PUBLIC HOLIDAY FIRST WEEK

Wednesday 26th January is a public holiday to celebrate Australia Day. The school will be closed on this day.

ENROLMENTS

I have continued to take enrolments over the break and have had the opportunity to meet many families. At the moment we have 60 students enrolled. As I have shared at interview, this will mean we will start the year with composite year levels. As enrolments increase it is expected these composites will move to straight grades. I thank you in advance for your flexibility and support around enrolments and class changes.

SCHOOL TIMES FINALISED

The school day for all students PREP to Year 7 will start at 8:45 (the prepare to be challenged song will play at 8:40am). To see the breakdown of the day please refer to the School Bell Times link on the website.

BREAK IN

It saddens me to share that a break in occurred over the Christmas closure. I was called at 2:28am to find the thieves had taken a 50" and a 32" television from the school foyer causing damage. A special mention and thanks to the Goodna police who quickly responded to the alarm and who were very efficient and helpful.

UNIFORMS will be available for collection from the school administration building on WEDNESDAY 19th and THURSDAY 20th January from 8:00am till 5:00pm.

In the week of the 19th you will receive an email that outlines payment options for uniforms. If you have prepaid your uniforms they will be available for collection (prepacked). If you choose to pay on the day (we prefer eftpos and credit card over cash) your order will be collated at the time of purchase.

As this will be a very busy time we thank you for your patience and support.

DRESS CODE REMINDER

The SCSS Dress Code requires students to wear full school uniform each day to school. (refer to website for details) The dress code requires BLACK shoes with white socks. It also requires students wear a SCSS hat and use a SCSS school bag. The only acceptable alternative is a plain navy blue school bag.

Our Essential Equipment for Learning Resource Scheme has had 100% uptake. This resource scheme will ensure all equipment for learning is available for your children at all times in all learning areas. When students arrive on the first day, the only thing they need to bring with them is their school lunch, water bottle and hat. Note my optimism in not including an umbrella or raincoat! Can I please ask you to consider when you pack your child/ren’s lunch that we have some students who have anaphylactic responses to peanuts and eggs.

Payment options for EE4L and the voluntary contributions Keeping SCSS SOTA will be forwarded to you in the week of the 10th January.

FIRST DAY @ SCHOOL JANUARY 24th 2011

The rain has certainly hindered the progress of the non essential components of the school. I am pleased to share that all buildings and amenities will be complete for the first day of school. The Evans Harch project manager Harvey and his team of builders have worked tirelessly these past weeks to get as much done around the constant deluge of water. It is possible that some of them may still be on site when you come to school. If you see them, please take the opportunity to acknowledge their hard work and dedication.

WHERE TO GO

Follow Grande Avenue. You will go through a set of lights then the next right turn is the entry to the school. There is a public car park that will lead you to the main entry. The administration block is the first building you will see. It will be on your right.

Once you have entered the school via the set of stairs (you will note a well signed entry portal) continue along that path and take a direct right. (this will take you to the student entry for admin) There will be long tables set up with boxes of student cards in alphabetical surname order.

WHAT TO DO

Locate and take your child/ren’s student card. This student card will provide the following details:

- Student Name and Grade
- Teacher’s name and Picture
- Class name and class location (see back for map)

Teachers will be in their rooms from 8:15am on the first day ready to meet their students. A song will play at 8:40. We would greatly appreciate all students to be in class and ready for the first day by the end of that song.

PREP parents are invited to the Resource Learning Hub for THOUGHTS - TISSUES - TOBLERONE & a cuppa TEA with the principal.

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