Welcome back to the second term of 2015. Last term was very successful, we saw our students improve dramatically with their literacy and numeracy skills. We are very proud of the majority of students who have shown very positive growth. I encourage all parents or carers to speak with your child’s teacher to discuss your child's progress.

This term we are welcoming a new Head of Special Education and Special Education teacher. Ms Katrina Gilligan and Ms Krystle Parks both are experienced special education teachers and are both very excited to work with our students.

Over the holidays we have had lots of work completed in our school grounds to finalise the clean up after the cyclone. The prep playground required extensive work which will mean we will need to have our prep students play in another area while the turf takes hold.

At the end of last term our school commenced an Indigenous playgroup. Mrs Sally Ellis is coordinating this group. If you are interested in attending this group please contact Mrs Ellis for further details.

I would like to thank all our families for ensuring your children are always in school uniform. In the coming weeks we will be starting to experience cooler weather. I ask all our families to review the school uniform policy focusing on the winter uniform. Jeans and coloured jumpers are not school uniform.

Looking forward a very successful term.

Jeff

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From the Principal

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From the Deputy's Desk

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Term two is upon us…I hope you all had a restful break.

Teachers will be holding Parent Interviews in weeks 2, 3 and 4. Please contact the Office to book a time to see teachers.

ANZAC Day- the school parade will be in the Hall from 9.00am, every student will receive a commemorative ribbon. If students or families wish to lay a wreath please feel free to do so. So many gave so much.

While the Community march and ceremony will take place Saturday. We will gather at 4.00am and March as a community to the Cenotaph at 4.20am. Give that this is the Centenary of the Gallipoli Landing, it would wonderful to see as many students and families there as possible. Students are to wear school uniforms.

Lest we forget.

Next week the Foyer display will be showcasing the work of 3A, drop in and have a look. 6B will also be performing a skit around “Friendship” at parade in week 2.

I am looking forward to a busy and productive term. As always, my door is open to see you.

Curriculum Chronicles

This term all students will actively engage and participate in a Geography unit for the first few weeks. The unit they complete builds on previous knowledge and sets a foundation for learning in Geography for next Semester.

The units are as follow:
Prep - What is my place like?
Year 1 - What is the story of my place?
Year 2 - What is the story of my place?
Year 3 - Exploring similarities and differences in places near and far
Year 4 - Exploring environments and places.
Year 5 - Exploring how people and places affect one another.
Year 6 - Exploring a diverse World.

Please see your child's teacher if you wish to know more of what the unit entails.
W.W.W. (Watching Wara Kids Work)

Year 2A Science Review

During Term 1 we had to undertake an exciting challenge. Our challenge was to develop an object by combining materials which then had to withstand two tests. Firstly, our objects had to carry a sandwich and an orange over a distance of 5 metres. The second test required the inside of our objects had to be water resistant. We used our knowledge gained from our lessons to combine materials to make the object. Some of our objects needed to be changed to successfully achieve our desired outcomes. These are our object designs.