Dear Parents,

I would like to welcome every back for the 2016 school year. I have no doubts it will be another learning filled, action packed and exciting school year.

Access Our Newsletter

We have printed the first newsletter of the year for all students. However all subsequent newsletters will be available predominantly from our school website or our Tiqbiz app. Instructions on how to download our Tiqbiz app is on our school website. There will always be limited printed copies of our newsletter in the office area.

Foundation Students

I would like to welcome our new foundation students and their families to our school. Our foundation students begin their schooling at our school on February 3rd and their hours of learning are 8.55-1.15. Our Foundation students commence fulltime schooling on February 22nd.

Summer Work Around Our School.

There has been a significant amount of work completed around our school this summer. We have had a new fence built around our teacher car park area to ensure that our school is much more secure. I have already received very positive feedback regarding this fence from our school community. The money raised from our movie night last year paid for a significant amount of this fence. I would like to thank our parents once again who played a large role in the success of the movie night and I would also like to thank our school community for supporting the night so wonderfully well.

At the end of 2015, our school council approved the purchase and construction of a new technology centre which is located near the Grade 4 building. This centre will be used primarily to teach our students how to code using computers. This building will be called the CAT (Coding and Technology) Space and it will give our students and teachers another wonderful resource to help them with their learning. Coding is a new component of the Australian Curriculum and we are very fortunate to have this space to give our students the best possible opportunity to learn and explore this very important new subject area. I expect to have this building fully operational by the end of February and we will have opportunities for parents to view this new space.

School Uniform

I just want to remind everyone that we expect that our students wear their school uniform everyday. In term 4 this includes all students wearing a hat. It is not permitted for students to wear a basketball cap instead of a blue broad brimmed hat or a blue legionnaires cap. If a student is wearing a basketball cap they will be directed to play undercover.

Assembly

There will be no assembly this Friday. I am very keen for students to have a full two days in class to settle into their new classrooms and into good learning routines

We will aim to have an outdoor assembly every Friday afternoon at 2.55. However if the weather is too hot or wet, we will have two assemblies in our school hall. The first assembly will be for students in Year 4-6 and commence at 2.20. The second assembly will be for students in Year F-3 and commence at 2.45.

Can I please ask all parents to ensure that their mobile phones are on silent during our assembly?

Regards Chris