Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome you to our new 2015 school year and to this first edition of Tangara Tales. I do hope you have had a great festive season with your family and a happy summer break. As always it is wonderful to see lots of smiling faces of students who are pleased to be back at school and into routines that they enjoy. There have been some changes to student placement in classes this year, so we need to support them through the changes for the first few days.

I am sending you a back to school pack which contains some important forms necessary to help us keep accurate information about your child. It is very important to return them as quickly as possible and to inform us of any changes of contact details now and throughout the year. It is also important to let us know of any changes in the health of your child. It also contains a parent information booklet, which I hope you will find useful about all aspects of school throughout 2015.

Students

We have started the year with 24 students in 4 classes. The staff and P&C look forward to working with all families both new and existing to provide a comprehensive and successful educational program in this bright New Year.

Classes for 2015

Sunshine Class: Sarah Alexander Assistant Principal and Sharyn Foster SLSO.

Violet Class: Stacy Roger Teacher Monday - Thursday, Sharon Fitzpatrick Teacher every Friday and Donna McGeorge SLSO.

Ruby Class: Georgina Hamilton Teacher and Tracey Buys (Monday-Wednesday) and Maree Crawshaw (Thursday & Friday)

Ocean Class: Kendrah Clark Teacher and Toni Anstiss SLSO.

A few important reminders:

School voluntary contributions from families will be much appreciated. The DEC has set these at $44 for primary school and $95 for high school. Tangara would like all parents to contribute $45 per student.

Student absences: If your child is absent from school for sickness etc please inform your class teacher as soon as possible either by entering it into your child’s communication book or phoning the school office on 48711636.

Labelling is very important as it enables us to help students look after items of clothing and other personal belongings.

School uniform is described in the new parent information booklet. We expect all students to wear school uniform every day and thank you for helping us to instil pride of school and self into students.

Hygiene programs are very important to keep everyone healthy. The cost of supplies increased dramatically last year. I am asking that all families assist us by donating boxes of paper tissues and wet wipes (if required) to the class. Your child’s teacher will write to you shortly with details as not all students use wet wipes.

From time to time families do have financial hardship and find it difficult to meet the cost of their child’s education. The school does have some funding to help families when they need it and I ask that you ask me or your child’s teacher for an application form for student assistance to assist with the purchase of for example, uniform or other costs associated with your child’s education.

I am looking forward to a very bright year of learning for your children and successful partnerships with families.

Best Wishes
Linda McLaughlin
Principal