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NEWSLETTER TERM 1 WEEK 1

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Peter Callaghan

Welcome to the 2017 school year! I trust the summer break has been a good one for you and your family. This will be a short note simply to ensure you are up to date with the most important pieces of 'new year' information. From my perspective, thank you for returning your children to us, Wednesday was a day of smiles and greetings all round! Teachers were well prepared and students entered classrooms and settled to our planned activities quickly and smoothly.

While the new darker blue polo shirt is looking fantastic, remember the pale blue is still part of our official uniform and there is no reason why they should not also be worn for as long as they are needed or remain useful.

Staffing has remained quite stable for us this year with only a few changes. Miss Maddelin Johnston has joined us as Physical Education and Secondary Science teacher. Many of you will remember Miss Johnston from her long term practice teaching here in Term 3 last year. Ms Heidi Tyler has returned to us and will be teaching Secondary English and some HASS (Humanities and Social Sciences). Mr Melville has made the move from Secondary Science, Cooking and Sewing and... to be the new Year 6 teacher.

Parking is always an issue in schools and we are no exception. Last year I wrote of the risks to our Kindergarten and Pre-Primary bus students from private vehicles being driven into the bus drop off zone next to the Kindergarten and I advised that from the start of this year that practice must stop. I appreciate that drop offs can be difficult but please help me to protect our students by not driving into this space.

FROM THE PRIMARY DEPUTY PRINCIPAL – Jayde Hewson

Welcome Back

It is great to see everyone back with smiles on their faces and no broken limbs! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and are all well rested ready to kick off 2017. Please remember to make contact with your child's classroom teacher or myself if you have any issue's that arise throughout the year.

Swimming Lessons

Lessons will commence Monday 13th February and conclude on Wednesday 22nd February for our Year 3 to 6 students. Unfortunately, we have been unable to find sufficient staff numbers to run lessons for all students in Term 1. PP to Year 2 will do their lessons in Term 4. Notes and permission slips will be coming home today.

Parent Night

Parent Night will be held on Monday 13th February 2017 from 5:30pm to 8:30pm. More information and times will be given out next week.

FROM THE SECONDARY DEPUTY PRINCIPAL – Bob Trouchet

It is great to see everyone in school uniform. The new shirts are certainly very smart and students are wearing them with pride.

All Year 10 students will be participating in a Work Experience program throughout the year. With the support of local employers they are spending each Tuesday in the workforce and experiencing a range of jobs and tasks.

Year 7 students will have a three day camp emphasising teamwork and personal growth during Week 4 from Wednesday 22nd to Friday 24th February. Expressions of interest notes have been sent home with students and should have been returned. I encourage all students to attend to promote cohesiveness of the Year 7 group (and reduce the costs per family).

FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE – Carol Nicholls

Welcome to 2017. Hopefully you were all ready for the new school year. Could families who have received update medical forms from me, please complete and return as soon as possible. It is important we have up to date information about your child/children to keep them safe and healthy.

Year 7 students will be bringing a health form home within the next few weeks. Please complete and return quickly.

Year 8 will be offered immunisation in March. The forms for that will be sent home as soon as I receive them from Katanning office. Once again, return promptly please.

Any health issues/concerns please contact me at school, 9831 2300. I am here Monday – Thursday odd weeks and Monday and Tuesday even weeks this term.