Welcome to Week 7 of Term 4. With only just over 4 weeks of the year to go we are certainly in for some busy times.

The stress of leadership speeches is now past. Congratulations to all of the students who overcame their fears and spoke in front of their peers. This is a great achievement and something that they can be very proud of. Anne and I will tally up the votes throughout the next few weeks and we will announce our captains and prefects at Presentation Day on the 9th December at 9:30am. We hope to see most of our parents and carers in attendance as it is our whole school community that should come together to celebrate the wonderful achievements of our students throughout 2015.

Don’t forget the Fun Run sponsorships that were handed out last week. All students who raise more than $10 are eligible for a prize and this is a great way for us to raise funds and keep healthy.

Our League Taggers emerged victorious on Wednesday with the NRL Values Shield firmly in our grasp. The kids were wonderful all day, showing a very mature balance between being competitive and also including players of all skill levels. I could not have been more proud when I watched, on several occasions, our kids letting players from the opposition score tries to boost their confidence. Well done to all involved, especially our coaches, Sally Wesley, Jaxen Heward and Matt Freebairn, who are instrumental in developing the culture of fair play and sportsmanship within our teams.

On the same day as the League Tag our 2 school leaders, Jonah and Zara, accompanied Gill Baker to the local Remembrance Day service. The attitude and commitment shown by these two school leaders was incredible. Despite both being involved heavily in League Tag, they were very quick to acknowledge the importance of this event and forgo their spot on the team. Very impressive and a great demonstration of quality leadership! Miss Baker reported that they represented their school with pride throughout the ceremony. It has also been reported to me that the students who attended our school service did so with great maturity and respect. Well done to all involved.

I spoke about the importance of respect when I first arrived at our school, and the way it has evolved into such an integral part of our school culture has been wonderful to watch. The role that our school community has played in developing the understanding of respect for our school, the teachers and each other cannot be understated. Thank you to each and every member of our wider school community for your support in an area so critical to student development.

Thursday was the much anticipated Way Way excursion for SCP and by all accounts it was a great day. I have seen some incredible photos by our own master photographer, Donna
Baldwin, and they look incredible! Mrs Parkins and Mrs Haase did a great job organising this wonderful day trip, and I am sure that the students involved enjoyed exploring a living and vibrant curriculum through their excursion.

It was wonderful to welcome our special guests from the Lion’s Club on Friday. This incredible group of volunteers work tirelessly to support a variety of causes, one of which is the Hearing Dogs who provide specialised classroom equipment for the hearing impaired. We were lucky enough to be the recipient of a brand new portable sound field system that will be utilised in Stage 1 for the remainder of the year. This system benefits all students as it amplifies the teacher’s voice and makes instructions easier for students to hear and follow.

Finally I would like to wish Aunty Nerida, Ms Edwards, Brooke and Keenan all the best for this coming Monday. The NAIDOC Public Speaking Regional Champs will be flown to Sydney on Sunday for the very special State Finals to be held in Parliament House. This has been a marvellous effort on behalf of both Brooke and Keenan and we are very proud to have them representing our school at this special event!

Have a great week. Todd

Library News

Staff and students would like to thank the P&C for their generous donation of funds which enabled the purchase of new soft furniture for our library. The furniture is inviting, comfortable and colourful and is used by younger and older, smaller and bigger students alike. It is easily manoeuvred to create different leaning spaces within the library and has enriched the library as a quality learning environment in our school.

We truly appreciate the work of the P&C this year, particularly in relation to the School Fete held in March at which the majority of funds for the support of this project were raised.

Thanks to our P&C our library has become an more inviting place of learning.

Listening Devices

David Murray, a local plumber, has constructed listening devices using plumbing pipes. David has donated these to our school for our reading and writing activities. Next year they will be used by our K-2 kids.

We wish to thank David for his support, and if anyone needs plumbing done, call David on 0400336790.

Class Merit Awards


Class of the Week - SCB

Congratulations!
Well done to our League Tag teams on their win!!

Music Practise with Mrs Parkins

Lions Club donated a speaker to our school!

The whole school has been rehearsing for our Family Fun Night!
Don’t forget to mark Friday 4th December in you calendar!
**Community News**

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Please return this form to the Front Office as soon as possible so they can be sent off before the end of the year. They will post out the new pass to you during the Christmas break.

Please note your child will need this new pass to travel on the bus in 2016.