Dear Parents /Caregivers,

The end of the year is both exhausting and exhilarating. The junior and senior presentations were fantastic with fun performances and many wonderful awards. The awards ranged from a child learning to talk to the Dux award. What a contrast! It showcases the wonderful diversity in our school and how we are working hard so all children can achieve their goals. A special mention to two people who were recognised at the assemblies. The first was Sharyn Morrison who retired this year after 20 years at our school and 36 years as a teacher. A fantastic career and a fabulous teacher. The second is Wanda Folkes. Yes, you heard it right. Wanda is retiring after 28 years in our school canteen. Wanda has been amazing and our canteen certainly won’t be the same. Our canteen is first class and Wanda has worked tirelessly for our children and teachers and is always calm and serves with a smile. A WOW WOW to Wanda and we all wish you both a happy and healthy retirement.

This week we have also had the ‘Volunteers Morning Tea’ where we say a massive thanks to all our parents and community members who give their time so that our children can benefit. We have an amazing group but none more so than Liz May who has been doing scripture in our school for 18 years. Liz is retiring from this role and we recognised her efforts at the morning tea with a gift from all of us. Liz is a very special person. Her caring nature, positive attitude and great sense of fun will also be missed around our school.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our School Leadership Team for 2015 who were led by our school captains Abby Maxworthy and Jared Crosby. They worked hard in their roles and were great role models for all our school. It was exciting for Mrs Maxworthy and I to announce our new leadership team for 2016 at the senior presentation assembly on Monday night. Our leadership team is Tayla Wilson, Bella McCartney, Tayissa Brierley, PJ Walton, George Gouvouisi and Isaac Wheeler. Our School captains are Meah Hancock and Jerome Chatfield. A terrific group of children who I am sure will do our school proud in 2016.

Have a great week.

Tom Purcell
Principal

SCHOOL REPORTS

Unfortunately the student reports will not be sent today as there has been an error during the printing process. All reports will be sent home with students on Friday. If you require your child’s report sooner, please speak directly with your child’s classroom teacher.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused.
**TERM 4—2015**
**Calendar of Events**

**Week 10**
Wed 9  Year 6 Farewell night 6pm
Thu 10 Year 5 Christmas Party—Movies
Fri 11 School Swim trials

**Week 11**
Mon 14 Year 2 Christmas Party
Wed 16 Talent Show 9–11 School Hall

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**STUDENTS LAST DAY OF THE YEAR! IS WEDNESDAY 16 DECEMBER**

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**SCHOOL BANKING**
School banking is finished for 2015. Please continue to save over the school holidays. First day of banking in 2016 will be Wednesday 3 February.

This week's Dollarmacite award winner is Lucy—6B

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**PELICAN PANTRY**
**ROSTER**

**Term 4**

**Week 10**
Mon 14 Courtney Trives
Jody Baldock
Tue 15 Julia Helms-Brooks
Wed 16 Lee Osborne
Donna Nielson

Thank you to all our volunteers.

NO lunch orders on the last day of school WEDNESDAY 16 DECEMBER.
The canteen will still be selling food at recess & lunch

**K-2 ASSEMBLY NEWS**

1L will be hosting this week's K-2 assembly. Assembly is on Friday and begins at 9am in the school hall. Below are the award winners from last week's assembly.

**KM**  Xanthe Shaw, Ryder Thompson
**KS**  Tristan George, Kiara Thomas
**KST**  Kai Parsons, Mia Harrison
**1L**  Kaieic O'Donnell, Charlee Rush
        Chloe O'Shea
**1TA**  Enzo Haas Carley Arquero
**1W**  Abby Foster, Tristan Smith
**1/2LT**  Kailey-Jane Knight,
        Dorian Forscutt, Melody Stewart
        Desmond Rankmore
**2C**  Tyler Hoadley-Davis, Ruby Duncan
        Connor Warren
**2M**  Jayjay Inwards, Alex Pollard
        Ewan McCormack
**2T**  Josh Rowing, Dan Rowing
        Zoe Williams

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Our Kids Kick Goals

**Learning, Caring, Sharing, Playing**

We are writing Procedure and Explanation Texts. (Our writing is neater and neater each day!)

Wows sustained texts for a wide range of purposes.

Our writing is much better and we are putting capital letters in the right spell!!

Wows awareness of accurately acknowledging sources in relevant texts.

Ben shows awareness of accurately acknowledging sources in relevant texts.
We are writing for a wider range of purposes using paragraphs.

We watched a demonstration video on how to use punctuation and then wrote a Procedure text using the correct format.

We can write long sentences using ‘wow’ words.

We have been using Capital Letters. Punctuation and paragraphs when we write Procedure and Explanation texts.

1/2bT

Wow!

We write interesting stories of over a page in length. Hooray!!! Awesome!

I write an explanation that was coherent and well-structured.

We have interesting ideas.

We write interesting stories.
Yes, it’s that time of the year again when all the library books are required back to the library for stocktaking. If your child still has a library book out could you please make sure they return it immediately. There has been notes handed out to individual children, but they may still be hiding in their school bags. If your child has lost a book, they will have to pay the replacement price of it. Thank you for your help in returning these books. Any children with outstanding loans will not be able to borrow next year until those books are returned or paid for. Thank you to those families who always have their books back on time.

Joan Carroll
Teacher/Librarian

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2016 LEADERSHIP TEAM. Pictured with Mr Purcell are LtoR Tayla Wilson, Tayissa Brierley, (Captain) Meah Hancock, Bella McCartney, (Captain) Jerome Chatfield, Isaac Wheeler, PJ Walton. Absent is George Gouvousis who unfortunately is unwell.
YEAR 6 SYDNEY EXCURSION

WOW! What a wonderful week away enjoying the major sights and attractions that Sydney has to offer. The weather was spectacular which meant that every activity planned could be enjoyed to the maximum. Mr Purcell had the Sydney public transport running on time and we even enjoyed an extended train ride to Strathfield just to enjoy some time out of the heat! A highlight of our trip was jet boating around the five cruise ships moored in the harbour. We also enjoyed an impromptu fireworks display which coincided with the P&O cruise ship birthday celebrations. We changed our plans slightly to accommodate a ‘once in a lifetime experience’ and it was well worth it. It was such a blast and we recognise the effort made by the students with fundraising and the P&C for their contribution towards payment of the bus. Thank you to Mr Purcell and Mrs Nicholas for their hours of planning and organising which starts in Term 1. We would like to also thank Steve Nicholas for giving up his time and feeding us for the week. Year 6 Teachers, Mr Wight , Mrs Nicholas and Mrs Blunden