WELCOME TO THE 2015 SCHOOL YEAR!

PRIMARY 2015

INFANTS 2015
Back (Yr 2) Patrick Vaughan, Tyson Harvey, Dakota Bunning, Tom Kerin, Simon Brown
Middle (Yr 1) Nickolas Goard, Brodhie Crain, Tyler Simister, Thalia Harvey, Will Kerin, Toby Brown, Fergus Kerin
Front (Kinder) Anakin Bunning, Ben Vaughan, Maddie Keady, Yasin Gamsers, Clancy Judd

God, our Father,
We thank you for the opportunity that awaits us as we begin the new school year. We ask your blessing on our homes and school and seek the guidance of the spirit to ensure that our school and homes are vibrant Christian communities.
Amen
Dear Parents

Welcome to the 2015 school year. One of the exciting things about a school is that its “life” never grows old. We are able to welcome new students and families who can contribute greatly to the school with their ideas and talents. We extend a very warm welcome to the following families who have joined our school community; Jeremy & Katie Keady and Grant Judd & Gabby Bermingham and their families. May a spirit of generosity and goodwill prevail throughout the year when school and home come together to bring success to a new phase of development for your child. No doubt 2015 will be filled with many exciting activities and we look forward to a happy and successful year together. All students are to be commended for settling enthusiastically and diligently into their new year.

Welcome Fr Carl Mackander
We extend a very warm welcome to Fr Carl who is our new priest for the Wellington Parish. Fr Carl had spent a number of years at Dunedoo/Coolah Parish. Fr Carl was a priest in the Wellington Parish some 37 years ago. We look forward to Fr Carl’s guidance, support and special visits with his dog Bruno.

Staffing 2015
This year we welcome Miss Bonnie-sue Smith and Mrs Rana Hunter to our staff. Miss Smith will be working in the Infants Room and Mrs Hunter is in the Primary Room.

Mr Brown – Teaching (Monday, Tuesday) Office (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday)
Mrs Brown - Primary Class (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday)
Mrs Angell – Infants - Monday, Tuesday (& Wednesday odd school weeks)
Miss Baker - Infants – (Wednesday even school weeks) Thursday, Friday
Mrs Hunter -Tuesday & Thursday
Miss Smith – Monday – Friday
Mrs Ryan - Tuesdays
Mrs Kerin - Wednesday morning (Library)
Mrs Englert – Monday - Friday

Three Way Swimming Carnival
The Three Way Swimming Carnival will be held at the Cumnock Pool on Friday 13th February. Cumnock Public is the host school this year. Schools competing in the carnival are St Columba’s, Cumnock Public School and Yeoval Central School. All students 8 years and over who can competently swim 2 strokes are eligible to participate. All other students will remain at school on the day of the carnival. The Carnival will commence at 9.45am so all students will need to be at the Cumnock Pool by 9.30am. Mrs Brown and I will be assessing students at tomorrow’s swimming session to select those who will be able to competently swim on the day. Could you please complete the attached note if you are able to assist with transport to Cumnock.

Newsletter/ Assembly Day
The weekly school newsletter will be sent home on a Wednesday afternoon. A weekly school assembly will be held on a Wednesday afternoon from 2.45pm in the Library. Parents are most welcome to attend. Please check the newsletter each Wednesday to ensure you are aware of events occurring.

Swimming
Swimming activities for sport will begin this Friday. All students (K-6) will be at the pool from 12noon – 1.30pm. Please ensure your child has a rashie as well as all other necessary items required for swimming. Pool admission is $1 for those students who do not have a season ticket.

Library
Weekly Library borrowing will commence next Wednesday. Students must have a library bag to help protect the borrowed books. Please encourage your child/children to make regular use of the wide range of library books and resources available.

Term Calendar
Attached to the newsletter is a Term Calendar for your reference.

CDF Banking
CDF Banking will resume next week. If you are interested in opening a CDF (Catholic Development Fund) savings account for your child / children, please contact Julia Englert at school.
Local Excursion Note
To enable students to participate in local excursions (around Yeoval) a signed permission form is necessary. It would be appreciated if the attached form could be completed and returned to school as soon as possible.

Lunch Orders
Beginning next Friday 6th February we will have a new system for ordering lunches. Last year we introduced having toasted sandwiches available from school every day for $2 (ham, ham & cheese, cheese). This year we would like to add having the school supply special lunch orders on a Friday. This would therefore mean we will no longer order from the Billabong. On a Friday we would have a standard list of toasties, pies & sausage rolls available for the students to purchase. Then every fortnight we would add an extra item as something special e.g a hotdog day, a sausage sizzle day or pizza day. We feel that this is easy to organise and can raise a small amount of money to assist the Junior Josephite Association. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause to tomorrow’s lunches. Next Friday will be a hotdog and popper lunch for $3.00. Please send in your child's money in a named envelope by next Wednesday if you would like them to have a hotdog lunch. Please do not feel that your child has to have a lunch order every Friday.

Student Photos
Attached to the newsletter is a permission note allowing the school to use photographs of students in various publications. Please complete and return to school.

Covering of School Books
Student workbooks will be sent home for covering this Friday. The Infants teachers have requested that all books sent home for covering be covered in clear contact/plastic only. The Primary students will need to have text books covered in clear contact and all other workbooks covered in a covering of your choice. We know that it can be a tedious task so please just return any books uncovered and you can cover them at your earliest convenience.

Drink Bottles
Children are encouraged to have a drink bottle (water only) in the classroom during lessons. No frozen water bottles or cordial please.

School Fees
The first instalment of 2015 School Fees will be sent home in Week 2. Please contact me at school if you wish to discuss any aspect of the fees or methods of payment.

Commonwealth Privacy Act
The Commonwealth Privacy Act requires schools to issue collection notices to parents each year so that the school may obtain and use information to assist in providing schooling for your child. The Collection Notice is attached to this Newsletter.

In addition the school is regulated by a Catholic Education Office Privacy Policy which is available on request from the Principal, or on the Catholic Education Commission.
Website:http://www.cecnsw.catholic.edu.au

These notices need to be returned to school ASAP.

Kind regards for a happy and safe Term One.

Glen Brown
Principal
All enjoying being back at school!