Welcome to the 2013 school year. The school was a hive of activity during the holidays with the roof to the historical building being replaced. The contractors managed to complete the job in the six hottest consecutive days in January, and it looks terrific.

We were fortunate to have the assistance of the Rotary Club in preparing and painting the roof of the train carriage in early January. Whilst there were many people involved, three members who worked tirelessly throughout the job were Colin, Megan and Steve. Our thanks go to all involved.

All students have returned, with Kindergarten starting ‘big school’ yesterday. The staff has been excited to return to school and students settled very quickly into their new classes. We are fortunate to have the following team working with our students this year:

- KS: Ms Seagrott
- KH: Ms Howard
- KJ: Mrs Jones
- K6L: Mrs Lynch
- 1T: Mrs Thompson
- 1/2P: Ms Porter
- 2O: Mr O’Leary
- 3S: Miss Sanderson
- 3/4K: Mr Kemp
- 4S: Miss Shipway
- 5C: Mrs Chambers
- 5/6C: Miss Christie
- 6R: Miss Richards

Mrs Jones is relieving as the Assistant Principal supervising K – 2, and Miss Richards is the relieving Assistant Principal supervising Yrs 5 – 6 and K6L. Mrs L’Estrange is overseeing Yrs 3 – 4.

Mrs Cavallaro and Ms Wright are our Support Teachers, while Mrs King is working with the Reading Recovery program.

Ms Marilyn Singh and Ms Dellis Richards are our permanent Aboriginal Education Officers.

**Allergies and other health issues**

At the end of 2012, schools were issued with EpiPens to treat students suspected of anaphylactic reactions. All staff have been trained in the use of these adrenaline injectors. Any students who have been identified of a severe allergy and have been prescribed an adrenaline injector needs to have an Action Plan completed by their treating doctor and provided to the school.
Students identified with asthma, diabetes or epilepsy are also being encouraged to provide Action Plans to the school to allow us to better manage your child’s condition whilst at school.

**Emergency Contacts**

Each year we find that throughout the year, parents may change their contact details. Sometimes the emergency contact (the person we contact when the parent is not contactable) has changed.

To ensure that we are able to contact you in an emergency, please provide updated phone numbers, addresses and emergency contact details.

**Uniform**

All students are expected to be in full school uniform at all times. If for any reason this is not possible, please send a note or contact the school. Boys should be wearing grey shorts, grey shirt, grey socks and black shoes. Girls should be wearing a gold shirt, navy shorts or skirt, white socks and black shoes.

**Footwear** is an important safety item. Good soles provide a sound grip on the floor preventing accidents such as slips, trips and falls from occurring. Footwear can also protect feet from damage caused by accidents such as falling objects. Canvas slip-on shoes do not provide appropriate protection, and generally come off when students are playing games. As such, we ask that parents provide appropriate school shoes or joggers in line with our uniform policy.

Our school has a ‘no hat, play in the shade’ policy. Broad-brimmed hats need to be worn by students when playing in the sun, including for sporting activities. Students who wear a cap will be asked to play in the shade.

**Lunches**

We are fortunate to have a canteen that offers reasonably priced, healthy foods for students. We remind parents and caregivers that lunches need to be ordered by 9.30 am. The range of food offered is reduced after this time.

Please ensure that any lunches that need to be delivered to school are dropped to the front office by 11am. Students become upset and miss out on play if they have to wait for lunches to be dropped at school. We remind parents that students are not permitted to leave the school grounds to collect lunches.

**Helmets required**

Students need to wear a helmet when riding a bicycle to and from school. This is a legal requirement. Anyone not wearing a helmet will not be permitted to ride to school.

**Attendance**

Last year we managed to improve the overall attendance rate of students from 88% in 2011 to 91% in 2012. This is a terrific improvement, however students need to be at school every day unless too ill to attend. It is a legal requirement that an explanation is provided for all absences.

We will continue to implement the “It’s Not Okay to Be Away” program to recognize those students who have terrific attendance. Information about this program is attached to this bulletin.

**Swimming Carnival**

Our annual swimming carnival is planned for this Friday, 15th February. All students in Years 3 – 6 are expected to attend the carnival as this is a school day and part of the school curriculum. We advise parents that students are not permitted to stay home on the day of the carnival.

