Dear Parents

**Changes in the Office**

Many of you will be aware that our lovely Lyn is going on an extended holiday later this week. We are lucky to have Jan Mills and Helen Newitt filling in whilst she is away. Thankfully both Jan and Helen know how our school operates and will be able to assist with any inquiries you may have. We hope Lyn has an amazing holiday and are looking forward to hearing about her trip next term.

**School Disco**

There was an excited buzz in the air last Wednesday as students got their dancing shoes on and walked over to the school disco. Our amazing Parent Club had done a superb job setting up - the food was laid out in a specific area with lots of room for dancing near the DJ. Students appeared to have a fantastic time and it was lovely to see them enjoying themselves on the dance floor. It was great to see everyone socialising as they ate, talked and danced. Thank you to Parent Club for making the night a success.

**Hoop Time**

We wish our grade 5/6 hoop time players the best for their competition this Thursday. They have been training hard each week with Mrs Martyn and we hope they have a fun and enjoyable day. Thank you to our coaches, who are volunteering to coach our teams. Good luck – we look forward to hearing about the games you play when you return to school.

**Footy Day**

This Friday is our Annual Footy Skills Day. Our Junior School Council are running the day and the money raised from your gold coin donation will be used to support the RSPCA. We encourage everyone to come dressed in their team’s colours and enjoy fun football activities. There will be certificates presented to the best dressed in each grade and Junior School Councillors will be on the lookout for students trying their best.

**Working with Children Check**

Parents please note that a Working with Children Check is necessary for parents to help in any school programs—examples of these programs include: classroom reading; cooking, either in the classroom or with Barbara’s cooking program; excursions. If you are hoping to help with your child’s school programs and are yet to obtain a Working with Children Check could you please see Lyn Weller in the office for advice on the application process.

**100 Nights of reading:** Kieran, Hamish, Monique and Charli.

**200 Nights of Reading:** John, Carmen and Hugo.

**Star Students:** Maddy, Bailey, Amelie, Montana, Jack, Axel, Bailen and Chelsea.

Nicole Ball
Acting Principal
Lost From the Sleepover
A pink fluffy/fuzzy blanket with butterflies, hearts and flowers on it. Please check your gear from the Grade 2 sleepover to see if you have accidently taken it home with you. If found please return to the office.

Parent Club
Thank you to all the parents who helped set-up and clean-up, at the disco last Wednesday. All the children seemed to have a ball thanks to the great tunes played by Mr Lang. Without the parents who helped, we would never be able to hold such an event, so thanks to all of you who poured drinks, set up tables, vacuumed and washed and dried hundreds of cups!

"Inspiration at Home” fundraiser.
We have had a fantastic response to this fundraiser, as it appears many of you have been enjoying these products well before now! Thanks to the brilliant support of our school community, early calculation of orders has us raising in excess of $450.00! Well done everyone and thanks Janine for doing the demo’s.

FROM THE CHAPLAIN
It’s amazing how food brings back memories. Just the smell or taste of some foods connects us with special people and places. One of my special recipes was something that my Nana would make. She would always have lemon curd in the fridge for me when I went to stay and she taught me how to make it. I still enjoy making this with the lemons from my tree. Last week in cooking I brought along a jar that was used in one of the recipes. Perhaps you have a recipe that someone made for you or with you, something that brings a smile to your face as you recall that special someone who made it.

In the junior cooking session this week students prepared Nachos with Guacamole and Lemon & Coconut Brownies. Thanks to my parent helpers Karen Pierrehumbert, Cassie Bailey and also Mrs. Jane Smith the children had a great cooking experience and produced some yummy snacks.

Next Monday 31st August the students who will be preparing a snack to eat for lunch or take home include; James, Lenny, Amelie, Kaylee, Amon, Sebastian, Charli and Amelia. I am in need of two helpers for this session which runs from 11:30 until 1:30. If parents or grandparents of these students would like to assist please send a message via the office or an email to kingwillbj@hotmail.com

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