Dear Parents and Caregivers,

2015 Preparations
The start of each new year brings opportunities for us as a school to reflect on strategic operations about class structures and combinations, and as we worked through with staff on the Student Free Day, the culture and teaching philosophy of the school. Going home with the newsletter today is a letter to parents, explaining in detail the next steps in our journey of supporting learners in our school. We are privileged to celebrate great diversity in our student population and, in turn, the opportunities to innovate and evolve how our school meets the learning, social and emotional needs of every student.

Staffing News for 2015
I was able to share with the P &C at the meeting on Tuesday night information pertaining to transfers both into our school and also staff transferring out at the end of the year. We also have some staff returning from leave.

Mrs Raylee Grabbe who has been on long service leave has announced her retirement starting in 2015. Mrs Grabbe has been a long term staff member and we look forward to celebrating her career and farewelling her at our Celebration Evening in December.

There is still some movement to occur in our staffing and this will be ongoing between now and the end of the year. As changes occur I will be placing information in the newsletter. Information about class structures and what year levels teachers will be teaching will be released mid to late November. Letters to parents will go home informing them of their child’s teacher for 2015 at the conclusion of the school year and before Christmas. Booklists for 2015 are currently being reviewed and will be available on the website when completed; a copy will be posted home with your letter at the end of the year.

Kelly Jeppesen
Principal

Thursday 30th October—Final Payment for Swimming
Programme Due

Dear Parents and Caregivers

It’s that time of the year again, Halloween!!!
We are having our Halloween disco on the 31st October. There will be prizes for best dressed, so put your thinking caps on!
We will also be having a sausage sizzle and goo products available for purchase and, as usual, the tuckshop will be open to purchase drinks etc.

Times are
Prep - Year 2 5:15 pm- 6:45pm
Year 3 - Year 7 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Can’t wait to see you all there and see all the wonderful costumes.
Have a great weekend
Kind regards,
Jacquie Gane  P&C President
**Bank Deposits**

A reminder to parents and caregivers that if you are paying tax invoices through bank deposit, please ensure you use your student’s name as the Reference. This will make it easier for the cashier to match the payment to the correct account. Also, if you are paying by bank deposit please allow 2-3 days for the payment to process into our account. If you leave it until the day before the excursion / incursion we will not be able to see the deposit and the students account will appear outstanding.

**OneSchool Performance**

During the September / October school holidays there were enhancements done through the department on OneSchool. OneSchool is the program all schools use to process payments and attendance (along with many other applications). Unfortunately this has caused our system to slow down. The school is currently waiting for a bandwidth upgrade which will help, but until then can I please ask that you be patient when waiting for a receipt. I am sure you would all agree with me in saying Mrs Hennessey and Mrs Skaines do a wonderful job in the office and it is out of their control how long the system takes to process. Hopefully the performance issues are sorted over the coming weeks.

**Payment Plans**

Anyone needing to make a Payment Plan for swimming please do so as soon as you can. Payment plans can be done with the Business Services Manager, Nichole Meehan in the office. Payment plans will need to be completed by Friday 28 November 2014; this leaves families six weeks at the most to complete payment for swimming.

Many thanks,

Nichole Meehan - Acting Business Services Manager

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**Dakabee Award Recipients for Week 4**

**SAFE**

Haylee Bayne 234 ACE
Cameron Gillies Prep A
Alex Bertus 2B
Daniel Stephenson 6/7B

**SENSIBLE**

Tyler Swensson 1A
Amali Rasmussen Prep B
Simukai Shoniwa 2A
Jacob Thomas 1/2C
Daniel Brewer-Abbott 4/5B
Corey Barnes 5A
Cara Neilson 6/7A
Elizabeth Jones Prep C
Nikki Duffy 567 ACE
Katelin Brown 6/7C
Harmony Judd 4A

**RESPECTFUL**

Yuna Ribbe 3A
Keylee Dobson 34C
Holly Skinner - Martin 1A
Willow Eyre 1B
Isabella Jensen 3B
Wiremu Aramoana 2/3D

**Physical Education**

Kaleb Valentine 4A

**Japanese**

Angelina Jensen 6/7B

**Music**

Oscar Wakeham 5A

**Jabiru**

Chelsea Cabrera Prep B

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**Nihongo Notes**

みなさん、こんにちは（Minasan, Kon-nichi-wa）If someone asks you “ogenki desu ka” (How are you?), you can say ‘hai, genki desu’ (yes, I’m well) in return.