What a sensational start to the year. I think we can all be very proud of the way we embraced the complexities and got down to the business of teaching and learning.

A special mention of the wonderful staff here at Springfield Central who have worked so very hard to ensure your children have wonderful learning environments.

Congratulations also to the students who have embraced our drive towards self management and our Codes of CONDUCT and COURTESY. It is very warming to hear our students speak our language already, to hear them refer to and act in the ‘Springfield Central Way’. Each week at 2:10pm on a Friday we have an assembly where many students have been recognised for behaving the SC Way.

All parents are invited to join us for weekly assembly.

**DRESS CODE**

I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents that on enrolment they sign to say that they agree with our school Dress Code. This Dress Code was developed in conjunction with and endorsed by the consultative committee that existed before the establishment of our 2011 P&C.

The Dress Code has a very important role in building and maintaining a great reputation for our school. The Dress Code goes beyond the agreed standards of specified items of clothing (including uniform, shoes and hats) to expectations of other aspects of personal presentation of students (including bags, hair, jewellery & body art)

I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents that a school bag or alternatively a PLAIN Navy Blue school bag are a part of our SCSS Dress Code.

Our Dress Code also identifies sanctions for students who breach our Dress Code.

**SANCTIONS**

Students who are out of uniform will be sent to the office where they will be provided with a loan item to replace the non-school uniform item worn. This loan provision is in good faith for genuine cases. The student will return the loan item to admin at the end of the day and a letter will be e-mailed home to the parent/guardian informing them. The loan piece will be washed by school staff. For students who repeatedly choose to be out of uniform or are out of uniform due to disobedience, will be dealt with following the school’s responsible behaviour plan.

**ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT FOR LEARNING**

We are very fortunate that 100% of parents committed on enrolment to participate in the Essential Equipment for Learning Resource Scheme. This scheme allows us as a school to provide all consumable items that are generally in a book pack for your students. We have had just over 50% payments which is a little disappointing. Thanks to those of you who have made payment.

Can I remind parents who haven’t, that the due date for the scheme has passed. Your children have had the privilege of using all of the equipment purchased by the school since the first day of school. This week actual student workbooks, home reader logs and passwords for the web based programs will be distributed. Unfortunately until the payment is made we are unable to issue these ‘big ticket’ items to the students. We look forward to receiving these payment in the very near future. Upon payment ‘big ticket’ items will be distributed.