Dear Parents,

Welcome back everyone!
It is wonderful to return to the smiling faces of the children. However I must admit it was also wonderful to have the opportunity to travel and meet many wonderful people. I feel privileged to have been able to visit various countries and see first hand the importance of history to these countries. The many people I met were so welcoming and friendly. I also witnessed the school system in England and gained some insights. Anyway, enough about me.

Term 4 is here and that brings our Fete, the Year 5/6 excursion and the Basketball Championships which all happen in the first three weeks. A lot of work has gone into our Fete by many people and this is our major fundraiser for the year. So we hope everyone will be able to come along and enjoy the night.

I have kept in contact with the school’s newsletter and spoken to various people about how Term 3 has gone and what has happened. It is a wonderful strength for our school and shows clearly that we are a strong supportive community when everything keeps moving smoothly while you are away. I thank Liz Johnston, Joshua Gaynor and Judy Foley for stepping up to Executive positions and I have heard many positive comments about what a great job they have done during the term. They have put the pressure on Cassandra Jones and myself to keep up the good work. Thank you to the staff and our parent body for supporting them during Term 3.

Please keep an eye on our newsletter as Term 4 includes many upcoming events.

“Let’s laugh a lot, smile a lot and have a great term. Looking forward to catching up with everyone.

Thanks
Bede

“As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.”  John F Kennedy
STUDENT BANKING
Tomorrow is school banking day. Application packs for new accounts are available from the office.

UNIFORM SHOP
Our opening hours for this week only are:

- Tuesday 3-3.30pm
- Wednesday 8.30-8.55am, 3-3.30pm
- Thursday 8.30-8.55am
- Friday - CLOSED due to the Fete

ABSENCE NOTIFICATION VIA APP & WEBSITE
You can now quickly and easily notify us of your child’s absence from school using the school app. Thank you to those parents who have provided feedback on this feature. We will be modifying the app so that users will receive a confirmation that their note has been submitted. In the meantime, please be assured that it is working correctly and we are receiving absence notes submitted via the app.

Alternatively, Absence Notes can be submitted via the school website. Just go to the ‘Notes’ menu on the home-page and select ‘Absence Notes’.

LOST
A pair of reading glasses were left at school last term (near the Kinder rooms). If found, please return them to the office. Thank you!

PARISH ‘HISTORY SNAPSHOT’ BOOKS FOR SALE
2015 marks the 60th Anniversary of our Sacred Heart Parish. To commemorate this occasion, Sr Anne Hagan has compiled a 99 page book of the history of the Parish. This wonderful book contains many reflections, memories and photos of the history of the Parish.

We have copies of this book available for sale in the school office for $20. If you would like to purchase one, please send payment in a sealed envelope labelled “Parish History Book” and include details of your child’s name and class.

Please do NOT send nuts or nut products to school.

MEETINGS
School Board - Wednesday 21 Oct

CANTEEN CLOSED THIS WEEK
Please note that due to the Fete, the canteen will be closed all this week.

SAVE THE DATE!
Disco Bingo is Back
Friday, 13th November
Lots more details to follow.

Look out for your facebook invite too.......

BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE FUNDRAISER
31st October - more details closer to the date.

FETE RIDES - WRIST BAND ORDERS
Pre-paid wrist bands must be ordered by 9.30am tomorrow (Wednesday)

Pre-purchased wrist bands cost $30 (with commission paid to the school). On the day of the Fete, wristbands will cost $35 and individual ride tickets priced at $7 will be available from the ride company, however these will not benefit the school, with no commission paid to us. Please note that wristbands will only be sent home on the wrist of the children if you indicate that on the form. All other wristbands will need to be picked up from the Raffle Stall.

The big slide, train and jumping castle will return to the fete this year in addition to the all time favourite cha cha and the tea cups.

FETE ART SHOW
Art Show entries can be brought into school any day now ($1 per entry).

CRAFT STALL
- Could all donations of items for the Craft Stall please be brought to school tomorrow.
- We have two hand-made teddy-bears and two fabric monkeys to be raffled at the Craft Stall.
WANTED TO BORROW
Do you have an extra-large esky that we can borrow for the Fete? If so please contact Chris Lewis or call the office.

FETE CAKE STALL
Today each family received a plate with a note regarding the Cake Stall. Please fill you plate with some home-baked goodies and bring it in to school on Friday morning. Thank you!

EMPORIUM STALL
The ‘Emporium’ children’s clothes stall is in need of racks for hanging and displaying clothing, this may come in the form of an ironing rack, drying rack or portable wardrobe stand. If you are happy to loan any of these, please drop them into the office tomorrow. Thank you!

YR 5/6 - CANBERRA EXCURSION
Payment for the Canberra excursion is due by tomorrow (cash, cheque, credit card or EFTPOS in the office).

UNIDENTIFIED SCHOOL FEES
On 31 August, we received a payment of $426 with a reference ‘school fees’. There was no account number or surname reference. Please check your records and call the office if this payment belongs to you.

FETE HELPERS NEEDED
We still have a few spots available for Fete helpers. If you can help out in any of the areas shown below, please call the office or email your details to jmmurtagh@bigpond.com

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THE GREAT FETE
Friday, 9 October • 3.30 - 7.30pm
ST ANNE’S PRIMARY SCHOOL
CURLEW CRESCENT, NORTH ALBURY
RIDES - BOOKS - CAKES - CRAFT - PLANTS
FOOD & DRINKS - RAFFLE - TRASH & TREASURE
SPINNING WHEEL - CHILDREN’S ACTIVITIES
STUDENT’S ART SHOW - DEVONSHIRE TEA