8th May 2013

Dear Parents,

Hopefully, you enjoyed your holiday break and that children were cooperative and helpful. Second term is only nine weeks and will include NAPLAN tests for Grade Three and Five students commencing next Tuesday. Also, mid year reports will be written and sent out by the end of the term and children will be involved in the Netball/Football interschool competition, commencing with the round robin this Friday.

I am very pleased to welcome three student teachers from the University of Tasmania: Madeline Prichard, Casey Pearton and Fiona Oakley. Madeleine and Fiona are in Huon and Casey is in Sassafrass.

Our school bus run seemed to go well last term and will be continuing this term. This term we are adding another driver Mrs Kerry McCullum who will be driving on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Mr Chipman will be doing the Monday and Tuesday runs as per last term. I would like to thank Mr Belbin and Mr McManus who filled in at short notice on a number of occasions to help us get the bus run up and going in term one.

From the Principal

Jim Ireland
8th May 2013

From the Principal  Cont.

**Uniform:**
I have asked teachers to check that children in their individual classes are wearing correct uniform. This is a reasonable requirement so if for any reason your children are out of uniform please write their teacher a note. People who know that their children are out of uniform please sort it out. If you have a genuine problem with uniform please come and speak to me. Compliance in this area would be very much appreciated.

**2014 Kinder Enrolments:**
Friday is the official TCEO closing date for 2014 Kinder enrolments. However, we are happy to take enrolments throughout the year. If you know someone or are intending to enroll sooner would be much better for our Administrative staff. Please ask at the office for an enrolment form.

**Award Winners:**
Thank you to the families who attended our end of Term award assembly. Congratulations to the following students who received an award:

*Bluegum: Most Improved:* Riley Kelly  *Most Consistent:* Kyra Benbow  *Special Award:* Jayarna Jordan

*Wattle: Most Improved:* Katelyn Thomson  *Most Consistent:* Lahni Baldwin  *Special Award:* Alex Bennett

*Blackwood: Most Improved:* Thomas Francis  *Most Consistent:* Grace Erichsen  *Special Award:* Jasper Reilly

*Huon: Most Improved:* Annie Sullivan  *Most Consistent:* Meg Turner  *Special Award:* Ewan Spencer

*Sassafrass: Most Improved:* Tahyla Newton  *Most Consistent:* Brielle Pigden  *Special Award:* Bradley Raphael

“Miserando atque eligendo” He showed mercy on him and then called him. These are the words on Pope Francis’ Coat of Arms.

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**KUCA CLUB**

An activity of the Clarence Uniting Church

**Recommences for Term 2 on Friday, 17th May at 6.30pm, Clarence Uniting Church.**

All children in Grade 3-6 welcome. Cost $2.

**Games, Cooking, Music.**

Contact Amanda Robertson – 0419714924 for details.

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**IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

- All students should now be in Winter uniform.

- Entertainment books should now be returned to the office if you do not wish to purchase it. Either the money or the book needs to be taken to the office asap.
Thank you to the parents and family members who have volunteered their time in the Canteen. Without your valuable input the canteen would not have been possible this year.

Next Fortnight’s roster:

Thurs 9th May: Fiona Roberts & Kalinya Minter
Friday 10th May: Rachel Wilson & Sarah Hull
Thurs 16th May: Lucia Campese & Karen Fitzpatrick
Friday 17th May: Kristy Broomhall & Tegan Magee

If you are unable to make it on your day please contact Fiona on 0418996194 or the school office on 62477104.

This year we are offering students from Gr 3-6 an opportunity to take part in the University of NSW Educational competitions.

The competitions we can enter are as follows;

Writing $18.70 (due to Fri 17th May)
Spelling $12.10 (due Fri 17th May)
English $8.80 (due Mon 3rd June)
Mathematics $8.80 (due Mon 3rd June)

All tests will be conducted at school during school hours.

Students wishing to enter need to have correct money in an envelope detailing their name and the competitions they wish to enter. Please leave all entries at the front office.

If you have any queries please don’t hesitate to come and see me.

Nick McGann
Assistant Principal

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Autism Fundraiser

At the last school disco Mrs Raphael sold cake pops to raise money for Autism Awareness. Thank you to the wonderful support of the John Paul II School Community a total of $163.00 was raised.

DOMINOES BASKETBALL CLUB
Invites you to attend our MOTHERS DAY TRADE NIGHT

Date: Friday 3rd May 2013
Time: Doors open at 7:15pm
Venue: Sunshine Recreation Centre
Howrah Road, Howrah

Tickets: $5.00
Over 20 Home Shopping Companies will be in attendance.
Early Bird tickets available
Door Sales on the night
For tickets contact Kate Lowry on 0417 153 589 or Vicki Debnam on 0422 502 794
At the conclusion of Holy Week, the entire school participated in a prayerful liturgy that re-enacts the events of Holy Week and Easter. The events each class re-enacted were: Palm Sunday (Kinder), Last Supper (4/5 Huon), Agony in the Garden (Prep/1 Bluegum), Crucifixion (3/4 Blackwood,) Laying Jesus in the Tomb (1/2 Wattle) and the Resurrection (6/6 Sassafras). All students participated enthusiastically and prayerfully.