What a Week

Welcome back everyone!

Isn’t it great to have a flashing school zone sign? Let’s hope that it has a positive effect.

Term 4 is always a very busy one and is the time when we make some important decisions for next year.

Included in this newsletter is some important information about choosing captains for 2015. Children who would like to nominate themselves for these positions will need to prepare a speech and meet specific criteria.

Stage 3 children were also given the opportunity to nominate themselves for a Leadership Award. Nomination forms are due back by the end of week 2.

Next Wednesday is our first assembly for this term. We will be presenting the 100% attendance awards for term 4.

We will also be starting a new school planning cycle in 2015. In order to do this I have to collect important, objective data from staff, students and parents. To help me do this I have engaged an external consultant, Steve Galbraith.

A meeting with parents to discuss future directions for our school will be held next Thursday at 9 a.m.

Participation in this process is voluntary but everyone who is interested is welcome to be involved. Please check the details in this newsletter.

Teaching staff worked hard on Tuesday at a school funded additional Professional Development Day. We discussed future plans and the process for maintaining teacher quality.

You may not be aware that Teachers are assessed annually and must continually demonstrate their skills and current knowledge of quality teaching.

We are fortunate at Primbee to have a team of excellent teachers.

Next Friday is Loud Shirt Day which supports people with hearing difficulties. We will be supporting this event as we have a student who already benefits from support in this area.

It will be busy but we know we can count on your support!

Dorothy Cass

Upcoming Events

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Date for Term 4

- Kidzwish Christmas Party November 20th
- Swim Scheme 24th November – December 5th
- Yr 6 Orientation Day – December 3rd
- Volunteers lunch – December 4th
- Reports Home- December 8th
- Presentation Day/Yr 6 Farewell – December 11th
- Jamberoo/Movies – December 12th
- Last day of term – December 17th

DO NOT SEND IN ANY PHOTO MONEY OR ORDERS PLEASE! These are to be sent in on the day October 29th

Next Assembly: October 15

Year 6 Shirts

The shirts have arrived and look great! Year 6 children may wear them on Friday’s for now. They have also been advised under what conditions they have the privilege of wearing them.
CONGRATULATIONS!

Bill Ektoros has won the 6 year old boys State Championship for BMX riding. Well done!

DANCE 2BFIT

It is a requirement that all children participate in this important, curriculum event but we do need a signed permission note for each student.

If the cost is a problem please let us know so that we can help you. It is a helpful courtesy to let us know if you need extra time or would like to pay by installment or if you need the school to help you out!

The school is paying for 2 lessons but we would appreciate payment for the rest of the lessons in a lump sum as soon as possible please.

You can pay on line for this activity.

Thank you to the parents who have already done this!

CAPTAIN & VICE CAPTAIN ELECTIONS

Towards the end of this term all classes will be involved in voting for 4 school leaders for 2015.

All year 5 students can nominate themselves for this position by making a speech demonstrating the qualities they have which will make them an effective school leader.

Children who have been on detention frequently, however and continue to disregard the school rules may find that they are ineligible to hold this position.

Involvement in any sort of bullying will not be acceptable in a school leader.

Children who are elected to the position of captain or vice-captain MUST be able to do the following:

- Keep all school rules
- Make sensible decisions in a collaborative manner e.g. SRC events
- Participate in all school activities
- Speak positively about our school
- Represent the school at outside events
- Prepare and present speeches
- Organise school events
- Lead special assemblies
- Lead the SRC
- Promote school activities
- Be prepared to do jobs at home and/or at lunch time as necessary
- Take part in leadership activities
- Wear school uniform and badge.
- Welcome and thank visitors

Once elected to this position a child can lose it if they engage in unacceptable behavior and are placed on detention.
**LOUD SHIRT DAY**

On Friday October 17, we will be supporting this event.

Children can wear a brightly coloured shirt and bring in a gold coin donation for the Shepherd Centre.

This centre provides support for children and adults with significant hearing loss.

**JAMBEROO RECREATION PARK**

It is a tradition at Primbee P.S. for all stage 3 children to end the year with an excursion to the Recreation Park.

This event is subsidised by the P&C.

When reviewing the risk assessment for this event it was necessary to include the following:

- Given the nature of the activities at this event it is vital that children follow the supervising teacher directions to the letter.
- All children attending this event must have shown that they are completely trustworthy and will follow all teacher directions.

Therefore, to ensure everyone's safety, children will need to demonstrate that they can be trusted to follow all safety and other instructions as explained by the supervising teacher to be allowed to attend this event.

Mrs. Connell had put in place a system to ensure that this occurs.

We hope it does not become necessary to exclude anyone from this event but, as with camp, it is necessary for all children to comply with this condition.

Parents will be notified in writing if their child is in danger of not being allowed to attend this event.

**UNIFORM UPDATE**

Any uniform orders that were placed last term are ready for collection once the final balance has been paid.

The last opportunity to order uniform items for 2015 will be on Wednesday 22/10 with 50% deposit required.

We hope that polo shirts will be ready to fill these orders by the end of term, if not all orders will be ready by Term 1, Week 2, 2015. (We have reserve stock for new kindergarten children available in standard sizes.)

All orders must be submitted on an order form available from outside the office.

Payments for uniforms (including lay-by's) can be made by cash or can be transferred directly to the following account with your child's name as a reference number.

**Bsb – 062636**

**Account - 10396940**

**Account name - Primbee Primary School uniforms**

Thank you

**SCHOOL PLANNING-PARENT MEETING**

Apologies for the short notice but we need to start collecting data for our 3 year school plan.

We **NEED** parent input into the future directions that are important to our school.

The meeting will be led by Steve Galbraith who some of you may remember from a couple of years ago.

He is an independent consultant to schools who has worked for many years in the education field as a teacher and principal.

The meeting is an informal discussion based on a few questions which are attached to this newsletter.

It would be fantastic if a few people could attend.

- **Thursday, October 16 , Parents Room at 9a.m.**

Morning tea will be provided.

Please complete and return the slip below if you can come to the meeting or if you would take part in a short phone interview at a time convenient to you.

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**Parent focus group meeting**

I will be able to attend the meeting on Thursday, October 16 at 9a.m. in the Parents’ Room. **Yes / No**

I would be prepared to participate in a phone interview if not available to attend the meeting. **Yes / No**

Name: ________________________________________

Signed: _______________________________________

Contact Number________________________________
**WILL YOUR CHILD BE AT PRIMBEE P.S. IN 2015?**

Our enrolment numbers have increased quite a lot over the last couple of terms with several children moving here from other areas.

If we maintain our current numbers we will be able to form another class next year!

As I have to inform the department if this is likely it would be very helpful to know if any students will not be here in 2015.

There is always a place for local children and those who are already enrolled.

If you know that your child will not be here in 2015 please complete and return the following slip.

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### 2015 Enrolment

My child ________________________________ in class ________________________ will NOT be attending Primbee P.S in 2015.

Signed:______________________________________