie Bush Camp are reminded that they should be at school tomorrow at 7:30 a.m. with all of their gear. They will be returning at approximately 4:00 p.m. on Friday afternoon and parents can phone the school after 3:00 p.m., for and updated return arrival time. It is expected that students not going to camp will be attending school as usual.

SWIMMING
Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students and parents are reminded that Swimming starts next Wednesday. There are a number of students who have not yet returned their Permission notes and payment. As a matter of urgency, please return your Swimming Permission notes and payment as soon as possible. Additional copies of the note are available from the office.

Catherine Leslie
Principal

“The greatest gift is a passion for reading”  ~ Elizabeth Hardwick
NO CANTEEN in Week 1.
Canteen Resumes on Wednesday, 15th October 2014
Have things changed….Can you help out in Term 4?
Additional THURSDAY Canteen Helpers URGENTLY NEEDED!

The next P & C Meeting is MONDAY, 13 October at 7:00pm
Come along! Be Involved!
Support our children!

Tricks for encouraging kids to read
Is your child a reluctant reader? Why not try helping them find the book that goes with a movie or DVD they’ve enjoyed, or are about to see. Encouraging your child to read can help them to build their imagination as well as giving them a better vocabulary. Kids who read different types of books develop a wide range of language skills and are better placed to understand different types of texts as they progress into high school. School A to Z has lots of tips and ideas on encouraging your child to read, at http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/my-book-club/how-movies-can-inspire-kids-to-read

Selective schools
Are you already thinking about your child’s Year 7 placement in a selective school in 2016? Selective high schools are government high schools that cater for highly-achieving, academically talented students by offering an educationally enriched environment. Application for entry to a selective high school in Year 7 in 2016 will be online only, from 14 October, 2014. You’ll find more information about selective schools and dates for examinations here: http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/learning/k-6assessments/shsplacement/index.php

ASSEMBLY AWARDS
Week 9 Term 3

KG
ZAYNE M.
ISABEL M.

1E
THOMAS C.
LEON C.

2Y
PANOS K.
CALEB M.

3M
YORK H.
CHARLIZE W.

4/5G
VANESSA R.
ISABELLA F.

5/6C
WILLIAM M.
THANH P.

SPORTS AWARDS-
Dance Sr - MANDY Y.
ERICA S.
Dance Jr - ISABELLA B.

BRONZE AWARD -
BLAKE F.
KEREHI M.
JORDAN J.

SILVER AWARD -
LEON C.
SASCHA P.
YUJIN C.

GOLD AWARD -
TYRA S.
YORK H.
TYLER R.
ISABELLA B.

PRINCIPAL’S AWARD
CEILI D.

CREDIT TO THE SCHOOL AWARD -
TOBY R.
JACK M.

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How much water does your child really need?

Staying hydrated is even more important during the warmer months. Every part of your body needs water to work properly and dehydration can lead to painful kidney stones. Many people don’t feel thirsty until they are already dehydrated, so packing a drink bottle with your child’s school lunch is a good reminder for them to drink during the day. Sports drinks and juices are popular with kids, but they often contain a lot of sugar. To find out the recommended daily intake of water for your child’s age at http://www.healthykids.nsw.gov.au/kids-teens/stats-and-facts-teens/teens-nutrition/drinks-for-hydration.aspx