Dear Students, Parents/Carers & Staff,

I have been extremely impressed with the work produced by our students in English so far this term. The younger students have produced informative texts on Emperor Penguins. The year 3 and 4 students have written traditional stories with a moral, whilst the year 5 and 6 students have written a letter to a person in the future giving them a sense of the present day. All students have responded well to our learning walls which contain the information discussed that is relevant to completing the task. The learning walls help to focus the students on what the important concepts to learn and apply are.

After School Sporting Program

Whilst I would have liked for the tennis program to have commenced by now, we are still waiting for a tennis representative to sign the paperwork. When that is complete, the school will be able to receive our equipment and the program will commence. I apologise for the delay. I have followed this up several times. Despite this, the students won’t miss out as we’ll participate in tennis and cricket in term 4. Hopefully we will get to start tennis in term 3.
2016 Enrolments

Some parents will receive an enrolment pack for students starting prep in 2016 with this newsletter. As previously stated, if you are aware of anyone new to the area looking for a great school, please suggest Mutarnee!

Prep Transition Days

To ensure a smooth transition for our incoming preps, we will be hosting some transition days at the school in term 4. It is a legal requirement that a parent or other identified supervisor attends with the incoming prep students. Whilst attending, students will be given a taste of a school day, get to participate in some fun activities and be given some learning resources which will assist them to have as much knowledge as possible when they commence in 2016. It is important that we give these children the best start possible in their school lives. Dates to follow.

P & C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held at 1pm on Monday, 31 August. The agenda for this meeting includes possible camp locations for 2016, P&C finances, Father’s Day Raffle and Asbestos Training.

Swimming

Swimming will commence in term 4 on Friday, 16 October. As has previously been the case, the swimming will take place at Rollingstone Beach Caravan Park. Lessons will take place from 1 - 2pm and the 5 week program will cost $20 per student. Permission notes to follow.

Tuckshop Volunteers

Over the past couple of weeks the tuckshop food has been prepared by Kathy as Bec Davy has been unavailable. I have been approached by a couple of people who are willing to volunteer over the next couple of weeks. However, in the longer term if you would be willing to volunteer to do tuckshop, please let Mr Poulter know. Thanks!

School Photos

School photos have been booked for Wednesday, October 7. This is the second day back in term 4 so I’m sure all the students will look extremely refreshed! Order forms will be sent home shortly.

Learning Tip of the Week

Try and involve your children in everyday activities as much as possible. Lessons learned while discussing the cost of items when shopping or how to work out how to double a cake recipe provide meaningful learning opportunities and are invaluable.

Don’t be afraid to say hello!

Keith Poulter
Acting Principal