Students in Year 2 who turn 8 years old by the end of this year and can swim 25 metres are also able to participate.

Notes have been sent home and need to be returned as soon as possible. We would appreciate any assistance that parents are able to give at the carnival.


**Sports Captain Elections**

The election of captains and vice captains for our four sports houses took place last Friday. Our congratulations go to the following students.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>House</th>
<th>Captains</th>
<th>Vice Captains</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>LAWSON</td>
<td>Oliver Stubberfield</td>
<td>Ollie Harding</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Haidee Yeomans</td>
<td>Holly Tomlinson</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>KENDALL</td>
<td>Zane Rodgers</td>
<td>George Coffey</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Britney Staines</td>
<td>Lily Waller</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PATERSON</td>
<td>Jack May</td>
<td>Jarryd Walmsley</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Haley Richards</td>
<td>Danielle Hoskins</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>GILMORE</td>
<td>Ty Powell</td>
<td>Jackson Keeley</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Kyeasha Dalton</td>
<td>Vanessa Harris</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Student Representative Council – SRC**

Each year, students in Years 2 – 6 are elected to represent their peers and develop leadership. This year we have tried to ensure that as many students as possible have the opportunity of being a student leader. As such, those students who hold a sports captain role could not also hold the role of SRC representative. The SRC representatives for 2013 are:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>House</th>
<th>Captains</th>
<th>Vice Captains</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1/2P</td>
<td>Emma Buckland</td>
<td>Eliza Saunders</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2O</td>
<td>Corey Herbert</td>
<td>Billie O'Bryan</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3S</td>
<td>Nic Manwaring</td>
<td>Molly Stubberfield</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3/4K</td>
<td>Toby Harding</td>
<td>Anika Wrigley</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4S</td>
<td>Jeremiah Hudson</td>
<td>Torilee Parker</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5C</td>
<td>Alex Williams</td>
<td>Felicity Baxter</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5/6C</td>
<td>Matthew Reid</td>
<td>Esther Weatherall</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6R</td>
<td>Patrick Fogg</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

We will be holding a special assembly to recognise our Sports Captains and SRC members on Monday, 25 February at 10.30 am. Parents are invited to join us to pin on their children’s badges.

**P&C AGM**

All parents and carers are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of the P&C on Thursday, 7th March in the school library. The meeting will be held from 7pm.

---

**Active After School Sports** commencing this week.

Monday  Kayaking at the Lake - meet Mr Kemp near the boat ramp at 3.30 pm. Finishes 4.30 pm.
Tuesday Swimming at the Pool - meet Miss Christie at the pool 3.30 pm. Finishes 4.30 pm.

Both these activities are full so no more forms will be taken. Afternoon tea is provided for students.
Dear Parents/Carers

Class teachers will be sending home a letter during the week to invite you, along with your child, to attend an interview to discuss your child’s learning and personal goals which they may have for 2013.

This opportunity will allow you to speak personally with your child’s class teacher and learn further about what curriculum activities your child will participate in throughout the year.

Please consider suitable times that may cater to you and your child, particularly if you have children in other classes.

We look forward to building stronger links with families, and getting to know you and your child better in order to support every child’s learning ability and social development.

Ms Deborah Nay
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Term 1</th>
<th>Week 5</th>
<th>Friday 1st March</th>
<th>1T - Mrs Thompson</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Week 7</td>
<td>Friday 15th March</td>
<td>3/4K - Mr Kemp</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Week 10</td>
<td>Friday 5th April</td>
<td>5/6C - Miss Christie</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**CONDOBOLIN JUNIOR CRICKET**
**16th February**

**Colts vs Waratahs:** Primary - SRA East  U16’s - Association

**Waratahs vs Kiacatoo:** Primary - Showground  U16’s - Berriman (Trundle)

---

**Condo Soccer Association**

**Junior & Seniors**

**AGM**

at 6pm

on Wednesday 27th February

at Sports Club

**NO COMMITTEE NO SOCCER**

**SENIOR SOCCER (14yrs and over)**

Interested players for 2013 there will be a meeting after the AGM at 6.30pm or phone Russell Keen 0401 085 356

Anyone interested in refereeing SNR home games or already has their referee ticket please also contact Russell Keen.