Dear Parents and Friends,

This is the last newsletter of the term. The staff and I wish you all a safe and restful holiday. 2014 has seen a great number of significant changes in our school; from new administrative and finance procedures to new staff and curriculum. 2015 is not going to be any less busy with the new maths and science curriculum for teachers and the final stage of LMBR in the office. Thankyou all for the help and support you have provided to our school in 2014.

Merry Christmas

Gymnastics

Note that gymnastics in on Thursday and Friday this week to make up for the lost day at the beginning of the term. Please enquire at the office if you think you may have outstanding fees for gym.

Presentation Evening

Wednesday, 10 December

Our annual presentation evening will start at 7.00pm tonight, Wednesday, 10 December at the C3 Church, 1 Pippita Close, Beresfield. Formalities will conclude about 8.00pm when we will enjoy supper and a visit from a very special visitor. Please DO NOT bring a plate. The school will provide tea, coffee, cordial and biscuits.

Party Day

Tuesday, 16 December

This is an out of uniform day. Party foods can be brought to the kitchen. We will follow our usual custom where each class brings a different category of food to share so there is variety. Do not send any food which requires cooking, only reheating. Please do not send any food containing nuts or traces of nuts as these can be life threatening for some students. Please send small servings only.

Water Play

We will be conducting our traditional water play event on Wednesday, 17 December. The following rules continue to apply:

- All participants must have a signed permission note (see attached).
- All participants must have closed–in shoes.
- All participants must have swimming goggles.
- All participants must use squirting devices. No cups or buckets are permitted.

If the weather is not officially over 25ºC water play will not occur and an alternate activity will be organised.

At any time students can choose to withdraw themselves from the activity and go to “Switzerland” neutral space in the lunch shed and COLA.

Outstanding Fees

Family Statements are attached for those families with outstanding fees for 2104. It would be greatly appreciated
if those with outstanding fees could finalise the payment before the end of the year, alternatively, kindly contact the Principal so other arrangements can be made.

Outstanding fees total over $1000 and this impacts on the services we can provide to all students.

**Australian Wildlife Displays**

Australian Wildlife Displays will visit our school this Friday, 12 December to show us some really interesting animals. The cost is $7.90 per student. A permission note is attached for those who have not already returned one and should be completed and returned to the school mail box with full correct payment tomorrow.

**Buss Pass Applications**

All students who qualify for subsidised bus travel, moving from Year 2 to Year 3 in 2015 are required to submit new bus pass applications. If you have one attached, please complete and return to the school mail box by this Friday.

**P&C News**

**Hot Lunch**

Today was the last hot lunch day for this year. Thank you to our volunteers who have donated their time each week to run the hot lunches. Next year we are looking for several new volunteers to help with hot lunches during terms 2, 3 and 4. If you could spare an hour on Tuesday mornings after drop off or an hour at lunch time, we would love your help, even if it is just for a term. Please contact Louise 042 478 2228 if would like to help.

**Local News**

We have heard of yet another leadership success by an ex-student. Congratulations to Jesse Wolfgang, School Captain at Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College in 2015.

**Sausage Sizzle**

Friday 12 December
Karen Stevenson, Trudie Rofe, Gwenda Duck
Sizzle $1.50 Poppers $1.00 Up’n’Go $1.50

**Due for Return this week**

Overdue library books Fri
Mini Pudding Truffles

Ingredients
½ Christmas cake or mud cake 300g
25g butter melted
2 tablespoons cocoa powder
3 teaspoons orange juice
75g white chocolate, melted
15 Christmas M&Ms

Method
• Crumble cake really well into a large bowl.
• Melt butter and add cocoa and juice, mix to make a paste.
• Combine paste with cake and mix thoroughly. Using clean hands is easiest.
• Roll tablespoons of the mixture into balls. It should make approx. 15 balls.
• Place into mini paper patty cases on a tray.
• Spoon a little melted white chocolate on each pudding. Top with Christmas M&M.

Chocolate Crackles

Ingredients
4 cups rice bubbles
1 cup icing sugar
1 cup desiccated coconut
3 tablespoons cocoa
250g copha, melted

Method
• Mix all ingredients together in a large bowl.
• Spoon mixture into paper patty cases and refrigerate until firm.

White Christmas

Ingredients
250gm copha
3 cups rice bubbles
1 cup coconut
¼ cup icing sugar
1 cup milk powder
30gm glace cherries
½ cup sultanas
30gm glace apricots
30gm glace pineapple

Method
Line a 28 x 18cm lamington pan with baking paper
Melt copha. Add to all other ingredients combined in a large bowl and mix thoroughly
Press mixture into pan, refrigerate until firm. Cut into serving size pieces.
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| Prefect’s Report               |       | Hope everyone has a good weekend |
| Prefect’s Awards               |       | Abby |
| House Cup                      |       | Darkinjan |
| Special Awards                 |       | Makayla, Remy, Darci, Eli, Sienna, Emily, Reilly, Imogen |