Dates to Remember

Term 1
27 January – 24 March
Week 1 (27/01/16 – 29/01/16)
Wed 27 Jan – Return to School
Week 2 (01/02/16 – 05/02/16)
Week 3 (08/02/16 – 12/02/16)
Week 4 (15/02/16 – 19/02/16)
Week 5 (22/02/16 – 26/02/16)
Week 6 (29/02/16 – 04/03/16)
Week 7 (07/03/16 – 11/03/16)
Week 8 (14/03/16 – 18/03/16)
Week 9 (21/03/16 – 25/03/16)

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Information regarding curriculum content, student expectations, yearly camps and opportunities for parents to ask questions will be provided. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet your children’s teacher and find out how your child’s classroom operates. Building a strong relationship with your child’s teacher that allows open communication is extremely important.

In the middle of the ‘Meet the Teacher’ Sessions, our P&C will supply a BBQ, with soft drinks for sale. If you wish to enjoy some friendly company in the Blue Under Cover Area a free BBQ will be in operation. This event was well supported last year and our staff are looking forward to catching up with parents and students in an informal atmosphere.

Parent Teacher Interviews – Two Interviews

Interview One
The first opportunity will be when Settling In Reports are provided to parents during an interview later in term 1. These interviews provide open communication channels between teachers and parents and allow a positive relationship to be developed. On this occasion, teachers will be able to briefly communicate how your child is settling in and inform you if there are early concerns noted.

Interview Two
These interviews are held late in Term 2. Teachers provide parents with a more detailed and explicit information around how your child is progressing academically, behaviourally and socially at school. You will also receive your child’s Semester One report around this time.

Please note parents are welcome to meet with your child’s teacher at any stage throughout the year. Please ensure you make an appointment with the teacher to enable this to be a productive meeting. Teachers are sending home welcome letters next week.

Email - Ensure you have your teachers email address to further facilitate parent / teacher communication and they have yours, as requested this week through teachers Welcome letters.

Hope to see you Monday for school leaders announcements, on assembly.

Tel: 07 5434 6366
If your child/ren are away from school please call the absence line
OR
Send in a written note

Message from the Principal

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Yours in Education, Anita Judge, Principal
SWPBS (School Wide Positive Behaviour Support)

This Weeks Rule
We have 4 School Rules:
Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe and Be an Achiever.
Each week we focus on one Rule and teachers recognise students
enacting that rule with a ‘positive peg’.
It is great to hear not just our students but our parents reinforcing
the weekly focus with their children within the school and at
home.
The upcoming week’s Rule is Be Respectful Use Appropriate School
Language
Our school is a Positive Behaviour Support School. This means we
Teach our children what our rules, routines and expectations are
And reward them for meeting or exceeding these.
An important element is making clear what our expectations are.
For this reason I have outlined some of our before and after school
expectations below.

Before School Routines
Note supervision is only provided from 8:30 onwards. Students are
encouraged not to attend before this time.
😊 Sit in Blue Under Cover area until the first bell goes
😊 After the first bell (8:30) students may play handball or play on
the main oval once they have placed their bag at their classroom
😊 Playing on any playground equipment is not permitted
😊 When second bell goes students move directly to classrooms via
the toilet and drinking taps.

After School Routines
Walking or Riding
After the 3:00pm bell students are to collect their belongings and
move.
😊 Students on or scooters must dismount to leave via the front
gates and when using the crossing
😊 It is important students are respectful of all other footpath users
😊 Smile and acknowledge others as you leave the school

Our Uniform Shop
The Uniform Shop is open Friday mornings between 8.30 am and
9.00 am.
Orders can be placed directly with the Uniform Shop or through
the forms in the office.
Orders will be filled straight away if stock is available and can be
collected from the Uniform Shop on Fridays between 8.30 and 9.00
am.
In the new school year, it is important for families, staff and school
communities to keep up-to-date with the latest information from
their school.

The QSchools app
This app provides an easy method of accessing vital school
information, including latest news, events and newsletters. The
school reduced sending home paper newsletters in 2014.

Volunteers
Our school is inviting volunteers, parents and carers who are able
to support our students with their learning, to participate in our
Volunteer Program.
This may be either aspects of Literacy (Reading, Writing or
Spelling) or Numeracy. These students are predominately in the
lower year levels (Years Prep to 3).
This is a very beneficial program and members of our school-wide
community have been volunteering in our school for many years.
Volunteers may wish to attend one of our morning tea and training
sessions. Information for volunteers who wish to participate will
be advertised in the next newsletter.

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE
Payments
Please deposit all payments directly into our bank account noting
the invoice number, initial and surname of the student for whom
you are paying.

Our Bank account details are:
BSB: 064-405  Account Number: 00090356

Cash, cheque and credit card payments can be made by inserting
the cheque/correct change in a payment envelope or writing the
credit card details on the front of the envelope and depositing it
into the drop-box on the office door.
Please ensure that the envelope is sealed so the cash does not fall
out.
Please write the student’s name, class, amount enclosed and what
the payment is for, clearly on the envelope.

Office hours are 8:00am to 4:00pm on Monday - Friday.

Tennis Coach – Peter Bourne
Peter will be coaching tennis on Monday’s, Tuesday’s and Friday’s.
He will be returning to coach tennis on Monday 1st February 2016,
Tuesday 2nd February 2016 & Friday 12th February 2016.
Tennis Days & Times:
• Monday: 7.45am – 8.30am
• Tuesday: 3.15pm – 4.00pm & 4.00pm – 4.45pm
• Advanced Players Only on Friday: 7.45am – 8.30am

Contact Peter on 0417 779 102

Student Profile and Permission Notes
Student Profile and Permission Notes have been sent home Friday
29th January. Please fill in and return to the Office. Thank You.