Welcome to all new students and their families!
All students have settled into their new classes and all classes are busy establishing work practices and routines. 142 kindergarten students had their first day at school yesterday and we have many new students in other grades. We welcome all new families!

Meet the teacher afternoons
We hope that many parents will be able to visit and meet class teachers at our Meet the Teacher Afternoons. Times are included in this newsletter. Anyone who is working and is unavailable to attend may phone to make an alternative time to see class teachers and all class teachers will provide written information.
Kindergarten- 13th February at 3.30
Years 1 and 2- 17th February 3.30
Years 3 and 4- 10th February 3.30
Years 5 and 6- 11th February 3.30

School Photographs
You will receive an envelope today with a note regarding school photos which will be taken next week. Please decide what you would like to purchase and return the envelope to the money box which is the hole in the wall in Area D. If you would like siblings to have a photo please collect an envelope from the office.

Numbers and classes
We have started the year with 780 students in 31 classes. Our school is growing and we are still waiting for another classroom for 4 Mouse. At this time they are learning in the computer lab.

Newsletter
If you have an email address please complete the form to have a newsletter emailed to you each fortnight.

Voluntary Contribution
I ask that everyone pays their contribution as soon as possible. This money helps to provide classroom stationary and art supplies. We aim to keep this at a low cost for parents. The note is included in the newsletter.

SAFETY REMINDER- Only parents of physically disabled students can come into the school driveway. All other parents must park outside the school grounds.
We look forward to a great year of learning!

Kerrie Hayman
WHAT'S ON

The Fields Flyer is full of interesting information each week. Make sure that you check out the DET web site for parents. www.schools.nsw.edu.au/news/ezine

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CHOOSING SCHOOL SHOES

Are expensive school shoes the best option for happy feet? Let’s face it. School shoes have never been at the cutting edge of fashion. In fact if you look at what your parents were wearing, the humble school shoe really hasn’t evolved much at all.


TEACH YOUR KIDS TO BE WATER PROOF

As temperatures rise, the risk of drowning increases too. Review these water-safety tips to help keep your family safe this summer.


LIBRARY NEWS

The library is currently undergoing a major face lift (I'm next!) so will not be operational until at least Week 3. In the meantime, start thinking about an inspirational new name for our library (there will be a great prize for the name selected).

We want our library to be the focus of the school where learning and fun continue to go hand in hand and students, parents, family members and staff can come and use our school’s resources in a welcoming and relaxed environment. So far, Mrs Powell has suggested Gondwana (the name given to the super continent when it was all together as one land mass).

We also need help to photograph posters, sorting picture books and doing a little tiling, so if you are able to help in any way, please see Karen Miller and don’t forget to get creative with the library’s new name!