DEAR PARENTS

EXCELLENT START
Well done to all staff and students for a great start to the year. Students have started with excellence, trying their best, being determined to complete tasks, asking for help if needed and being helpful to others if they can.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS
Thank you to the families that have already paid their 2014 Voluntary Contributions either to OfficeMax or through the school office. Voluntary Contributions are $60.00 per child from K-7 and can be paid by either cash or cheque to the school office.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS
If any families have changed their address over the holidays please inform the office of your new address as soon as possible.

HONOUR CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS
Year 1: Georjah, Wesley
Year 2: Tran, Britney
Year 3/4: Tai, Mahki
Year 4/5: Ashden, Irini
Year 6/7: Maea, Melanie, Chau, Hayley
History: Kwanjai, Jolee

VIRTUE FOR WEEKS 3/4—LOYALTY

VIRTUES AWARD RECIPIENTS
Congratulations to Mitchell, Jye, Mollie and Grace for receiving a Virtues Award

RESPONSIBILITIES REGARDING SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
Regular attendance at school is fundamental to student learning.

Student achievement of academic and social outcomes depends on consistent attendance and participation. It is vitally important to the development of every student that unexplained absences are addressed before they become an entrenched pattern.

A reminder to all parents:
- Going to school is a legal requirement;
- Every day at school matters;
- Children need to attend school regularly so they can take advantage of ALL the educational opportunities available;
- Consistently poor attendance and lateness to class can affect children’s educational progress;
- Patterns of punctuality and regular school attendance are developed at an early age;
- Good attitudes toward attendance that are well established will help prevent problems as children progress to secondary school; and
- School helps children build confidence in areas such as communication, teamwork, organization and social skills, and children who miss school may find it difficult to keep up friendships in the class.

Glen Cookson
Principal
2014 STAFF TEAMS

ADMINISTRATION TEAM:
School Principal: Glen Cookson
Associate Principal: Maria van der Linden
Registrar: Jenny Lindsay
School Officer: Susan Wirtz

JUNIOR SCHOOL TEAM – Kindergarten to Year 3
Kindergarten - LA 1 Teacher: Ms Brae Giorgi
Education Assistant: Mrs Sandra Wallis

Pre Primary - LA 2 Teacher: Mrs Alison Bampton
Ms Brae Giorgi (Tues)
Education Assistants: Mrs Lee Francis and
Mrs Maria Lomma

Year 1 - LA 3 Teacher: Ms Angela Rechichi

Year 2 - LA 5 Teacher: Ms Chantel Grzejszczyk (Mon, Tues)
Mrs Sina Andrijich (Wed, Thurs Fri)
Education Assistant: Mrs Pat Snow (LA 3 & LA 5)

Year 3/4 - LA 8 Teachers: Mrs Dianne Taylor
Mr Warren Knox

SENIOR SCHOOL TEAM – Years 5 to 7
Years 4/5 - LA 9 Teacher: Dr Elijah Nathan

Years 6/7 - LA 10 Teacher: Mr Rick Payne

LOTE - LA 4 Teacher: Mrs Linda Williams (Tues & Thurs)
LOTE Assistant: Ms Yinyin Lin

Phys Ed/Health Teacher: Mrs Kathryn McRoberts
(Thurs & Fri)

IT - Library Teacher: Mrs Maria van der Linden

HISTORY - Yrs 1-7 Teacher: Dr Karl Birklebach

SUPPORT TEAM
Chaplain - Ms Sandy Clifton (Tues & Thurs)

School Psychologist - Ms Luciana Carelli

Library Officer - Mrs Bev Giraud (Mon & Wed)

Education Assistants
(Special Needs) - Mrs Annette Lovering
- Mrs Cathy Scafidi
- Mr Emile van der Linden
- Mrs Kerry Kasatchkow
- Ms Debbie Gibbs

Gardener/Handyperson - Mr Barry Beardman

Cleaning Staff - Mr Mendel Greenberg
- Mrs Zivka Stojkovska
- Mr Peter Lindsay

Special Virtues Project - Quentin Going (‘Q’)
(Assembly Fri & Wed am)

Bluearth - Ms Lyndal Wade (Wed)
Chinese New Year at Weld Square Primary School
Hello to all the families of Weld Square Primary School.

BUSY BEE: Sunday 23 February, 9.00am start. All hands on deck to complete the final stage of the Early Childhood playground. This includes maintenance of the vegetable / sensory garden area, painting the back wall of the stage, positioning the river bed, boat and plants and installation of the mushroom seats. A light lunch will be provided to thank our wonderful volunteers.

WELCOME BACK FAMILY DISCO / BARBECUE: This will be held on 7 March, 6.00pm—8.30pm. Ticket sales and pre order forms will be available soon.

UNIFORM SHOP: This opens each Friday in the undercover area from 8.30-9.00am. See Mrs Nikki Taylor if you require uniform items. Mrs Lindsay has order forms in the office if you wish to place an order. The uniform shop has some second hand uniforms for sale at minimal cost to you. If your child has outgrown their school uniform and you have nobody to pass them on to, the uniform shop will gladly accept donations.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS: To the families who have paid the P&C voluntary contributions, we thank you for your support. Your contributions will be going toward getting the junior playground completed so our children can benefit from our hard efforts.

P&C MEETING:
Helen Bolin
P&C President

MEET OUR NEW STUDENT COUNCILLORS AND FACTION CAPTAINS

BANKSIA
Co-Captain: Raiden
Co-Captain: Stacey

HOVEA
Co-Captain: Jamie
Co-Captain: Nathan

WATTLE
Captain: Mustafa
Vice Captain: Thary

DATES TO REMEMBER
Monday 24 February - Assembly - Virtues Draw
Wednesday 26 February - Scitech Year 6/7
Friday 28 February - Assembly LA 10
Monday 3 March - LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY