



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 2! I hope you all had a great break and got to spend some quality time with your families. I managed to get away to get some camping and fishing done which was nice, however my jobs list at home and work seems to have grown! It's always great to come back to the smiling faces of the students as they enjoy seeing their friends again; after all, isn't that what school is all about?!

CONGRATULATIONS to Mrs Dinelli and her husband on the birth of their son Noah who entered this world early morning on Good Friday, 25th March. All the family is well and we look forward to meeting Noah shortly.

I ask parents to please have a look at the proposed After School Care program note sent home last term and indicate your preference as to whether you would consider accessing the program if it ran. At this stage, given the returns, it would be unlikely the school could afford to run with the ASC program. You can collect another note from the office if need be. The return date has been extended until the 20th April.

Over the next week our 5/6 students will complete the Attitude to Schools Survey. This is a survey ran statewide that gives us a school an important insight into how the students are feeling and how they perceive our school. Results, which we receive early Term 3, are used to improve what we do here at school.

It was wonderful to see so many students share their sports awards at our assembly this week. We certainly do have some talented students at our school in a wide variety of pursuits, both sporting and non-sporting. Speaking of this, we wish Hannah Meyer all the best for her competition in Melbourne on Monday where she will represent our school at the State Swimming Championships.

What I love about my job is talking to students and them telling me something fantastic they have either done, attempted or are striving towards. I often reflect on this as an adult and think 'I wish I was young again to try those things.' But then reflect further and think 'why wish my life

away and not just 'do'. Obviously sometimes age and bones play a large part, but then more so it's fear of the unknown, or playing it safe as an adult. At school we often ask the students to take risks, calculated of course, but we need to lead by example and take the leap first to prove it's okay to maybe not succeed. J.K. Rowling once said "*It is impossible to live without failing at something, unless you live so cautiously that you might as well not have lived at all, in which case you have failed by default.*"

I open up a challenge to parents to lead by example and choose one thing to attempt that might be out of your comfort zone this month and possibly share it with your family. I'll share mine with you all in a month and let you know how it went. Good luck!

Adam Downes – Principal

PARENTS & FRIENDS MOTHERS DAY STALL

This will be held on Friday the 6th May at 2:00pm. If anyone has any donations for this they would be greatly appreciated. Also small parcels of baked goods can also be accepted (with ingredients noted) on the Thursday afternoon or Friday morning.

COMMUNITY DINNER

CATS Playgroup will be doing the Community Dinner this month which will be held on Friday April 22nd. It will be Chicken or Veal Schnitzel with veggies then for dessert Sticky Date pudding for the adults and pancakes for the kids. Please book in for your meal at tsda@netspace.net.au.

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18 th Apr	Mon	Parents & Friends meeting after assembly – all welcome.
22 nd Apr	Fri	Book Club Orders Due In
25 th Apr	Mon	Anzac Day Public Holiday
27 th Apr	Wed	School Council Meeting/Training – 6:30pm
6 th May	Fri	Mothers Day Stall – 2:00pm onwards
25 th – 27 th May	Wed - Fri	Years 3 and 4 Camp at Camp Rumbug - \$265 per student