Dear Parents and Students,

It was an exciting day last Tuesday, 8th December when our students experienced their new classes and teachers for 2016.

**Our classes for 2016 are:**

- Prep - Sharon Webster
- One - Tanya Laidlaw
- Two - Anita Farley
- Three - Rhonda Carlin
- Four - Kris Smithett
- 5/6 Z - N - Daina Zelenewicz / Leona Nankervis
- 5/6 F - Rob Ferguson

We welcome Tanya Laidlaw to our staff. Tanya will be replacing Laura Droppert who is taking family leave in 2016. I would also like to thank Emma Moorhouse who leaves us at the end of this year.

**Specialist Classes 2016:**

- Sport/PE - Rob Ferguson
- Japanese - Chris Eeles / Kanako Yamagata
- Music/Science - Melanie Nicholls
- Marc - Brad Child
- Art - Classroom teachers

**ASC 2016:**

We are pleased to announce that we have appointed Mrs Aimee McTighe as the director of our service in 2016. Aimee has extensive experience in child care and is looking forward to her new role at our school. Special thank you to Angela Hull who has managed our service over several years. Full details of ASC will come home early 2016.

**CATERING ‘TEAM’ NEEDED:**

There are two events happening early in 2016 that will require catering from our school. These are:

1. Annual School Sports - Friday March 11th.
2. Bee Keepers Expo (at our school) - Sunday April 17th.

Both of these events will be great fundraisers for our school but will also require a team of willing volunteers to organise the catering. Please consider being part of this and we will send home a notice at the start of term one.

**STUDENT REPORTS:**

The end of year reports will come home next Tuesday, 15th Dec. We hope you have found the new style of reporting to parents successful in 2015. Whilst there are no interviews at this time of year, please contact us if you have any immediate concerns.

 Regards Chris & Staff

More news over the page>>>>>
NEXT WEEK:
The last week of the school year is always an exciting and busy time. The last day of term is Friday 18th and school closes at 1.30pm on that day. No formal classes operate on that morning as teachers plan/clean up for 2016, however if your child is at school that day, please note the earlier finishing time.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
Each year the school council hold a big Christmas raffle which is drawn at our community party on December 17th. Prizes are made up from donations from each family. Items can include anything ‘Christmassy’ such as non-perishable food, decorations, Christmas toys etc. All proceeds go to the cost of the Christmas party and other student events.

Students of the Week
COOPER COOK
LINCOLN SHURDINGTON
JETT MUIR
KATIE REEVES
LUCY ATTWELL
ASHLEE TYRRELL
SRC are holding a Christmas hat day on Tuesday the 15th of December. We encourage all students to wear a Christmas hat and bring along a gold coin donation, which will go towards the minigolf course. If you don’t have a Christmas hat, it would be great if you could still bring a gold coin.

Our next MARKET FAIR is on Sunday 13th December 10am till 4pm, just in time for Christmas. Come along and enjoy a morning performance by the Sing Australia choir.

The village will be filled with music thanks to Albert and Janine Fox, Sue and Colin Parrish and local buskers. Children’s entertainment includes: a Jumping Castle and Albert Fox performing a magic show for the young and young at heart. We have a great selection of quality market stalls including, artwork by local artist Joan Bugnuda and students. Set in the lovely village gardens our market fair is the perfect place to find that special Christmas gift. Pets welcome and there is no charge for entry. Sausage sizzle, and food and drinks in the auditorium. Come and enjoy a complete event.

Stallholder enquiries to Sue Parrish on 0437122441.
END OF YEAR SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION:
Each year our school holds a special Christmas party and presentation night. This year our party is Thursday 17th December. Please read this important information about this special event:

Times -
6.30 - 7.30    BYO Picnic dinner
7.30 - 8.30    Raffle Draw and Student/Staff presentations
8.15 - 9.00    Santa Gifts
9.00pm        Clean up / Close.

Details -
The event is open to everyone to attend at 6.30pm. Families need to bring everything including picnic rugs/chairs and all food and drink for your family. At 7.30pm the School Council president and principal will hold the official presentation of student awards and the grade 6 graduation medallions as well as thanking all the staff and volunteers. Our huge raffle is drawn at the end of the award ceremonies. Following this Santa’s helpers arrive to hand out small gifts to students. Please see the attached notice regarding this and please follow the **price guideline strictly** to ensure it’s fair to everyone. Finally, at 9.00pm we all clean - up and head home. Check with the staff if you have any enquires!

Dear Parents

At our Christmas Party, Thursday 17th December, we will be having a visit from Santa Claus’ helpers. If you wish your child/ren to receive a gift from Santa, could you please provide the school with a well wrapped, clearly named, including grade level, **inexpensive** present.

**IT MUST BE UNDER $10.00** in value please.
Gifts can be left in the Principal’s office.

The joy is in seeing the children greet Santa and receive a gift, not the size or cost of that present!

Thank you
School Council.

**School council reminds everyone that parents, NOT staff, are responsible for the behaviour of their children and guests. All children should remain within the school grounds throughout the night. Please assist us to ensure we all have a safe and happy party.**
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### TERM DATES 2016

**TERM 1:** January 27th (Teachers start) - March 24th

**January 28th** (Students start)

**TERM 2:** April 11th - June 24th

**TERM 3:** July 11th - September 16th

**TERM 4:** October 3rd - December 20th