

Dear Parents and Community Members,

It's been a while since the last newsletter. My apologies for that, but with lockdowns and changing restrictions there wasn't much point in trying to predict more than a few days ahead what might be happening at school! Well done to all parents, carers and community members for getting through another week of lockdown. Thank goodness it wasn't longer!

Thanks also to everyone who helped out with our Bunnings BBQ the other week, either in person on the day or by donating supplies for the event. We were very lucky indeed with the weather and had a most successful day, raising over \$1,400 for parents club to support our school and our children. THANK YOU!

Between now and the end of term we have our school council meeting on Monday 21 June – we will hold an onsite meeting this time around but I am very happy to provide an online option for any councillor who would prefer that option.

Next term we will be running the swim and gym program as long as

the COVID restrictions allow us to. I would have liked to send home the permission forms for swim 'n gym today but we are still waiting to finalise costings. Swim and Gym will run every Monday next term, starting with the first day of term. Children will be bussed to the aquatic centre and would normally wear their swimmers under their school uniform that day.

I will send home the permission form as soon as I can, but you should be aware that the program will cost around \$120 - \$130 per child. That cost is subsidised by parent club fundraising money at about \$30 each; thanks to our wonderful parent club for their efforts.

I would like to take this opportunity to let you know about the staffing arrangements for next term, as we have a couple of changes. Firstly I am very excited to let you know that our school chaplain will start very soon indeed. His name is Moses and he was born in Kenya. Moses is a fantastic guy with a long history as a youth worker and we are pleased to have him with us. Moses will be working 2 days a week for the next 2 years. I know that you will make him welcome once he starts at Warrenheip. We also welcome Alix Basham who is working in the P - 2 room four mornings each week.

Next semester Mrs Tromp will be taking some long service leave, so Ms Healy will be taking over her role in the 3/4 classroom and across the school. I am very pleased indeed to be able to replace the irreplaceable Mrs Tromp with such a fabulous teacher as Ms Healy.

This will leave a gap in the P - 2 room, and we are very pleased that Mrs Le Marshall will be back for Semester 2.

Friday 25th will be the last day of term and as normal we will be in casual clothes for the day. We will also be holding a talent show that day and we finish for the term at 2.30pm

Please note that next Monday is the Queen's birthday holiday and there will be no school.

Have a great weekend, Arthur Lane