

Dates for your diary

Week 1

31 st Jan	First day of Term 1 2011
4 th Feb	Swimming Carnival

Week 2

7 th Feb	Library Working Bee and Morning Tea
10 th Feb	Parent Information session - 3.15pm

Dear Parents and Friends

Welcome back to a wonderful new school year!
It always surprises me how much everyone has grown and matured over those holiday weeks!
Lovely to see all those bright, happy faces again.

A special welcome to our gorgeous new Kinders -
(Front row): Max, William & Emily.
(Back row): Holly, Elli, Jacinta, Georgia and Payton. They all arrived looking so ready for school!



Just a note regarding Kinder enrolments - parents could you please drop by with birth and immunisation certificates, along with proof of address (rates notice, etc)so we can sight and copy them for our records. This is a DET mandatory requirement for all new students.

First up this term, this Friday 4th February is the **Heritage Country Small Schools swimming carnival** to be held at Blayney Centrepont. I know this seems such short notice but we had to get in early in order to qualify for the District Carnival. **A permission note was sent home which needs to come back ASAP please** so we can make arrangements for non-swimming students. All the information is in the attached note.

Please note, pre-schoolers are NOT ALLOWED to attend for safety reasons.

There are some changes to **canteen lunches** this year - please read the item in the newsletter.

A very important date to note is Thursday 10th February when we will be having a parent and information session straight after school at 3.15pm. I strongly recommend that ALL parents, new and old come along to find out changes to procedure and what is happening at school this year.

If you haven't seen our **wonderful new mosaic mural** on the outside of the toilet block, please feel free to drop in and have a look. You can see a bit of it behind the kinder students....

All of the students and staff, along with Zoe Colson, who designed it, worked on it just before

we broke up for Christmas holidays. Zoe then came in during the holidays and finished it off. Sadly, Zoe won't be with us this year as she is attending the Julian Ashton School of Art in Sydney. We wish her all the best in her studies and thank her for all her hard work and creative input over the last couple of years.

Attached to the newsletter is this year's **general permission note for local excursions**, photography and child protection lessons. Please fill it in and return it to school as soon as possible.

Finally (for now) if there have been any changes to any of your contact details - including emergency contacts - please send a note in so we can amend our records. Thank you!



STAR STUDENTS....

Our New Kinder Students:

Max, Georgia, Holly,
Jacinta, Emily,
Payton and Elli!

Uniform Items.....

We've decided to do away with the individual order forms so parents can just come in to the school and purchase what they need. When stocks run low, we will order more in from LW Reid.

Canteen News.....

This year, canteen will not operate 5 days a week at lunch times. This was proving too difficult for staff to organise and manage. Instead, we will have hot food (low fat pies, sausage rolls and pizzas etc) available on FRIDAYS for \$2.50 each, with healthy snacks available every recess as usual. If you would like to order on Fridays, please send in a paper bag with the name, item and money included.

Library News....

I have started the big job of stocktaking all the library books. So far I have done all the junior fiction and hope to get the rest done over the coming week or so. This means that I haven't had time to get all our lovely new library books covered so..... **WORKING BEE** (and morning tea)!!!!



If there are any willing bodies out there who would be able to give up an hour or so to help cover books (I'll give you plenty of instruction don't worry) I would love to hear from you. It might take more than one session but that's ok. At this stage, I'm thinking of next Monday, 7th Feb from about 10am. Please give the school a ring or send in a quick note if you would like to come and join the fun, so I can make sure there's enough yummy things for all. If another date suits you better, please let me know.

Cate Colson

Netball News.....

Calling all netballers! If anyone is interested in playing netball this year, and/or any parent or adult who would like to take on the role of team manager/coach or help with organisation, please let me know. Whether or not we form a team to play this season depends on the level of interest.