**Dates to Remember**

February
2—16—Swimming Program
6—Preps Day off
11—P & F AGM—3.30pm
11—SC Meeting 8pm
20—Swimming Sports
March
9—Labor Day Holiday
11—School Council AGM 8pm

**WHO’S DOING WHAT THIS WEEK?**

Helen will be working some of this week while Molly is doing the “English On Line” testing.

**THIS WEEK’S BIRTHDAYS**

A Great Big Happy Birthday to Mrs P who is having a birthday on Thursday.

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**Thank You — Donations**

During fourth term last year we sent out a community letter regarding the need to raise extra funds to put towards staffing at our school. As part of this exercise we also acquired an NGR card and invited local growers to donation grain to the school. Thanks to the community’s generosity we received $4185.16 in donations. $1700.00 in cash donations and $2485.16 from grain donations. As a result of this generosity the school has been able to employ Helen Gloster to work each Friday morning from 9am—1pm for terms 1 and 2. This means that the school will now only have one staff member present on Friday afternoons during terms 1 & 2 and not all day as has been the case. We cannot express our gratitude enough and will be sending personal thankyou’s to the donors.

**School Council Meeting**

Our first meeting for 2015 will be held on Wednesday 11th February—all current (2014) councillors are urged to attend.

**School Council AGM**

The AGM has been set for Wednesday 11th March at 8pm and five councillors will end their two year term. Nominations for the five vacancies are now called for.

Councillors who’s two year term ends are: Theo Magnisalis, Alice Farnsworth, Prue Lynch, Kaylene Richardson and Pennie Wisneske. All are eligible for re election.

Councillors who still have one year to run are: Matt Brown, Sonia McVicar, Garth Aikman and Cameron and Casey Gloster.

Self nomination forms are available from the office or can be collected at next weeks meeting.

**Parents and Friends — AGM—11th February**

The AGM of the Parents and Friends will be held at Outen Park on Wednesday 11th February commencing at 3.30pm following swimming. Parents are urged to attend as there are several fundraising items for 2015 to be discussed.
Wood for Sale
As you may have noticed, the school had to cut down several trees that were deemed to be unsafe in and around the school yard and we are selling the wood as a fundraiser. Trailers (4 x 6) will have to be loaded by the purchaser and wood will be as is—ie you will have to cut the larger pieces yourself. Price per load will be $80.00. Please contact the school if you wish to purchase a load or two or three!!! Terms—cash on load!

Working Bee Thank you
A Great big thank you to the parents who attended the tree cutting working bee and the yard clean up prior to the start of school. It was great to see the yard looking all spick and span.

Swimming Program
A reminder to all families that the swimming program starts today. Thank you to everyone for returning their permission forms as requested. A reminder also that students will be dismissed from the pool at the end of each day during the program. Please make sure you send the follow items EACH DAY during the swimming program. Bathers, Towel, Rashy (must have one due to Department regulations), Sun screen (if you don’t want to use the schools’), Hat/Cap from home to wear while walking to and from the pool, Ear plugs if required and Thongs to wear home.

Mowing and Watering Roster
We have endeavoured to place families on the roster at times when they may not be as busy as others. Please make sure you contact your roster partner and organise your duties and a time that suits. If you are unable to make your turn please organise your own swap. If you have any questions regarding the watering regime or the location of mower keys etc please contact Mrs P. or Theo.

Lunch Pick Up Roster
We will again be having “Shop Lunches” each Friday and we need parents to volunteer to do the pick up and delivery from the shop at 12.30pm. Last year we did this in half term blocks and we think we will do the same this year. Please place your name in the space that suits and return this to school—Thank you in anticipation.

Year 3—6 Talks
We will be having weekly oral activities during term 1 and terms 2,3 & 4 will be home prepared talks. An information sheet will be sent home with the students explaining this in more detail. There has been no homework
set as yet, however students are all expected to read each night. Please remember, reading is learning and reading is a pleasure not a chore!!

**Brain Food**
Students are encouraged to bring along “brain food” to eat during class as it has been proven that the brain works much better when fed!! There are a variety of foods which we encourage you to send and some are: sliced carrots, raw cauliflower and broccoli, all fruit—fresh and dried, dried biscuits, cheese. All food must be able to be eaten by hand and not be messy.

**Preps Day Off**
A reminder to parents of prep students that they are not required at school on Friday—take this time to give them a sleep in and a chance to catch up on the important things at home!!

**English On Line**
Students in years Prep 1 & 2 are being tested for the Department using “English On Line” program. While Molly is conducting this testing, Helen is being employed to work in her room.

**Parent Update Booklet**
We are sending home an update booklet for all previous families to fill out. Please complete this and return it to school as soon as possible so we can update our records. Thank you in anticipation.