Dear Parents & Caregivers

Thank you to everyone for making the effort to back their vehicles in towards the back fence in order to create a safer departing environment for our children. Both School Council and the P&C have supported this initiative to better look after the well-being of our students.

It is wonderful to see so many of our students so eager to get to school however it is not appropriate that they should be at school before 8:30am. Recently we have had students arriving as early as 8:05am and many more between then and 8:30am.

We don’t wish to dampen their enthusiasm but supervision does not commence until **8:30am** and no student should be at school prior to this time.

Regards

P. George

Principal

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**FUNKY HAIR DAY**

On Friday, March 14, we will be having a FUNKY HAIR DAY to raise money for the Leukaemia Foundation.

It will be a gold coin donation (or more) for being out of uniform and $1 if you would like your hair sprayed with colour. So start to plan your funky hair style with spikes, plaits, braids and teasing. There will be prizes for the funkiest hair in each grade.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL**

We still need at least two nominations for School Council. Please refer to our last newsletter for details and nomination forms.

The next School Council meeting is on Tuesday, March 11 at 7:00pm in the staff common room.

**A SENSE OF BELONGING**

Thank you to all parents for ensuring BLACK shoes are being worn as part of our school uniform (Monday – Thursday). We now have only a few children not wearing black shoes but I’m confident this will be rectified soon.

**SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS**

Thank you for the parents who have already paid their school contributions – 13 families already. Apologies for the ‘typo’ error in the last newsletter stating that the contributions are $50 (first child), $30 (second child), $20 (third child). It should be **$40** (second child) as per the invoices sent to parents.

Thanks to the families who have already paid, we now have 13 of 45 families paid – 29%.

Let’s see if we can quickly zoom that up over the 50% mark. If you genuinely can’t afford the full contribution then some contribution would be gratefully accepted as we wish to provide the best possible services and resources to our students.

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**ASSEMBLY NEXT WEEK WILL BE CONDUCTED BY MISS MUIR’S CLASS, K/1.**

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P&C REPORT

Thank you to the parents who attended the very productive mammoth P&C AGM and general meeting on Wednesday night and even missing My Kitchen Rules. Oh, such dedication. Congratulations to the newly elected office bearers for 2014.

President
Michelle Broadley
Vice President 1
Karen Farley-Tucker
Vice President 2
Michelle Conte
Secretary
Maryann Priddis
Treasurer
Kelly Hinchcliffe
Monday Munchies Coordinator
Sarah Williams
Uniform Officer
Kelly Hinchcliffe
Functions Coordinator
Rachael Watson
Public Relations
Katrina Rice

This group of pro-active individuals have already started organising evens to raise money to support student activities, events and resources.

Coming up soon is the Wongarbon Market Day and Swap Meet. Please contribute goods for our stall. On Saturday, March 29, Jacqui Reilly has organised for the P&C to have a BBQ at the Mitre 10 Sale. If you can assist on this day even for an hour or so please contact the P&C Function Coordinator, Rachael Watson on 6887 8404.

Expression of Interest

Many parents are finding it difficult to find school jumpers in the local shops. The P&C are willing to obtain school jumpers at the approximate cost of $20. If you think you would purchase these jumpers for your children can you please ring Michelle Dunn in the school office and let her know how many you are likely to purchase.

If we get enough people interested then our Uniform Officer, Kelly Hinchcliffe, will place an order.

WONGARBON MARKET DAY – March 16

The P&C will be participating in the Wongarbon Market Day and Swap Meet on Sunday, March 16, to raise money to subsidize student excursions in 2014. We would like donations of good quality items including toys, books, knick knacks, things you wish to re-gift, household items like cutlery and larger items like cots, plus children’s clothing to ensure our hard working P&C make a significant amount of money to subsidize the Year 4/5/6 major excursion to Canberra and the exciting K-3 excursion to Wellington Caves in 2014.

So don’t put it off, start cleaning up and cleaning out right now. Donated items can be left at the school.

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**ASSEMBLY AWARDS**

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**PHOTO GALLERY**

**STUDENT PROFILES**

**Toby**

What is your favourite monster truck? Grave Digger
Who is your favourite game character? Iron Man
What is your favourite thing to do? Push bike riding

**Allison**

What is your favourite movie? Dragons Beak
What is your favourite meal? Spaghetti noodles
What is your favourite place at school? The playground

**Jack**

What is your favourite TV show? Detention Air
What is your favourite colour? Red
Who is your hero? Mum
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**WORDS CAN BRING ON A SMILE.**

Lexophile” is a word used to describe those that have a love for words, such as "you can tune a piano, but you can't tuna fish", or "to write with a broken pencil is pointless." A competition to see who can come up with the best lexphillies is held every year in an undisclosed location. This year’s winning submission is posted at the very end.

Dubbo Basketball Association and Hammondaire Hoop Group

Present: Elite Youth Basketball Trainings Dubbo, NSW & Surrounding Areas
Open to boys and girls ages: 8-18 years old. March 8th and 9th Dubbo Sportsworld 9-4pm each day Cost $88

**YOU MUST REGISTER ONLINE**

Register & Lets Be Elite!
Hammondaire Elite Youth Basketball Camps and Clinics focus on the athlete & "Student of the Game" enrichment. We teach high level player development to all ages. For more information visit our website and sign up today. www.jhamm2315.wix.com/hammondairehoopgroup. OR call Alicia Johnson PH: 0434011206 for more details. The Hammond Brothers Are Coming to Dubbo!

DBA Representative players are strongly encouraged to attend. Open to all Junior Basketball players.

**WHEN LUNCH COMES HOME AGAIN – UNEATEN**

Almost nine out of 10 Australian parents say children's resistance is a major obstacle in their efforts to provide a healthy diet, and in many cases school lunches are one of the battlegrounds.

But it's a battle families can do without and there are some simple steps to help avoid it. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/food/when-lunch-comes-homeagain

**HOMEWORK HELP**

Do you struggle to understand your child's homework? Does your child need to practise their spelling and times tables? Are you looking for inspiration for projects and assignments?

The free School A to Z app has been created by the Department of Education and Communities to help parents and their school-aged children, wherever and whenever they have homework and study questions. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications/school-a-to-z