Dear Parents and Students,
Welcome Back!
This term we welcome two new students to our school. Meika Van Reesema in Prep and Rowan Bridson in grade one.
We are also excited to welcome our new Japanese teacher, Shiori Ikeda.
Shiori is currently staying with me and will then be hosted by a number of families throughout 2013.

BIKES/SCOOTERS/SKATEBOARDS:-
Unfortunately, the last day of term one proved too wet to hold this event—we will re-schedule another day soon—stay tuned!

MOTHER’S DAY STALL:-
We had the incorrect date listed on the previous newsletter. The stall will be held on Friday 10th May.

SCHOOL COUNCIL:-
There is no school council meeting in April. Our next meeting is May

PAULS “COLLECT A CAPS’:-
This program has now finished. Thankyou to everyone who collected caps over the past two years.

WOOLWORTHS/SAFEWAY ‘EARN AND LEARN’:-
The stickers and sticker pages (which look like brochures) are now available at the checkouts. There is a box at school to deposit the completed sheets. There will also be a box available at Safeway too. Please ask everyone to save/collect these reward stickers for our school.

2013 SCHOOL LEVY:-
Thankyou to all families who paid the 2013 levy so promptly in term one. As we have recently completed payment of our large book and material orders for students, we would appreciate payment of any unpaid levies as soon as possible thankyou - see Sharyn at the office.

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS:-
This free program commences again in week three of this term. Our new supervisor is Maria Elbers. The two sports for this term are soccer (Tuesday grade 3-6) and Taekwondo (Thursday P-2) Mr Ferguson will send home info with all students soon. Pleas note, however, children MUST commit to the entire program and attend each session as other children may miss out due to limited spaces.
WINTER SPORTS GRADES 3-6:-

Winter sport for grade 3-6 children starts on Friday 3rd May. Children will receive full details soon, however note that all grade 3-6 students should **NOT** order shop lunches on Fridays from that date due to early bus departure times.

Regards
Chris & Staff

DIARY DATES

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**Parent Reading Workshops**

**Want to help your children with their reading at home and at school?**

We are holding three Reading Workshops showing some of the best ways to help develop your children’s reading skills as used in the classroom. This is beneficial for parents with children starting in prep through to grade six.

The following three workshops will include:

**Reading Workshop One: Tuesday 21/05/13**

**Helping Beginning Readers**
- What you can do to help your child in reading
- Book introduction - how important they are
- The 3 Ps
- Reading Behaviours

**Reading Workshop Two: Tuesday 28/05/13**

**Strategies in Reading - Beginning Readers**
- What strategies do good readers use to get to meaning
- Meaning, structural and visual cues
- Rereading after working on a word or reading on
- Phrasing and fluency
- Finger pointing and when not to finger point

**Reading Workshop Three: Tuesday 04/06/13**

**Comprehension - Thinking Hats for children in grades 2 to grades 6**
- Your child has developed good reading strategies but needs a little help with comprehension
- What are these thinking hats and how can my child apply these to reading

All workshops:

- **Starting time:** 9.00 am - 10.00 am
- **Venue:** Multipurpose Room

Please indicate below which workshop would interest you and return the slip to the office.

Liz Berry
Reading Recovery teacher

Please return this slip to the office.

Name: ________________________________

I would like to attend the following reading workshop/s:

**Workshop 1:** Yes / No Tuesday 21/05/2013 9.00 am

**Workshop 2:** Yes / No Tuesday 28/05/2013 9.00 am

**Workshop 3:** Yes / No Tuesday 04/06/2013 9.00 am