Dear Parents and Students,

It’s our last newsletter for term three! Tomorrow is a ‘free dress’ morning and we finish at 1.30pm.

**HOT LUNCHES:**
These finished yesterday and once again were a very popular part of our winter months. A big thankyou to Irene Crawford and her team of parents who provided this to our students.

Thanks also to John Crawford for cleaning up the remains of our damaged trees. (We only have to remove the stump and rejuvenate some of the holes left behind to get things back in order).

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING SCHOOL SECURITY:**
We have recently reviewed security procedures for our school buildings and assets. There are a number of changes and information that you need to be aware of, especially relating to after school care and outside school hours usage:

1. All buildings/rooms are fully alarmed. If you notice a door left open outside school hours, please contact Chris on 0407 278 273 (Entering the building will automatically trigger the alarm and police will arrive)

2. The main building doors will be fully locked after normal school hours. Parents using **After School Care must go directly to and from the multipurpose room** and **not** via the main building thankyou.

3. We appreciate parents keeping an eye on the school as they drive past during the holidays and weekends. Please report any concerns to Chris or local police.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL:**
For planning purposes we have brought the next school council meeting forward by one week. It will now be October 16th instead - members please note.

**WRITER’S CAFE:**
Our popular ‘Writers Cafe’ will take place on Friday, Oct 26th. This is a terrific grandparents/family event and runs from 11.30-1pm. Parents contribute scones and we will have Devonshire Tea. Full details in week one of next term but please mark this on your calendars.

**NAPLAN TESTS:**
Gr 3+5 students received their NAPLAN results and brochure yesterday. Please remember these are just ‘one test on one day’ and cannot fully reflect your child’s level of achievement. Please contact your child’s teacher if you require further clarification of results.

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TERM FOUR FIRE DRILL AND PREPARATIONS:
We will be holding a fire drill in early term four to test our evacuation procedures. Please don’t be concerned if you hear we had a fire truck rush to our school - it’s all part of the drill!

UNIFORM NEWS:
School council has decided to phase out the separate white and blue polo shirts from 2013. These two separate shirt colors have caused confusion about which ones to wear at sports, photo days etc. A new “blue with white side panels” style will be available. Naturally, you may continue to use the older style until they are unusable/grown out of, but it would be great if children have at least one of the new style shirts for the special events. Full details in term four.

Have a safe and relaxing holiday and see you all on Monday 8th October. Don’t forget your hats.

Regards Chris & Staff

If anyone has empty glass screw-top jars to spare (eg pasta sauce, jam), they would be greatly appreciated in the Grade 1/2 room. Thank you
Kris

DIARY DATES

SEPTEMBER
Friday 21st  End of Term 3

OCTOBER
Monday 8th  Term 4 Begins - DON’T FORGET YOUR HATS
Tuesday 16th  School Council Meeting
Friday 26th  Writer’s Cafe

Students of the Week
MICAH CAMERON
KATIE REEVES
JAKE PRATT
JAXSON SMITH
TESS STEENHOLDT
DYLAN FINGER
STEVEN SUMMERFIELD
EMA CHEQUES

EMA cheques have arrived, if you elected to receive your EMA payment by cheque please come to the office.

Thanks Sharyn

CAPTAIN'S CORNER

Hello Darnum Primary School
How are you all?
Free dress on Friday, so bring a dollar donation. Kanga Cricket is coming up next term which will be very exciting.

School Captains

Tomorrow for the end of term we will be holding our Free Dress Friday. This will be held for either a gold coin donation going towards our Jeans for Genes Day Charity, or there will be badges, pens and pencils available from the office to purchase.
Thanks

A reminder that we are also clearing out our lost property box and ask that all uniforms are checked and marked correctly.
We are happy to also accept any unwanted or outgrown uniform items to add to our second hand stock to be sold early in term 4.