Term 1 - Week 2

Thursday 7th February 2008

Find your teacher!

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2008

#### TERM 1

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Uniform Shop News
Attention Parents

NEW DAY FOR THE UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop will now be opening on Tuesdays between 3:10pm—3:45pm

This service is on a weekly basis and all orders, including those left at the office will be processed on that day.

If there is anyone interested in volunteering to take over the running of the Uniform Shop please see Tracey or phone 0402 154 999

Tracey Griffiths
INFORMATION
ON
EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is provided to assist eligible families with the costs associated with the education of their children.

To be eligible for receipt of the EMA you must:
be either a parent or guardian of a primary or secondary school student up to the age of sixteen; and
be an eligible beneficiary of a Centrelink pension, allowance or benefit within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004 or be a Veterans Affairs (TPI) pensioner or be a foster parent.

Consequently parents/guardians are able to access the EMA if they have a valid Health Care Card or valid Pension Card.

The eligibility criteria must be met as at the first day of Term 1 (29 January 2008 which is the first day for teaching staff) and Term 3 (14 July 2008).

The EMA application must be submitted to the school by 29 February 2008 for the first instalment and 1 August 2008 for the second instalment.

The EMA provides an annual amount of $215 for primary students and $430 for secondary students and is paid in two instalments. This amount is split evenly between the parents/guardians and the school. Schools receive the school portion electronically twice a year and parents/guardians receive their portion via two cheques. Students turning 16 years in 2008, will be paid on a pro rata basis and not on the 70/30% basis.

Payment Amounts

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Parents with continuing eligibility, who are paid the first instalment of 2008 through this school will not be required to complete a new application for the second instalment. Parents who transfer children to another school after 29 February 2008 and prior to or on 1 August 2008, must reapply at the new school for the second instalment.

Application forms are available from the school office.

PREP STUDENTS
School Entrant Health Questionnaire

The Primary School Nursing Program offers a health assessment to children in their first year of school. Every prep child will receive a SEHQ this year. If your child is in Prep, they will bring home with the questionnaire in their first week of school. It’s for you to fill in about your child, if they are attending prep for the first time. The questionnaire covers information about their health, including dental health, speech and language, hearing, vision, general development and behaviour and emotional well being.

Please complete the questionnaire and return it to the school.

A school nurse will be in touch with you when she sees your child and the school will be in touch with you when the school nurse arranges her main school visit.

If you have any further questions you can contact the Primary School Nursing Program in your region which is listed in the back of the School Entrant Health Questionnaire.
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