Many thanks to our families for making arrangements for last Thursday during the Stop Work meeting and Professional Learning Day. Our staff used the time to collaboratively plan with each other and teacher assistants for student need and transition documents for 2015.

Classes for 2015 are being finalised this week and we will send out a confirmation letter to each family with class placements for 2015. Teachers spend a long time looking at getting the right placement for students with academic, social, friendship group and personal needs all being taken into consideration. Due to this and the constraints of our small school we do not have flexibility to move students once placed.

It is a busy time for classes and families in the last weeks’ of the school year. We are looking forward to our end of year assembly next Tuesday where we celebrate student achievement and each class perform an item.

Congratulations to Alison and Tiarna who played in front of almost 5000 people on Friday night during the Combined Primary Band Program at the DEC. I was impressed with the professional sound; a result of hours of practice by many students. Incredible!

Staff News

Mrs Judi Wedd, our dedicated teacher assistant, has decided to retire after 30 years of connections at our school. Judi has been the heart of kinder for many years but has worked in all areas in the school during her time with us. She has made a positive difference to hundreds of students and families and we wish her all the very best for her next adventures.

Miss Aleece Saunders will be transferring to Blackmans Bay Primary next year and we wish her all the very best. Mrs Jessica Suffolk will be joining our teaching team for 2015. Mrs Suffolk comes to us from Brighton Primary.
Students moving to another school
It is now the responsibility of the parent/guardian to notify the school in writing when their child is leaving to attend another school. This is now a Department of Education requirement. Previously we were able to accept verbal confirmation. Once the school has received this notification in writing they are able to end the enrolment so the student can then be enrolled at the new school.

Overdue Levies
Could all overdue levy payments be made to the school office by Wednesday 17 December 2014.

Levies 2015
There will be an increase of levies for 2015 as indicated:

- Kinder - $140
- Prep - Grade 6 - $170

School Office opening date 2015:
Monday 19th January, 2015

Uniform shop opening dates 2015:
Tuesday 27th January, 2015
10:00 - 2:00pm

STUDENT ASSISTANCE SCHEME (STAS) 2015

The Student Assistance Scheme (STAS) provides assistance for low income families towards the cost of school levies and is available for full-time students attending a Tasmanian government school or registered non-government school. Eligibility is determined by an income test which all applicants must satisfy.

If you think you may be eligible for assistance re: the payment of student levies – 2015, please contact the School Office to obtain a form.

Please Note: If you have previously applied and currently receive this assistance, you do not need to reapply.
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